

The Seasoned Saints Ministry

Bro. Ray Brown – Ministry Leader

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THEY WILL STAY FRESH AND GREEN.**

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THE SENTINEL

2024 Church Theme
“PURPOSE”

**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

- SERVING GOD
- SERVING THE CHURCH
- SERVING THE COMMUNITY
- SERVING ONE ANOTHER

PRAYER REQUESTS

REQUEST BY:	PRAY FOR:

Missouri City Church of Christ

Bro. George Micheal Williams, II – Minister



Missouri City Church of Christ
2019 Bright Meadows Dr.
Missouri City, Texas 77489

Thank you for your interest in allowing us to assist in establishing a Senior Ministry Committee at Missouri City Church of Christ.

"It is our vision to help inspire the 65-year-olds (seniors) to become more active and involved with creating positive changes throughout their golden years. To be innovators, role models, and contributors to the church through this amazing ministry. Collectively, our seniors can continue to be durable, endure, and thrive."

It is my honor to present to the leadership information concerning an outline of my proposal.

- We will meet quarterly and set a calendar of events with inclusive dates, locations, times, and details.
- We will meet with the leadership to inform and request approval for events, workshops, meetings, or information being distributed.
- We will always provide an agenda and minutes at meetings.
- We will only advertise approved materials, using signs, social media, flyers, and electronic signs, to the membership or others.

It is important that we build a relationship internally and externally within the Missouri City Community.

"Touching souls before, they get old" is a standard motto that I live by. The focus point will be on giving back to the community and the church. It is not always about revenue. Information is valuable, and having the understanding and knowledge to look ahead is priceless.

Other key factors for seniors are eating healthy, being physically fit, establishing financial goals, and giving back. We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." Winston Churchill.

Activities and/or workshops

1. Gardening-
2. Medical Information-
3. Physical Activities-
4. Financial Information-
5. Social Security Information-
6. Membership Drive-
7. Adopt a Family-

The elderly has given so much, and yet they tend to be a vastly neglected segment of our society. I am grateful that I have a chance to work with such unique people and inspire other people to take on this important work as well. I look forward to having many more opportunities to contribute to the strengthening of my fellow church members and community in the coming years.
Respectfully yours,

Ray G. Brown

Brother Ray G. Brown

The Seasoned Saints Ministry will *meet via Zoom* on the **2nd and 4th Friday each month **7:00-8:00 PM.****

The ZOOM ID is number is 667 013 0441 / password is 77048

AGENDA

ITEM	TIME ALLOTTED
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER	1:00
1) Opening Song	4:00
2) Opening Prayer	4:00
3) Introduce New Members	2:00
4) Bible Lesson	15:00
COMMITTEE REPORTS:	
5) READING of MINUTES & VOTE	4:00
6) Gardening Committee	4:00
7) Outreach Committee	4:00
8) Pot Luck Committee	4:00
9) Secretary Committee	4:00
10) Social Committee	4:00
11) Prayer Requests	5:00
12) Closing Prayer	5:00
TOTAL TIME	1 HOUR

OLD BUSINESS**MCCOC SEASONED SAINTS****MEETING SUMMARY October 26, 2023, 6:30 pm**

- Coordinator: Ray Brown Asst. Coordinator: Joseph Zeno
- Attendees (11): Ron and Karen Wright, Bobbie Hutchinson, Joseph Zeno, Diane LaRue, Vivian Smith, Jessie Brown, Ray Brown, James Bremby, Curtis, and Sister Harris.
- Prayer: Bro. Joseph Zeno
- Agenda read by sister Jessie
- Discussions:
 1. Purpose of the meeting
 2. Description of the proposed activities
 3. Each person shared their activities of interest
 4. The next meeting date is scheduled for November 3 rd . at 6:30 pm by Zoom
 5. Place Sign-up Sheets and Interest Forms in the foyer for others who may be interested in participating in this ministry.
 6. Interest Forms to be given to members on Sunday and returned to Brother or Sis. Brown on or before Wednesday, November 1, 2023.
 7. Provide Bro. Zeno information for an announcement on Sunday.
 8. Additional activities: Nursing home visits on Saturday morning/bible study, presenting residents with arts and crafts consisting of handmade or purchased gift items; Movie Night in the church activity center; establishing a Partnership with a Local School for the purpose of reading with children to improve their reading skills; and a Senior Bible Study class.
 9. Closing prayer: Bro. Wright

Meeting Summary was prepared by sister Jessie Brown, 832-778-6470.

OLD BUSINESSSeasoned Saints Meeting November 10, 2023

Attendees: Bobbie Hutchinson, Larue, Wright, Wright, Harris, Harris, Ray Brown, Jessie Brown, Vivian Smith, Joseph Zeno, James.

Our latest member to join and in attendance was sister Carol Kimble.

Discussions:

☐ Bro Wright will be the coordinator for the bible study online class. Classes will be held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays at 7 PM., beginning January 12, 2024.

The topic for discussion will be John 17 (The Lord's Prayer) and will be a continuous study.

☐ Sis. Harris reported that the Shadow Creek, Hilton Hotel in Pearland (2234) offers the most suitable environment for the Seasoned Saints' breakfast. The breakfast will be on December 2, 2023, at 9:30 AM. A menu was emailed to members. An announcement will be made inviting other seniors to attend the breakfast.

