What Are You Looking For?

by Frank Himmel church of Christ at Greenwood Greenwood, IN

Many people are looking for a "new church home." Perhaps they have recently moved to different community. Perhaps they feel a desire to make religion a part of their lives, either for the first time or a renewal of earlier interest. Having children sometimes prompts parents to seek spiritual training for their family. Often, people are looking for a new church because they are dissatisfied with their old one.

Whatever the motive, people are looking for a new church. But what kind of church? What are they looking for? What are you looking for?

- •Some are looking for a *traditional* church, just like the one they left behind or the one they grew up in.
- •Some are looking for an *innovative* church, one completely different from anything they have ever experienced.
- •Some are looking for a *convenient* church, one which is located nearby that will minimize their travel time.
- •Some are looking for a *friendly* church, one that will quickly welcome them and make them feel special.
- •Some are looking for a *large* church, where they can get lost in the crowd.
- •Some are looking for a *small* church, where they can get to know everyone well, or in some cases where they can be more prominent and exert more influence.
- •Some are looking for an exciting church, one with emotionally stirring assemblies.
- •Some are looking for an *entertaining* church, where the music is like a concert and the preacher is part comedian.
- •Some are looking for a *tolerant* church, where no one will rebuke them if they (or a family member) live a sinful lifestyle.
- •Some are looking for a *providing* church, one with all kinds of programs and services such as day care, schools, recreational outings, exercise classes, etc.
- •Some are looking for an *elite* church, where they will be able to make a name for themselves or make some good business contacts by mixing with the upper class.

Something's missing here, isn't it? What we ought to be seeking is a truthful church, one that follows the New Testament pattern, upholds God's revealed truth (1 Timothy 3:15), and keeps the emphasis where He put it: on man's spiritual needs.

What we are looking for in a church says a lot about us. Honestly, are we trying to please God or ourselves?

NEWSLETTER

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Schedule of Services

Our current schedule is:

Sunday Bible Class 10-10:45 AM Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM La Salle church of Christ

We Meet At 1121 N. Military Rd. Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Phone (716) 283-1214

Our Website: lasallechurchofchrist.org Please check the website for bulletins, House to House Heart to Heart magazine, and other things.

We seek to be a place of healing and worship.

We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you). We would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in one of the receptacles provided at the front and rear of the auditorium.

There will be an opportunity to give but as a visitor it is not expected of you. Thanks.



There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs if you need to care for your infant.



Read God's Word

We offer a **free** Bible Correspondence Course

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent. Thank you.

Prayers In our prayers, let's praise God, recognize His greatness, thank Him for His Son and His blessings.

Jessica Alcorn Her surgery is now scheduled for Sept. 15th.

Roger Mapes He saw the doctor on August 18th and received good news. It was announced last Sunday that there is no sign of cancer. Praise God.

Jean Cameron was evaluated at the hospital recently for heart issues. She has been resting at home and will be seeing her cardiologist for follow-up.

Rick Fees is undergoing therapy for his arm.

Maria Swindlehurst is struggling with A-Fib.

Marietta McArthur (Ray McArthur's mother). Let's keep her in our prayers as she deals with health issues. Ray is asking for prayers for his mother and the family to deal with situations involving his mother.

Donnie, Jim Mellott's son, is recuperating at home dealing with a torn stomach lining. He is seeing a urologist and will be having tests soon.

Richard Blakelock, Kent & Phyllis Blakelock's son, had surgery on his right arm recently and is now doing fine.

Karen, Linda & Diane's sister, has rectal cancer and is presently having chemo and radiation treatments.

Linda, Marge and Nancy's sister in GA, was in rehab recovering from surgery from a broken shoulder. She is now home from rehab.

Walter Weiss, Father of Denise Garlitz' boss, was recently given about 2 months to live. He is now at Schoellkopf Health Center and has not been moved to Hospice yet.

Dan Callari (from Amherst congregation). His cancer is back and he isn't doing too well.

Louella Hopkins' sister in law is dealing with an ear and eye infection.

Glen Mueller He is the preacher at the Sardinia church of Christ. Let's keep him and Edna in our prayers.

Amy (30 yr old daughter of Joe & Sherry (friends of Louella Hopkins)) is addicted to heroin. Louella is asking for prayers for them and also herself as she tries to help them in this situation.

Erin Orton's supervisor was riding a bicycle recently and had a heart attack and had to have two stents.

Erin Orton's sister-in-law's family is dealing with devastating loss as a result of the fires in Hawaii.

Toni, a neighbor of Barbara Oliver, is recovering from a stroke.

Bryan, Denise Garlitz' son-in-law, is dealing with health issues.

Letter from Potter

Please see the letter posted in the back from Potter Children's Home & Family Ministries thanking us for the recent donation.

Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary

16 Ron Cameron

Sept. Birthdays

06 Samantha Mellott

Sept. Anniversaries

04 Maria Swindlehurst 08 Marissa Stine

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02 Charles & Heather Bennett



Order of Worship Upcoming Events (Lord willing)

Songleader Today: David Schnell Sep. 04 Labor Day

Sep. 10 Men's Business Meeting

Song Sep. 16 Potter Children's Home Fall Festival. Please see posting.

Call to Worship Sep. 17 Membership Meeting. Nominate men for trusteeship.

Song Oct. 01 Membership Meeting. Vote for men for trusteeship.

Opening Prayer

Song

Sermon

Song of Invitation Weekly Budget Amount \$1,843.00
Song for Communion Contribution Last Sunday \$1,940.00
Communion Attendance Last Sunday 44

Announcements

Song Financial Reports and Meeting Minutes

Closing Prayer are posted in the back.

Mission Info

Please check the *Mission Board* in the back.

Ukraine Relief

John Kachelman, Jr. Cell (901) 626-4538 john@kachelman.com https://kachelman.com For updated reports go to John's website and click on the tab for *Mission Work*.

Philippines

Caleb Callari with his wife Vanessa and family are doing mission work in the Philippines.

Caleb & Vanessa Callari Email Address: callari.mission@gmail.com

PO Box 0241

Talamban, Cebu City Radio Program "Everyday Follower" can be found on YouTube.

Philippines 6000 Do a search on youtube.com for "School of National Evangelism Philippines."

Zambia

The LaSalle congregation has been involved in the Zambia mission work for many years. If you would like to help support the Zambian Mission, please place funds in the offering basket marked for Zambia. More information may be found at www.zambiamission.org

Matthew 19:14

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."



Attention Ladies

Louella Hopkins will not be able to hold Ladies' Bible Class on Tuesdays.