

## Our Staff

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## Office Hours & Info.

Monday - Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm  
Friday 9:30am-12:30pm

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## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday

9:00am	All Church	Worship Service & Children's Classes
10:45am	Adults	The Christian's University
10:45am	Children	Children's Class
10:45am	Youth	Unashamed Ministries
6:00pm	Adults	Prayer Meeting

### Wednesday

6:00pm	All Ages	Fellowship/bring your own dinner
6:30pm	All Ages	Worship & Praise
6:45pm	All Ages	Bible Study for all ages and Childcare

Wednesday night Bible studies are split into groups: Women, Men, Youth ~ grades 6-12, and Kid's Praise ~1st - 5th grades, and Kid's Praise Playhouse ~ Nursery - Kindergarten

### Friday

6:30pm	Young Adults	Bible Study (every other Friday)
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Please note that Bible studies take short breaks for the summer and for holidays.

### The Christian's University

Every Sunday after church, we have classes for all ages. Classes start at approximately 10:45 and are out before noon. Adults meet in the elementary classroom (directly across from the kitchen). Youth meet in the youth room (room #6) and all children meet in the preschool room (room #3).

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## *Imitating Christ* *I Thessalonians 1:6-10*

**December 30, 2018**



*“And you became imitators of us  
and of the Lord, for you received  
the word in much affliction,  
with the joy of the Holy Spirit”  
I Thessalonians 1:6 ESV*

# Southwest Christian Church

## Welcome!

- If you are a guest with us today, welcome and thank you for joining us. We are a family friendly church.
- All children, babies through 5th grade students worship with their family in the sanctuary at 9:00am and after the worship music they will be dismissed to their classes. Please visit the children's Ministry table in the sanctuary and sign-in your child every Sunday when you arrive.
- Middle & High School students attend the entire worship service at 9:00am in the sanctuary and have class at 10:45am in the youth room.
- To learn more about SCC and our ministry opportunities, please visit our website at: [southwestchristianchurch.org](http://southwestchristianchurch.org)

**It would help us out if you could fill out the communication card enclosed in this bulletin and drop it in the offering bag.**

## Communion

Every week at Southwest Christian Church, the death of Christ is remembered in our worship service, during communion (I Corinthians 11:25-26). After a short devotional and prayer, the bread and the cup will be distributed by our ushers. We invite all born-again believers, who are at peace with God, repentant of their sin, and understand the Lordship of Christ to join in communion. There will be a few minutes for you to pray silently and take communion. If you are not a Christian, or are not prepared to share in this event, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ, His People, and the Church.

## Family Discipleship Books

If you haven't received your Family Discipleship Book yet, they are for everyone who attends SCC. They are available at the ministry table in the back. All are welcome to take one per family.

**This Sunday we are on Week 50** in your family discipleship book.

**Question:** What is prayer?

**Answer:** Prayer is offering our desires to God for things that agree with His will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and a thankful acknowledgment of His mercies.

**I John 5:14, John 16:23-24, Daniel 9:4-5,  
Psalm 136:1-4, Matthew 6:9-13**

# December 30, 2018

## Newsletters

If you weren't here last Sunday, don't forget your January Newsletter. Extra copies are on the back table next to the sound booth.

## Christmas Decorations Clean-up

We could use some helpful hands to help us clean up the Christmas decorations and get them back upstairs. It's on Wednesday, **January 2**, beginning at 9:30am. Contact Marre if you have any questions.

## Men's Breakfast

All men are invited to join us for a great breakfast on Saturday, **January 5 at 8am**, here at the church. We will have fellowship and Luke Kirkendall will give a message from God's Word on discipleship. No set cost; any size donations accepted.

## New Christian's University Class

Our next class **begins on Sunday, January 6**, in the elementary room after a short break after church. Jason Taylor will lead you through 12 weeks of, **"Things I Was Taught Incorrectly, and Heresies"**.

## Wednesday Night Bible Study

Wednesday Night Bible Studies are starting again, **January 9**. Come and bring the whole family. We bring our own dinners and eat together in a time of fellowship at **6:00pm**. Then we'll start off the study with some songs and a Family Discipleship lesson at 6:30pm and continue our study through the book of I John.

## Gospel to the Valley (GTTV)

Anyone can come and join a team to knock on doors with the gospel. Meet here at the church at **9:30am on Saturday, January 12**. We will break into teams and pray and then head out. If you would like to join our prayer group, it meets in Menifee at 9:45am (Contact Norene Colbert).

## Attendance and Contributions

Every contribution is a blessing and we praise the Lord for your gifts.

**Soli Deo Gloria!** Glory to God Alone! Weekly budget need \$ 3,756

Previous 4 weeks average attendance - 77

Previous 4 weeks average of contributions - \$ 3,975

Last weeks offering \$ 4,607

## Mark your Calendars

**Christian's University, Begins January 6**

**Wednesday Night Bible Study Resumes, January 9**

**Gospel to the Valley, January 12**

**Youth Winter Camp January 18-21**

**Ron & Norene's 50th Anniversary Celebration, February 23**

An Article from Pastor Luke

## New Year's Resolution

With the start of a new year a common practice is to write new year's resolutions. These resolutions are typically focused on improving one's health, or eliminating annoying habits. Jonathan Edwards has been considered by some to be one of the greatest minds that America has ever produced. At the age of 19, in 1722, he began writing a list of resolutions that he would pursue his entire life. These resolutions are more than a simple list, they are a description of a man's own pursuit of holiness. As you ponder a new year, I'd encourage you to use Jonathan Edwards' list of resolutions as a basis for your own further growth and maturity as a Christian. Listed below are three of Edwards' resolutions that I have personally strongly held to:

◆ *Resolved*, That *I will* do whatsoever I think to be most to the glory of God, and my good, profit, and pleasure, in the whole of my duration; without any consideration of the time, whether now, or never so many myriads of ages hence.

◆ *Resolved*, To improve every opportunity, when I am in the best and happiest frame of mind, to cast and venture my soul on the Lord Jesus Christ, to trust and confide in him, and consecrate myself wholly to him; that from this I may have assurance of my safety, knowing that I confide in my Redeemer.

◆ *Resolved*, Never *to do* any manner of thing, whether in soul or body, less or more, but what tends to the glory of God...