

## 2012 THEME

**"JESUS, MAKE ME  
BETTER!"**

**Jesus help me to  
please you...**

- In my walk
- In my position
- Wherever I reside

**Jesus help me to...**

- delight in the Word of God.
- meditate on the Word of God, during the day and night.

**Jesus please...**

- establish and secure my foundation.
- bless whatever involves me.

## THIS MONTH

- 22nd Church Anniversary

## "The Danger of Unbelief"



Elder Stephen Scudder

So we see that they **could not enter in because of unbelief.**  
*Hebrews 3:19*

Looking at the topic of "Unbelief", the nation of Israel's constant disobedience to the commandments recorded in scripture often is the first example that comes into the mind; this is a very unfortunate way to be remembered. To have a history associated with "unbelief", a term frowned upon in the scripture, is one of the worst things that can be said of a person or a nation. The very heart of sin, the source of what makes sin exist and provides continuation to its infection is unbelief. If this term were erased from our vocabulary, we would create an environment of Righteousness and Holiness. Making this term apart of our thought processes brings upon a curse of not just the environment, but of our very existence on earth;

- everything we touch will be cursed
- everything we do will be cursed
- everything we eat or drink will be cursed
- where we live will be cursed

**Harden not your hearts,** as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:

When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.

Wherefore **I was grieved with that generation,** and said, **They do always err in their heart; and they have not known my ways.**

**SO I SWORE IN MY WRATH, THEY SHALL NOT ENTER INTO MY REST.)**

Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an **evil heart of unbelief,** in **departing from the living God.**

*Hebrews 3:8-12*

Consider what the scriptures say about unbelief.

- Eve's response  
Genesis 3:6

- Zachariah's response  
Luke 1:20

- Thomas's response  
John 20:25

- Disciples response to the Resurrection of Jesus  
Luke 24:11

- People's response  
Matthews 17:17

- Israel's response  
Psalms 106:7, Psalms 106:13, Psalms 106:21

### HOW DO I DEAL WITH UNBELIEF?

And straightway the father of the child **cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.**

Mark 9:24

And he said unto them, **This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.** Mark 9:29

**Trust in him at all times;** ye people, **pour out your heart before him:** God is a refuge for us. Selah.  
Psalms 62:8

**Trust not in oppression,** and become not vain in robbery: **if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.**

Psalms 62:10

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.  
Proverbs 3:5

His mother saith unto the servants, **WHATSOEVER HE SAITH UNTO YOU, DO IT.**  
John 2:5;1:5



# “Put Your Confidence in Jesus”

Praise the Lord Saints!

This April’s Trustee Service was truly encouraging to the Saints. The topic was based on the scripture Hebrews 10: 35-36. It reads: *Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.*

Confidence means this: A relation of trust or intimacy; reliance on another’s discretion. Mother Gloria Best’s version: To put belief, trust, and faith in Jesus. Saints should always put their confidence in Jesus for everything, and not man. Saints know that man might let them down. Confide in Jesus during prayer, and in need of help. Call JESUS! Don’t throw away your confi-

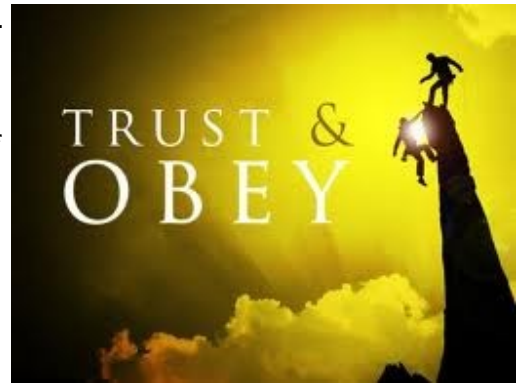
dence. Salvation in Jesus is personal so get intimate, and rely on Jesus. His promise is for sure. Jesus cannot lie!

According to Mother Best, “Saints are to put their confidence in Jesus because he is all power, and he wants us to believe his every word. Proverbs 3:5-6 reads: Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Hebrews 3: 14, For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end. Stand firm in Jesus be bold soldiers for Jesus. Walk and talk the straight and narrow road in Jesus name. 1<sup>st</sup> John

5:14 – And this is the confidence that we have in him, that if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us.”

Saints and Seekers, whatever it is that you are asking of Jesus have confidence, and believe that Jesus will reward you with the promise! Hebrews 10: 37 reads: For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. AMEN!

