

Blue River Church of Christ

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Worship Times

Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 8:30 &
10:45 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Elders Earl Fultz Russ Simmons
John Owen

Deacons David Blankenship Aaron Palmer
David Foster Sean Turner
Darren Herrmann Paul Walker
Jack Hudkins

Pulpit Minister Darin Kennedy
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Family Life Minister Shane Hall
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| Statistics for March 25, 2018 Attendance | 93 + 128 = 221 |
| Contribution | \$5,067.02 |
| Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget | \$6,867 |
| Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving | \$6,883 |

Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: bar soap, disinfectant wipes, gallon and quart size zip-lock bags, tall kitchen bags for people to put clothing in, ramen noodles, spaghetti sauce, tomato sauce, jelly, instant potatoes, rice, beans (any kind), variety pack oatmeal, canned fruit, fruit cups, canned chicken, mac and cheese, Jiffy cornbread mix, toilet paper. Please leave all labeled donations in the office.

Prayer Warriors are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. Go to the BRCC website and leave a message. You may remain anonymous. Don't carry that burden alone. Let the power of prayer work in your life.

April 1, 2018

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Order of Worship

8:30

#903 "There Is Power in the Blood"
#337 "Hallelujah! What a Savior!"

Prayer Gene Clark

Scripture Jim Bassford
Acts 2:22-36

#315 "When I Survey the Wondrous
Cross"

Lord's Supper
Brian Wahlen

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#464 "Because He Lives"
"And Can It Be"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"The Return of Love" – Easter

#922 "Jesus Paid It All"

Shepherd's Prayer John Owen

Final Praise Romans 8:34-35

Songs Led By Shane Hall

10:45

#346 "He Lives"

Scripture Larry Sullivan
Acts 2:22-36

#230 "Worthy Art Thou"
#300 "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

Prayer Brent Hall

#315 "When I Survey the Wondrous
Cross"

Lord's Supper
Darren Herrmann

The Bread
The Cup

Giving

#344 "Low in the Grave He Lay"

Power Kids Dismissed

Lesson Darin Kennedy
"The Return of Love" – Easter

#907 "Hark, the Gentle Voice"

Shepherd's Prayer Earl Fultz

Final Praise Romans 8:34-35

Songs Led By Gary Hasty

Prayer List

Earl Weddle has been diagnosed with cancer. **Betty Trotter** is in rehab after a fall. **Liz Church** asks for continued prayers for the chemo to be effective with no adverse side effects. Continued prayers for **Roman Martin, Donna Walker, Evelyn Campbell, Shirley Petersen & family, Betty Williams, Eloise Staley, Denise Fultz, Faye Sullivan, Tony Pollard, Doris Buys, Dave & Marie Nash, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Bruce Keeton, and Jane Weatherbee.**

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

TODAY! – All children aged 13 and under please join us in the Power Kid's room for the Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:45am service.

Women Walking with God Conference

April 13-14 – Hartman Arena in Wichita, KS / a block of rooms are reserved at Best Western Wichita North WWWG for the price of \$79.99 + tax (breakfast is included). Please register online.

Prayer Seminar

Saturday, April 14 (10:00 and 1:30) – Read more about the format, and register at bluerivercofc.org/prayer-seminar.

Youth Activity and Service Project

Saturday, April 21 (9:30-5:00) – Global Youth Service Project Day and 3rd Annual Family Paintball: **(9:30)** – Meet at the building for donuts. **(10:00)** – Leave for Harvesters. **(10:30-12:30)** – Work time at Harvesters. **(1:00)** – Return to the church building for lunch and then head to High Performance Paintball in Harrisonville. **(2:00-5:00)** It's on! Cost: \$15 per person. Parents are invited too!

Ladies Tea Home Service

Saturday, April 28 (9:30-11:30am) – Please RSVP to **Arline Bradshaw**. As is accustomed the tea will be held at the Bradshaws' house.

Save the Dates!

May 12 & 13 Friends and Family and Family Open House Weekend

May 13 – Emma Bassford's graduation party @ the Bassford home

May 19 (9:30-2:30) Youth & Trek Combined Activity – The cost is \$10.00 per person to help cover admission, rides and lunch. Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the foyer so the correct number of tickets will be purchased. Adult volunteers are asked to sign up as well.

June 27 - July 1 (ages 9-18) @ Narrow Way Youth Retreat

Today's Morning Nursery Attendants

1st Service – Brenda & Conner Brotherton 2nd Service – Laurie & Sydney Kerley

*****Special Request – the Downtown church needs clothes donations!*****

Mission Report – Joshua Gootam

Greetings from Kakinada. By God's grace, we are doing well. The season of allergies is behind us, and we are back to a normal, busy schedule. It seems like 24 hours is not enough in the day. Our daytime temperatures are around 100 degrees already, meaning another hot summer this year.

We bought 2,000 Bibles for our work in January and 1,000 more in February to meet the demand of the Bible course graduates.

Even though the right-wing, Hindu federal Government is doing all it can to stop the Gospel spreading, we are silently placing the word of God in thousands of homes each year! And the word of God is powerful to pierce even the most hardened heart. And the Bible course work is the best means to penetrate homes which are otherwise closed for the Gospel.

We were able to enroll an average of 1,000 people per week all through last year. Over half of them are active, and one fourth of them have completed the courses either in Telugu or Odiya and received their copy of the Bible. Several hundreds with our direct knowledge, and thousands more of which we have no way of knowing unless the local church reports to us have obeyed the Gospel throughout the two Telugu-speaking states.

The work in Telangana is increasing slowly but steadily. Whereas we used to work with only 8 men two or three years back, they have increased to 30 or more by now. I think Bear Valley School of Preaching has approached Ronnie to start a school in Telangana. It will be a great blessing to that state if we can start one. Also, Ronnie, now attending school in Memphis, and Haritha are expecting their first-born child in three weeks, and they are going through some tense moments with no family nearby.

We started several new congregations last year, two of them right here in one of our suburbs, a result of our TV and correspondence course work.

Our TV work continues unabated. It generates many contacts for our Bible courses and literature. There is a great demand for tracts in the Telugu language. We can print 10,000 copies of a multi-colored, trifold tract for just \$250! We have tracts on ten different topics. We are the only people that supply tracts in bulk to churches and individuals in this country. We benefit indirectly as each tract carries an ad about our TV program and Bible courses. Even denominational fellows approach us for a supply of tracts, as that gives them an opportunity to make contacts.

We appreciate your fellowship and prayers for the success of this work. Kindly convey our thanks to the elders and the congregation there. May God bless you all as you support our work here in India. You are all in our prayers.

In Christian Love,
JOSHUA GOOTAM