



Professional Services

Special Quick Start Evangelistic Training Program

A predominant Objective of the Quick Start Evangelistic Training Program is to energize the evangelism efforts of the Church by liberating, equipping and empowering its members to share their Faith naturally, relationally, with confidence and assurance necessary to develop the reliance and trust with their potential converts. This an evangelism training course specifically designed for the non-evangelist

Two versions of this program are available

1. Standard program designed for small to medium sized church with Elders & Deacons.
2. Modified program designed for small to medium sized church currently without Elders & Deacons, which provides a suggested method for requesting member to volunteer for various functions and a optional system of management.

A Pressing Need for Evangelistic Training exists within the Brotherhood Today

Extensive research of personal evangelism indicates that:

- The average Church of Christ depends on ten percent or less of their congregations, who has been blessed with the gift of evangelism or are truly equipped to teach a new convert, using only their Bible, to

grow the Church. Regardless of the efforts of the Minister to call on the membership to become active in the Great Commission, there appears to be an almost universal resistance to act by approximately ninety percent of the flock.

- Many Church Leaders overestimate the ability of their members to effectively communicate the basics of their Faith. This may be due, in part that they may be among the ten percent who have been blessed with the gift of evangelism.
- Formal training in the basics and techniques of presenting the Truth is NOT being addressed in the vast majority of congregations.
- The lack of formal training usually results in UNSPOKEN FEARS AND DOUBTS, such as:

1. Fear of Rejection
2. Fear of the Unknown
3. Fear of failure
4. Fear that their lack of knowledge will be brought to light or what Orientals call "losing face"
5. Uncertainty of exactly what information to impart and the Scriptures to use in support of their contentions
6. Doubts regarding their presentation skills

The primacy objective is to equip every believer in the church so that he or she will be able to personally get involved in carrying out a simple evangelistic strategy, by providing:

Simple, straightforward materials for presenting the Gospel and the Briefs of the Church of Christ, which accurately convey:

Plan of Salvation or Simple steps required to be saved from the fires of Hell

Overviews of our Briefs, which proves that the Church of Christ conforms exactly to His commands and the directions of the apostles

The Biblical warnings regarding the ultimate eternal reward that awaits all non-believers and those who fail to worship in spirit and truth

- Confidence in explaining the Plan of Salvation in a manner that fits their personality and/or the need of their student.

Choice is provided by providing multiple approaches

- Motivation to reach out to family and friends

Knowledge endow one with authority, inspiration and enthusiasm

Components of the program

I. Two sets of Laser printed Masters (for making copies) of Twenty (20) brochures and booklets, personalized with the name, address, telephone number, Web address, if any, and other information related exclusively to your congregation.

Outreach tri-fold brochures

Were designed to inform and create interest in His Church. The tri-fold format was selected for materials intended for mass distribution, such as hand-outs at public places (local market, shopping center or post office) or in literature racks, placed in high traffic locations, such as hotels, motels, hospital, medical or dental office and funeral homes.

It is suggested that: 1) each brochure be produced on a different pastel colored 24 pound Xerox (brand) paper, which is available from most office suppliers or one of the fine papers from Ampad, which is available from Wal-Mart. 2) The literature rack materials be changed every three months

What to Expect when You Visit
Is your church HIS Church?
How to find the "Right" Church
God's Eternal Plan of Salvation

Fold over booklets

The Fold over booklet format was selected for materials designed for one on one study. Using the booklet format it is easy to carry 3 or 4 booklets, ready for immediate use, in a standard size Bible. The usual format is 4-page booklet, which requires one sheet on 8.5" x 11" page, is very inexpensive to reproduce, serves a dual function (training and the booklet can be left leave with prospect for further review and study - suggest they note any questions in the margins). All booklets were designed to be studied together - simply two friends seeking the Truth Suggestion - have each member select their favorite from the Plan of Salvation group, add Consider the status of your Spiritual Health and Church of Christ - Summary of our Beliefs for a basic package, which will cover most opening discussions

- Fold over 4-page booklets intended to share the Truth and the Plan of Salvation one on one with the unchurched.

Roman Pathway to Heaven
And the TRUTH shall make YOU FREE
How to go to Heaven in Six Simple Steps
How to be Born Again
The Gospel is God's Power unto Salvation

- Fold over 4-page booklet intended to share the Truth one on one with active members of other faiths.

Consider the status of your Spiritual Health

- Fold over booklets, which provide a brief summary (4 pages) and a detailed overview (12 pages) of the Beliefs of the Church of Christ.

Church of Christ - Summary of our Beliefs (4 pages)
His Church is the Christ of Christ (12 pages) Suggested for use with our denominational friends or members of other faiths.

