

# HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE LORD'S CHURCH

## NOTES

**Hear the Gospel** (Rom. 10:17) Christ came to earth, lived a perfect life, became sin offering for all mankind so you could have hope of a home in heaven.

**Believe what you have heard** (Heb. 11:6, Mark 16:16)

**Repent of past sins** (Acts 3:19, 17:30)

**Confess Jesus as Lord** (Rom. 10:9-10, Acts 8:37)

**Be immersed for the forgiveness of sins** (Acts 2:38, Acts 22:16, I Peter 3:21)

**THEN, God adds you to the church** (Acts 2:41)

Men to Serve	Today	Next Sunday
<b>10:30 A.M.</b>	<b>Dec. 25, 2011</b>	<b>Jan. 1, 2012</b>
Greeters	Butch & Linda	Kyle & Emily
Announcements	Jeremy Lass	Ethan Bailey
Song Leader	Adam Glawe	Matt Glawe
Prayer	Kyle DeMoss	Micah Westphal
<u>Lord's Supper</u>		
Preside	Gary Lass	Dan Breitbarth
Cup	Micah Westphal	Jeremy Lass
Offering	Dan Lass	Larry Maach
Scripture	Larry Maach	Adam Glawe
Sermon	Matt Glawe	Butch Glawe
Prayer	Jordan Clark	Gary Lass
Alternate	Dan Breitbarth	Dan Lass
<b>6:00 P.M.</b>	<b>Tonight</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
Song Leader		
Prayer	No	New Years
Speaker	Services	Party at
Prayer		Bett & Bev's
Lord's Supper		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Dec. 28</b>	<b>Jan. 4</b>
Song Leader	Jeremy Lass	Adam Glawe
Opening Prayer	Dan Breitbarth	Ethan Bailey
Closing Prayer	Adam Glawe	Jeremy Lass

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NO CREED BUT CHRIST, NO LAW BUT LOVE, NO BOOK BUT THE BIBLE

## OGDEN CHURCH OF CHRIST

### To OUR GUESTS...

WE ARE HAPPY YOU CHOSE TO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY! LIKE YOU, WE ARE PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE WHO HAVE TAKEN GOD AT HIS WORD THAT JESUS CHRIST IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE. WE BELIEVE THAT JESUS DIED FOR OUR SINS AND GOD GIVES US NEW LIFE WHEN WE RESPOND TO HIM IN FAITH AND OBEDIENCE.

### ASSEMBLY TIMES

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS

9:30 A.M.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

SUNDAY EVENING

6:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

7:00 P.M.



BAPTISMS 2011

Austin Hammer  
 Cara Hammer  
 Josh Hammer  
 Becky Ellis



Week of January 1, 2012

I Am Resolved

God has graciously given us a new year. What will you do with it? The beginning of a new year offers us an opportunity to begin some good habits in our journey of life. These habits can help us to draw close to God and please Him.

Sundays at 7:00 a.m. on KDSM FOX 17

ON THE WEB AT [www.searchtv.org](http://www.searchtv.org)

BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM ON LOCAL CHANNEL 6

Sunday at 6:00 pm; Tues. at 7:00 pm  
 Instructor -T.J. Klith

All past lessons can be viewed on our website

FOR THE RECORD

Week of 12-18-2011

Attendance

Sunday Morning Worship	63
Sunday Evening Service	27
Wednesday Bible Study	39

Giving

Last Week	\$817.50
Total year to date	\$41,495.35

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There will be no organized services tonight. Anyone wishing to meet here at 6:00 is welcome to do so.
- Everyone is encouraged to bring non-perishable food items for the local food pantry. There will be a box in the back.
- Please keep our pregnant mothers in your prayers.
- Please keep Ryan and Jennifer Lingner in your prayers.
- Please keep Eric Breitbarth in your prayers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Gospel Meeting with Jimmie Keas Mar. 11-14, 2012  
 The theme will be "Let's Get Serious!"

WEDNESDAY EVENING CLASS

Misc. topics until 1st week in January—Gary Lass

Gone Away

It seems to have become a trend recently in many places in the U.S. It occurred again recently – this time in Tillman's Corner, near Mobile, AL. A stranger walked in the *Sears Essentials* retail store and asked for the manager. He wanted to pay off some layaway bills for some families – some families that he didn't even know!

According to Webster's Dictionary, a layaway is a purchasing agreement by which a retailer agrees to hold merchandise secured by a deposit until the price is paid in full by the customer. Many families use the layaway agreement to secure items that they want to buy (Christmas gifts, for example) and pay for them over time.

Sears General Manager Lauren Henderson allowed the generous stranger to go through the layaway department to determine the items for which he would like to pay. He walked through the aisles in the layaway department, selecting anything and everything that included a children's item.

In all, layaway items for 18 different families were selected. The total debt owed amounted to \$2,600. The anonymous stranger (who desires to remain anonymous) paid for the debt in cash and said, "Merry Christmas."

The 18 families were contacted and told that the bill for their layaway items had been paid and the items were ready for pickup. There was a lot of disbelief, but the disbelief was soon replaced by extreme gratitude.

Henderson stated that not much is known about the generous stranger – this "Secret Santa" as he has been called – except that he is a local businessman who wanted to teach his fifteen-year-old daughter about the meaning of the spirit of Christmas. \*

The debts for these layaways have "gone away," thanks to the generosity of the kind stranger.

You and I have incurred a tremendous debt....

We owe God our love, loyalty, and our very lives but we have failed to give Him what He deserves. We sin and we fall short of His glory (Romans 3:23), have become indebted to Him, and none of us has the resources to pay the debt that we owe to Him.

But God loves us so much that He gave His only Son to pay for the debt of our sin. "He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24).

**The blood that Jesus shed in His atoning death removes the debt of those who will:** place their **faith** and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in **repentance** (2 Corinthians 7:9-10), **confess** Jesus before men (Romans 10:9-10), and be **baptized** (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38).

**When we accept God's forgiveness on His terms, we are able to sing with conviction and confidence:**

*"He paid a debt He did not owe  
 I owed a debt I could not pay  
 I needed someone, to wash my sins away.  
 And NOW I sing a brand new song, "Amazing Grace."  
 Christ Jesus paid the debt that I could never pay."*

**Jesus would like for the debt for YOUR sin to "go away" and it WILL – IF – you will allow Him to pay YOUR debt by accepting His offer on His terms. Won't YOU?**

~ David A. Sargent

\* Information gleaned from "Secret Santa Helps Pay Christmas Layaway Bills" by Lauren Vargas. Published: December 21, 2011 on [www.wkrg.com](http://www.wkrg.com)