

**Monthly grocery box give-away details...**

**Our next grocery box food giveaway will happen Saturday, July 23.** Pick up time will be from 11am till NOON. Details are on our church website, [www.landisville.church](http://www.landisville.church) or you can call the office and speak with Candice to sign up... 717-898-8144.

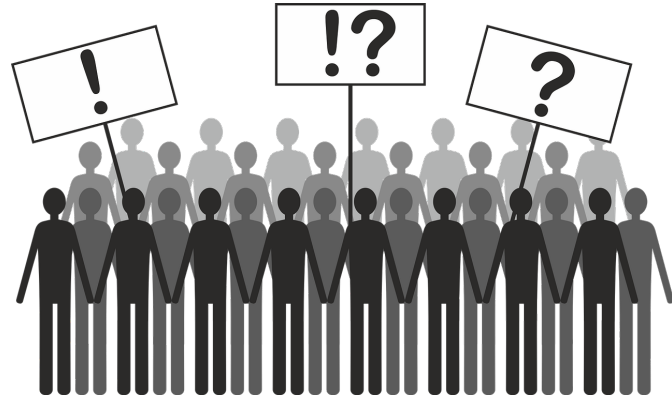
**“You will know as much of God, and only as much of God, as you are willing to put into practice.”**

**— Eric Liddell, Olympic gold medalist for England, missionary, pastor**

**1 Corinthians 12:31 (NLT)**

“So you should earnestly desire the most helpful gifts. But now let me show you a way of life that is best of all.”

**“Show you...”**



Matthew 4:19, 20... Jesus called out to them, “Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!” And they left their nets at once and followed him.

As we move into the summer months, we are preparing to have a conversation about what it means to “follow” Jesus, and what does being a disciple of Jesus today look like in our everyday lives.

Our sermon series will focus on the 12 disciples that followed Jesus; their personality traits and characteristics that made them into followers of Jesus and caused them to make disciples with Jesus. want to follow Jesus. We will keep asking the question, why did Jesus choose these men and why does Jesus still choose people to be His disciples who make disciples?

In Matthew 4, we see a willingness from Jesus to show his followers how to make disciples. Notice He never directly speaks about showing them how to BE a disciple. Jesus promises to “show them how”...

Throughout the years, I have always been a visual tactile learner. I learn best and retain knowledge longer when I can see it, experience it or get my hands dirty doing it. I have never really been a good

student when it came to reading books, taking tests and taking notes. I can do all of that but that is not the best learning method for me, especially if I want to remember the information. I was never a good test taker because I would get nervous over the amount of time given to take the test and I could never recall the information I was supposed to retain. Maybe this has been true for you over the years.

Jesus is a much different teacher. He was always showing the disciples how to do something or telling them stories that related to life situations that they were already familiar with and comfortable retelling so they could learn how to be a committed follower. It is comforting to me that Jesus is still willing to show us how to make disciples and He transforms our hearts in the midst of doing to being more and more like Him.

Here is the key... doing something to bring honor and glory to Jesus before we are fully made into (being) a disciple of Jesus. Jesus wants to use you because you are ordinary and willing to learn; you are open to doing something for Jesus even though you may not have all the knowledge you need about Jesus. Jesus wants you to share what you know about Him with others who are willing to listen. Jesus will show you how to make disciples; He will be with you every step of the way.

**Prayers from God's people... Please pray for these concerns and praises shared from members of our church family.**

- Praise God for His faithfulness to hear and answer our prayers.
- Harold Groff as he deals with ongoing health issues.
- Carol Snader's sister, Cheryl, who fell and broke her back; awaiting surgery.
- Bob Frey as he prepares to receive a pacemaker.
- Steve Baker as he faces new treatment for his fight against Leukemia.
- Esther Jenkins as she goes through chemo treatments.
- Spiritual transformation and revitalization for our churches.
- Those who are wandering and need to find their way back to God.
- The persecuted church around the world.
- Our Church of God missionaries scattered around the globe.

**Add this short powerful prayer to your daily time...** "God, what do you want me to "catch" from You today? God, what are you asking me to "release" and turn over to You today?"

**Psalm 86:5, 6 (NET)...** "Certainly, O Lord, you are kind and forgiving, and show great faithfulness to all who cry out to you. O Lord, hear my prayer. Pay attention to my plea for mercy."

