

Fountain of Hope



Official Newsletter of the Fountain of Hope Christian Church

MISSION: Encourage spiritual growth and nurture God's children to take care of self, community, and the world through Christian Education, Radical Hospitality, Authentic Praise and Worship, and Service.

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Salvation Is Free But Still Costs

Matthew 1:19-21

"19 Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

20 But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to

take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

As we celebrate this season of Christmas, we remember the baby Jesus born in a manger in Bethlehem. A time of great joy for the world because salvation is brought to the world.

Salvation is free but there still is a cost. For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten son that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life. (John 3:16)

Joseph gave up his pride

and was faithful to the law and the word of God. Joseph took Mary as his wife and cared for her because this baby Jesus would "save his people from their sins."

Joseph did not know the whole story but we do. "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5)

Let us not only celebrate the giving of gifts during this season, but also let's remember the costs for our salvation. Let us also give glory to God for the great love toward us.

May Grace and Peace fill your life.



Rev. Dr. Charles F. Marshall, III



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Fountain of Hope Gives Scholarship in Partnership With South Alabama Mass Choir

In 1989, Pastor Marshall along with Tommy James of Andalusia founded the South Alabama Mass Choir, a community based group from 6 counties in South Alabama. The choir performed concerts and sponsored activities to support the community. As

the group celebrated it's 30th year reunion in 2019 at the First Baptist Church of Andalusia, Alabama. The choir provided a portion of the gift and Fountain of the Hope made up the difference to give a gift of \$500 to the Lurleen B. Wallace Junior

College, Andalusia, Alabama to give to a student from area with a 2.5 grade point average.





NATIONAL CONVOCATION

CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

OUR VISION

The vision of the National Convocation is to be a leaven in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) under One God as One Church with One Mission in the world; as a voice promoting pertinent issues related to the African American Church, carrying out the biblical mandate, and to transform lives.

OUR STRATEGY

Promote and support transformational Ministry in our local congregations.

Promote and support reconciliation, social justice and move our congregations toward being pro-reconciling / anti-racism communities.

Strengthen and transform the Biennial Session

OUR MISSION

To build meaningful and personal relationships with the people of our communities and other bodies essential to transforming congregations to do mission and ministry in a current and emerging context.

(Romans 12:9-21)

(Isaiah 43:19)

OUR COVENANT

We shall strive to do mission and ministry to all generations within our communities and seek to be a conduit of God's unconditional love to all people.

Continuous be relevant, thriving, and vibrant Disciples congregations of the National Convocation, preparing ourselves for mission and ministry in the 21st Century.



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Rev. Robert L. Melson, Sr.
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Min. Ted Jeans
Nikki Thornton
Bro. Calvin Croom
Family of Otis Ray
Sis. Kim Hoyles
Bro. Mack McFadden
Family of Ellie Cook

JUST LET US KNOW -

- If you need pastoral care
- If you need prayer
- If you need someone to talk to
- If you wish to be married
- If you have loved ones experiencing death
- If you are faced with any life situation

Become a Member

Becoming a member is easy. All you need to do is take the step of faith and become a part of this fellowship. Our members are located all over the world. You can be a part of this transforming ministry by simply letting one of our leaders know that you desire to be a part. We can make the necessary arrangements with you in necessary.

You may join by one of three (3) ways: Baptism, Letter, or Watch Care.

Baptism—If you never have been baptized

Letter — If you are moving membership from another church.

Watch Care—Keep your current membership, but affiliate under care while you are in

News from the Disciples of Christ

**Bible Study each week on
Wednesday at 7:00 pm.**

**Send request for URL link to
Fountainofhopeatl@gmail.com**

Youth Regional Assembly
February 24-26, 2022

General Assembly
July 29 –August 1, 2023

Theological Institutions

Seven Disciples theological institutions educate ministers for thousands of Disciples congregations as well as for other denominations. Located in large metropolitan areas, these schools serve as theological, spiritual, and intellectual centers. Learn more about these institutions in [Learn more about these institutions from HELM](#). These institutions receive denominational support through [Disciples Mission Fund](#) and the [Thanksgiving Special Day Offering](#).

