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Victory Worship Center

Victory Worship Center is an autonomous local church affiliated and associated with the United Pentecostal Church International.

Financials for December 2014:

General Freewill Offerings

Pledged: \$1,476 Month-to-Date Received: \$1,222.15

Building Fund

Pledged: \$3,309 Budget: \$3,650 Received: \$1,429 Deficit: (\$2,221)

Mortgage Balance: \$154,350.43 Next Payment Due Date: 1/25/15

Global & North American Missions

Pledged: \$1,507.50 Budget: \$950 Received: \$671.50 Deficit: (\$278.50)

Victory supports 34 missionaries plus missionary kids (MKs) around the world.

Victory's Statistics for 2014:

	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>
1st Time Guests:	360	263
Water Baptisms:	52	131(38 VWC+93KCDC)
Holy Spirit Baptisms:	52	16
Average Sunday Attendance:	150	110
Record Attendance 2014:	225	173

Pastoral OFFICE HOURS for this week:

Pastor is generally in the office 9 am—Noon & 1 pm—3 pm Tues-Thurs.

Pastor & Sis Hughes are available at other times by appointment. Call

Pastor at 580.716.2160 to schedule an appointment or Bible study.

Sermon Notes

Pastor Rick A. Hughes

WHAT'S YOUR PERSPECTIVE?



TEXT: ROM 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

PERSPECTIVE DEFINED (Latin... to see through): 1. The art of drawing solid objects on a two-dimensional surface so as to give the right impression of their height, width, depth, and position in relation to each other when viewed from a particular point: "a perspective drawing". Synonyms: view, panorama, bird's-eye view. 2. A particular attitude toward or way of regarding something; a point of view: "most history is written from the editor's perspective". Synonyms: angle, point of view, attitude, frame of reference.

TEXT (PERSPECTIVE): *We know (assured, confident) all things (everything, good, bad, positive, negative) work together (mixed, stirred up, blended, react to each other) for good (benefit, reward, positive result) love God (fallen in love with him, keeping his commandments, walking by his precepts), called to his purpose (responded to his call, obeyed the gospel, endeavoring to accomplish his will).*

WHAT'S YOUR PERSPECTIVE ON THE FINAL SUNDAY OF 2014?

SOCRATES: The unexamined life is not worth living.

PROV 23:7 Solomon "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

ACTS 26:2 Paul "I think myself happy, King Agrippa..."

TRUTH IS NOT... WHAT'S YOUR PERSPECTIVE, BUT RATHER WHAT'S GOD'S PERSPECTIVE?

IF WE COULD SEE THROUGH GOD'S EYES... then we would understand it all... long-term purpose.

TRIALS: God's vote of confidence in us. Make us bitter or better, difference is I.

PROMISE: I COR 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able, but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

JOB 23:10 He knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me (finished), I shall come forth as gold.

TRIAL OF YOUR FAITH: I PETER 1:7 That the trial of your faith being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory....

APOSTLE PAUL: Experienced both the best and worst of life. Philipians - theme is our attitude.

PHIL 1:21 LIFE'S PURPOSE - For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. PHIL 2:5 LIFE'S PATTERN - Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus. (NIV) Christ-like attitude, Christ-like spirit. Let this mind be in you... PHIL 3:14

LIFE'S PRIZE - I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. PHIL 4:11-13 LIFE'S POWER - I have learned in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all ways I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. I can do all things through Christ...

I THES 5:18 In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

ROM 8:31 What shall we then say to things: If God be for us, who can be against us.

ROM 8:37 In all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

THE BLESSING OF UNANSWERED PRAYERS by an Unknown Confederate soldier

I asked for strength that I might achieve; I was made weak that I might learn humbly to obey.

I asked for health that I might do greater things; I was given infirmity that I might do better things.

I asked for riches that I might be happy; I was given poverty that I might be wise.

I asked for power that I might have the praise of men; I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.

I asked for all things that I might enjoy life; I was given life that I might enjoy all things.

I got nothing that I had asked for, but everything that I had hoped for.

Almost despite myself my unspoken prayers were answered; I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

REFLECTING BACK: Good and bad, positives and negatives, life lessons learned, answered prayers.

DID YOU LEARN? WHAT DID YOU LEARN? HAVE YOUR GROWN? BITTER OR BETTER?

YOU CHOOSE YOUR PERSPECTIVE, LIKE APOSTLE PAUL: 2 COR 12:7-10 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

REQUESTING GOD TO GIVE US HIS PERSPECTIVE TODAY SO WE CAN MOVE INTO 2015...

Resolutions for the future won't mean anything unless you have a healthy perspective of the past.

What are YOU doing to ADVANCE the KINGDOM?

Welcome to

Victory Worship Center

Sunday, December 28, 2014

We extend a genuine & warm welcome to everyone today



Guest Services

Guests, please visit our Welcome Center, located in the center of the Sanctuary foyer for information about upcoming events and ministries.

CD & DVD copies of today's service are available. Order forms are located in the Hot Spot Coffee Shop.



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Ponca City, Oklahoma 74601

Church Office: 580.765.3872

Guests Welcome. Members Expected.

iREACH * iTeach * iSERVE

Fellowship & Educational Opportunities

Children (Infants-Grade 6)

Angel Land Nursery: 6 wks-36 months; Nursery in Sanctuary Building; 10 am

KIDZ Church: ages 4-10 years; Sundays @ 10:45 am, Upstairs West KIDZ Room

Family NIGHT on Wednesdays!

