Family Matters



Sunday Worship

Greeter: Billy Lovell Announcements: Eddie Bowen Encouragement Talk: Charles Willis Opening Prayer: Sandon Spyker Scripture Reading: John Franks Luke 1:46–56 Song Leader: Kevin Buckner Table Talk: Casey Thomas Contribution: Arturo Orozco Helper: Joel Jordan Fruit of Vine: Tyler Blazek Helper: Lester Mabry Helper: Jonathan Lovell Closing Prayer: Ronnie Ramsey

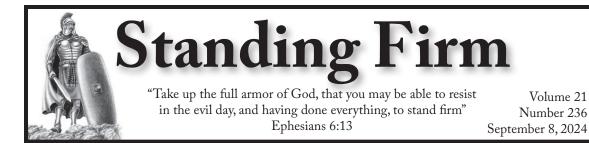
This Week's Assignments & Events Sunday Afternoons Sept 8 3PM Gospel Meeting

Sept 15 Nothing

Sept 22 Nothing

Sept 29 3PM Devotionals

Wednesday Evening Song Leader: Arturo Orozco Speaker: James Brown



Gospel Meeting This Week September 8–11

with James Brown

Sunday

9:30am	The Converted Life
10:30am	The Resurrection From The Dead
3:00pm	Reactions To Sound Teaching

Weeknights at 7:00pm

Monday	What Did Cornelius Hear?		
Tuesday	Reconciliation		
Vednesday	A Faithful Saying		

Join us as we worship God and focus on His word.

Finding The Lord's Church Charles Willis	Know	The Words of the Lord	Andy de Kler
Many in this age are looking for a church. They have created in their own mind a check-list of items they would like to find in a church before they will commit to joining. Often these include things like: a large children's group	Your Bible	John 6:63 They are SPI	RIT & LIFE
and a youth minister, a strong community outreach program, a preacher who is captivating as a speaker, and a church that teaches things with which I agree. The	Salvation	Rom. 7:6 "serve in the 2 Cor. 3:6 "but the S	
only problem with this kind of reasoning is that you will eventually find what you are looking for, but will you find the Lord's church through this approach? I believe you will not, because the criteria used to make a choice is not base don	1. Can a man be saved by faith	Mark 4:14 The are like S	EED
God's will but on what "I want". When looking for a church, doesn't it make sense to look for the church that	only?	to the hearerGod ha	Luke 18:11) the Word of God brings lines are chosen the preaching of the gospel as
Jesus died to establish? Most will agree that not every religious group in the world leads to heaven – that in reality there are false religions. I believe we should be more concerned about avoiding a false religion and instead serve God as He	2. "God is now declaring to men	the means of saving m $\overline{\mathbf{T}}_{1}$ and $\overline{\mathbf{T}}_{2}$	
desires. So our criteria for selection should not be based on "I want" but on "Is this group doing what God wants".	that all people everywhere should	The cleansing is effected	EANSING POWER ed through the hearing, believing and
God has revealed to us in the written word how we are to please Him. If "all scripture is inspired of God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness" (2 Tim. 3:16), then the word of God should be our	»	John 17:17 obeying of the word (I	NCTIFICATION
guide. We need to find the church that matches the revealed word of God. The exact match is what is required because an "almost match" would mean that some things are being done contrary to God's will. Is all of scripture is profitable for righteousness (being right in God's sight), then we need to hold ourselves to His	3. What must we confess in order to be saved?	To set apart. Jesus has	set Himself apart (Heb. 9:14). The is steps (2 Cor. 5:14-17) and also the
standard. Some specifics we need to examine include: <i>What doctrine is taught:</i> if it is not		John 8:31–32 They Bring F.	
what Jesus and His apostles taught, it is "another gospel" which should not be followed (Gal. 1:6-9). If we follow another doctrine we do not have God (2 John 9). <i>What the believers call themselves:</i> scripture calls believers "Christians" (acts	4. What is the purpose of		ohn 15:7). Law of Liberty (James 2:12) reedom from sin and death.
11:26) and not some denominational name. <i>How the church is organized:</i> scripture calls for elders and deacons in every congregation, those men meeting the	baptism?		ERNAL LIFE
requirements listed in 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1. There is no biblical organization beyond the local congregation. <i>How we worship God:</i> scripture says we are to sing (Col. 3:16) which excludes the use of instruments. We could go on to investigate	Answers On Back	John 17:3; John 6:68; J	
many other aspects of the local congregation, and we should. In every way the church should match the pattern found in scripture. The	Sunday Sermon	Matthew 24:35 Will NEVER 1 Peter 1:25; Mark 13:	
Bible should be our criteria of selection. Which church is righteously serving God is correct thinking, not what "I want". We will always be able to satisfy our own desires with some church, but we are called by God to worship Him	Point your phone camera at the square below, then click on the link to hear the sermon. Recordings will change mid-week.	Let us rely wholly on the Words of them known to others. Let us stud	
in spirit and in truth (John 4:23). When the church you are examining matches the church in scripture, you know you have found the Lord's church. I would recommend you compare the New Caney Church of Christ with God's word.		Him. Let us do and keep	5