### **WELCOME VISITOR!**

January 15th, 2023

We are very glad you worshipped with us today. We would like a record of your visit, so please take a few minutes and fill in the information below, tear this part off, and drop it in the offering plate.

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tion for the poor saints which are at Jerusalem" (Romans 15:26; 2 Corinthians 8:1-24; 2 Corinthians 9:1-15). Paul had been exhorted by the "pillars" of the Jerusalem church to "remember the poor," which Paul was "zealous to do" (Gal. 2:9-10 ASV). He had been involved in a previous collection in response to a "great dearth throughout all the world" in order to provide relief for the brethren of Judea (Acts 11:27-30). This event occurred around 45 A.D.

When Paul began his third missionary journey, he purposed to secure a large offering for the Judean poor from the Gentile churches in Asia Minor and Greece. While Paul was at Ephesus in Acts 19:21, he "purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome."

Paul's determination to go back through the provinces mentioned included his plan to receive this collection which had been over a year in preparation, and to deposit it safely in Judean hands (2 Corinthians 8:10; 2 Corinthians 9:2).

Timothy and Erastus went ahead of Paul to expedite the final collections among these churches (Acts 19:22). Titus also worked with the Corinthian congregation in the final preparations made for their contribution (2 Corinthians 8:16-24). The churches of Macedonia responded liberally to the need, and their liberality was used by the apostle Paul as an example for the procrastinating Corinthians to emulate (2 Corinthians 8:1-12).

All of these events occurred around 59-60 A.D. A specific commandment concerning giving into a common treasury had been sent to the Corinthians (1 Corinthians 16:1-2), which served then (and serves now) as God's plan for giving in the Lord's church (1 Corinthians 4:17).

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# The GONZALES Messenger

**GONZALES CHURCH OF CHRIST** 

January 15th, 2023

# **Collection For the Judean Saints**

Mike Riley

A querist asks, "In reading about the collection taken for Judea in Acts 11:27, due to the prophets vision by the Holy Spirit regarding impending famine, I would like to receive feedback on whether or not this was the same collection from Romans 15:26 and 1 Corinthians 16:3 (two which I believe to be the same). I do not believe it to be the same... since the latter was for Jerusalem and the previous gift was coming from Jerusalem. However, clarification is always good."

After much study, this Bible student believes that the collection in Romans 15:25-26; 1 Corinthians 16:1-3 was a different collection than the one recorded in Acts 11:27.

Much is said in Paul's writings to the Gentile churches concerning "a contribu-

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### Our Schedule

#### Sunday

Bible Class 9 AM AM Worship 10 AM PM Worship 1 PM

#### Wednesday ass 7 PM

Bible Class

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#### Elders

Ronald DeShazo Michael Krieger

#### Deacons

Patrick Adkins Roberto Benitez Tracy Boone Harold Douget Tim Schmidt Ben Vallery

#### Ministers

James Eaves Daniel Jaramillo

#### Attendance Record

Sunday AM- 115 PM- 77 Wed- 88

## LESSONS FOR THIS WEEK

# **Sunday**

**Bible Class: Manna Project Presentation** 

**Scripture Reading: TBA** 

**AM Sermon: Justin Hopkins** 

PM Sermon: Am I My Brother's Keeper?

**Wednesday** 

**Bible Class: TBA** 

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Bible Bowl Study** - Review Ezra and Nehemiah Bible Bowl questions. Next Practice Sunday, January 22nd @2pm.

**Mentor Class** New times will be announced soon.

**Sweet Taters**-Next Activity will be February 10th @Nobile's Restaurant. See Karen and Brent Stephens for details



# **Tune in!**

Saturdays 7:30 p.m. DirecTV-363/Dish-218

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## WEDNESDAY NIGHT DEVO

12/28 Bryan Cook
01/04 Darren Kyle
02/15 Patrick Adkins
01/11 Colin Schmidt
01/18 Ben Vallery
01/25 Tim Schmidt
02/08 David Esmon
02/15 Patrick Adkins
02/22 Blake Adkins
03/01 Bryan Cook

02/01 Colin Schmidt

Birthdays This Week: Anniversaries This Week:
17th Teagan Boone 15th Ron & Charlotte Deshazo

#### Privileged to Serve 01-15-2023 Privileged to Serve 01-22-2023 AM & PM Assembly AM & PM Assembly Song Leader..... Wayne Pace Song Leader..... Kyle Leblanc Lord's Table..... Lord's Table..... Kyle Leblanc Burt Duplessis Jr AV Room..... AV Room..... Announcements..... Announcements..... Ben Vallery Ben Vallery Security Mack Meek Security **Bret Coats** AM Assembly AM Assembly Opening Prayer..... Opening Prayer..... Blake Adkins Ron Deshazo Scripture..... Scripture..... Mike Krieger Hayes Boone Closing Prayer..... Dave Brady Closing Prayer..... Brent Stephens **PM Assembly** PM Assembly Opening Prayer..... Burt Duplessis, Jr. Opening Prayer..... Shane Bryant Closing Prayer..... Closing Prayer..... Joel Watson Jr. lim Arrowood Wed Assembly Wed Assembly Song Leader..... Blake Adkins Song Leader..... Cayden Moore Invitation..... Invitation..... Tim Schmidt Ben Vallery Closing Prayer..... Jim Arrowood Closing Prayer..... Timmon King

#### ATTENTION:

If you need to make a prayer request you may use this slip to provide details. Please put the slip in the collection plate or give it to one of the elders or deacons. If you are new or visiting please fill out the other side so we can get to know you.

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Alternatively, you may text Patrick Adkins any updates to the prayer list. 225-205-7109