

Rockwood Church of Christ

The Proclaimer

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Things We Can All Do

As followers of Christ, we are made perfect by the blood of Christ (**Matthew 5:48 and 1 Peter 1:18-19**). As Christians we must be willing to work good works (**Ephesians 2:10**). It may be the case that you are looking for things to do for the cause of Christ. If this is the case, here are some ways you can work with the Lord:

Pray daily for the church. Remember to especially pray for our elders and their families (1 **Thessalonians 5:17**). Think of the encouragement it would provide if our elders knew that everyone is praying for them. Remember they are under the command from God to watch over our souls (**Acts 20:28**).

Look for opportunities to share the Gospel (**Matthew 28:19–20**). It can be as easy as talking to someone or just giving them a flyer to a gospel meeting, upcoming series, Friends and Family Day, or some other event where the Gospel is proclaimed.

Try to reclaim a wayward Christian (**James 5:19–20**). Let's face it: none of us are perfect and from time to time we all need someone to help us along the way.

Teach a Bible class. We always need good Bible teachers. Notice **Psalm 145:4**: "One generation shall praise Your works to another, And shall declare Your mighty acts."

Invite a friend or neighbor to our worship services. **Acts 20:20** teaches us that we can go house to house and reach those who need Jesus. We are blessed to have this opportunity.

Look for visitors at our worship services and give them a warm greeting. If they have children, help them find the appropriate class. Do everything possible to make them feel welcome (**Proverbs 25:11**).

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Spiritual Bucket List

Creating the proverbial "bucket list" can be a lot of fun. Coming up with a list of things you would like to do one day in the not-too-distant future is also a good way to take the first step in accomplishing your goals.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are expected to be growing (1 Peter 2:2; 2 Peter 3:18). We are also expected to be a positive influence on those around us, pointing people toward God (Matthew 5:13-16).

In light of these things, it may be helpful to create some sort of "spiritual bucket list." A list of thing you know you should be doing as you mature in the faith.

Here are a few suggestions to help you get started:

Teach Someone. Have a real Bible study where you sit down, open Bibles all around, and you present the life-saving message of the Gospel (**Matt. 28:19; 2 Tim. 2:2**).

Reconcile a broken relationship. For many of us, there is at least one person out there that needs to hear, "please forgive me" from you (**Rom 12:18**).

Really study on your own. Away from the church building, pick a book of the Bible or a topic and really dive in and learn (1 Tim. 2:15).

Memorize. Maybe favorite passages or chapters, maybe several verses that pertain to a certain subject (for example, numerous verses deal with forgiveness).

Determine to lead. Men, if you never lead a public prayer, determine to do so. Same goes with leading singing, teaching a Bible class, or even presenting a lesson before the congregation.

Go on a Mission Trip. We go to places near & far, be a part of that! Put into practice the things you have learned. Nearly everyone I know who has gone on such a trip such as this always says that it made a significant impact on their lives.

Go to more funerals. People are in desperate need when they are grieving. Few things help as much as knowing you are loved when your heart is broken (**Rom. 12:5**).

Bake more casseroles and cakes. Go to more fellowship meals and spend time with your brothers and sisters in Christ. Encourage those who are sick or hurting in any way.

You could add many more. But remember: You are not too old! Today is the day! Get started!

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