

OUR PURPOSE

Our purpose is to offer help to families with budgeting and planning. We assist families in obtaining knowledge and awareness of all human resources/ services available to them. We sponsor FREE seminars that coordinate various services to meet changing needs.

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help themselves*

WORD LIVING

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WELCOME TO WORD LIVING

THE GREAT COMMISSION – THE EMPTY BUILDING

THE CHURCH

A place where the lost, the unloved, the sick, the hurting, the tired, the lonely, the family, the broken, the abused, the thirsty, can find help and are welcomed as they are.

The number of churches in Muskegon County on December 17, 2018, has increased from the total of 1,160 reported July 30, 2018.

State of Michigan

Results 1 - 10 of about 1810 for How many Church's in Muskegon county.

The church building, a light in the darkness where God's family meets, greets, love, and stand with and beside those who need of a savior. The church it the hospital for those seeking salvation and family support on this earthly journey. That being said, one would think the building would be full of seekers desiring to know more about Jesus and how to obtain eternal life.

However, many of the buildings are empty or only have a few in regular attendance. We encourage you, to pray for churches around the world, that each may represent God such that souls are saved.

The five reasons people have stop attending church were in this order.

- 1. The church is irrelevant; the leaders are hypocritical and have experienced too much moral failure.**
- 2. God is missing in the church.**
- 3. Legitimate doubt is prohibited.**
- 4. They're not learning about God. And**
- 5. They're not finding community**

We have addressed 4 of the 5 reasons for not attending church in prior issues. We have posted all prior issues on our website and they are available for review and/or free download. We chose to address, the third reason, "Legitimate doubt is prohibited", last because it carried many connectors to other areas and each needed to be addressed in ways that were not necessary in the other reasons listed.

Legitimate Doubt is Prohibited. So, what is legitimate doubt?

Doubt – the state of being uncertain or unsure

Legitimate – to show, to affirm to be based on strict principles

Some reject the claim that the Bible is the word of God. They are convinced the book was written solely by humans in an ignorant, superstitious, and cruel age. They believe that because the writers of the Bible lived in an unenlightened era, the book contains many errors and harmful teachings.

That being said, the best place for those who have doubt or questions is to come and have an open discussion with those who believe. We need to discuss the truth of what we believe in love, knowing that only

God can change the heart of a person if they seek the truth. Our actions are to provide and live the truth.

For every situation, the Bible provides an answer. Our job is to study and know why we believe and obey the teachings of scripture. Give examples of how our faith has brought us through many challenges. And note, we were not always believers and committed to following his word. Share examples when you knew it was God that made things possible.

We are surrounded by opportunities to witness for Jesus. Never allow the doubt of another to hinder you from showing the love of Jesus, listening to them, providing biblical references, and showing the love of God. Share your story. Planting the seeds in love and watering them with understanding allows the truth to be revealed so they have the facts to form an opinion. Never stop praying for them. Nothing is impossible with God.

In the story of the Rich Young Ruler – Matthew 19:16-26; Mark 10:17-27; and Luke 18:18-27. The ruler came to Jesus and asked what he must do to have eternal life? Jesus provided the answer and the young man heard the saying and went away sorrowful.

The key is that Jesus answered the question. It was up to the one seeking to accept or reject the answer.

We must keep our actions in the same format as our Lord did. Once we share the truth, we should not become angry, avoid them, or talk about them in an unloving manner. Love is an action word that is not hindered by the inability to agree. We can disagree in love, leaving the door open for future discussions. That's what Jesus did.

More next time. Love, Karen

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