



FIRST CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

WELCOME to First Christian Assembly, an independent church whose mission is articulated by Jesus in Mark 16:15 when he said "...Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature". Following this great commission, First Christian Assembly preaches and teaches the gospel of Jesus Christ. In so doing, we trust that God, working through His Holy Spirit will draw souls to salvation in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ANTI-EVOLUTIONARY BEHAVIOR

"The fool hath said in his heart, [there is] no God" (Psalm 14:1a).

When the Bible talks about things in the material world that are part of our experience, we find that the Bible is always faithfully true. But there are many things in the creation which contradict the theory of evolution.

For example, Darwin said that natural selection could never produce anything for the sole benefit of another species. However, Darwin's rule doesn't hold true. Previous Creation Moments have presented some examples of creatures that help other creatures to their own detriment.

Today we go to the ants for yet another example. A number of ant species actually help another species to its own harm. Robber ants will take the larvae of a certain beetle into their nests to nurture and raise. Not only do robber ants neglect their own larvae to do this, but they will actually feed their own larvae to the beetle larvae. For some reason that scientists don't understand, the queen ant in such a colony often becomes sterile, and eventually the entire colony dies.

May we suggest that our all-knowing Creator purposefully created these altruistic relationships in order to confound men's wisdom when they chose to reject Him as Creator.

(Excerpts from creationmoments.com)

Announcements:

- ⇒ *Prayer meetings on Tuesday night @ 6:30 before 7:00 service at FCA. Also, on Thursday night @ 6:00 at PAC before 7:00 Bible study.*
- ⇒ *Check us out on Facebook and on our website at www.fcaphila.org. Audio Bible studies and messages are on the website.*

Ministry Highlights

Voice of the Martyrs

- ***Pray for Christian Woman Attacked in Front of School (Morocco)***

The wife of a Christian worker was violently attacked on Feb. 13 by three Muslim women who had discovered that she was a believer. One of the attackers has a daughter who attends the same school as the victim's daughter, and the Muslim women attacked the Christian woman in front of the school after she dropped off her daughter. Although the Christian family has transferred their daughter to a new school, it is a difficult adjustment. Less than one percent of those living in Morocco are Christians, and the government carefully monitors all Christian activities.

- ***Praise for God's blessing in Wenxi Li's Evangelism Efforts (China)***

During a recent visit, Wenxi Li, who is imprisoned for his faith, excitedly told family members that several more prisoners have become Christians as a result of his evangelism. Wenxi, who was imprisoned for his role with a Christian book store, was permitted to visit with his wife and family in January 2014. His wife, Cai Hong Li, reports that he is doing well. Wenxi was sentenced to two years in prison for his role with Enyu Bookstore in Taiyuan in June 2013 and has been in prison since his arrest in December 2012. While waiting for his trial, he led three other prisoners to Christ.

- ***Pray for Christian Prisoners Permitted Legal Counsel (China)***

Pastor Zhang Shaojie, 49, and Yan Beibei, 23, were allowed to see their lawyers on Jan. 15, 2014, after two months in detention. They were among 12 Christians detained for their involvement with the Nanle County Christian Church in November and December 2013. Pastor Zhang, who has been charged with fraud and "gathering a mob to disrupt public order," asked his lawyer to express his thanks to "all the people in the world who are paying attention to Nanle County Christian Church" and are remembering those in custody. One of the prisoners attempted suicide after being beaten by authorities. Pray for their resilience and faith, as many of them and their family members have been beaten.

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The Philadelphia Access Center is a ministry of First Christian Assembly. Our mission is *revealing Christ through compassionate service*. Services available at PAC include social services information and referrals, biblical counseling, support groups, volunteer training, and community outreach. All services are free of charge and available to anyone. To learn more, visit us in person (across the street from FCA) or online at www.philaccess.org or www.facebook.com/philaccess.

WEEKLY SERVICES /MEETINGS

	FCA	PAC
Sunday	9:45 AM <i>Bible Study</i> 11:00 AM <i>Worship Service & Children's Sunday School</i>	
Monday		7:00 PM <i>Stepping Stones</i>
Tuesday	6:30 PM <i>Prayer (Sanctuary)</i> 7:00 PM <i>Worship (Sanctuary)</i>	
Wednesday	6:30 PM <i>Men's Fraternity (on hiatus)</i>	1:00 PM <i>Women at the Well</i> 1:00 PM <i>Coram Deo</i>
Thursday		6:00 PM <i>Prayer Service</i> 7:00 PM <i>Bible Study</i>
Friday		7:00 PM <i>Right Path</i>

- *Coram Deo*: A men's Bible study and Christian fellowship.
- *Right Path*: A Christ centered support and recovery group for people whose lives have been affected by drug and alcohol addiction. In a warm and friendly atmosphere, we provide loving support and fellowship; in genuine confidential sharing, coupled with a Biblical twelve step model of recovery.
- *Stepping Stones*: A Christ centered support group for men and women impacted by a loved one's addiction. In a warm and friendly atmosphere, we provide loving support, fellowship, confidential sharing, and intercessory prayer.
- *Women at the Well*: This group is Biblically based and promotes hope, healing, and fellowship for women impacted and struggling with brokenness.

Looking Ahead



❖ *Worship and Watch will reconvene. We will meet at Calvary Temple on Sunday, April 6th at 6:00 PM. More details to follow.*

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ministries (present and future) at First Christian Assembly and the Philadelphia Access Center
- Christians around the world being persecuted for their faith.
- Our supported missionaries
- For our Pastor and his family.