- [Brite Divinity School](#)
- [Christian Theological Seminary](#)
- [Disciples Divinity House of the University of Chicago](#)
- [Disciples Divinity House at Vanderbilt University](#)
- [Disciples Seminary Foundation](#)
- [Lexington Theological Seminary](#)
- [Phillips Theological Seminary](#)



For other Disciples' schools and education opportunities see:

<https://disciples.org/higher-education/>

RECYCLING KEY

PETE Polyethylene terephthalate		Water bottles Soda bottles Food packaging	LDPE Low-density polyethylene		Clothing Furniture Grocery bags
HDPE High-density polyethylene		Cereal box liners Milk jugs Yogurt tubs	PP Polypropylene		Yogurt containers Beverage caps Straws
V Vinyl or Polyvinyl chloride		Clear food packaging Cleaning product bottles Cooking oil bottles	PS Polystyrene		Disposable dishes Carry-out containers Egg cartons

Easier to recycle (1, 2)

More Difficult to Recycle (3,4, 5, & 6)

Check with your local recycling company

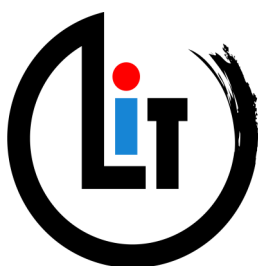


Mission of Hope

We are seeking students who have a desire to improve their condition and to be all that God has created them to be. In this program, we would like to help assist youth leaders, teachers, mentors, and other in providing programs such as the following:

College Tours • African Heritage Tours • Leadership Development Experiences • Career Development

OBJECTIVE: *Provide hope enriching opportunities for the development of youth as future citizens, leaders, and support the development of meaningful personal goals.*



LEARN ■ INTERACT ■ TRAIN

- Students will have the opportunity to hear and speak with persons in various careers who will share paths to these careers.
- Students will have opportunity to speak to vocational and technical school admission professionals.
- Students and parents will have the opportunity to speak with professionals who can help finance their education.
- Opportunity for Students to earn while learning and leave with a career
- Students will have the opportunity to sign for college

Christian Education

There are opportunities to grow: Virtual Bible Study (Each Wednesday at 7pm) and On Demand Classes

<https://fountainofhopechristianchurch.com/christian-education/>

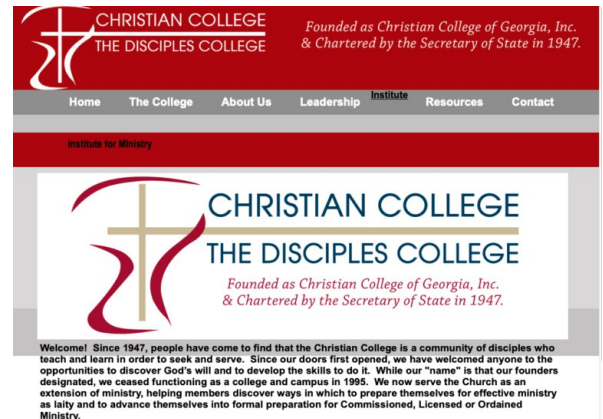


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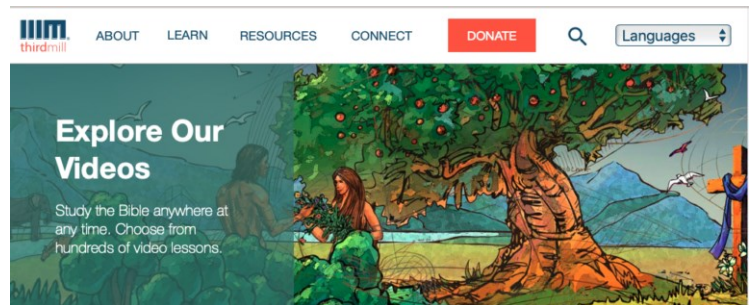
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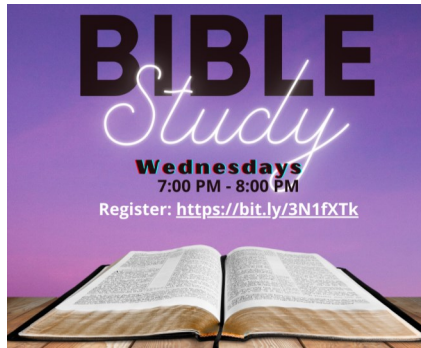