Family Worship Together at 7 pm in Sanctuary

Victory KIDZ on Wednesdays; ALL Students, ages 2-grade 12

Pre-School: ages 2-4; Teacher: Danielle Alexander

Shekinah Prayer: Ages 5-10; Teachers: Angie Way, Sonya Holloway, Lucy Jackson

Youth Worship: Ages 11-18; Leaders: Tristan Helm, Kenneth Holloway, Val Hughes

Adult Lesson & Group Discussion: 7:30 pm; Teacher: Pastor Rick Hughes

Hot Spot Coffee Shop

Open at 9:00 am, Also at the conclusion of each service there's

Complimentary Coffee always available! We invite all guests to join us.

Upcoming Events:

SUNDAY, Dec 28, 9-10 am, Pastor's Prayer Force

SUNDAY, Dec 28, 10 am-12 Noon, VICTORY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Mon-Tues, Dec 29-30, Holiday Youth Convention @ Renaissance, Tulsa

Wed, Dec 31, 9 pm-12:15 am, New Year's Eve Fellowship

Sat, Jan 3, 7 am-7 pm, 12-Hour Prayer Chain

SUNDAY, Jan 4, 9-10 am, Pastor's Prayer Force

SUNDAY, Jan 4, 10 am-12 Noon, VICTORY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Wed, Jan 7, 7-8:30 pm, Victory Family Vision & Training Night

Thurs, Jan 8, Day of Prayer & Fasting

Sat, Jan 10, 7-8 pm, Saturday Night Prayer in the Prayer Room

SUNDAY, Jan 11, 9-10 am, Pastor's Prayer Force

SUNDAY, Jan 11, 10 am-12 Noon, VICTORY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Sun, Jan 11, 4-7:30 pm, CLASS 101—Welcome to the Family

Wed, Jan 14, 7-8:30 pm, Family Worship & Education

Thurs, Jan 15, Day of Prayer & Fasting

Sat, Jan 17, 7-8 pm, Saturday Night Prayer in the Prayer Room

SUNDAY, Jan 18, 9-10 am, Pastor's Prayer Force

SUNDAY, Jan 18, 10 am-12 Noon, VICTORY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Wed, Jan 21, 7-8:30 pm, Family Worship & Education

Thurs, Jan 22, Day of Prayer & Fasting

Sat, Jan 24, 7-8 pm, Saturday Night Prayer in the Prayer Room

SUNDAY, Jan 25, 9-10 am, Pastor's Prayer Force

SUNDAY, Jan 25, 10 am-12 Noon, VICTORY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Wed, Jan 28, 6-7 pm, Annual Church Business Meeting

WELCOME TO VICTORY!

General Announcements

- **FOCUS ON PRAYER:** Keep on praying in the Prayer Room and honoring your Weekly Appointment with God! Victory's Prayer Room is open 24/7/365. Make an appointment with God and keep it!
- **PEANUT BRITTLE SALES WINDING DOWN:** Please turn in ALL monies collected TODAY to Sherian Jones and let's wrap it up.
- **B.R.E.A.D. (BIBLE READING ENRICHES ANY DAY) BIBLES:** Are on sale at the Welcome Center for only \$5. Purchase one today and read your Bible through cover to cover in 2015!
- **"I LOVE MY CHURCH" T-SHIRTS:** Are on sale at the Welcome Center for \$5. Purchase one today and support your church during this campaign during January. Catch the spirit and show your colors!
- **HOLIDAY YOUTH CONVENTION:** Monday & Tuesday, Dec 29-30, 2014 at Renaissance Hotel, Tulsa. See the bulletin board for info. Victory has nine students who will be attending.
- **NEW YEAR'S EVE FELLOWSHIP:** Wednesday, Dec 31 from 9 pm-12:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. **SIGN UP AT THE WELCOME CENTER TODAY** to bring food and volunteer to help!
- **12-HOUR PRAYER CHAIN:** NEXT Saturday, Jan 3 from 7 am-7 pm in the Prayer Room. SIGN UP TODAY for a one-hour prayer shift.
- **VICTORY "FAMILY VISION & TRAINING" NIGHT:** Wednesday, Jan 7 from 7-8:30 pm Pastor and others will be casting vision for the New Year as well as training our church body to be more effective. If Victory is your home you are encouraged and expected to attend. There will be NO other programming or classes on this night.
- **NEW TO VICTORY?** Mark your calendar Sunday, Jan 11, 4-7:30 pm for CLASS 101-Welcome to Victory. Watch for more info.
- **SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST:** Pastor is requesting everyone join together in prayer for God to bless the economy of Ponca City by filling the North Tower, South Tower, and Research West of the CONOCO Complex with white collar jobs and people. God answers!
- **DID YOU KNOW?:** If you attend church once a week on Sunday Morning Only (SMO) statistics say there is a 16% chance you'll still be serving God in 5 years. However, increase that to two services per week by attending the Midweek Service your chances increase from 16% to 83% you'll still be serving God in 5 years. That's a 67% increase by adding one additional service per week. IS IT WORTH IT?

VICTORY U (UNIVERSITY)

Spring Semester, February & March 2015... Keep watching for more information as classes are determined!

YOUTH

Wednesday nights @ 7:30 pm, Youth Worship & Discussion Group

CHILDREN

Wednesday Classes @ 7:30 pm; Teachers dismiss promptly at 8:30 pm

MATTHEW 25 COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Please keep the Kay County Detention Center (KCDC) in your prayers. Victory holds worship service at these facilities the first Sunday of each month, and also holds Bible studies for Men on Wednesday mornings! God is moving at the jail!

www.victoryworshipcenter.net

Check out our updated website today. It is the official source of all info relating to Victory Worship Center. You can even give online from the website. View the site often for the latest and greatest Victory info!