

Wait? For How Long?



And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, “which,” He said, “*you have heard from me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.*” (Acts 1:4-6). What excitement there must have been when Jesus had resurrected and spent 40 days more with his disciples “speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God.” (Acts 1:3). He was Alive! The first Easter celebration was in full swing!

Now the disciples were given very direct but not necessarily specific instructions to “wait”. They were to wait in Jerusalem for “the Promise of the Father”. This is the part that creates the most difficult challenge for people. They were to wait, but for how long? Waiting is not the easiest thing for humans to do. Our perspective of waiting is always from a negative viewpoint. We huff and puff in the drive through line, the checkout line, and the driver’s license renewal line.

So waiting can be inherently difficult for those who like movement NOW. However, the scripture is full of times where the children of God were instructed to wait. Waiting on God is the opposite of relying on flesh. Waiting on God is to determine that you have worth in God’s eyes and that He has your best interests in mind. There is something for you out there. A promise is days away. We just don’t know how many days away. For the 120 disciples who waited, it was 10 days. All they had to do was trust God and do what He said. Which was what? Wait with an expectancy of receiving. Wait!



I called
upon the
Lord in
distress:
the Lord
an-
swered
me, and



For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a

Welcome Home to Westwood Hills!

Today is April 26, 2009.

We are located at:

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Welcome to the Westwood Hills Church of God!

God is moving in our Church and changing lives through the power of the Word and the Holy Spirit and my desire is for you to experience it for yourself. At Westwood Hills, you can always count on being loved and having the opportunity to worship and praise the Lord, because at Westwood Hills, it's always ALL ABOUT HIM!

E . Bob Kuschel, Ph.D.

Senior Pastor

Last Sunday's Giving

Benevolence Contributions	15.00
Missions Williams	15.00
Children's Ministry	9.00
Debt Reduction	30.00
Youth Ranch	10.00
Youth Ministries	10.25
Missions Fund	22.00
Music Department	15.00
General Fund	197.30
Tithes	1764.00
Total.....	2087.55

19 families brought their tithes to Westwood Hills last week.

Church "Matters"

Attention Ladies:

The next Women's Ministries event is scheduled for Sunday May 3rd at 6:00 pm.

May 10:

Mother's Day

Church & Pastor's Council:

Application for the Church & Pastor's Council will be received through May 10th. If you are a male member, and interested in serving or obtaining more information please contact Jim Windham or Billy Norton.

Happy Birthday

Bryce Kuschel 4/29
 Jacqueline Winsett 4/29
 Pat Hodges 5/3
 Johnny Bohannon 5/4
 Christa Gross 5/5
 Jonathan Jethro 5/5
 Thomas Tang 5/13
 Carolyn Bohannon 5/22
 Jesus Rivera 5/24
 Kathy Brinker Ritchie 5/27
 Christian Pitts 5/27

Please Keep In Prayer:

Sandy Kuschel
 Gloria Broglia
 Olive Elise Garden
 Ann Clay
 Waymon Miller
 Baby Caton
 Tyler Myatt
 Blanca Delgado
 Janice Haynes
 Mercia Reid



Kathy Brinker Ritchie

Baby Shower

When: Saturday, May 2, 2009

Time: 3:00 pm at the Church

Registered: Target and Wal-mart