

Sitting Down

“Then they crucified Him, and divided His garments, casting lots, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet: ‘They divided My garments among them, And for My clothing they cast lots.’ Sitting down, they kept watch over Him there” (Matthew 27:35–36).

Can you imagine being at the foot of the cross as Jesus gave His life for all humanity? **His mother and aunt** were there (John 19:25). Strong emotions must have been running through their hearts as they watched their loved one suffer on the tree! **A friend** was there whom Jesus had rescued from a tormenting life (See Luke 8:2). Consider the anguish as this One who had rescued you was now in such torment and there was nothing you could do about it! **The disciple** whom Jesus loved was there, comforting Jesus’ mother and receiving final instructions regarding her (John 19:26-27). His heart must have been torn apart as he witnessed his friend and **Lord** endure the cross!

And there were others. **Spectators** mocked Him as he uttered these words, “Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?” that is, ‘My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?’” (Matthew 27:45-49). They had little to no interest in his personal welfare or His kingdom! **Leaders of the Jews** witnessed his crucifixion (Matthew 27:41-43). They ridiculed and taunted Him! Two **Robbers** hung on crosses beside Him (Luke 23:39-43). One derided Him while the other confessed Him and entered paradise. A **Roman Centurion** witnessed His death and he got it right (Matthew 27:54). He said, “Truly this was the Son of God.”

And then there were the **soldiers** in the reading above. They were accustomed to death and this form of capital punishment. It seems that they had no care for the person on the tree. They are presented in the text as indifferent, complacent and apathetic! They went after material things and were unaffected by the cross! This is striking! It is remarkable simply because so many throughout the centuries, even today, are just sitting down, not allowing the cross of Jesus (See 2 Corinthians 5:21) to affect them!

Are **You** just sitting down? Or, are you allowing the cross, the love of God and Christ to dominate and control you? (See 2 Corinthians 5:14-21). Where do you see yourself in the story of the cross? Take care!

Terry Casey
Preaching Minister

Attendance/Offering/Last Week

Bible Class: 177/25 Sunday AM: 356/75 Sunday PM: 117 Wednesday: 132/15
Budget: \$8,950. Last Week’s Offering: \$9,760. (Spanish attendance in blue)



WELCOME VISITORS !!

Shepherds:

Edwin Davis, Russ Garner,
Michael Hursey, Gary Nix,
Tom Stone, Jay Vitarelli,
Lester Wolfe

Deacons:

Mike Aldrich, Luis Alfaro,
Steve Bails, Allen Bitting,
Terry Brown, Rodney Cobham,
Doug Horton, Michael Dow,
Roy Forrest, Dexter Hamilton,
Dale Kennon, Bill Peeples,
Warren Smith, James Teague

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AWAKEN!

“You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but let us watch and be sober.”
1 Thessalonians 5:5-6

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Schedule of Assemblies

English

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 am
Sunday Worship 10:00 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Night Study 7:00 pm

Spanish

Sunday Bible Study 11:00 am
Sunday Worship 12:00 pm
Wednesday Night Study 7:00 pm

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News & Notes for February 2nd 2014

PRAYER LIST

Kate Dosoo; John Rodriguez; Ruth Calvin; Gloria Louis; Chip Monk; Brynlee Smith; Mike Gauck; Judith Mahon & family; Karen Petke (car accident); Brad Smith Family; Bill Pennell; Phil & Josh Berry; John & Esther Cormier; Niermala Washington; Diane Danforth; Ulbert Romero; Jerry Ivey; Rick Bardowell; Joan Gibson; Deborah Mizell; Anna Bell Williams; Rupert French Family; Julie Aldrich; Brenda Stone; Christine Phillip; Henry Bosch; Joan Johnson; Jesse Darrow; Bobbie Liebe; Hank Liebe; Naomi Benton-Brown; Yvonne Scouras; Maria Banks; Pedro Ramos; Dorothy Ellis; Claudia Woods; Aaron Ellis; Samuel Ellis; Carol Bernier Family; Stephen Ellis; Duane Johnson; Pat Williams Family; Mark Fitts & Jimmy Farris (S.Benjamin); Karen Johnson; Angela Jenkins; Wiggan family; Kay Mack family; Sherri Kieklak; Vernice Nottage & Philip Cunningham (Melvern's family); Jia Drisdorn-Repetto; Nicole Marsala; Kim Colburn (Mike Aldrich's sister); Tay Patten, motorcycle accident (friend of Chris Kennon); Shere Eckley; Victoria Warren; Johnny Robinson & Quantina Miller (friends of Sloan Davis).

