

From the Pastor

We are now in the midst of the fall festival season. Our Father gave us these days to remind us continually of His awesome plan. The fall feasts picture events that are yet to take place—they are shadows of things to come (Colossians 2:17).

What should we be doing—what should our mind set be—to receive the most benefit possible from these feasts?

If we have kept God’s feasts for many years, it is too easy for the feasts to become “old hat”—routine. We observe the feasts but do not keep them as we did when we were new to the faith—when we were in our “first love.” Often when we approached our first feasts we went hungering to learn the truth of God’s way.

That flush of first love obviously can’t last. The truth of God is no longer brand new to us. But, this doesn’t mean that our love for the truth should get less. Our love for God, His ways and His truth should grow and deepen with the passing of time. As we grow spiritually we continually learn more and more of the depth of God’s words of truth. If we are truly hungering and thirsting after God’s righteousness (Matthew 5:6), God will continually reveal more of the depth of His word to us—we will see His truths more clearly—His truths will register more deeply and profoundly. However, this will occur only if we are seeking to draw close to Him and grow in His Spirit.

Let’s not go to the feast just to just get away from the daily routine. Let’s begin praying and asking our Father to pour out His richest blessings on us and all of His people so we can come to know Him better. Pray to be able to see the awesome hope of the inheritance He is offering us.

This will be the last bulletin material until after the Feast. Several are leaving for the Feast before the Day of Atonement. Our prayers are that all will have a safe journey. But, above all we pray that your Feast will be spiritually rewarding.

	Victoria	Corpus Christi	Harlingen
Sunset Today in:	7:06pm	7:08pm	7:10pm
Sunset Tuesday Oct 11	7:03pm	7:05pm	7:07pm



October 8, 2016	Atonement
<u>Victoria</u> <i>Sermon: DVD</i>	<u>Victoria</u> <i>Sermon: David Gatley</i>
<u>Corpus Christi</u> <i>Sermonette: DVD</i> <i>Sermon: Steve Moody</i>	<u>Corpus Christi</u> <i>Sermonette:</i> Mark Monsivais <i>Sermon: Arnold Mendez</i>
<u>Harlingen</u> <i>Sermonette:</i> Orlando Mascorro <i>Sermon: Arnold Mendez</i>	<u>Harlingen</u> <i>Sermonette:</i> Michael Watts <i>Sermon: Arnold Mendez</i>

“Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.”

1 John 5:14-15

Announcements and Schedule

Sabbath 10/8	Regular locations and times for Corpus Christi, San Antonio, Harlingen, and Victoria.
Day of Atonement Wednesday 10/12	Regular locations and times for Corpus Christi, San Antonio and Victoria. Mr. Mendez will be in Harlingen (10 a.m.) and Corpus Christi (3 p.m.). Mr. Moody will be in San Antonio (2:30 p.m.). Mr. David Gatley will be in Victoria (10 a.m.).
Sabbath 10/15	Corpus Christi, Harlingen, and Victoria will not have services. Services will be held in San Antonio at the regular location and time: Randolph Church of Christ, 1032 Pat Booker Rd, Universal City, TX 78148 at 2:30 p.m.

IN ACCORD:

October 6, 2016 - Trumpets, Media and Staying Warm

In this week's In Accord Media operation manager Clyde Kilough briefly touches on the Feast of Trumpets before describing recent developments in the Church's preaching of the gospel (as well as a new tool that will greatly help members as they travel). And, as we are now in the final festival season of the year, he also talks about how God's feasts can help us stay warm in a spiritually cold world.

Updates

Hurricane Matthew:

Most of the country is aware of the damage that Hurricane Matthew has caused in Haiti, the Dominican Republic and the Bahamas. Now the National Weather Service is forecasting that Matthew will hit the coast of South Florida and ride the coast north.

Our pastors in South Florida (Jim Haeffele and Roy Demarest) are canceling services in Miami, West Palm Beach, Orlando and Ocala this Sabbath due to evacuations along the coast and the shutdown of many public buildings and schools over the next two to four days. While our members in that area are taking what precautions they can, your prayers are requested for them and our brethren in the Bahamas over the next two

days. We will update the ministry of further developments.

Upcoming Activities: Dates to Remember

San Antonio Potluck: The next potluck will be November 5.