

April 9, 2023

Olney Church of Christ

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Services

Sunday

Bible Study	9:30 am
A.M. Worship	10:20 am
P.M. Worship	2:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Class	7:00 pm
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Elders: Mike Gerber, Travis Hall

Deacons: John Frost, Dave Goff, Roger Sholders

Visitors are Welcome

We Offer Bible classes for All Ages

We also offer in-home Bible Studies

We have Bible lessons on the radio
(92.9 FM) Sundays from 8:00-8:30 a.m.

Christ's Compassion

David McPherson. 2009

Jesus' life was filled with demonstrations of compassion. We would do well to emulate His example.

Compassion is "a sympathetic emotion created by the misfortunes of another, accompanied by a desire to help". Genuine compassion involves love, great feeling, interest, and concern.

The Gospel accounts tell of various ones on whom the Lord had compassion. Such individuals include a leper (Mark 1:40-41), a widow who lost her son (Luke 7:11-15), and two blind men (Matthew 20:30-34).

Jesus did not simply "feel sorry" for those suffering. His compassion motivated Him to do something. He healed the sick, raised the dead, and opened the eyes of the blind.

How are you at demonstrating your compassion for others?

Many are suffering both physically and spiritually. Do something!

When is a “Miracle” Really a Miracle?

A fund raising letter from a local hospital said *“Miracles that come from technology. And miracles that come from human caring. I’ve seen them happen.”* This is an excellent example of the inaccurate use of the word “miracle” in modern usage.

What this man is describing IS a wonderful thing. It’s great to see a sick person recover. It is thrilling to view the fruits of recent technological advances in medical care. We are seeing things that folks only a few years ago never imagined. Open heart procedures, organ transplants, laser surgery and a host of other new medical methodologies have been perfected in rapid succession. It is truly amazing – but it’s NOT a miracle!

You see, by definition – and in accurate Biblical usage – a miracle is “an effect in the physical world which surpasses all known human or natural power...supernatural.” So when a

doctor uses a sophisticated new medical device to effect the cure of a seriously ill patient, there is not a miracle involved. While the technology may be new and very advanced, it is still a procedure that is known and understood by men. It is an action that is in accord with natural law. It is not supernatural. It is NOT a miracle.

Miracles are things like: walking on water, turning water into wine, raising a man who had been dead for four days; etc. These things defy a natural explanation. They are truly supernatural. The Bible records many instances of true miracles – but it also tells us that no such miracles are taking place in the world today (1 Cor. 13:8-13). No, there are no miracles at that hospital – or any place else!

~Greg Gwin, 2009

God's Plan for Saving Man

God's Grace	Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood	Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit's Gospel	Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith	Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance	Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession	Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism	1 Peter 3:21
Christian's Work	James 2:24
Christian's Hope	Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance	Revelation 2:10

Prayer List

Holly
Cheryl
Raymond
Robert
Doans' Grandson, Wilson
Devin (Cancer)
Jerry (Lung Cancer)
Misty's Step-Dad, Ed (Cancer)
Ken & Chris
Randall(Cancer Treatment)
Nora & Her Family
Jerry (Pneumonia/Dialysis)

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Upcoming Meeting

Olney

April 16 – 21

Ray Warfel, Jr.

Lessons from the Book of Matthew

Daily Bible Reading

Apr 9: 1Sam 13-14; Luke 10:1-24
Apr 10: 1Sam 15-16; Luke 10:25-42
Apr 11: 1Sam 17-18; Luke 11:1-28
Apr 12: 1Sam 19-21; Luke 11:29-54
Apr 13: 1Sam 22-24; Luke 12:1-31
Apr 14: 1Sam 25-26; Luke 12:32-59
Apr 15: 1Sam 27-29; Luke 13:1-22
Apr 16: 1Sam 30-31; Luke 13:23-35

Prayer Leaders

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Bible Study: Darrell

Worship: Jim

Afternoon: Douglas

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Steve

Prepare Communion

April-Paula

Clean Building

April-Cynde

Assignments

Sunday April 16, 2023

Reading: Mark

Announcements: Jeff

Table: Mike

Serve: jim

Dan H

John

Dan D

Wednesday, April 19 2023

Invitation: Jeff

Anniversaries

April 9 – David & Janice M

Birthdays

April 17 – Doris Fisher

25 – Jessica H

29 – Emily A

29 – Jerry S

Preaching April 16, 2023

AM – Ray Warfel, Jr

PM – Ray Warfel, Jr

Adult Bible Study Teachers

Sunday – Dave Wednesday - Mike