

**Elders:**

Rufus Barfield \* Dan Jackson \* Donnie McDaniel

**Deacons:**

Paul Byas \* Chris Gorham \* Rhett Moeller \* Michael Myrick \* Sheldon Smith

**Evangelist:**

Antoine Holloway

**Worship Times:**

Sunday Bible Study/9:30AM      Sunday Morning Worship/10:30AM

Sunday Evening Worship/6:00PM      Wednesday Bible Study/7:30PM

**Meetings:**

**Men's Leadership Class**

December 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 9:00am

**Saturday Evangelism Class**

December 1<sup>st</sup> @ 9:00am

**Elders/Deacons Meeting**

December 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm

**Women's Thursday Bible Study**

TBA

**2013 Spring Gospel Meeting w/ Ethan Longhenry of Venice, California**

April 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

**2013 Vacation Bible School w/ David Graham of Cincinnati, Ohio**

June 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2013

THEME: TBA

**2013 Fall Gospel Meeting w/ Larry Wright of Savannah, Georgia**

October 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>, 2013

**Prayer Requests (Health Problems & Sick Presently)**

Thelma Findley \* Anne Harrison \* JoAnn Harrison \* Andrew Madison \* Bruce McDonald \* Janet Ostroff \* Isaac Parker \* Earl Sellers \* Lewis & Anne Wise

**Prayer Request (Unable To Attend Services Here)**

Anne Harrison \* Steven Chung \* Angelita Dillon \* Bruce McDonald \* Carlos Vargas

**Prayer Request (Traveling)**

Anne Wise

**Additional Announcements**

- **Judy Anderson** will be having surgery on Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Song Practice Today @ 5:00pm
- Thank you to **Donnie McDaniel** for preaching last Sunday.
- **Phillip Mullins** (Evangelist, Dulles church of Christ) will be our speaker for this evening.

**Contribution & Attendance Figures**

November 11<sup>th</sup>      \$3,083-Contribution      125-Attendance

November 4<sup>th</sup>      \$6,936-Contribution      122-Attendance

**WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?**

Hear The Gospel (Acts 15:7) \* Believe In Jesus (Acts 8:12) \* Repent Of Our Sins (Acts 3:19) \* Confess Christ To Be The Son Of God (Acts 8:37) \* Be Baptized In Water (Acts 22:16) \* Remain Faithful (Acts 2:42)

**TODAY'S DATE: November 18, 2012**

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**"A Going Church For A Coming Lord, Which Does  
All The Lord Authorizes" - Romans 16:16**

# THE NEED FOR HONESTY



What is honesty? HONESTY is defined as "derived from 'honor'; characterized by integrity or fairness & straight-forwardness in conduct, thought, speech, etc. Upright; just; equitable; trustworthy; truthful; sincere; free from fraud." The dictionary preaches sermon enough to embarrass most of us.

A "policy" of honesty is shallow. It does not satisfy the demands of this noble characteristic. Our words, thoughts, & actions must spring from something more than "policy". They express our very nature & inner conviction that rebels at deceit. "A man is as good as his word" might be better expressed, "His word is as good, & no better, than the man."

Honesty must be found in the man & the word is but an expression of something that first exists.

So basic & fundamental is this characteristic to Christianity that we tend to assume its presence among all who profess to follow Christ. However, analysis may show that a majority of the "failures" of so-called Christianity spring from a lack of this

virtue. Brethren deceive brethren & that is enough to cause good men to weep. A lack of honesty gets nearer to the center of all deception; brethren are not honest with themselves. Until we are honest with ourselves, we will not likely be honest with God or our fellowman.

An honest man cannot believe in the sufficiency of God's plan i.e. for salvation, the church, its work, etc & then support another plan. He cannot believe that we must "prove all things" by God's Word & then refuse to measure his practices by that rule.

An honest man does not devise quibbles to escape the force of Scripture. He does not shun information on any subject because he fears his previous conclusions may be affected. "My mind is settled; don't confuse me with the facts!"

It takes "an honest & good heart" to receive God's Word in the first place & "honest behavior" in the last place -- to be a Christian (***Luke 8:15*** & ***1 Peter 2:12***). No amount of deception will fool God! (***Galatians 6:7***).

- ***Antoine N. Holloway***