Keep In Prayer: Mark Jordan, Marge Logan, Todd Gruendel, Irelis Shappley, Ray Ivey; Noah Casey, Frances Salmon, Cindy Long, Brooks and Shirley Benjamin, Darla Fleming.

Remember Our Military:

David Cunningham, Levi Danforth, Ciara Ruiz, Naterika Benton-Stickland and John M. Fanel.



Spanish Ladies Conference—March 22

Flyers are available at the desk for any of our ladies who desire to attend. The Conference will be conducted in Spanish.

LUNCHEON & BABY SHOWER

Today, after morning worship a potluck luncheon and Baby Shower is planned to honor Cornelia & Stephen Watson in the Fellowship Hall.

SERVICE TONIGHT at 5 PM

The Evening Worship tonight will be held at 5:00 pm instead of 6:00 pm.

LADIES GAME NIGHT

All ladies are invited to a Game Night on Thursday, Feb. 6th 7-9 pm at Connie Casey's home. Light snacks and lots of fun! See Faith Ann or Connie with questions.

AREA WIDE SING

You are invited to The Church of Christ of the Palm Beaches to sing on Saturday, February 8th at 7 pm. The address is: 1014 South Jog Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33415; 561-684-8114.

YOUNG AT HEART BANQUET

Next Sunday is the Young at Heart Banquet on Sunday, Feb. 9th at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. All those 55 years young (plus) are encouraged to attend. An RSVP is very much appreciated at the Information Desk.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

In February the breakfast will be held on Saturday, February 15th at 8 am. Plan now!

MISSION SUNDAY IS MARCH 16th

Pray, Plan, Prepare

COOKOUT FOR KIDS ~ March 29th!

The Annual Cookout for Kids has been rearranged on the calendar by Christian Homes for Children to spread out the fundraising. This year the picnic will be held on Saturday, March 29th at TY Park in Hollywood. Tickets will be available soon. Save the date!

INFORMATION PAGE:



2014 Theme:
"Here Am I, Send Me"

Sun. Feb. 9

Puppet Practice,
TEAM 1 3:15 PM— 4:30 PM
TEAM 2 4:30 PM— 5:45 PM

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Sun. Feb. 23

Puppet Practice:
TEAM 1 1:00 PM— 2:15 PM
TEAM 2 2:15 PM— 3:30 PM



February

9th Servers needed for "Young at Heart Banquet" at 11:00 am (Service Hours)
9th Sunday Night Devo



COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

February

Today Baby Shower Luncheon 11:30 am for Cornelia & Stephen Watson
Tonight Evening Service at 5 pm
Sun. Feb. 9 Young at Heart Banquet 11:30 am Fellowship Hall—RSVP Please
Sun. Feb. 15 Men's Fellowship Breakfast 8 am Fellowship Hall—RSVP Please
Sat./Sun. Feb. 22-23 Spanish Conference with Jorge Pineda

Today's Sermons

10 am "Hold Fast Your Confession"
Hebrews 10:19-25; Matthew 10:32-39

Order of Services Sunday, February 2nd

Song Leader: Dale Kennon
Song: 40 Holy Holy Holy is the Lord of Hosts
Welcome From the Elders: Russ Garner
Song: 168 Glory
Song: 38/484 Awesome God / All in All
Opening Prayer: Anthony Hugley
Song: 395 Follow Me
Lord's Supper & Offering: Terry Henderson
Children's Bible Hour
Scripture Reading: Dale Kennon
Scripture: Matthew 10:32-29
Song: In Christ Alone
Sermon: Terry Casey
Song: 930 Jesus the Loving Shepherd
Closing Prayer: Roy Forrest