- Fold over 4-page booklets to be used, as needed, when additional Persuasion is required.

Ten Basic Facts of Eternal Life (4 pages)
Your Personal Religious Background (4 pages)
If You are still undecided, please consider (4 pages)
Which will you choose? (4 pages)

- Fold over 4-page booklet to be used by those who prefer the cold door to door approach.

Are you going to Heaven Questionnaire? (4 pages)

- Fold over 12-page booklet, which outlines the New Testament, begins with a brief overview and ends with a summary of our beliefs.

Outline of the New Testament (12 pages)

- Fold over 4-page booklets, which are to be provided to new Members of the Church.

Suggestions for the new member (4 pages)

Potentially sinful behavior (4 pages)

II. Recommended Bible Correspondence Course, Scriptural sound, seven lessons, which is available to all churches without charge and may be distributed freely. (Delivered on CD-ROM)

III. One on One Home Bible Study Program, professionally prepared, based solely on the Word of God, eighteen-page, seven-part, and easy to use, with personalized cover page, as well as, detailed notes to the Instructor. Three sections that pose a series of yes or no questions, followed with the scriptural basis of the Church and the Path to Salvation. The last two sections are devoted to Persuasion, to be employed as needed. (Delivered via CD-ROM)

IV. Six-part Evangelism Training Course, which includes an Instructor's guide and student outlines. Can be completed on one Sunday - Sunday morning service, lunch, 3-4 hours in afternoon, break, wrap-up at the evening service or over 6 to 8 Sunday morning classes. (Delivered via CD-ROM)

Elements of Six-part Evangelism Training Course

(Partial listing)

- Encourages each Member to become active in Personal Evangelism
- How to face and overcome unspoken fears and doubts
- How to open a spiritual conversion

- Series of questions designed to develop interest
- Encourages Members to let their light shine,
- Simple methods of presenting the Plan of Salvation, provided in five formats, to afford choice and for added instructional value
- Open discussions members of other faiths and effectively point out why they are traveling the wide road
- Provides numerous sources of prospects
- Encourages female Members to volunteer for one of the many tasks involved, complete with listing of open positions
- An optional door to door, simple person campaign, using a brief questionnaire, Plan of Salvation and simple close
- Examples of proven simple telephone scripts for those who would prefer to work from home.
- Definition of our Beliefs
- Persuasion materials
- Introduction, suggestions for use and review of all other materials supplied
- Sample presentation, using the material supplied

By the end of the course, every participant should be ready, able, and motivated to do the following:

- Build and deepen relationships with people outside the body of Christ.
- Raise spiritual topics and articulate the message of the gospel, the beliefs of the Church and persuade others to follow Christ.
- Invite friends and acquaintances to outreach events.

V. Instructions on how to successfully establish a powerful, low cost, integrated outreach program. Suggestions for improving the overall image of the Church, in the community Materials supplied include successful examples of a welcome letter, classified ads, newspaper articles, a telephone book ad, as well as innovative uses of the marquee sign, distribution of tri-fold brochures ideas, personal telephone evangelistic program the includes proven scripts, simple method providing Hope to the community with a telephone answering machine, evangelistic gospel meeting that will work, an idea that will dramatically reduce the cost of edification type gospel meetings and more. (Delivered via CD-ROM)

VI. Listing of suggested number of volunteers needed to complete various tasks. (Delivered via CD-ROM)

VII. Suggested role of the Minister(s) in the program. (Delivered via CD-ROM)

VIII. Reference materials, including a complete series of articles from seeking the lost.org and other extras. (Delivered via CD-ROM)

Fee Schedule

Package by mail, including postage and handling is \$199.00.

To order the Special Quick Start Evangelistic Program mail a note listing the name, address, telephone number of the church, and web address, if any, full name of the Minister, his telephone number and which version of the program desired, along with check or money order in the amount of \$199.00 payable to J. W. Goddard, Post Office Box 1445 Eufaula, Oklahoma 74432.

The Author is available on a limited basis to personally present this Program. For complete information please forward details and/or questions via e-mail to jwgoddard@seekingthelost.org

For training in advanced soul-winning methods and techniques, please consider one or both of the following professionally developed hands-on seminars, which do not contain theoretical generalizations, materials that written on an advanced level or the need for memorization.

Leading Others to Christ Seminar

Briefly, the seminar includes suggestions for the effective use of the resources provided in this website, as well as, additional methods and procedures not covered in this website, including, but not limited to, instructions on conducting an effective professional presentation, methods of maintaining control, a successful technique of convincing individuals that one cannot be saved by reciting the "sinner's" prayer or the prayer of salvation, as well as other techniques of leading current and past denominational members to Christ and an expanded hands on "learn by doing" applications of the Art of Gentle Persuasion (additional closing methods) and

more. The final section covers the basic introductory elements of a successful Team Evangelism program.

