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WORD LIVING

April 2019

WELCOME TO WORD LIVING 2019

We give praise for the opportunity to share the word of God with you. We continue to address the topic,

THE GREAT COMMISSION – THE EMPTY BUILDING.

State of Michigan

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

In September 2018, we began a review on the subject that noted the top five (5) reasons people listed for not attending church and reviewed the early church, as described in Acts chapter 2, to see what drew so many to the church.

The reasons given:

- 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.**

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- ✚ The first church showed a powerful Christian community filled with love for one another.
- ✚ Acts 2 describes the believers who freely gave to anyone in need. They ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the fellowship.
- ✚ The early church reflected the mission designed by God. There are three (3) key statements per the word of God that must be in place so that we follow the purpose as God designed it to be.

The mission of the church should be, per scripture:

1. Make disciples.
2. Glorify Christ, and
3. Build up the saints.

The above statement notes the need for, learning about God and building a community so that others will want to join and share the mission of the church with joy and excitement.

When was the last time you were so excited about worship that you invited others to share worship with you?

Reason 5 and 6 for not attending church.

They're not learning about God.

They're not finding community.

Back in the 1980's, a group of white pastors ask African Americans to visit their church unannounced, write a summary of their visit. This was a push to break the wall of the most segregated time, as they called it.

I selected a church near my job. And reported the following:

- The young male usher greeted me with a smile and welcome.

- I found a seat at the end of a long bench and watch the people one-by-one move to another area.
- I decided to go to the Lady's room and was met by a stately woman with silver hair. She asked me if I was with a group. I said no. Her next statement was, "My you are awfully brave to come here."
- I went back to my empty row until service ended.
- As I left, the usher, who had welcomed me said, "Thank you for coming. I hope you will come back again."

I never went back to that church and when I pass it, I still remember how people of God, treated me.

Is that what we do when someone we do not know, people who look and dress different, people with poor hygiene, bad breath, uncombed hair, and unsupervised children make their way, despite all the issues they face, to come to the place of hope, healing, and help?

Do we give them the go back home until you can conform to our standards? Do we say my God cannot accept you the way you are?

Perhaps not in so many words but even animals know when they are not welcomed.

Who have you treated unkind because they did not measure up to your standards? What rules have you set so only those like you can be on the committee?

Perhaps, you don't set the standard, but if it does not line up with the word of God, it is a standard that needs to be changed.

Souls are crying and men are dying – we are accountable to God.

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will be the speaker at the Medicare/Medicaid
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MI 49442. Time: 10 am – 12 Noon.
No cost to attend and lunch is provided.**

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