

## **WILL YOU BE ATTENDING?**

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"I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the LORD." {Psalm 122:1} Today is the beginning of our Spring Meeting with Danny McKibben. This meeting has been planned by the church here for many years. Yet, my question to each one of us is have we made our personal plans to be here each evening of this meeting? Do we plan on seeking to invite our neighbors, friends and loved ones to our meeting?

"So I sent to you immediately, and you have done well to come. Now therefore, we are all present before God, to hear all the things commanded you by God." {Acts 10:33} Cornelius had been told to summon Peter to speak concerning the things that God wanted him to know. What did Cornelius do? He sent for Peter, but he also gathered others to come and hear the things God had sent Peter to tell him. Do you see that this man wanted others beside himself to benefit from the things taught by God.

The speaking of God's word is indeed an important occasion. Why? What greater words could those outside the body of Christ hear than the words of life? John 6:63 Could these words also be important to God's children to build them up and strengthen them for our daily fight with the flesh and the spirit? Words that can help us win our "good fight of faith that we may lay hold of eternal life," 1 Timothy 6:12.

No meeting can be called successful if the members do not attend regularly. Why is our presence essential for success? It shows we love the Lord, we love truth and we love to share the message of life with others. Do you desire to encourage your brothers and sisters here by making the effort to be here each evening? Hopefully every one of us have already made a personal commitment to be here and seek to invite others. If not – why not?

Yes, we still have to go to work each morning and the kids will have school each day. Don't allow these activities to be your excuse for not attending. So, will you be attending? \*\*\*