

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NOV 22, 2009**

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**HEALTHCARE CENTERS:** Gertrude Hall, Bertharine Burton, Maudie Jones

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**REMEMBER THE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR GBN ON NOV 29**

**MID-WEEK SERVICE WILL BE TUESDAY NOV 24 THIS WEEK**

**FIRST SUNDAY SINGING AT SIXTH AVENUE, 2 PM DEC 6**

**SEE GENE OR LINDA FOR BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES**

**SEE DAVID FOR TAPES**

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Nov 27: Cole Earnest

28: Bobbie Dailey & John Earnest

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Nov 22: Ben & Jincy Wright

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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### SUNDAY MORNING

**BIBLE CLASS 9:30**

**WORSHIP 10:20**

**SUNDAY EVENING 5:00**

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00**

### ELDERS:

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## **Demonstrating Unity**

**by J. Randal Matheny**

"Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread" ( 1 Corinthians 10:17 NET).

Because of what Paul said about the Supper in 1 Corinthians 11 and its abuse in Corinth, some writers wonder why communion is not included in the list of the seven ones in Ephesians 4.

But the Lord's supper does not produce unity, as do the other elements listed; it demonstrates the unity that already exists in God's family. In Corinth, the abuse of the Supper was a symptom of the problem and not its cause. That is probably why Paul deals with the cause first (exalting the servants of God), in chapters 1-4, rather than the symptom (the supper becoming a common meal and unequal sharing), in chapter 11.

Some denominations see baptism and the Lord's supper as two sacraments. While their language and teaching about them are wrong, they are right to see a link between the two. It is baptism as the new birth that gives one the right to eat at the Lord's table.

So those who say that communion is for those who have been baptized into Christ are correct in their affirmation.

Many people discussed open and closed communion in the past. It is not man who bars or permits. It is the Lord's table, and he determines that those who have, in faith and repentance, been immersed for the forgiveness of their sins, with confidence in the blood of Christ and the grace of God, may come and eat.

As we eat, we share in the Lord's presence among us, in the memory of his sacrifice, in the celebration of his victory, in the unity of his body, as the church of God.

(From [Forthright.net](http://Forthright.net))

### **Who Will Be Saved?**

By Ron Boatwright

God "desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:4). God doesn't want anyone to be lost, but before one can be saved he must come to the knowledge of the truth of God's word. Even though the Lord desires all men to be saved, Jesus says there will only be few who choose the narrow way so they can be saved (Matthew 7:13-14).

But who will be saved? Only the Bible can be trusted with this question. Jesus says, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven" (Matthew 7:21). Only those who do the will of God as found in the Bible can be saved and go to Heaven. No one can obey the will of man and go to Heaven.

The Bible says that Jesus "became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Hebrews 5:9). We must obey Jesus if we expect to be saved. Jesus says, "He that believes and is baptized shall be saved" (Mark 16:16). One has to have help to misunderstand this. Many people laugh and scoff at what Jesus says about baptism being necessary for one to be saved. They may laugh in this life, but they will not laugh in the next.

What does the Lord do with those who are baptized for the forgiveness of their sins (Acts 2:38) so they can be saved (Mark 16:16)? "And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved" (Acts 2:47). The Lord adds only those who are saved to His church (Matthew 16:18). There are no unsaved people in the Lord's church. Jesus only has one church (Ephesians 4:4, 1:22-23). He didn't establish any of the many denominations we see in the world today. Men started all these so the unsaved will have their own church.

But the saved are in the Lord's one church where they must worship God "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24). We are not to forsake "the assembling of ourselves together" (Hebrews 10:25) for worship, if we want to continue to be saved. If we do forsake the

assembling of ourselves for worship the next verse says, "For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins" (Hebrews 10:26).

But who will be saved? Jesus says, "But he who endures to the end will be saved" (Matthew 10:22). We must faithfully endure to the end of our life here on the earth if we want to be saved. And Jesus says, "Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10). Those who will be saved are those who "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33). Our number one priority in this life must be to obey God in all things and endure to the end, so we will be saved and go to Heaven.