# Tuskawilla Church of Christ

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**Welcome to our Visitors.** You are our honored guests. Please fill out a visitor's card and let us know if you have any questions about our congregation. We hope to see you again soon.

**Serving Today** 

Song Leader: David West

Opening Prayer: Angelo Cusimano

Scripture Reading: Jay Polk

Communion:

Lead: Ken Lathrop
Assisting: Austin Bruce
Side: Dennis Furin
Side: Kenny Wilkerson

Closing Prayer: Jimmy Wilson

**Usher:** Jimmy Wilson

**Communion Prep July: Wilson** 

#### Today's Service

Song- #118 Song- #427 Song- #109 Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: Revelation 19:7-10

Song-#166 Communion Song- #600

Sermon: The "Other" Beatitudes, Part II"

Song- #333 Announcements Closing Prayer

#### **Prayer Requests**

- Tom Barker, Pam Lester's Brother
- Elva Shade
- Suzy Wilkerson
- Paul Eldridge Room #117
- Donna Brown
- Tom Lester
- Iwana Smith
- Perry Dawkins, Trudi Dawkins' Son
- Jack Hood, Robin Cusimano's Father
- Suzanne Gore, David West's Sister
- Buddy Williams, Fran Goode's Brother
- Jennifer Rogan, Virgil and Char Cook's Daughter

Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Class 10:30 AM Worship Wednesday: 7 PM Bible Class

### **Event Calendar**

August 14th\_ Ladies' Bible Study- 7PM

### **Upcoming Birthdays**

July 24<sup>th</sup>- Caesar Lopez July 25<sup>th</sup>- Peggy Stubblefield July 27<sup>th</sup>- Virgil Cook

## **Announcements**

Maggie McDonald's cousin's son, Adrian, had surgery to relieve pressure cause by a brain tumor. Everything went well and he is feeling much better. The family thanks all for their prayers.

Kim Blaylock will have outpatient testing to determine the tingling in her left side. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Keep all who are traveling in your prayers.

## Today's Bible Quiz

Who said "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize with the Holy Ghost, and with fire....."

- John the Baptist
- Peter
- Matthew
- James

# On Being Battle-Ready

"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ" (2 Corinthians 10:4,5).

LIFE IN CHRIST CAN BE DESCRIBED AND DISCUSSED IN MANY WAYS. Many different metaphors are used in the **Scriptures to illustrate the Christian's** experience, and one of the most vivid of these is "warfare." While the Christian's life is one of peace, it is also one of conflict, and it is extremely important to understand this.

Being naive about the conflictual side of Christianity is nothing short of dangerous. We have a powerful Adversary who is intent on destroying us, and we need to have our eyes wide open to the reality of what we're up against. Hence the Scriptures speak of our need to be soberminded, alert, and vigilant (1 Thessalonians 5:8; 1 Peter 5:8). This world is being fought over, and living in it is a high-stakes affair. There is much to be gained by those who are paying attention — and much to be lost by those who aren't.

We also need to be filled with knowledge and wisdom. The warfare in which we are engaged is an ideological struggle between truth and untruth. Without mental preparedness there is no winning this war — indeed there is no surviving it. So we need to know God's word and understand the truth by which we may be saved.

Granted, some of us enjoy reading and studying and thinking more than others, but even if we're not inclined in that direction, there is a certain amount of truth that we must master. If we don't, we'll be casualties in the warfare in which we're engaged.

But in addition to knowledge, we also need courage. Fighting on the Lord's side is not for the fainthearted but for the daring. And we must understand one important fact: courage does not mean not being afraid; it means that we go ahead and do whatever needs to be done, despite our fear. In the face of fear, God would say to us, "Be courageous, be strong" (1 Corinthians 16:13 RSV).

Day to day, we need to be braced for action. The clash between God and His foes is going to impact our lives, so let us not be surprised. Let us expect that some fighting will have to be done.

"Recognizing that our cause is, and will be, combated by mighty, determined and relentless forces, we will, trusting in him who is the Prince of Peace, meet argument with argument, misjudgment with patience, denunciations with kindness, and all our difficulties and dangers with prayer" (Frances Elizabeth Caroline Willard).

Gary Henry – WordPoints.com

#### **Today's Bible Quiz Answer**

John the Baptist (Matthew 3:11)