Submitted By:  
**Sister Joyce Fisher**



**Bible Class for the  
Month of April - “Self  
Judgement”**

**Sunday Morning  
Messages for the  
Month of April -”Firm  
Foundation”**

**Tuesday & Thursday  
FAST  
&  
PRAY  
~  
CALL Jesus!**

## To Go Back with Jesus...

*By: Mother Tawanna Scudder*

To go back with Jesus when He comes  
You have to do it the right way  
So open up your bible to Acts 2:38  
And see what it has to say

Repent from your sins and be godly sorry  
For all the sins you’ve done  
Stop and change your mind forever  
From doing all known wrong

Then be baptized in the name of Jesus  
For your soul is buried in His name  
The water washes away your sins  
Now, you will never be the same.

But wait, there is one more thing you must do  
For eternal life to claim  
Turn in your bible to Acts 2:21  
It says to call on Jesus’ name

Call upon His name until  
He comes to live within your soul  
And without a shadow of doubt you’ll know  
Your soul’s been truly made whole.

# 37th Church Anniversary



In 1975, upon stepping out to establish a work for the Lord Jesus Christ, Bishop and Mother Johnson joined the Apostolic Overcoming Holy Church of God under the leadership of the late Bishop Jasper Roby. They held their first service in their home on Madison Street in Washington, D.C.

Bishop and Mother Johnson organized a Wednesday night Bible study which began at 8:00 p.m. and which has proven over the years to be a mighty blessing to all who would come and had a desire to learn about Jesus and His Word. On several occasions, Bishop Johnson conducted Bible study sessions in the home of Mother Jessie Tate, who requested them along with a group of her acquaintances. He also taught and assisted young ministers who were eager to learn how to prepare themselves to preach the Word of God.

After an intensive and persistent search, with the help of the Lord, they found and purchased a building located in Capital Heights, Maryland, where they opened the doors in 1976; they named the church Friendship and welcomed all who had the mind to come.

As the church membership grew, Bishop and Mother Johnson began to search for a larger building and finding one in Deanwood Park, Maryland. They moved into this building located at 4814 Deanwood Drive, in April, 1980.

Bishop and Mother Johnson also established the Philadelphia A.O. H. Church of God in March, 1990. The church started in the home of a young couple, Brother Troy and Sister Wanda Sawyer, who were the first church members. In order to accommodate a growing membership, Jesus blessed the saints to move into 3942 Wallace Street, Philadelphia, Pa. The pastor Elder Stephen Scudder received much of his pastoral training under the tutelage of Bishop Johnson.

Friendship continued to grow which led Bishop and Mother Johnson to search for a new site to construct a larger building. On August 30, 1998, ground was broken for a new edifice located at 5421 Decatur Street and in February 2000, Bishop Johnson and Mother Johnson led the members into the new edifice to have the first worship service. On March 26, 2000, a Dedication Service was held in the presence of the church members, friends, and well-wishers.

# Doctrinal Class Graduate



Congratulations to our Brother James Zuber for successfully completing the Doctrinal Class in our Sunday School Ministry. Hard work and dedication are essential to spiritual growth and development. Students in this class cover 22 lessons on the doctrinal principles of the church.



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Let's keep witnessing for Jesus!

# Seeking Jesus!

By: Brother Kyle Sawyer

*Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:*

Isaiah 55:6



Today is the day to seek Jesus! Who is to say you will see tomorrow? The time that the Lord Jesus Christ gives us is precious. There is no value in wasting precious time

when you can spend it on finding God Almighty. In the society that we live in today, many folks are heading in the wrong direction. The road of destruction is growing day by day (Read Isa 5: 13-14). It seems that mankind is seeking towards everything but Jesus. Lies would rather be believed than the truth.

Matthew 7:13-14 mentions,

*Enter ye in at the strait gate: for **wide** is the gate, and **broad** is the way, that leadeth to **destruction**, and **many** there be which go in thereat: because **strait** is the gate, and **narrow** is the way, which leadeth unto **life**, and **few** there be that find it.*

Here we see that the word of God is standing sure. The world wants no dealings with holiness. They will rather be self-willed than to come up under the dominion of Jesus.

Regardless of what the world thinks and how they behave, as children of God we have to continue to seek Jesus. Although one may be saved and sanctified doesn't mean the process of seeking Jesus shall stop. Seeking the Lord is constantly. The desire of wanting Jesus to manifest himself in our lives should be an everyday craving.

Matthew 6:33 tells us,

***Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness:***

No matter how you may be feeling when you are reading this particular passage, it will always speak to you at the right time. Whether you are feeling good or bad, saved or unsaved, Jesus is speaking to you at the present moment. When seeking Jesus you can not go wrong. This is what the Lord desires out of every individual. He would not want you to be lost in this world, but would have you to be saved in these last and evil days.

**Seek Jesus!**

