

*“If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God...” (1 Peter 4:11).*

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## Goings-on

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The actions or events that are occurring among some ‘churches of Christ’ today are beyond anything one will read in the word of God. Here are some ‘goings-on’ as reported in church bulletins that have come across my desk:

1) **Events And Happenings.** “Friday Night Singing at the Church - Potluck at 5:30 to get things started; Secret Sisters Revealed; Ladies Night at the Coffee Grind.”

2) **Game Night.** “Everyone is encouraged to attend Family Game Night... beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite game and snacks and come join the fun.”

3) **Retreats.** “Ladies Spring Retreat — All ladies are invited to our Spring Retreat... The location this year is the Holiday Inn. Cost for overnight stay and three meals is \$50.” “Congregational Winter Retreat — There are still several spots left if you and your family would like to go on the ski trip....”

4) **Annual '42 Tournament.** “Silver Saints will hold their annual '42 Tournament and Stew and

Cornbread Supper.... Everyone is encouraged to sign up to participate in the tournament. Partners will be determined and announced the night of the tournament. The winning team will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate at a local restaurant.”

5) **Daffodil Sunday.** “You will have an opportunity on this day to purchase a bouquet of daffodils in honor of someone or in memory of someone and contribute to the cancer society at the same time. You will receive 10 daffodils for a \$6 donation. There will be a sign up sheet for you to make your donations passed around in your Bible class.”

6) **Father/Daughter Valentine Banquet.** “Pictures - 5:45 p.m. Dinner - 6:30 p.m. Children’s entertainment - 6:00 until dinner. Last day to pay and sign up in the lobby....”

7) **Single Adults Go To Mayberry.** “Lessons from Simpler Times — A fun, new series for Wednesday nights’ Coffee Shop!”

8) **Creative Cooking Class.** “A creative cooking class will begin on Saturday morning... at 10:00 in the multi-purpose center. If are interested,

please sign the sheet on the bulletin board.”

9) **Fresh Coffee!** “Remember every Sunday morning at 8:00, there’s fresh coffee in the basement! Bring your donuts, rolls, or coffeecake, and visit a while before class.”

10) **SOUP-er Bowl Sunday.** “Sunday... after the evening assembly, there will be a carry-in! Let’s bring soup, chili, crackers, pop, milk, cookies, brownies, etc. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the foyer.”

11) **Men’s And Women’s Breakfast.** “Saturday... at 8:30 a.m. in the annex. Sign up on the bulletin board. Deadline for cooks is February 11th.”

12) **Area Events.** “Congregational Singing Friday... 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served during intermission.”

13) **Soup And Chili Supper.** “This Sunday night... everyone is invited to bring your favorite chili or soup and enjoy a warm winter fellowship. Also bring desserts and drinks.”

14) **Winter Carnival.** “This

year's winter carnival for kids will be on Sat. ...from 2-4 p.m. at the church building. Games include Goliath Bean-bag Toss, Golfing for Godly Gifts, Bible Bingo, Basketball, Walls of Jericho Cupcake Walk. Refreshments will be served."

15) **Hayride, Food And A Fun House.** "...for ages 2 - 5th grade, there will be games, a kiddie hayride, food and a fun house. Wear your costumes. If you or a group would like to decorate a room and/or pass out treats, please see....There will be a short meeting after morning service today at front of the auditorium for all who are participating."

16) **Senior Seekers.** "Your presence is needed! The Senior Seekers invite you to participate in Bible study and singing at 11 a.m. each Thursday and lunch at 12 noon AND to help us provide fellowship to our friends from other churches."

17) **Camp Wabashi.** "The Camp Wabash Ladies Associates are selling coupon booklets for the Carson Community Days...to raise money for the camp....Camp

Wabashi Holiday Bakers order forms are on the horseshoe in the foyer...."

18) **Teen Group Party.** "The teen group will have a party...from 6:00 to 10:30 p.m....Wear your costume and be prepared for that rousing selfie scavenger hunt again! Boys bring desserts and girls bring drinks. This is a great opportunity to bring your friends!..."

19) **Loose Change.** "Loose change in today's collection will go to the Shults-Lewis Children's Home."

20) **Daddy-Daughter Date Night.** "Daddy-Daughter Date Night will be Saturday....Adult children and their fathers are encouraged to attend. There will be pictures, dinner, and a movie. Tickets are \$5.00 per couple....There is more information on the bulletin board across from the office."

21) **Testimonials Night.** "On Wednesday..., we will have a Testimonials Night. Similar to last year, it is open to all... members, male and female, and will consist of participants

giving a 5- 8-minute testimonial about how God has been working in your life recently...."

22) **Lunch.** "Lunch will be served today. Please plan to stay and fellowship with one another."

Does anyone have a Scripture for any of these goings-on among churches?

### You Are Nxxdxd!

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