Seeking the Lost Seminar

Much of the research and development of soul winning materials we have completed, which require the efforts of more than one individual, are not discussed within this website, simply because such methods require the approval and direction of the Eldership of the each individual congregation. Most authorities agree that the team approach is the most effective overall method of evangelism. Using this approach every Member can be actively involved in some manner. A much larger percentage of Members will usually be interested in becoming involved with the support of a group.

In addition, certain limitations exist in properly and clearly presenting more complex methods and techniques, via the Internet. The Seeking the Lost Seminar is devoted to providing comprehensive information regarding the procedures, methods and application of TEAM EVANGELISM concepts subject, of course to the approval of the Eldership. The final section provides a summary of advanced soul-winning techniques.

For information, regarding these seminars, please contact us via e-mail at seminars@seekingthelost.org

These seminars were developed using the same hands on, down to earth techniques that were employed in the development of Leading Others to Christ and related resources. The materials have been written in manner that the average Member can easily understand and employ.

A combination of the Leading Others to Christ Seminar and the Seeking the Lost Seminar, which provides a inclusive educational program which includes a distillation of the entire body of research, completed by the author, on this significant subject is offered at a substantially reduced fee.

Finally, we have develop a plan to offer low-cost, nearly turnkey "no hassle" carefree web pages for small to medium size congregations and all members to the Church of Christ who wish to evangelize and seek the Lost via the Internet.

Evangelize using the Internet!

Scroll down to view suggested formats for both congregations and individuals

The website HisTrueChurch.org is devoted to reaching out to lost Souls, in large part by, hosting "no hassle" carefree personalized static WebPages for congregations of the Church of Christ and their members worldwide.

We offer an alternative to going it alone

The development of a new web page is usually a major undertaking. The steps required, included, but are not limited to; planning, preparing copy or writing the text, designing the layout, conducting a search for the limited number of web site provider that prohibits ALL adult content or links to adult links, obtaining a domain name and arranging to have your copy converted from MS Word to MS Front Page, and in some cases obtaining additional software.

A domain name can cost up to \$19.95 per year, but usually can be located on the Internet for less. The cost of maintaining a website generally range from \$7.00 to \$12.00 per month. Be aware, these firms advertise monthly fees, based upon an upfront payment for services ranging from one to several years.

The overall cost of building and maintaining an independent site would usually be substantially more expensive than taking advantage of our exclusive carefree service.

You can be assured that our website is maintained in a clean environment. Our web site provider is unique in as much as they prohibit ALL adult content or links to adult links, no exception. Violations result in immediate and final suspension, without refunds. This is the number one reason we selected this provider.

Special Introductory Offer

We are offering the special annual maintenance fee of \$217.00 per year, which is due, in full, at time of order placement. The annual fee is locked.

We guarantee that there will never be an increase of annual base fees for existing subscribers of standard static web pages. This guarantee is effective upon the start of a subscription for as long as you or your congregation remains an active client of our service.

In addition, all setup fees are waived during introductory period. There are no hidden fees whatsoever. Additional cost may only be incurred is by either requesting that changes be made to your web pages after posting or by requesting services that are outside our standard perimeters.

Advantages of Using our Service

1. Turnkey opportunity to arrange an almost effortless approach to publicizing your congregation and Spreading His Word in your area and worldwide
2. Exclusive web address that highlights the name of your congregation or the personal name of your choice.

Congregational - name of the church.histruechurch.org

Examples

www.rivercitycofc.histruechurch.org

www.rivercitychurchofchrist.histruechurch.org

Individual - your name, nickname or handle.histruechurch.org

Examples

www.johnsmith.histruechurch.org

www.bigjohn.histruechurch.org

www.smilingjack.histruechurch.org

Important Notes:

Our web designer will add a slash (/) and additional code at end of address. See the example below.

To view a completed sample, please open the following site by pasting the address into your browser, which is the page web devoted to the Author's Home Congregation, Eufaula Church of Christ

www.eufaulachurchofchrist.histruechurch.org/eufaulaokcfc.html

3. We convert your copy in MS Word to MS Front Page or similar web page conversion software

4. We handle all maintenance of your web page.

5. We will submit your web page to selected search engines on a regular basis.

6. Revisions are expected and encouraged. We have prepared a general web page that we believe would be generally acceptable to the majority of congregations, an example of a dignified web page, with a clear message, as a base to start. You are free to edit and revise any and all sections to meet your requirements.