“Once, on being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, “The coming of the kingdom of God is not something that can be observed, nor will people say, ‘Here it is,’ or ‘There it is,’ because the kingdom of God is in your midst.”

LUKE 17:20-21

Fountain of Hope Christian Church *Virtual* Bible Study - Join Us

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Date	Lesson	Devotional	Background
12/7/22	Zechariah Speaks	Malachi 4:1-6	Luke 1:57-66, 76-79
12/14/22	John the Baptist Appears	John 1:29-42	Luke 3:1-20; John 1
12/21/22	Mary Rejoices	Isaiah 9:1-7	Luke 1:46-55
12/28/22	God Promises to Hear and Forgive	Deuteronomy 30:1-10	2 Chronicles 7:1-22
1/4/23	God Promises to Restore	2 Thessalonians 3:1-5, 13-17	Isaiah 43:1-21
1/11/23	God Promises to Guide	Psalms 119:81-96	Isaiah 48:1-22
1/18/23	God Promises Light	Ephesians 5:11-20	Isaiah 58:1-14
1/25/23	God Promises to His Presence	Exodus 33:12-23	Joel 1:1-4; 2:18-31
2/1/23	Résumé of Those Called	Psalms 25:1-15	1 Corinthians 1:18-31
2/8/23	Remind of the Call	John 15:1-14	2 Timothy 1:3-14
2/15/23	Responsibility of the Call	Amos 5:7-15	James 2:1-12
2/22/23	Results of the Call	1 Thessalonians 5:1-10	1 Peter 2:1-25
3/1/23	The Prodigal Son	Psalms 28	Luke 15:11-32
3/8/23	The Greatest in the Kingdom	Matthew 19:13-22	Matthew 18:1-9; Mark 10:15
3/15/23	Jesus talks with a Samaritan	Isaiah 44:1-8	John 4:1-42
3/22/23	Jesus Overpowers Legion	2 Corinthians 10:1-6	Mark 5:1-20
3/29/23	The Empty Tomb	Psalms 22:20-31	Luke 24:1-12
4/5/23	Disciples Believe the Resurrection	John 20:11-18	Luke:13-49
4/12/23	Jesus Cooks Breakfast	Psalms 30	John 21:1-14
4/19/23	Jesus Reinstates Peter	Jesus Reinstates	John 21:15-25
4/26/23	Jesus Makes a Promise	Psalms 24	Acts 1:1-11
5/3/23	The Day of Pentecost	Psalms 16	Acts 2:1-8, 14-24, 37-40
5/10/23	Jumping for Joy	Luke 10:1-9	Acts 3
5/17/23	An Ethiopian is Baptized	Isaiah 60:9-14	Acts 8:29-40
5/24/23	Saul of Tarsus	Philippians 3:1-14	Acts 9:1-14
5/31/23	God Reigns	Colossians 3:8-17	Isaiah 52:1-12

Find the words this puzzle:

Christmas is Holy

F T T L F R A N K I N C E N S E B C M L T G Q
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Camel	Flocks	Inn	Miracle	Savior
Ceremonies	Gloria	Jerusalem	Myrrh	Shepherds
Christ Child	Gold	Jesus	Nativity	Stable
Donkey	Goodwill	Magi	Pageant	Star
Immanuel	Holy	Manager	Prince of Peace	Wise men
Epiphany	incarnation	Mary	sacred	

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