

COLLINSVILLE-TROY CHURCH OF CHRIST

1400 Troy Road, Collinsville, Illinois 62234

Focus on God's Word Find the Truth Follow the Lord



Sunday Worship Assembly 9:30 AM
Sunday Bible Classes (All Ages) 11:00 AM
Wednesday Adult Bible Class 1:30 PM
Wednesday Bible Classes (All Ages) 7:00 PM



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The Correspondent

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Positive Thinking

Jason Wright

A

writer was in his study and began writing...

Last year my gall bladder was removed. I was in bed for a long time. The same year I reached 60 and had to leave my favorite job. I spent 30 years with this publishing company.

The same year my father died.

The same year my son failed his medical exam because he had a car accident. He was hospitalized with a cast on his leg for several days. The destruction of the car was a total loss.

His concluding statement, "Alas! It was a bad year!"

He showed it to his wife. She rewrote it.

Last year I got rid of my gall bladder which had given me years of pain.

I turned 60 with sound health and retired from my job. I can utilize my time to write with more focus and peace.

The same year my father died at 95 without depending on anyone, without any critical conditions, and met his Creator.

The same year, God blessed my son with life. My car was destroyed, but my son was alive and without permanent disability.

Her concluding statement... this year was an immense blessing.

I wonder if this lady got her inspiration from God's word as it encourages us to be positive thinkers. The Proverb writer said, *a cheerful heart does good, like medicine*. The persecuted apostle Paul remained positive. *Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatever things are noble, just, pure, lovely, of a good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy meditate on these things* (Phil. 4:8). *I can do all things thru Christ who strengthens me* (Phil. 4:13). *And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose* (Rom. 8:28). *Set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on earth* (Col. 3:2).

As Christians, the number of blessings we have in Christ are too numerous to count. Our attitude can shape how we see things. Oh, one more thing, *this is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it*. If your glass is not full, let it be half full! Think Positive!!

For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth. 1 Thessalonians 1:8

Apron Brigade

April 28

9:00 AM

Clothing Closet

April 28

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

New Mover's Baskets Delivery

April 28

5:00 PM to 6:30 PM

Congregational Evangelism Refresher

May 11 to 14

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE**John 14:6****I. The Way**

- A. He is the only way- v. 1-4, Acts 4:12, 2 Timothy 2:10
- B. He leads the way- Matthew 7:13-14, John 14:3, Hebrews 6:20, Matthew 20:22, Luke 9:23

II. The Truth

- A. He imparts truth- John 6:68-69, 8:32, 12:48, 16:13-14
- B. He embodies truth- John 1:14, 17:17, Romans 2:17-24, Hebrews 4:15, 1 Peter 2:22

III. The Life

- A. He alone gives life- John 1:3, 2 Timothy 1:10
- B. Separation from Him is death- John 3:36, Ephesians 2:12, 2 Thessalonians 1:9

Worship Service**Announcements**

Song: 982 We Shall Assemble

Song : 883 Seek Ye First

Prayer

Song: 268 I Gave My Life for Thee
(Vs. 1, 2, 4)

Lord's Supper and Contribution

Song: 543 Redeemed

Scripture Reading: John 14:1-7

Sermon

Song: 255 I Am Resolved (Vs. 1, 2, 4)

Song: 216 He Leadeth Me (Vs. 4)

Prayer**John 14:1-7**

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John 14:1-7 (NKJV)

- 1 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.
- 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.
- 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.
- 4 And where I go you know, and the way you know."
- 5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"
- 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.
- 7 "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him."

Why Worship?

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. John 4:23