If you wish, you may delete an entire section or sections or just start over, provided the end result, in part, is an effort to lead others to Christ or to encourage Lost Souls to attend classes or worship services of your congregation.

Please feel free to use your word processor to cut and paste from any resource found in "Seeking the Lost.org" or personalize by adding such information as; background of your Minister, history of your congregation or special attractions in your area etc.

We post the materials you supply, so please check your spelling etc., as we do not edit approved copy.

If you plan to basically use the standard web page as presented, please note the remarks printed in green. Simply fill in the information, as requested, check your spelling etc., pick a theme or background color, and take a sharp digital picture of the church building at its best angle, place it at the top of the first page and you are good to go.

7. We encourage the use of themes or background colors, which are found in the "Format", pull down at the top of MS Word. The preferred themes, for best readability are those with light colored backgrounds such as, capsules, clear day, expedition, nature and sandstone.

Limitations

1. A maximum of fifteen (15) printed 8.5"x11" pages, with your preferred theme or background color, in the typestyle of your choice, with a minimum font size of 12. [A printed version of sample web page is about ten (10) 8.5"x11" pages.]
2. A maximum of one digital photo, which to be placed at the top of first page - for best results use only a picture with a sharp focus. We will edit and size your photo as needed, as part of our regular service.
3. As we are offering to host a static web page and in order to hold our fees down, we do not offer the use of links within or without the web pages. However, we will provide and maintain a link to [Our Favorite Links](#), on [seekingthelost.org](#), if desired, which is a link to an extensive list of informative, useful sources of worthwhile information and addition resources, many of which are hosted by member of the Church of Christ.
4. Any time after the web page has posted a requested revision or correction will incur an additional charge. Please edit your final copy carefully. If you require revision(s) or correction(s), please contact us via e-mail at webpages@seekingthelost.org. In the event, an error or errors occur as result of any action or event outside of your control we will repair, as needed, at our expense.
5. As a protection of our clients, no e-mail accounts are offered, as a group of WebPages sponsored by Churches and Members are a very attractive target of purveyors of so-called adult materials and other undesirable or unacceptable messages. If e-mail accounts were to be provided, you or a Member of your Church would be required to handle the task of deleting those that slipped thru the blocking software.

In addition, our website provider has very strict rules regarding mass e-mails. So, one member could take the entire website and all of our

subscriber's web pages down with a single prohibited mass e-mail distribution. Free e-mail accounts are easily obtained from many sources of the Internet. Our favorites are Yahoo and Juno. We understand this is an inconvenience, but is a small price pay for clean and trouble free website.

The steps to a personal or congregational website are simple.

- Copy the Standard Congregational or Personal Web Page (below) into your MS Word processing program and make revisions, as needed.
- Print copies and save to one or more 3.5" diskettes.
- If it web page is for your congregation, present the concept of creating a presents on the Worldwide Web with specific orientation to your local area to the Leadership of the Church. The method we use in naming the web page and its description will point the web page to your area in the search engines, as well as worldwide.
- Distribute copies or diskettes for the purpose of making revisions or additions, as needed
- Once the final copy has been completed by you, if a personal web page or if for the congregation, has been approved by the leadership of your church:

Mail us a letter confirming that you or the Leadership of your congregation has approved the placement of a web page on histruechurch.org

Include a Printed copy of the final approved web page, with the words approved by, then sign and date directly below by you or if for your congregation by a member of Leadership.

Include a diskette with a copy of the final approved web page in MS Word.

Include a check or money order for \$217.00 in full payment for first year of service, at the special introductory price of \$217.00 --- A saving of \$32.00 off our regular price of \$249.00 and we are waiving our standard setup fee of \$50.00 during the introductory period for total savings of \$82.00.

Remember, your annual cost is locked in at \$217.00 per year, for as long as you or your congregation makes use of our service, regardless of the amount charged other clients.

This annual fees are used, in part, to pay for the expense of maintaining you web page on the Internet and to support our efforts in seeking the Lost and spreading the Word worldwide.

Once the web page is complete, mail a signed letter confirming confirmation of placing the web pages on His True Church along with a signed and dated printed copy of the web page, a diskette containing the completed web page, exact in the form desired and a check or money order in the amount of \$217.00, payable to James Goddard, please provide the address we should use for future annual billings.

Forward the completed package to attention of J.W. Goddard, Box 1445, Eufaula, Oklahoma 74432.

It is strongly suggested that copies of all information provided be retained in your permanent files.

Within 30 working days of receipt of the four items listed above, your completed web page will be available for viewing and will have been submitted to search engines.

