Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

July 9, 2023

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Schedule of Services

5 Questions About ApostlesBy Dale Parsley

Sunday Sun Bible Class: 9:00 AM

Sun AM Worship: 10:00 AM Sun PM Worship:

5:00 PM Wednesday

7:00 PM

Leadership:

Elders:

Dave Lancaster

Dave Parks

Hal Powell

Melvin Truax

Lew Wilson

Deacons:

Joe Elrod

Brian Mercer

Darren Parks

Clay Perkins

Minister:

Dale Parsley

Youth Minister:

Carlos Molina

What was an apostle? They were more than just followers of Jesus. They were more than just "one's sent" as some say the word only means. They were leaders of the church. The word apostle comes from the Greek word apostolos. As MacArthur notes, "apostolos' conveyed the idea of an ambassador, a delegate, an official representative. The word has an exact parallel in Aramaic - shaliah...In that first-century Jewish culture, the shaliah was an official representative of the Sanhedrin. He spoke for them, and when he spoke, he spoke with their authority. He was owed the same respect and deference as the council itself." (12 Ordinary Men, p. 20).

What did an apostle do? They were evangelists who revealed a direct message from God to man (Matthew 16:17-19, 10:19-21; 1 Corinthians 14:37). They were the teachers of God's Word (Acts 2:42), oversaw the funds given to assist those in need (Acts 4:34-35), and were the ones who solved problems within the church (Acts 6:1-6). They were given supernatural power to cast out demons, heal the sick and diseased (Matthew 10:1-2), raise the dead (Acts 9:36-42), strike people blind (Acts 13:9-12), and impart miraculous spiritual gifts to others (Acts 8:14-17).

How many apostles did Jesus have? Technically, it was 14. According to Matthew 10:1-3, Peter, Andrew, James, John, Phillip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James, Thaddeus, Simon, and Judas Iscariot who was replaced by Mathias (Acts 1:26); and Paul, the apostle borne out of due time (1 Corinthians 15:8-9).

Were there qualifications to be an apostle? Not anyone was selected or could become an apostle. Jesus handpicked the first 12 (Matthew 10:1-3). After Judas' death, the qualifications that Mathias met were (1) He was with Jesus at the beginning to the end of His ministry, (2) was an eyewitness of the resurrection of Christ.

Are there apostles today? Can anyone today reproduce the miracles of an apostle in raising the dead, causing the lame to walk, striking false teachers blind, etc.? Is anyone today old enough to be an eyewitness of the resurrection of Jesus? Can anyone today lay hands on another and impart miraculous, spiritual gifts to another? The answer is no.

"Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, (20) having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, (21) in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. (22) in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit" (Ephesians 2:19-22).

Radio and TV Programs

Good News of Peace: Sundays: 8:00 AM on WRRR 93.9 FM

Gospel Broadcasting Network: Dish Network Channel: 9407 (noon); Direct TV Channel: 376 (7:30 AM)

In Search of the Lord's Way: 7:30—Channel 4, Parkersburg; 7:30—Channel 15, Parkersburg; 8:00—

Channel 7, Wheeling; 11:30—Channel 5, Clarksburg

Worship Schedule

July— Lew Wilson Aug— Clay Perkins

July 9

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Dave Lancaster
Song Leader: Darren Parks
Usher/Monitor: Jesse Barnhart
Usher/Monitor: Richard Lee Davis
Communion: Clay Perkins
Closing Prayer: Tom Becker

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster Song Leader: Darren Parks Communion: Clay Perkins Closing Prayer: Tom Becker

Wednesday July 12

Announce/Prayer: Dave Lancaster

Song Leader: Darren Parks Closing Prayer: Melvin Truax

Door Greeters:

July 16

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Camaron L Song Leader: Caleb Parsley Usher/Monitor: Lew Wilson Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker Communion: Dave Parks Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L
Song Leader: Caleb Parsley
Communion: Dave Parks
Closing Prayer: Joe Elrod
Wednesday July 19

Announce/Prayer: Camaron L Song Leader: Caleb Parsley Closing Prayer: Lane Perkins

Door Greeters:

Upcoming Events

Summer Series

Study from Psalms

July 12 Jordan Smith

July 19 Greg Yost

July 26 Terry Townsend

OVCYC @ Camp Barbe

Junior Week July 9-14

BBQ Fundraiser next Saturday
July8 11-4pm at OVCYC

WVCYC @ Mountain

Intermediate Week: July 9-14

Junior Week: July 16-21

All-Age Week: July 23-28

Singing Emphasis Week: July 30-

August 4

*Worship at the Heritage today at 2pm

*Clothing Giveaway August 1st in the Fellowship Room

PRAYER LIST:

*Beth Hess, Carmen Powell's sister, is in Wingate on hospice care.

*Charlie Elder, brother of Carmen, had a heart catheterization on Friday.

*Evelyn Hall was able to come home last week.

*Joe Yeager has been diagnosed with Stage 4 Pancreatic cancer. Please keep Joe and Anita in your prayers.

*Larry Truax is improving and is in rehabilitation.

*Ann Barnhart, neice of Joyce, has lost her eyesight in one eye from glaucoma and is at home.

Nancy Holpp, Gala Stewart, Ruth Eddy, Fay Williams, Betty Timmons, Ashton & Baby Lancaster, Jane Ann Becker, Tom Becker, Tina Keith, Larry Truax, Bill & Lorraine Dutton, Gerald & Jan Burns, Rodney Ramsey, Betty Wilson, Gail Mote, Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Evelyn Hall, Cecil Cline, Madeline McFadden, Diane Shingler, Lisa Westbrook Smith, and Carolyn Rule.

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