"Moreover, the king [Solomon] made a great throne of ivory and overlaid it with pure gold. There were six steps to the throne and a footstool in gold attached to the throne, and arms on each side of the seat, and two lions standing beside the arms. Twelve lions were standing there on the six steps on the one side and on the other; nothing like it was made for any other kingdom."

-- 2 Chronicles 9:18,19



Bobo Womagno speaking to the brethren Christ's Church Great Falls, MT

"Furthermore, we had earthly fathers to discipline us, and we respected them; shall we not much rather be subject to the Father of spirits, and live?"

Hebrews 12:9

Win one more in 2024 - "...he who is wise wins souls" - Proverbs 11:30

December 22, 2024



Meeting at

30 Red Fox Lane — Bozeman 2902 17th St. S. — Great Falls Holiday Inn Express — Butte

BOZEMAN - 8:45 - Luke Jacobs 9:00 am - classes

10:00 am - Assembly St'dship - Josiah Sutton

L.S. - Jack McGraw

Preaching - Luke Wilson

L.D. EVENING 7:00 PM * GROUPS STUDY - PHILIPPIANS

L.S. - Dan Tuck

GREAT FALLS - 2:45 - Stan Zech

3:00 pm - classes

4:00 pm - Assembly St'dship - Rick Vaught

> L.S. - Levi DuPaul Preaching - Jay Wilson

Butte - 7:30 pm - Class

8:15 pm - Assembly

L.S. - Jay Wilson

Preaching - Jay Wilson

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DEC. 22 - POTLUCK FOLLOWING EVENING AS-SEMBLY, DESSERTS SOCIAL AND BRING GAMES TO PLAY

Beginning Jan. 12 evening assembly - Phil Sutton marriage series

Butte

Jan. 19 - Fellowship dinner - 6:30 pm before assembly

AND ow these
THREE remain:
BEAITH, HOPE & LOVE.
But the greatest of
these is LOVE.

BOZEMAN - Wed. night, 7:00 pm: Luke Wilson

Great Falls - Wed. night, 7:00 pm: Jay Wilson

Congratulations to Cedric Elias Fritz Kruck, who was born to parents Cody and Laura Kruck on Thurs. Dec. 12, and joins Soren and Aurora in this happy family!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

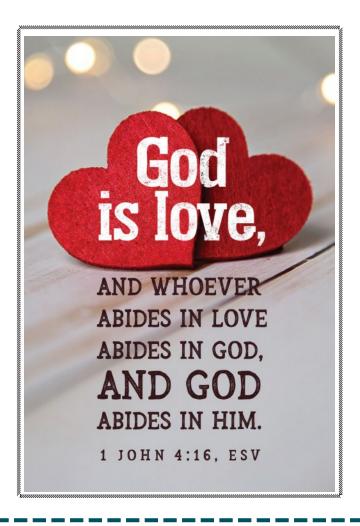
Bible Bowl - March 15, 2025

College Camp - March 21-23, at Camp Utmost Ladies' Advance - May 1-3, 2025 at Fishtail Men's Peaks - July 24-26, 2025

Family Camp - Aug. 29 - Sept. 1, 202

Great Falls

Jan. 5 - Fellowship dinner following assembly



Question of the week:

What Old Testament prophet said that the righteous shall live by faith?

Last week's question: What is it that God does without revealing His secret counsel to the prophets? Answer: "Nothing" (Amos 3:7).

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:

Bible School – 67 Morning Assembly – 94 Evening Assembly – 50 Wednesday Night (12/18) — 59 Butte Lord's Day — 13 GF Lord's Day — 75,83 *Wed.* - 100+



Reasonings from Revelation

Reigning with Christ

Who reigns with Christ "for a thousand years"? It is important to remember that saints have been "delivered from the domain of darkness" and transferred "to the kingdom" of Christ; the kingdom is a "now" event rather than a future event, having come into existence in Acts chapter two. It is also important to remember that Christians have been "raised up" and "seated" with Christ in the heavenlies, that they have undergone "the first resurrection" in being raised up from the waters of immersion into Christ (Ephesians 2:6; Romans 6:3-7; Revelation 20:5,6). It has also been established that Satan and his angels were cast out of heaven and into Tartarus (the "abyss") in connection with Jesus' resurrection and prior to His ascension. The Christian, then, is the one who reigns with Christ in the "thousand

years," the church age.

- The dragon in the abyss An angel is depicted as coming down from heaven with the key to the abyss and with "a great chain in his hand." The vision further pictures that the angel threw Satan into the abyss, "and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he should not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years are completed" (Revelation 20:3). Since the gospel has come to the Gentiles (the "nations"), the times of ignorance are past and all should repent (Acts 17:30,31). Any person on the planet still deceived at the end has chosen to be deceived. The dragon, however, has no dominion over faithful saints! This is a picture of the gospel's continuing to make progress as long as there are truth-seekers on earth. When there is no longer anyone "who practices the truth" and thus "comes to the light," then the vision states that the devil "must be released for a short time" (John 3:21; Revelation 20:3).
- Thrones "And I saw thrones," John records, "and they sat upon them, and judgment was given to them" (Revelation 20:4). Every Christian is one of those seated on a throne, and will be given the privilege of judgment. "Do you not know," queried the apostle Paul, "that the saints will judge the world?" "Do you not know," he further questioned, "that we shall judge angels?" (1 Corinthians 6:2,3).
- The victors As He approached Bethany, in the process of coming to the tomb of Lazarus, Jesus told Martha, "He who believes in Me shall live even if he dies." That is clearly understandable. But the Lord came back with an amazing and powerful twist: "Everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die" (John 11:25,26). "The souls," then, "of those who had been beheaded because of the testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God" are alive and reigning with Christ. "Those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark upon their forehead and upon their hand" really have

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come "to life" and are spoken of as having "reigned with Christ" in His kingdom "for a thousand years" (Revelation 20:4).

Jesus had said, "An hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs shall hear His [the Son of Man's] voice, and shall come forth; those who did the good deeds to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil deeds to a resurrection of judgment" (John 5:28,29). At Jesus' second coming, when the last trumpet sounds, all who are alive on earth will be transformed to their resurrection bodies (1 Corinthians 15:51), and all who have physically died will receive their resurrection bodies as they come out of the tombs. The saints will have resurrection bodies for their eternity in heaven, the "rest of the dead" — the non-Christians — will have their resurrection bodies for an eternity in the hell fire, and this will happen at the end of the church age. "The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed" (Revelation 20:5).

For the faithful saints, having participated in the likeness of Jesus' death and resurrection in the waters of immersion: "This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection" (Revelation 20:6). Blessed and holy indeed!