

◆ Potluck today after worship.



Next Congregational meeting  
May 21st, 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 Michael Goud's B'day 🎂	27	28 Jeremy VanSlyke's & Clyte Ang's B'day 🎂	29 Ching Ang's B'day 🎂	30	31 Vision Channel 9:30 am	1 Men's Prayer Breakfast @ 9 am
2 Potluck	3	4 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	5	6	7 Vision Channel 9:30 am	8
9	10	11 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	12	13	14 Vision Channel 9:30 am	15 Laurier LeBel's birthday 🎂
16	17	18 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	19	20	21 Vision Channel 9:30 am	22
23 Mike & Audrey's wedding Anniversary	24	25 Bible Class @ 7 with David Cariaga	26	27	28 Vision Channel 9:30 am	29 Women's Prayer B'fast @ 9am
30	1	2 Susan McLellan birthday 🎂	3	4	5	6 Danella Attedjro b'day 🎂 Men's Prayer Breakfast @ 9 am

**Bible Mad Gab:** Thief Other Rough Myrrh Seas

**On for cleaning.....** Lea Attedjro and the girls.

**Food Bank Items:** Peanut Butter; Soup; Kraft Dinner;

Condiments; Canned Meats/Fish/Fruit; Dry Spaghetti/Sauce

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The Church of Christ meets here at

48 Convoy Avenue,

02nd April, 2017

## WHY PEOPLE DO NOT OBEY GOD'S COMMAND?

By David Cariaga

We wonder why people do not obey God's wish even if we notice that many are religious. There is a popular saying in the Philippines that says; "many are religious but few are righteous." I hate to express my article just to be accused of "judging" others without bases. So let me dwell with the issue objectively so that we can answer "why many do not obey God's command?" All our answers will be from the Bible and from what I have heard and observed.

**It is not IMPORTANT right now!** When God's word is ignored because many other things given priority, we have placed ourselves in a very dangerous situation. God's word is more important than anything in this world. John 14:12 says; *"The one who rejects me and does not receive my words has a judge; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day"* (English Standard Version). Remember, our God is a jealous God. He wants to be our first priority. He wants us to choose Him first before any other things in this world. Exodus 34:14 says; *"for you shall not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God"* (NASV). Do not procrastinate and wait. You do not know what is going to happen TOMORROW! (Proverb 27:1-2; James 4:14). Tomorrow maybe too late!

**Prejudiced attitude towards the Few Christians.** Believers of God are few and they do not belong to the world's majority. Many do not like few and would rather join the "majority" because they believe on the idea that "majority is always right." Our Lord Jesus was crucified by the majority Matthew 27:32-56. They let a robber Barabbas go and condemned Jesus to death. Are they right as they were the majority? 1John 2:15 says; *"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them."* (NIV) Apostle Paul added *"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."* Romans 12:1 (ESV) Jesus is aware that His flock is little as He said; *"Don't be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom"* (Luke 12:32). Remember, God is not concern of numbers but would rather to see OBEDIENT People do His will.

**All Religions are the Same – they have the same God!** The search for truth is over when someone says, "it is just the same." People have not exhausted the idea of searching for the truth and the Bible is "wrong and lying." However, the Bible says *"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."* (Matthew 7:21 KJV) It is so easy to escape searching when we give up by saying "all are just the same." Salvation of man's soul is searched (John 5:39) and worked for (Philippians 2:12). Truly, the religion Jesus taught is not the same as man has organized. Jesus said, *"I will build my Church!"* (Matthew 16:18). Christ Church cannot be duplicated by man's teaching and philosophies. If the search is over, it clearly says the hope for salvation is also over.

Friends, let us do all what we can to search for the way to lead us to SALVATION. Salvation is eternal – life and happiness. There will be no punishment and weeping and gnashing of teeth (Luke 13:28). Many say "I hate people to scare me." If it scares you, you better be scared and make the right decision. The search for Salvation is not a life of ease and comfort. It is a race that we have to do to "save ourselves from this crooked generation." There may be no tomorrow. Let us OBEY GOD NOW!

## Order of Worship

### Bible Class

9:45-10:30am Sundays  
David Cariaga (John Chapter 19)

7:00-8:00 pm Tuesdays  
David Cariaga

### Prayer Time

10:30—10:45 am Sundays

### Worship

11:00 am Sundays

### Leadership for Worship

Song Leader.....Wayne Taylor  
Worship Prayer.....Daren Simmons  
Presiding at the Table.....Lee-Andrew Duncan  
Assisting.....Jonah Simmons  
Scripture Reading.....Shola Komolafe  
Sermon/ Exhortation.....Singing/Lee-Andrew Duncan  
Collection.....Lee-Andrew Duncan  
Closing Prayer.....Dennis Peters  
Announcements.....Dennis Peters

**John 4:24**

**God is a Spirit: and they that worship  
Him must worship in spirit and truth.**

## Prayers for those we love...

1. Wisdom for the spiritual Leadership of all the churches.
2. Our bible class teachers and students.
3. Church evangelism, spiritual growth and unity.
4. Missionaries—Joel Osborne, Ruth Zimmerman and Ron and Karen Clayton.
5. Key to the Kingdom program, teachers and students.
6. Wisdom for the leaders of our country and the military.
7. Those not worshipping with us today.
8. All Brethren living in isolated areas.
9. That Sel's dad will be healed of his prostate cancer and that her mom will have the strength to live through the process.
10. That Jocelyn's Brother-in-Law will be saved and God will ease his suffering.
11. That the Evacuees of Fort McMurray will find homes, financial help or new jobs, and have their needs met.
12. That Corey and Claudia will become strong in the faith again.
13. Ann Landry is out of the ICU. Pray for her health.
14. Those of our congregation travelling.
15. That Gizel Attedjro would stay focused and grow in faith as she studies at the Great Lakes Christian college .
16. That Paul & Heidi Taylor would return to Jesus's Church.
17. Pray that the families of Erma Gorman and Carol Peters see the need for Jesus and return to the Lord's Church.
18. Pray for Harvey Taylor, the brother of Wayne Taylor, who is in the ICU in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, with emphysema.