

HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN TODAY!

GOOD NEWS! God loves and yearns to redeem all people. The Bible clearly outlines the way to become a follower of Jesus Christ:

1. **ADMIT** - Admit to God you are a sinner (you have done things that were wrong). Apologize and turn away from your sins towards God (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
2. **BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD** - Believe that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross and rose from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
3. **CONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD** – Make a spiritual commitment to be a follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Savior (Rescuer and Redeemer) and Lord (Ultimate Leader). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
4. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS** - Tell your family and friends about your new faith in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly announce your decision to be a Christian.

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH!

COME FORWARD – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, accepting Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church may request and be accepted into the membership of this church. Upon request to the Pastor, Moderator or at a meeting of the membership, a person may be received by affirmation of the membership based on:

1. **BELIEVER'S BAPTISM**
2. **LETTER OF TRANSFER** or recommendation from a previous Christian church and prior baptism; or a
3. **SATISFACTORY STATEMENT OF CHRISTIAN FAITH** and prior baptism

Members shall strive to be faithful to Christian principles as set forth in scripture and support the mission of the church through attendance, prayer, service and monetary giving. The *first step* to become a member is to *come forward* during the singing of the last hymn so you can share your decision with the congregation.

WEST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018

WELCOME TO WORSHIP – *We are happy you are here!* You will hopefully discover very quickly this is a small, loving church in a big city. If you are looking for a place to belong, make real friendships, and get involved - then West Side is for you! Please speak with me after the worship service if you would like to learn more about having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, need personal prayer, or want to request a pastoral visit! Blessings, Pastor Ivan

ANNUAL MEETING – Come to the Annual Meeting and Potluck Luncheon TODAY, January 28 at 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. The Fellowship and Membership Committee will provide the fried chicken. Please bring a side dish and dessert for the potluck luncheon. *Church Officers and Coordinators need to email their Annual Report to Lynda (office@wsbctopeka.org) before Wednesday, January 17.* The Annual Report booklet will be distributed prior to the meeting.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING – Our Youth Group (High School and Middle School) will collect cans of soup and loose change for Door Steps Inc. on Feb. 4.



SM The Souper Bowl of Caring was started in 1990 by a church youth group to mobilize young people to fight hunger and poverty in their local communities by collecting monetary and food donations during the week leading up to **Super Bowl Sunday (FEBRUARY 4, 2018)**. 100% of the money and food is then given directly to local charities. See <https://souperbowl.org> for details. Talk to Pastor to be a volunteer!

BREAKFAST ON SUNDAYS – Sign-up if you plan to attend the free breakfasts on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall starting at 8:30 am. All ages are welcome to eat for free.



BIBLE STUDY – Come for the free one-hour small group study of the biblical book "EZEKIEL" on **Wednesdays at 10:30 am in Holmer Hall**. The Bible study is taught start-to-finish ("lectio continua"), no previous experience necessary. Bible studies are free and open to the public.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE – Come to the **Contemporary Worship Service tonight at 4:00 pm**. The Worship Team will lead us in singing contemporary Christian worship songs, and Pastor will share a Bible lesson from the *morning Epistle reading*. Come in comfortable, casual clothes.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY – Take Control of Your Money. Get out of debt. Plan for retirement. Financial Peace University is a nine week, easy-to-follow program to help you learn how to get out of debt, create a budget, make wise spending decisions, save for the future, and so much more! Join **Financial Peace University on Mondays at 6:30 pm in Holmer Hall**. Register in the Church Office or on-line at <https://www.daveramsey.com>. See Pastor for details



FRUIT & VEGETABLE FOOD PANTRY – Free bread, fruits, and vegetables on **Wednesdays from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm** or while supplies last at West Side Baptist Church, 1008 SW 4th St., Topeka. **Program eligibility:** Households in Topeka area (zip code 66601-66619). **ID required:** a piece of US Mail with client's name and current address for identification. One household per address. Client must be present. All food is available no cost.

INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES BOARD OF DIRECTORS – Pastor was elected to serve on our denomination's Board of Directors overseeing the work of our global missionaries and partnerships. He will be attending a meeting in Philadelphia on Monday, February 12 thru Thursday, February 15.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

8:30 am	Breakfast (FH)
9:15 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship Service (S)
12:00 pm	Annual Meeting and Potluck Luncheon
4:00 pm	Contemporary Worship Service (S)

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

9:00 – 11:00 am	Baby Closet Ministry
6:00 – 9:00 pm	Capital City Men's Chorus (FH)
6:00 pm	Daughters of the Am. Revolution (DAR) (HH)
6:30 – 8:00 pm	Financial Peace University ()

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

9:00 am	Music Committee (HH)
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

10:30 am	Bible Study (HH)
4:00 – 6:00 pm	Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH)
4:30 – 7:00 pm	Baby Closet Ministry
4:30 pm	Open Gym Time
5:30 pm	Supper (FH)
6:00 pm	WWW Kids Bible Club and Adult Study
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (S)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

1:00 – 3:00 pm	Baby Closet
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

10 AM – 8 PM	Pastor @ Regional Board Mtg (Cross Wind)
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

10 AM – 3 PM	Pastor @ Regional Board Mtg (Cross Wind)
1:00 pm	Worship Team Rehearsal (S)

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Joe Abby – Healing for health concerns; doing better (Pat Abby's husband)
Mark Arnold – Healing for health concerns – bone marrow transplant
Mark Calloway – Healing for health concerns
Harry and Pat Carpenter – Healing for health concerns
Esther Carrier – Healing for health concerns – thyroid treatment
Hilda Lundgren – Healing for health concerns – wound care
Nancy May – Healing for health concerns
Marie Merrifield – Healing for health concerns
Rogene Moody – Healing for health concerns – wound care
Don Morris – Healing for health concerns - cancer
Janet Nyfeler – Healing for health concerns – ear
Ken Paslay – Healing for health concerns -
Sonny Payne – Healing for health concerns (Clarence Payne's brother)
Becky Poe – Healing for health concerns – knee
Bob Roesler – Interim Minister at FBC of Topeka, starting Feb. 1, 2018
Jill Roesler – Healing for health concerns
Keith Springer – Healing for health concerns (Marianne Spano's brother)
John Swain – Healing for health concerns – back pain
Lola Zab – Healing for health concerns (Marianne Spano's sister)

HOMEBOUND:

*June Cunningham – Healing for health concerns (Brewster Place)
*Gerald Haney – Healing for health concerns
*Russ Hunter – Healing for health concerns
*Mary Lou Johnson – Healing for health concerns
*Alice Kieffer – Healing for health concerns
*Karen Kirby – Healing for health concerns
*Reginald Kirby – Healing for health concerns
*Etta Landis – Healing for health concerns (Legend at Capital Ridge)
*Madeleine Martinson – Healing for health concerns (Fleming Place)
*Mae Martin – Healing for health concerns (Plaza West Care Center)
*Juanita Plankinton – Healing for health concerns
*Hazel Smith-Tindall – Healing for health concerns

MISSIONARIES VISITING – Join us for these amazing opportunities:

- **Revs. Keith and Debbie Myers**, ABCUSA Missionaries serving in Central Mexico, will be visiting WSBC on **Sunday, March 25 at 4:00 pm**. They will share about their work with the Council of Rural Indigenous Evangelicals of Mexico. Please pray for the Myer family. You can find more information about the Myers and their ministry at: www.internationalministries.org/author/dk-myers.
- **Rev. Emerson and Ivy Wu**, ABCUSA Missionaries serving in China and Hong Kong, will be visiting WSBC on **Sunday, April 29 at 4:00 pm**. They will share about their work with Global Chinese Training Ministry. Please pray for the Wu family. You can find more information about the Wu family and their work in China at: www.internationalministries.org/author/ei-wu.

MUSIC COMMITTEE – The Music Committee (Choir Director, Organist, and Pastor) has its weekly meeting to select hymns, songs, and spirituals for worship services on **Tuesdays at 9:00 am in Holmer Hall**. All are welcome!

OUTREACH COMMITTEE – The Outreach and Evangelism Committee has its monthly meeting on the **fourth Tuesday of each month (February 27) at 6:30 pm in Holmer Hall**. See Mark Calloway, Coordinator, for information.

SUPPER BOWL PARTY – The Outreach and Evangelism Committee will be hosting a **Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 4 at 5:00 pm in Holmer Hall**. Chili and chicken soup will be provided along with drinks (soda and punch). Please bring a snack item to share. Children's activities planned. See Mark Calloway for more information.

WORLD MISSION CONFERENCE – Plan now to attend the **World Mission Conference this next summer (Wednesday, July 4 thru Saturday, 7, 2018) at the American Baptist Assembly in Green Lake, Wisconsin sponsored by our ABCUSA International Ministries (IM)**. Registration deadline: June 1.



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