The New Testament Church



What is The New Testament Church?

- Z The Universal ChurchM Hebrews 12:23
- z Local Churches

 There are many of them
They were started by preaching
Members of the body must join
Overseen by Elders
Acts 14:23; 20:17,28; 1 Peter 5:1-3

z In Church

When we come together we are in church

▲ 1 Corinthians 11:18; 14:26-28

How Is The Church Described?

- Z The Family of God ▲ Ephesians 3:14-19
- z The Lord's Body
 - **Colossians 1:18**
- Z Purchased by the Blood of Jesus Acts 20:28
- z Sanctified and Cleansed by God 1 Corinthians 6:11
- z Members Individually
 - **1 Corinthians 12:27**
- Z All Baptized into His one Body 1 Corinthians 12:12-13

Keep the Unity of the Spirit

z Ephesians 4:1-6 One Body One Spirit One Hope One Lord One Faith One Baptism One God and Father

Ephesians 1:22-23 1 Corinthians 12:11 1 Thessalonians 5:8 Ephesians 1:3 Jude 3; Romans 10:17 Gal 3:26-27; Rom 6:3 1 Corinthians 1:3

God Commands Us To Assemble

- **z For the Lord's Supper** Matt 26:17,26-29; 1 Cor 11:17-34; Acts 20:7
- **z For Edification of the church** ~ 1 Cor 14:26-28
 - **God has given gifts to the church Ephesians 4:11-15**
 - Apostles & Prophets gave the Word Ephesians 3:5
 - **Evangelists learn and teach the truth 2 Timothy 2:15**
 - **Elders teach and admonish Titus 1:9**
 - **Teachers teach & set the example James 3:1**
 - **All saints edify and admonish Colossians 3:16**
- **z To Exhort one another** ~ Hebrews 10:24-25
- **Z To Pray for one another** ~ **1** Tim 2:1-8; Eph 6:18

What Are Our Obligations?

z Spiritual Growth **▲ 1 Peter 2:1-2; Hebrews 5:12-14** z Assemble With The Saints **Hebrews 10:23-25 z** Participate In The Work **Ephesians 4:15-16 z** Help in Discipline **Galatians 6:1**

What Are Our Obligations? (cont)

z Giving to God, Caesar and Saints **Laborer is worthy of his wages 1 Tim 5:17-18; 1 Corinthians 9:7-14 Government is god's servant for good Matt 22:15-21; Romans 13:1-7** Sharing is a worthy sacrifice to God **Philippians 4:14-18; Acts 4:34-35 1** Corinthians 16:1-3; 2 Corinthians 9:1-7