Standard static CONGREGATIONAL web page

(Optional digital picture of your church building - must be in sharp focus)

Welcome
To the Family of the
Church of Christ*

Address, City, State Zip Code

Area Code and Telephone Number

* Personalize with the full name, address and telephone of your congregation

We come together because God has forgiven our sins and is changing us into new beings through the Love and Compassion of Jesus Christ. We are a nondenominational church where you can truly become a part.

When you visit the Church of our Lord Jesus, you will be greeted and assisted in locating where you want to go. We are respectful of your time, our worship assembly will last about one hour. Visitors are not required to participate in any aspect of the worship service and may just watch if they wish.

The people who make up the family of the Church come from all walks of life and have the normal pains, discouragement and problems. But, we face each challenge with the assurance that God provides for his children. You will find that we are an enthusiastic family very eager to spend eternity in heaven.

The (Name of your Congregation) Church of Christ is a safe haven where you too can experience love, acceptance and forgiveness. If you are in search of a home church, we want you to know there is a special place just for you.

We are fully aware that we are not perfect and make mistakes far too often. We do not ask you to follow us, but to walk along with us as we follow in the footsteps of Jesus, always seeking to "walk in the light". But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. (1 John 1:7)

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible classes for all ages, begin at 00:00 AM*

Sunday morning services begin at 00:00 AM

Sunday evening services begin at 0:00 PM

Wednesday night classes begin at 0:00 PM

*Note the actual starting times of your congregation classes and services will be included. If you other regularly scheduled activities such as, a class for the ladies, be sure to add to the list.

Overview of Our Church Services

We understand that many people want to know the nature of the services of a church before they attend. We are happy to share the following overview of the manner in which we worship, when we gather together.

The Bible is our only Authority

We actively seek to be governed in all that we do only by the Holy Bible, which is the inspired Word of God. Sometimes we are asked: Does what we teach really make much difference?

If it matters and it does, we must be able to support our beliefs by the Word of God. We would invite you to consider the principles upon which the Church is based and the Holy Scriptures referenced.

2 Timothy 3:16

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

Our Worship Services are Simple and Devout

Our services are patterned after the Church of the first century, which were very simple. Our worship services include only those elements revealed in the New Testament. We sing, pray, partake of the Lord's supper, preach the Word of God for the instruction of all and give of our means, as we have purposed in our hearts for the spreading of the gospel and the care of poor. Each part is designed to bring all worshipers closer to God and to provide Spiritual Strength. In all we do, we seek to follow the teaching of Jesus Christ.

James 4:8

Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.

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

John 4:23-24

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

We wear the Name of Christ

The religious world of today is divided into almost countless denominations and sects, using different traditions and names. Finding no scriptural support, we use no denominational governmental organization, creed, doctrine or name. We are known as Christians, just as believers were known in the days of the Apostles, when there was only one Church. Collectively, we are known as the Church of Christ.

Romans 16:16

Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.

Acts 11:26

And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

Leadership of Worship

All the men leading the worship service, except for our Minister, (Name of your Minister, if desired), are volunteers who are members of the Church.

Forms of Worship

Prayer

Several prayers are offered to God during each service. The man leading the prayer will speak from his heart, rather than reading from a book or reciting a series of memorized statements. Everyone usually quietly bows their heads and closes their eyes while the prayer is being offered.

1 Timothy 2:1

I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men;

Music

The congregation will sing several songs, led by one of our members during the service. You are welcome to sing along. The song leader will announce the number of the song. The words and music can be found in the song book, in the rack in front of you.

Since we live and worship under the New Covenant or Testament, members of the Church of Christ sing without the aid of any type of instrumental music. This was the pattern set by the early Church in the first century and therefore is the pattern we follow.

In the Old Testament they did, in fact, worship God with harps and other instruments. However, in the New Testament there is no directive or mention of using any type of musical instrument in the worship of God. Only vocal music is mentioned in the Church of the New Testament, so we use only our voices in this part of the service. This type of music is called acappella.

Does it really matter? It matters to those who wish to strictly obey and be pleasing to God, rather than following the ideas and doctrines of men. The Christian gives of himself, in worship, when he sings from the heart and his spirit is lifted.

Ephesians 5:19

Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper or Communion is served every Sunday to all who wish to partake. Jesus instituted His Supper for us to remember what he did for us on the Cross. After offering a prayer, men will pass plates of unleavened bread. All those who wish to partake will remove a small piece and pass the plate to the person sitting next to them. Next, after offering thanks to God, the men will pass trays of small cups of the grape juice. Those who partake, remove one, drink it, return the cup to the tray and pass it on.

Acts 20:7

And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread: And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, **Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.** After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, **this cup is the New Testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.** For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

Giving of Our Means

Our regular members give of their means and lay by in store, as God had prospered them, every Sunday in order to support the various ministries of the Church. Visitors are not expected to contribute, unless they wish to. Immediately following the Lord's Supper, after a brief prayer, plates are passed for the purpose of collecting the offerings.