**What's Happening...**

**Sunday, June 26... Week 5 of the sermon series, Follow Me... the sermon is entitled, Divine Appointment and will focus on Matthew 10:1-15.**

@ Landisville... 8:30am - Traditional worship gathering in the Sanctuary. No nursery, children or youth activities.

@ 10:30am... worship at the Landisville Camp meeting tabernacle. All are welcome to worship with us. Bring an offering to share with Landisville, Real Life or the Camp Meeting.

Evening... Cooking Camp begins; 50 children have signed up to participate. Keep them and their families and our staff and volunteers in your prayers this week.

**Next Sunday, July 3... 4th of July weekend. Week 6 of our sermon series entitled, "Follow Me" will focus on James, the brother of John; one of the two "sons of thunder".**

@ Landisville... 8:30am - worship. 9:30am - Sunday school. 10:30am - worship.

@ Real Life... 10:30am - worship. Week 6 of our sermon series entitled, "Follow Me" will focus on James, the brother of John; one of the two "sons of thunder".

**The 4th of July...** (source: [www.history.com](http://www.history.com))

The Fourth of July—also known as Independence Day or July 4th—has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the

American Revolution. On July 2nd, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson.

From 1776 to the present day, July 4th has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues.

Did you know? John Adams believed that July 2nd was the correct date on which to celebrate the birth of American independence, and would reportedly turn down invitations to appear at July 4th events in protest. Adams and Thomas Jefferson both died on July 4, 1826—the 50th anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence.



**July reading schedule through the Gospel of John...**

- July 1 - John 7:10-18
- July 2 - John 7:19-30
- July 3 - Sabbath Rest**
- July 4 - John 7:31-39; Independence Day!
- July 5 - John 7:40-52
- July 6 - John 7:53-8:11; discussion group
- July 7 - John 8:12-20
- July 8 - John 8:21-29
- July 9 - John 8:30-36
- July 10 - Sabbath Rest**
- July 11 - John 8:37-47
- July 12 - John 8:48-59
- July 13 - John 9:1-12; discussion group
- July 14 - John 9:13-23
- July 15 - John 9:24-34
- July 16 - John 9:35-41
- July 17 - Sabbath Rest**
- July 18 - John 10:1-10
- July 19 - John 10:11-18
- July 20 - John 10:19-30; discussion group
- July 21 - John 10:31-42
- July 22 - John 11:1-16
- July 23 - John 11:17-27
- July 24 - Sabbath Rest**
- July 25 - John 11:28-37
- July 26 - John 11:38-46
- July 27 - John 11:47-57
- July 28 - John 12:1-8
- July 29 - John 12:9-19
- July 30 - John 12:20-26
- July 31 - ONE Worship service at the Camp Meeting, 10:30am**

**Summer reading on discipleship...**

1. What Did Jesus Really Mean When He Said Follow Me? By David Platt.
2. Whisper: How to Hear the Voice of God by Mark Batterson
3. Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth by Richard J. Foster
4. Something Needs to Change: A Call to Make Your Life Count in a World of Urgent Need by David Platt
5. Emotionally Healthy Spirituality by Peter Scazzero

Join our discussion group on Wednesday nights @ 6:30pm (July 6, 13, 20) at the Church of God of Landisville, 171 Church St. We will meet outside in the back yard, weather permitting. In case of rain or excessive heat, we will meet in the gym. Bring a lawn chair, your Bible and a journal.

**God loves you and we love you too,**  
*Pastor Tim and the ministry staff*

**Save for later...**

**Our vision to make disciples that make disciples in the Churches of God...**

The Core Commitments for Discover, Develop, and Deploy Disciple Makers as Jesus commanded...

**Discover - Hear and See the potential God sees**

I will listen to the voice of God.

I will adjust to what God has revealed.

**Develop - Engage and Cultivate toward whole life maturity in Christ**

I will model Jesus through life on life relationships.

I will prepare them to follow Jesus, be changed by Jesus, and love like Jesus.

**Deploy - Send and Resource the mission God prepared**

I will release disciple makers to God's calling in EVERY domain of culture.

I will invest in their kingdom impact that God designed.