

Tomorrow we gather!

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. Let the message about Christ, in all its richness, fill your lives. Teach and counsel each other with all the wisdom he gives. Sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to God with thankful hearts.
(Colossians 3:14-16)

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
(Psalm 122:1)

Are you ready for church tomorrow? Have you prepared?
Are you filled with anticipation?

One more question: What will you bring?

You see, According to Scripture, we are all responsible for bringing something with us for the good of the Body. Some of us are supposed to bring a song. Others are supposed to bring an encouraging word, or a spiritual gift, or a testimony (1 Corinthians 14:26).

All of us are supposed to bring ourselves.

The natural human impulse is to think, "I've got nothing to bring that could possibly benefit anybody. In fact, I am a mess. They would probably be better off if I stayed away." You know, don't you, that's a lie of the devil. You are an integral part of our body (1 Corinthians 12:27). We are incomplete without you.

And we do not need you to be something you're not. We need you—plain ol' broken, authentic you—in order for us to be what we're supposed to be.

Tomorrow morning the Body of Christ is going to gather in all her splendor. We will throw back our heads, sing praises to the top of our lungs, and glorify our Savior because He has snatched us out of our unrighteousness and made us righteous. There is a place reserved for you so gather up all the pieces and bring yourself to church. We need what you bring.

Pray

What a stunning revelation, Heavenly Father, that, by grace, you have made perfection out of our imperfection. Together, we make up the church—your instrument for redemption in the earth. Visit us in power tomorrow as we lift You up.

DAY 13
Saturday, January 20th

RECURRING NEEDS

Revival
Repentance
Wisdom
Marriages
Families
Sick/Grieving
Depression/Mental illness
City Church
Church leaders
Children
Youth
Singles
Senior citizens
Volunteers
Teachers and support staff
Emergency personnel
Business community
Elected officials
Missionaries
Worldwide church
The lost

REFLECTIONS
