

# PASTORAL GREETING

#### Welcome to Bethel Assembly of God,

Sis Brenda and I would like to welcome you to our fellowship here at Bethel. One of the deepest desires of each of us is to have fellowship with others. This is especially true of new Christians who seek to walk in newness of life. Such fellowship can be found through membership in the local church and we hope you will make this local church your home

It is our desire for you to receive a word from God and that your needs be met by God. It is our vision that you would bear the message of the Cross and be blessed by God's Word.

We want to serve you and members of your family in matters of Christian instruction and assist you with Godly counsel and prayer, especially in times of decision, stress, and difficulty.

So we hope you will visit often and make a decision to make this your spiritual home.

Blessings from Sis Brenda and Bro John

## GOD IS WITH US

#### We're GLAD YOU' RE HERE

Our church family is delighted that you have joined us to worship today! We want you to consider yourself among friends who care.

We preach Christ and Him crucified and follow the doctrine as presented in the Book of Acts and the epistles of Paul and the Apostles.

Come join us every <u>Sunday 10 am & 6 pm</u>; and every <u>Wednesday 6:30 pm</u> for fellowship & Study of the Word.

See John 3:16; 1 Corinthians 1:17,18; Romans 8:1,2.

We Believe:

-The Bible is the inspired and only infallible and authoritative Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16).

-There is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost (2 Corinthians 13:14).

-In the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule a thousand years (Matthew 16:16; 1 Corinthians 15: 3,4)

-In the blessed hope, which is the rapture of the Church, at Christ's coming (Titus 2:13).

-The only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Christ (1 Peter 1:18,19).

-Regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation (John 3:3-5).

-The redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer (1 Peter 2:24).

-The baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it (Acts 2:39).

-In the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life (Galatians 5:16).

-In the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation (John 5:28,29).

### Some Why's

#### Why Do We Give Audible Praise To God?

"Bless the Lord, O my soul and all that is within me bless His Holy Name." Psalms 103:1

"I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall continually be in my mouth." Psalms 34:1

"And when they heard this, they lifted their voices to God." Acts 2:24

#### Why Do We Lift Up Our Hands?

"Thus I will bless Thee while I live. I will lift up my hands in Thy name." Psalms 63:4

"Lift up your hands in the sanctuary and bless the Lord." *Psalms 134:2* 

"I will, therefore, that men pray everywhere lifting up Holy Hands, without wrath and doubting." 1 Timothy 2:8

#### Why Do We Clap Our Hands?

"O clap your hands all you people, shout unto God with the voice of triumph." Psalms 63:4

### Why Do We Stand When We Sing?

"And the Levites...of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the Lord God of Israel with a loud voice on high." II Chronicles 20:19

### Why Do We Sing And Pray In Tongues And In English?

"For if I pray in an unknown tongue my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. What is it then? I will pray with the spirit and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also."

1 Corinthians 14:14-15

## SERVICE TIMES

**SUNDAY:** 10 AM & 6 PM

TUESDAY: 6 PM CORPORATE PRAYER

WEDNESDAY:

7 PM CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT & YOUTH SERVICE

## MISSION STATEMENT

Bethel Assembly of God:

A ministry dedicated to the leadership of the Holy Spirit in the preaching of the Cross that none should perish and all should come to the Glory of God.

## Why Do We Have This Type Of Worship?

"But the hour comes, and now is, when true worshipers shall worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth for the Father seeks such to worship Him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth." John 4:23-24

"For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the Spirit and rejoice in Jesus Christ and have no confidence in the flesh." *Philippians 3:3* 

## Why Do We Speak With Tongues And Interpret Those Tongues?

"Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues." 1 Corinthians 14:39

"But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal: to another divers kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues."

1 Corinthians 12:7-10

"If any man speak in an unknown tongue, let it be by two, or at the most three, and that by course, and let one interpret."

1 Corinthians 14:27

## Why Does The Whole Church Pray At Once For Specific Needs?

"And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, 'Lord, Thou art God, which hast made Heaven and earth."" Acts 4:24

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## Your Family Worship Center

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