1 Corinthians 16:2

Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

2 Corinthians 9:7

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

Message

Our preacher, (Full name of your preacher, if desired) will deliver a lesson from the Bible, which is usually 25-30 minutes in length. (First name, informal or Mr., Dr. and last name, formal) messages are designed to be informative, positive and encouraging. He does not use titles, such as Reverend or Pastor, and prefers to be called (First name, informal or Mr., Dr. and last name, formal).

Matthew 24:14

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

2 Timothy 4:2

Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

Invitation

At the conclusion of his message, (First name, informal or Mr., Dr. and last name, formal) will offer the wonderful invitation of Christ for the salvation of anyone's soul, who truly believes that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, who will freely confess His name before men, repents of your past sins and is buried with Christ in baptism or to a member of the Church who has sinned publicly, has repented and is expressing a request for prayers on their behalf. While the congregation stands and sings, an opportunity is provided for people to come to the front pew and discuss their needs with (full or first name of your preacher).

Mark 16:15-16

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

You Will Not Be Embarrassed

When you visit us, it is as a welcomed and honored guest. While people are urged from the pulpit to accept the gospel or to repent of their sins, no individual or group is ever singled out for public attention.

Expect a Friendly Spirit

People who truly love God have a natural attitude of friendliness. Our guests always receive a warm welcome and you will appreciate the courtesy and cordiality of these loving Christian men and women.

We sincerely hope you will accept our invitation, to attend any of our services, at your earliest possible convenience.

The Church of Christ at (name of your city, town or area) exists to give honor, glory and praise to God through Benevolence, Evangelism, Edification, Spiritual Growth, Fellowship, Worship and Glorification of God. We accomplish this through study, prayer and involvement, using only the Bible as our authority and guide.

John 4:23

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Simple Steps Required by GOD to be saved from the Fires of Hell

Accept the wonderful invitation of Christ for the salvation of your soul. Confess his name before men, repent of your past sins and be buried with Christ in baptism. At that moment you will have obeyed the Lord's commandments and God will add you to the Church and write your name in the Book of Life.

The following provides details regarding each required step.

Hear the Word, by attending services of the Church of Christ

Romans 10:17

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God

John 5:24-25

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

Truly Believe in God and that Jesus is His Son

Mark 16:15-16

And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

John 3:36

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

Sincerely Repent of your past Sins

Romans 3:23

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Acts 17:30

And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

Luke 13:3

I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Confess Jesus before men

Luke 12:8

Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God:

1 John 4:15

Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

Matthew 10:32-33

Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven

Be Baptized

Colossians 2:12

Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

Acts 2:38

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Remain Faithful until death

REVELATION 2

10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast [some] of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

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John 17:17

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

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If you use the following pattern we strongly suggested that you use an original title or we end up with several with the same title. For example, "Now is the Time to come Home" "Where will you spend forever?" "Just how long is forever?" "We tried our way, now let's do it His way" "Darkness or Light, which will you Choose?" The title of or a phrase from a well-known hymn works well.

Another approach is to recount your path to Christ or the story of others you have guided to the Savior. People love rags to riches stories, so share how following Jesus has improved your quality of life. Share meaningful stories or poems that are intended cause an individual to reevaluate his spiritual life.

Have some fun; try different themes, backgrounds, tpestyles and font size (minimum 12 points required for posting).

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One of our favorite approaches, which was developed in less than two hours is as follows:

Give me that Old Tyme Religion

This information is provided freely to ALL in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

With or Without Jesus Eternity is Forever

This is a worldwide appeal to return to that pure Church of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who suffered and died a cruel death on the Cross so that we might have the Hope of eternal life.

Now is the TIME to throw off the bonds of the modern divided religious world and return to the primitive New Testament Church described in the Bible, which was established in Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost in about A.D. 30.

His Church spread to the four corners of the known world like wild fire and became a threat to the mighty Roman Empire in only a few short years.

That primitive Church that unfortunately has become so divergent, due to the influence of Satan and false teaching, was the seed for the briefs of over a hundred million God-fearing souls today. Our Lord, Jesus Christ, warned that this would occur and that those who followed the false teaching would be lost.

Let us reflect for a moment on what the Church of Peter, Paul and John. Members were simply called Christians. They assembled on Sunday, the first day of the week, to worship by singing, offering prayers, partaking of the Lord's Supper, reading from the Holy Word (Old Testament), which was

hand written on scrolls, teaching each other and giving of their means. At that time, unlike today, only one Church existed. There were no church buildings, musical instruments, individuals dressed in fancy apparel or women leading in any part of the services.

