

Dewey Avenue Church of Christ

December 24, 2023

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St. Marys, WV (304) 684-3939

Schedule of Services

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

THE HOME OF JESUS:

By Troy Alberts

The headline reads, "Archaeologists Believe They've Unearthed Jesus's Childhood Home" (*Popular Mechanics*, December 1, 2020). Professor Ken Dark has been credited with making what has been described as "an astonishing find." It seems that after 14 years of examining a particular dwelling in modern-day Nazareth, Professor Dark has become convinced that it is the house in which Jesus was raised.

It's interesting to note that a convent of nuns carried out excavations at the site from 1888 until the 1930's, without finding any proof that the dwelling had been built by Joseph's hands. A Jesuit priest continued to work the site from 1936 to 1964, without producing evidence which would prove that Christ was raised in the house. Dark, himself, in an article published in 2015, wrote, "Was this the house where Jesus was brought up? It is impossible to say on archaeological grounds, but nor is there any archaeological reason why such an identification need be discounted."

While no one can be sure of where Christ lived as a child, one can and should be sure of where Christ is living today. Jesus made the statement in John 14:23 that if anyone loves Him and keeps His word, Jesus' Father would love him, and He and His Father would come and make their home with him. Paul proclaimed that he had been crucified with Christ, and Christ lived in him (Galatians 2:20). Paul instructed the Corinthians to examine themselves to make sure that they knew whether or not Christ was living in them (2 Corinthians 13:5).

Consider these thoughts:

- **Christ's home is in the Christian's heart** (Ephesians 3:17).
- **Christ is the home builder.** The Christian is His workmanship (Ephesians 2:10), being built into a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:5).
- **Christ is the homeowner.** The Christian is not his own, as he has been bought with a price (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). The price of the house was Christ Himself (1 Timothy 2:6).
- **Christ is the head of the household.** Paul stated in Ephesians 1:22 that Jesus is head over all things to the church.
- **Christ is the provider of the home.** Paul wrote in Philippians 4:19 that God supplies all needs. Man's greatest need is salvation, and Jesus provides that through His sacrifice on the cross.
- **Christ is a permanent resident.** The Hebrew writer reminds readers that Christ said He would never leave nor forsake them (Hebrews 13:5).

Knowing where Christ was raised as a boy is insignificant. Knowing that He was raised from the dead and lives today is of vital importance.

Source: Bulletindigest.com

R a d i o a n d T V P r o g r a m s

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8:00—Channel 7, Wheeling; 11:30—Channel 5, Clarksburg

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Worship Schedule

Dec— Clay Perkins

Jan—Darren Parks

Dec 24

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Usher/Monitor: Richard Lee Davis

Usher/Monitor: Jesse Barnhart

Communion: Dave Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Caleb Parsley

Communion: Dave Lancaster

Closing Prayer: Larry Butcher

Wednesday Dec 27

Announce/Prayer: Clay Perkins

Song Leader: Karson Elrod

Closing Prayer: Brian Mercer

Door Greeters:

Dec 31

Morning Worship:

Announce/Pray: Hal Powell

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Usher/Monitor: Elmer Burns

Usher/Monitor: Tom Becker

Communion: Clint Perkins

Closing Prayer: Melvin Truax

Evening Worship:

Announce/Prayer: Hal Powell

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Communion: Clint Perkins

Closing Prayer: Melvin Truax

Wednesday Jan 3

Announce/Prayer: Hal Powell

Song Leader: Darren Parks

Closing Prayer: Jay Mote

Door Greeters:

Upcoming Events

*The December Birthday/ Anniversary celebration will be combined with the month of January due to the holidays.

* Dale will be taking pictures to update the church directory, please see Dale for quick pictures after a.m. services and also make sure you have filled out the information sheet and writing in your birthday(s)/ Anniversary.

*CYC conference in Pigeon Forge Feb 23-25, please let Carlos know as soon as possible.

*The new teaching quarter will begin Jan 3rd. New teaching material is in the supply room.

PRAYER LIST:

*Richard Davis had emergency hernia surgery and is scheduled to come home today.

*Tom and Tamara Meeks are feeling better and Tom was able to go to therapy for his knee replacement.

*Janice and Gerald Burns both have covid but are feeling better.

*Carmen Powell is battling covid.

*The Collins Family have been under the weather with covid.

Gary Nichols, Brenda Lancaster Family, Gala Stewart, Fred Wilson, Don Archer, Kirk Timmons, James Bennett, Evelyn Hall, Ruth Eddy, Fay Williams, Betty Timmons, Kathy Lancaster, Jane Ann Becker, Jeremy Rhodes, Dave St. Peter, Lorraine Dutton, Bill Dutton, Gerald & Jan Burns, Rodney Ramsey, Gail Mote, Sandy Mote, John Rockhold, Cecil Cline, Zack Lamp, Madeline McFadden, Larry Truax, and Carolyn Rule.

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