#### Services

Sunday Bible Study 9:45am Morning Worship 10:45 am Evening Worship 6:00 pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00 pm

#### Elders

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John Gambill
J.C. Hughes
Brad Morris
Nathan Parks
Jeremiah Smith
Matthew Vonderheide

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Jerry Sturgill
Tri-state area
Daniel Goshorn
Peru, SA
Dahn Ramkelawan
Suriname, SA
Michael Mayo

Thailand, SE Asia Herman Joseph

Guyana, SĀ

Mohamed Ally *Guyana*, *SA* 

"In Search of the Lord's Way"

way TV broadcast

Search TV

Sundays 7:30am (on Fox)

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Behold now is the accepted time:

behold now is the day of salvation.

2 Corinthians 6:26

#### Welcome, Visitor!

We are so pleased to have you as our guest today. If you are a first-time visitor with us, please fill out a 'visitor card' that you will find on the back of the pew. You may put it in the collection plate or give it to one of the men at the auditorium doors as you exit.

There are free tracts and literature on the wall in the foyer. We also have Bible correspondence courses you can sign up to receive by mail at no cost to you. Let us know if you would like to set up an in-home Bible study.

Thank you for attending. We hope to see you often!

#### Fashion Us a God

God showed great signs to the children of Israel when He brought them out of Egyptian bondage. For an Israelite of that generation there had been plenty of demonstrations of God's power over the false gods of Egypt. With this history it is interesting to see the idolatry that they fell into in Exodus 32. When Moses was receiving the law on the mount, the people came to Aaron and said, "Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for *as for* this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him." The next few verses reveal that Aaron buckled under the pressure and obeyed them by making a molten calf. How could they do this? Did they not remember what God had done for them? What was the appeal of making a false god to worship? If they didn't want to be governed by a higher authority, why make up a false higher authority?

Idolatry was often a temptation to people in Bible times because it afforded them luxury of doing what they pleased and still claiming to believe in a higher power. In the example just mentioned in Exodus 32, it should be noticed that verse 6 says, "And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink and rose up to play." The "play" here may indicate sexual sin. Thus, the people involved themselves in any sort of pleasure they wanted but could still soothe their conscience by believing in some sort of higher power.

Is this not what people do today? The great majority of people believe in God, but if "God" is defined by the way the Bible defines it, far less believe in Him. They don't believe in a God who punishes for sin or requires obedience from people. People do this with the Bible as well. Instead of reading to find out what the Bible means, they say, "this is what it means to me." They change the Bible rather than letting it change them. When it comes to the church, the story is same. If people will change God and His word to fit what they want, what is to stop them from changing His church? If they think the church should be a social club, then they will try to change it into that. If they think the church should be an entertainment center, then they will try to mold it into that. People fashion God, the Bible, His church and everything else in their religion into an image they desire just like Aaron fashioned the metal into a calf to worship.

So, the next time you wonder why those in the Bible were so tempted by idolatry consider all the false religion that is fashioned to please man in our day. Those who are saved are the ones who conform to the image of Jesus the Son of God (Romans 8:29), not those who try to conform Jesus into their own preferred image.

# **Gospel Meeting with Greg Dismuke**

# Sunday, April 6th

9:45am - To Embrace One for All and All for One

10:45am - To Pattern Ourselves After Christ

6:00pm - To Preach the Word

# Monday, April 7th

7:00pm - To Accept an Inescapable Conclusion

## Tuesday, April 8th

7:00pm - To Return to the Old Paths

## Wednesday, April 9th

7:00pm - To Prepare Your Soul

## **Morning Bible Classes**

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 10:00am - A Study of Obadiah

Attendance & Contribution			
	3/30/25	Goal	3/31/24
Bible Study	69	90	51
AM Worship	114	130	109
PM Worship	80	90	72
Mid Week	75	90	64
Contribution	\$9,024.10		\$5,897.00

**Notes** 

### **Sunday Servants**

**WELCOME:** Mark Parks

## **Morning**

**SONG LEADER:** Nathan Adkins

FIRST PRAYER: George Wallace

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Chris Legg

LORD'S TABLE\*

PRESIDING: Greg Hall

**ASSISTING:** Terry Fouts, Matt

Vonderheide, John Gambill, Ernie

Perry, Jacob Brown, Gabe Scott,

Jesse Legg

#### **Evening**

**SONG LEADER:** Jeremiah Smith

FIRST PRAYER: JC Hughes

LORD'S TABLE\*

**PRESIDING:** Greg Conley

**ASSISTING:** Jordan Conley

**CLOSING PRAYER:** John Gambill

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Noah Day

## **Wednesday Servants**

**WELCOME:** Greg Conley

**SONG LEADER:** 

**PRAYER:** 

**DEVOTIONAL:** 

## **Weekly Servants**

**LIVE STREAM:** Jesse Legg

**POWER POINT:** Nathan Parks

BLDG. ATT.: Mark Parks

**COORDINATOR:** Matt Vonderheide

ATTENDANCE: John Gambill

\*gluten-free bread

#### **Dates to Remember**

**Apr. 12 -** Spring Camp at WVCYC

Apr. 17-20 - Lads to Leaders Convention

**Apr. 26** - Ladies' Day at Kenova Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

**Apr. 26** - Ladies' Day at Clearview Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

**May 3** - Baby Shower for Taylor Brown - see bulletin board for details

**May 17** - Ladies' Day at Harrisville Church of Christ - details on bulletin board

May 18 - Potluck and Lads to Leaders Recognition

June 1 - Graduate Honor Night

**June 14** - Arts and Eats Festival 3pm-8pm

Aug. 2 - Vacation Bible School 10am-2pm

Aug. 23-24 - Evangelism Training



#### **Youth Notes**

**Sundays at 5:45pm -** Pew Packers in front of the auditorium geared to age 12 and under but everyone is welcome.

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# Free Bible Correspondence Courses Available by Mail:

8 lesson series by Hurt

"Studies in The Bible" (30 lessons)

"Acts of The Apostles" by Pharr (6 lessons)

"Getting to Know Jesus" by Pharr (20 lessons)