The Holy Word of God which during the first century was hand copied on scrolls was converted over the centuries to printed Bible, which is the sum total of all spiritual knowledge that has ever been provided to mankind.

Therefore, if an individual is seeking to worship to spirit and in truth, he must use the Bible as his only sure guide to Heaven and worship only in the manners described.

John 4:23-24

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Now, let's take a moment and review the six simple steps to becoming a child of God using only the Holy Bible as our guide.

The Gospel is God's power unto salvation to everyone who believes.

ROMANS 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

1 PETER 1:25

But the word of the Lord endureth forever. And this is the word, which by the gospel is preached unto you.

How to become a child of God in Six Simple Steps

Step #1

Hear the Word of God, by attending services of His One True Church

ROMANS 10:17

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God

Step #2

Truly Believe in Jesus as the Son of God.

Mark 16:15-16

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Step #3

Repent of your sins.

Luke 13:3

I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish

Step #4

Confess Jesus before men.

Matthew 10:32-33

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Step #5

Be Baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit for the remission of sins.

Acts 2:38

Repent, be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Step #6

Live a faithful life until death.

In Revelation 2:10, Jesus said "be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

The One True Church

All who are in fellowship with Christ are members of His Body, the Church. The Church is a Spiritual Body, with Jesus Christ as its head and the faithful throughout the world as members of His Body. (Ephesians 1:22-23)

There is only one true Church, the Church built by Jesus Christ (Matthew 16:18) In the Biblical times there were churches established in Jerusalem, Ephesus, Rome, Smyrna, and other places. These were not different types of churches, as is so prevalent today, but congregations of Christians in various locations.

Governing each Church was a group of ordained Elders, who oversaw and tended to the spiritual needs of its members. (Acts 14:23) The early church used the congregational type of church government. The Elders ordained at that location independently governed each church. Today, following the pattern set by the churches of the first century, wherever Christians join together to extend fellowship to each other in worship, we find a congregation or local church.

His One True Church still makes use of the congregational type church government. Therefore, each church is independent and is bound to other Churches of Christ only through Jesus Christ as the Head and a shared faith.

In keeping with our effort to carefully follow the Bible, our worship consists only of those activities authorized in the New Testament. On Sunday, the

first day of the week, we observe the Lord's Supper as a memorial of our Savior's death on the cross. (Acts 20:7)

We praise God and edify one another by singing, making melody in our hearts to God (Ephesians 5:19) and by offering prayers of supplication and thanksgiving. (1 Timothy 2:1) Through sermons we exhort one another to "continue steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine" (Acts 2:42) Only on Sunday do we take up a collection, and this is so members can give as they have purposed in their hearts. (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Throughout our services, three principles govern all that we do:

Worship the Father in spirit and in truth (John 4:23-24)

All things are done for edification (1 Corinthians 14:25)

All things are done decently and in order (1 Corinthians 14:40)

His One True Church exists to give honor, glory and praise to God through Benevolence, Evangelism, Edification, Spiritual Growth, Fellowship, Worship, and Glorification of God. We accomplish this through study, prayer and personal involvement, using only the Bible as our authority and guide.

We wear the Name of Christ

We are simply known as Christians, just as believers were known in the days of the Apostles, at which time there was only one Church. (Acts 11:26) Collectively, we are known as the Church of Christ. (Romans 16:16) Finding no scriptural support for denominational names, practices, creeds or formalities, none are used.

The Authority of the Bible

We believe that the Bible is the inspired Word of God. "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:" (2 Timothy 3:16)

The Authority of Christ

We cherish Jesus Christ as Lord and have the highest regard for His authority. Jesus said, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. (Matthew 28:18) Adding to, or subtracting from, the simple instructions of Jesus is failing to respect Him as Lord. (Revelation 22:18) Therefore, we have no conferences, synods, councils, earthly headquarters or denominational governmental organizations, as Christ did not authorize these. Such organizations, which have been created by men, serve only to compete with the authority of Christ. These groups bind human traditions and commandments upon others, which was condemned by Jesus. (Matthew 15:9)

We Proclaim the Gospel

We proclaim the gospel message of the Christ crucified, who arose from the dead on the third day. (Ephesians 4:11-12) We urge everyone to accept the greatest gift of all, which is God's gift of everlasting life in His Son. (John 3:16)

The Final Reward

If an individual obeys the gospel of Christ and carefully follows His commandments, to the letter until the moment of death, his or her (saved) soul will move immediately move to paradise. If not, the (lost) soul will be transported to Hades.

