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January 19th, 2020

*A New
Journey*

Building Hope through Jesus' Name

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Calendar of Events: - before attending please ALWAYS check against troychurch.net/calendar

JANUARY

21st – Bible Break – 9:30 AM @ the Church Building

22nd – Family Time – 6:00 PM @ the Church Building

22nd – Peak of the Week – 7:00 PM @ the Church Building

24th – Family Movie Night – 7:00 PM @ the Church Building

26th – Town Hall – 12:30 PM @ the Church Building

29th – POTLUCK – 6:00 PM @ the Church Building

- New items added to the calendar will appear in red font when first added

Minister's Corner

Good morning and welcome to our worship gathering! If you are here, that means you've successfully survived this weekend's winter storm, in itself a good reason to praise God this morning. I am happy to see you here!

We are continuing our journey in seeking after Christ this morning. It is pretty common for those who profess faith in Christ to ask of others if they are "seeking the Lord," or if they've "found the Lord," BUT... what are they really asking? How does one SEEK the Lord today? Practically speaking...? The first answer given by the vast majority would probably be "by reading the Bible" or studying the Bible, and although the answer is most definitely right, it may not be sufficient. And,... in reading the Bible, how do we really seek the Lord? This morning we'll explore this subject, but until then, please join me in praising God through song, through prayer, through an abandon of our hearts, bear, before Him that His Spirit may touch us in all the ways He only can to build us up in faith & strength for this new week ahead.

This Wednesday – January 22nd – Family Time & another Chosen episode

Bring your takeout dinner to the church building on Wednesday from 6:00 PM and enjoy it in the company of brothers and sisters in Christ...

From 7:00 PM we will continue the viewing of Chosen, the new series on the life of our Lord. This episode is called *Indescribable Compassion* and gives a little more creative introspect on the healing of the paralytic dropped through the roof by his friends.

Birthdays this week: Jan Haefner (23rd)

Family Movie Night – This Friday from 7:00PM - Overcomer

Overcomer is a 2019 American Christian drama film directed by Alex Kendrick. The idea that resulted in Overcomer came to Alex Kendrick in 2011 while he was visiting cross-country events for children: Please visit <http://www.troychurch.net/calendar> for a link to the Trailer of this movie. As always, I provide the popcorn, bring your own beverage.

New Phone Number

Please make note the **Richard Martin** has a new phone number- **248-321-3752**

Men's Breakfast/Gathering

Last week for making suggestions regarding the time and day of the week for the Men's Breakfast/Gathering. So far, it looks like Gary & I will be having coffee time on the 3rd Saturday evening each month...

Wang Yi – held now for 407 days

Pastor Wang Yi is the influential leader of Early Rain Covenant Church in the city of Chengdu, Sichuan province - one of the best-known house churches in China.

A former law professor, Pastor Wang has been vocal in calling on the state to uphold religious liberties. In July 2019, the defense lawyer for Pastor Wang Yi was barred from meeting with his client and officials assigned different lawyers to his case, even though he specifically chose his own lawyers prior to his arrest.

On Dec. 30, Pastor Wang Yi was sentenced to 9 years in prison after a secret Dec. 26 trial. He was charged with "instigating subversion of state power" and "illegal business management" for being the senior pastor of Early Rain Covenant Church. Along with the 9 years sentence, he was sentenced to deprivation of his political rights for 3 years plus a \$7,000 penalty.

Church Questionnaire - please get a copy from Lauren and bring it back completed next Sunday if you have not yet done so. I would like to hear from the other half of the Church as well. Thank you.

Assembly Leaders for January

Greeters: Beth & Lisa

Welcome: Frank

Communion: Lora

Children's Ministry - Wiggle Room recommended ages: 5 and under

TODAY – Jules

January 26th – Bella

Please help us by filling this card

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I would like to know more about:

I would like prayers for:

Mahrokh Roksare Kanbari, John Cao, Wang Yi

(imprisoned for their faith)

I would like prayers for an unspoken request –

I need help:

- food clothing
- shelter medication
- counseling
- other

Comments:

Dear Guest,

Welcome to the Church, the group of believers in Christ that gathers at this location.

Whatever the reason that brought you through our doors we are very happy you chose to be with us today. We are not perfect as individuals, but we are perfected in our love for each other and the love for God.

Although our affiliation is with the acapella Churches of Christ as an organization, our services include some instrumental music as well as the participation of women in prayer and different elements of our assembly time.

We observe the Lord's Supper every Sunday as the focal point of our gathering and also take a collection to support the church's work.

As a guest you are not expected to take part in any of these practices and we hope they will not create you any discomfort. We would love to talk to you about any of our practices. – *Please see the other side of this flap. Fill out and place in the Offering Plate. Thank you!*

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Welcome & Prayer

Be Still and Know

Lord, Take Control

Lord Be Glorified

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

Communion

Offering

Above All

Bible Message

Seek Jesus

Pastoral Prayer

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Suggestions box in the lobby. Please help us by providing feedback.