

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.

Micro Marvels of the Human Eye

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them" (Matthew 11:4-5).

The tiny computer chip - the basis of modern computers - is a thin wafer of silicon only about 7 millimeters across - about one fourth of an inch. This tiny chip might have the equivalent of 100,000 transistors built into it. Despite its size, hundreds of connections might be attached to it. The design of the computer chip is a marvel surpassed only by the amazing technology that can build it.

If you were to find a silicon chip lying in the silicon sand at the beach (which would be quite an accomplishment because they are so small!), you would never be able to convince even one engineer that the chip had formed through the chance movements of all that silicon based sand!

Now consider the human eye. The retina at the back of the eye is a very thin membrane, much thinner than even the clingiest food wrap. This retina contains not transistors but much more sophisticated photo receptors, each of which is a high gain amplifier. The retina doesn't have 100,000 of these, but rather it has 200,000 for each square millimeter of retina!

But the greatest wonder of all is how any scientist can say that your miraculous eye is the result of unguided genetic mistakes that, just by chance, resulted in the eye. Indeed, God's fingerprints are all over the creation, just as our human work is seen in the computer chip. How can one who can design only the computer chip dare question the One who can design the eye - and so much more?!

– (Excerpted from the Berean Call – 7-10-2014)

Ministry Highlights

Announcements:

- ⇒ **Tuesday service 7PM @ FCA; prayer is at 6:30**
- ⇒ **Thursday Bible study 7PM @ PAC; prayer is at 6:00**

Missionaries

From Pastor Binu John, India (7/4/14):
My family needs your prayers:

1. Angel, my second daughter, was suffering from fever for a while. On Sunday, she had high fever that worsened to seizure. We were scared by her expressions. My wife was in tears. We rushed to the hospital immediately. She came to normal after the treatment and the doctor advised us to be careful on her for five years.

Angel is turning ONE on 25th. God was faithful to us in gifting her to us in spite of the complications at pregnancy and thereafter.

2. My wife had a doctor's appointment today. She has been suffering from cold, cough, body pain etc. While reaching hospital, she fainted due to drastic drop in blood pressure.

Both of them are under treatment. I will appreciate your prayers for their recovery.

3. Abigail, our first daughter is in grade TWO. Praise God she is keeping well.

4. Please pray for me to handle everything as additional family responsibilities fall on my shoulder.

Thank you so very much. I know I can count on your prayers.

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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



- ❖ *A church picnic is being planned for Saturday September 20, 2014, 12 Noon to 5:00 PM. Details will follow. See Gloria if you are interested in attending.*

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.