In Luke 16:24 Jesus is described the rich man who had died and soul was suffering in the fires of Hades pleaded to Abraham, "Then he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame". The rich man, Lazarus and Jesus all walked the earth during the early part of the first century. Imagine, this incident took place over two thousand years old and the rich man suffers until this very day. Based upon the Biblical account, the rich man will remain in Hades until Judgment Day, at which time will be doomed to Hell forever. When he has spent a trillion years, in Hell, he will have just begun. The concept of forever is very difficult for most, if not all, to fully understand.

On the other hand, Lazarus, had lived in an acceptable manner, so when he died his soul moved to paradise and was enjoying the company of Abraham, when the rich man called out to them.

The Bible tells us that a great gulf exists between Paradise and Hades, which cannot be crossed, so it was not possible for Lazarus to come in contact with the rich man. Lazarus has been in paradise now for over 2000 years, looking forward Judgment Day, when he and all the saints will enter their everlasting Heavenly Home.

Our Lord promises us in John 14:2-3, "In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there you may be also".

Heaven is beyond our wildest imaginings or dreams. The beauty, wonders, splendor, majesty, grandeur, magnificence, brilliance and stately dignity of Heaven simply cannot be adequately described in the language of humans.

Love and the Light of God will fill it and endless happiness, peace and joy will abound.

Jesus promised in Revelation 2:7 To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

The only way to experience Heaven is to be among the souls that have been saved from everlasting damnation.

Saved souls will not have a remembrance of sorrows, pain, tears or the people they knew during their lives on earth. Revelation 21:4 "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

The Bible indicates that lost souls will have a remembrance of events and people they knew during the trial period. The rich man clearly remembered his brothers. On Judgment day, he can only face his eternal destiny of everlasting punishment.

Revelation 20:10, "The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever".

Jesus warned that Hell where all lost souls will cast is a ghastly and horrific place beyond description. Hell simply cannot be fully portrayed in human terms.

Mark 9:45-46 "cast into hell, into the fire that shall never shall be quenched: where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched"

Matthew 13:42, "And will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth".

Revelation 14:11, "And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever, and they have no rest day or night."

Revelation 20:15, "And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire"

It is imperative that our name be found in the Book of Life.

Is your name in that book?

Make no mistake; you will not accidentally wind up in Heaven. Jesus promised to prepare place for people who were willing to prepare themselves for their place in Heaven.

The Most Important Decision of your life

Which will You Choose?

There are millions of choices in this world, but in the HEREAFTER there will only be TWO ALTERNATIVES.

Choice Number One

Is to be among the few who have submitted to His Will, labored in the Lord's work and earn their redemption. As we have stated clearly, Heaven is

beyond our wildest imaginings or dreams. The beauty, wonders, splendor, majesty, grandeur, magnificence, brilliance and stately dignity of Heaven simply cannot be adequately described in the language of humans. Love and the Light of God will fill it and endless happiness, peace and joy will abound. Jesus promised in Revelation 2:7 **To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.** The only way to experience Heaven is to be among the souls that have been saved from everlasting damnation.

Choice Number Two

To be in the much larger group who failed to obey or did NOT worship in spirit and in truth in accordance with the teachings of the Bible? Will YOU be standing worst of humanity? The larger group will be punished in a second death in a never ending eternal Hell. Will you remember this commentary?

When you hear the Jesus say, **"Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:"** (Matthew 25:41), or **"But the fearful, and unbelieving, and abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death."** (Revelation 21:8), or **how will you answer the question of Jesus "Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?"** (Matthew 23:33)

Many people do not even want to think about the concept of forever or everlasting. This concept is difficult for many to comprehend. Some like to think of forever as a circle or never ending. Others look at the night sky and try to imagine where it begins and ends. It is the opinion of many that the universe is like eternity or unending. The fact is that God has always been and will always be.

Please take a few minutes of quiet time and consider intensely the concepts of eternity and **continuous creaseless retribution.**

Life is too Short and time without end or eternity is simply too long and the everlasting punishment in the fires of Hell too terrifying to make any mistakes.

Then make a choice, before it is too late.

Once you pass away from this Life you have lost the Golden opportunity to have the Hope of Heaven. If you fail to accept God's Grace and Love, by becoming His faithful servant, **you have selected Hell and to spend eternity as a angel of Satan, in everlasting Fire, by default.**

If you feel the need to make some changes in your life,

WE PLEAD WITH YOU to do so as soon as humanly possible.

NOW IS THE TIME TO TAKE PERSONAL CONTROL OF YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

MATTHEW 7

13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide [is] the gate, and broad [is] the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because strait [is] the gate, and NARROW [IS] THE WAY, which leadeth unto life, and FEW THERE BE THAT FIND IT.

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