☐ Brother and sister Brown reported on the Gardening project. The leadership has approved the garden perimeters to be from the end of the playgrounds toward Columbia Blue. The garden project core members will meet soon to discuss more details including but not limited to a budget to build a fence, and purchase tools, the groundbreaking date, prepare a questionnaire to be completed by Seasoned Saints pertaining to the types of vegetables we will plant.

☐ Sisters Vivian and sister Hutchinson suggested that we implement a school reading program support group. Sister Vivian will provide more detailed information at our next meeting.

☐ The meeting was adjourned at 8 PM.

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MCCOC SENIOR MINISTRY

MEETING AGENDA

LOCATION: HILTON GARDEN INN, PEARLAND, TX

DATE: 12/02/2023

ATTENDEES: MCCOC Seasoned Saints Members

TIME: 9:30 AM

I. GREETINGS Bro. Ray G Brown Senior Ministry Coordinator

II. PRAYER

III. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS:

Existing and New members (Completion of the Interest Form)

IV. SELECT ACTIVITIES # 4 AND #5

a) Gardening #3

b) Monthly/Quarterly Potluck Dinner Events #1

c) Picnic at Nightrider Ranch, Rosharon, Tx. (Fishing and more)

d) Health and Financial Seminars

e) Health and Fitness

f) Bowling, Shopping and Bus Trips

g) Senior Bible Study #2

h) Visit to a Nursing Home

i) Partnership with a local School District

j) Movie Night

V. MEETING DATES

a) The Garden Core group (01/14/24 after church services)

b) Monthly/Quarterly Potluck Dinner Events

c) Seasoned Saint on-line meeting (2 nd and 4 th Friday-7 PM)

d) Bible Study (2 nd and 4 th Friday-7 PM, on-line)

VI. DRAWING FOR (1) 25.00 GIFT CARD

VII. GIFT BAGS

VIII. ZOOM LOG-IN INFORMATION

You can dial this number and listen in to the meeting by telephone.

Call: 1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) Meeting ID: 667 013 0441 Passcode: 77489

NEW BUSINESS

As you can see, the Ministry Leaders have selected several

COMMITTEES WITHIN THE MINISTRY

as a result of the surveys we provided. Please determine which

COMMITTEES YOU WILL LEAD OR SERVE ON

using your skills, talents, and interests to strengthen the Ministry.

SOME HAVE ALREADY VOLUNTEERED!

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| 1. <u>SONG LEADERS</u> - | [REDACTED] | / | [REDACTED] |
| 2. <u>MINISTRY LEADERS</u> - | <u>RAY BROWN</u> | / | <u>JOSEPH ZENO</u> |
| 3. <u>BIBLE STUDY LEADERS</u> - | <u>RON WRIGHT</u> | / | [REDACTED] |
| 4. <u>GARDENING LEADERS</u> - | <u>JESSIE BROWN</u> | / | <u>RAY BROWN</u> |
| 5. <u>OUTREACH LEADERS</u> - | <u>CAROL KIMBLE</u> | / | [REDACTED] |
| 6. <u>POT LUCK LEADERS</u> - | <u>VIVIAN SMITH</u> | / | [REDACTED] |
| 7. <u>SECRETARY LEADERS</u> - | <u>KAREN WRIGHT</u> | / | <u>CAROL KIMBLE</u> |
| 8. <u>SOCIAL LEADERS</u> - | [REDACTED] | / | [REDACTED] |

COMMITTEES	RESPONSIBILITIES	WHEN
SONG LEADERS	<i>Open</i>	Bi-monthly
MINISTRY LEADERS	<i>Introduces New Members Church Announcements Ministry Announcements</i>	Bi-monthly
BIBLE STUDY LEADERS	<i>Deliver study (15 mins.)</i>	Bi-monthly
GARDENING LEADERS	<i>Secure and tend to: plot, fencing, crops</i>	As needed
OUTREACH LEADERS	<i>Updates member roster Contacts members: call, email, mail, or text</i>	As needed
POT LUCK LEADERS	<i>Plans fellowships, menus, and list of donors</i>	Quarterly
SECRETARY LEADERS	<i>Keeps minutes Records prayer requests Reports business: old, new</i>	Bi-monthly
	<i>Creates news letter</i>	Monthly
SOCIAL LEADERS	<i>Plans social outings: Bowling, shopping, bus trips</i>	Quarterly

THE PLAN TO SALVATION

HEAR – *THE GOSPEL: 1 Cor 15:3-4* ³ For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,

BELIEVE - *THAT GOSPEL: Acts 15:7* And when there had been much dispute, Peter rose up *and* said to them: “Men *and* brethren, you know that a good while ago God chose among us, that by my mouth the Gentiles should hear the word of the gospel and believe.

REPENT – *OF YOUR SINS: 2 Cor 7:10* For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.

CONFESS - *THAT YOU BELIEVE JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD:*

Acts 8:37 ³⁷ Then Philip said, “If you believe with all your heart, you may.” And he answered and said, “I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.”

BE BAPTIZED – *FOR THE REMISSION OF YOUR SINS: Acts 2:38* ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

BE ADDED TO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Matt 16:18 ¹⁸ And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Rom 16:16 ¹⁶ Greet one another with a holy kiss. The churches of Christ greet you.

Acts 2:47 ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

REMAIN FAITHFUL AND RECEIVE THE CROWN OF LIFE *Rev 2:10* ¹⁰ Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw *some* of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

THE PROMISE OF HEAVEN FOR THE FAITHFUL *Col 1:3-5* ³ We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, ⁴ since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of your love for all the saints; ⁵ because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel,