



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.

The Four Horsemen

The four horsemen of the Apocalypse are described in Revelation chapter 6, verses 1-8. The four horsemen are symbolic descriptions of different events which will take place in the end times. The first horseman of the Apocalypse is mentioned in Revelation 6:2: "I looked, and there before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest." This first horseman likely refers to the Antichrist, who will be given authority and will conquer all who oppose him. The antichrist is the false imitator of the true Christ, who will also return on a white horse (Revelation 19:11-16).

The second horseman of the Apocalypse appears in Revelation 6:4, "Then another horse came out, a fiery red one. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make men slay each other. To him was given a large sword." The second horseman refers to terrible warfare that will break out in the end times. The third horseman is described in Revelation 6:5-6, "...and there before me was a black horse! Its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hand. Then I heard what sounded like a voice among the four living creatures, saying, 'A quart of wheat for a day's wages, and three quarts of barley for a day's wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!'" The third horseman of the Apocalypse refers to a great famine that will take place, likely as a result of the wars from the second horseman.

The fourth horseman is mentioned in Revelation 6:8, "I looked, and there before me was a pale horse! Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword, famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth." The fourth horseman of the Apocalypse is symbolic of death and devastation. It seems to be a combination of the previous horsemen. The fourth horseman of the Apocalypse will bring further warfare and terrible famines along with awful plagues and diseases. What is most amazing, or perhaps terrifying, is that the four horsemen of the Apocalypse are just "precursors" of even worse judgments that come later in the tribulation.

Ministry Highlights

Announcements:

- **Tuesday evening's service will have an emphasis on Discipleship and Practical Christianity. Meetings will be from 7:00 to 8:00 PM and will include instruction followed by small group discussion and prayer. Meetings will take place in the Basement Fellowship area.**

Missionaries

John Koehler, Afghanistan

... possible location for our rehab centre... It is my former language building and I use to think what a wonderful place for a rehab but never thought it could actually come available to us! But it has, so please pray. We would take it February 1st for \$500 a month plus two watchmen (another \$300-400 per month).

To be honest I am a bit scared, not by the money but not feeling we are ready for 24/7 rehab. But as I pray I sense God is ready even if I am not!

Finally, there is a chance of our guys learning to make high end wood lamps as a possible business. This is in the infant sages of discussion so please keep this in prayer. Any of you men out there that have such skills, please be open to God saying "go visit A land!"

If you would like to support the project financially you can do so by sending gifts to Morning Star Development, 13570 Meadowgrass Dr Suite 220, Colorado Springs CO 80921. Memo line; New Life Project

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WEEKLY SERVICES /MEETINGS

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| 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 a 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 (on a hiatus)</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.



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
- Our country and God's will for it

From: Voice of the Martyrs

Jan. 13, 2017 | Yemen: Pray for a Kidnapped Nursing Home Worker and Vulnerable Residents

Tom Uzhunnalil, a Christian worker from India, was kidnapped during a violent attack on a Christian nursing home in Aden, Yemen. Gunmen burst into the residential facility and went room to room, handcuffing full-time and volunteer staff members before executing 16 of them. Workers from India, Kenya, Rwanda, Ethiopia and Yemen were killed. The facility cares for 80 poor, elderly and disabled Yemeni citizens, none of whom were harmed. On Christmas Day, militants released a video of Tom pleading for help and stating that he was kidnapped because he was working for "the Christian religion and the church." Please pray for Tom and for everyone mourning the loss of those killed in the attack. Also pray that the facility can continue caring for some of the most vulnerable in Yemen.