

# WORD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

GOD'S PATIENCE AND KINDNESS LEADS PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE. ROMANS 2:4

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*Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again - rejoice!* Philippians 4:4 NLT

*Always be joyful.* 1 Thessalonians 5:16 NLT

*The joy of the Lord is your strength.* Nehemiah 8:10

*Whatever happens my dear brothers and sisters, rejoice in the Lord.*  
Philippians 3:1 NLT

*But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. There is no law against these things!* Galatians 5:22-23 NLT

Ever been fearful at the same moment you were joyful? Ever been jealous while joyful? Ever felt self-pity or anger or resentment while joyful? No.

Joy and anger, joy and fear, joy and resentment or self-pity or...simply cannot co-exist in us at the same time. When joy is ruling our hearts and minds, when we are literally overwhelmed with joy, overwhelmed with the joy of the Lord, there is simply no room for those other things.

But, how do we get that joy? And how do we keep it?

It's definitely not something we can drum up ourselves. And it's definitely not something we can manufacture on our own.

True joy, the joy that lasts, the joy that is not dependent on circumstance, but on our relationship with Jesus, comes from God and God alone, from Holy Spirit, as we set our minds on Him, on things above, on His Kingdom come, on His amazing, overwhelming, unconditional love for us and all those around us!

No, true joy is not something we can create, but it *is* something *He* can create!

True and lasting joy is a divine gift, a divine fruit, that Holy Spirit produces in our lives as we yield ourselves more and more completely to Him, as we spend time simply reveling in God's deep, abiding, unconditional love for us, as we take the time to get to know Him better and better.

Today, I encourage us all, take time to sit with Jesus. Take time to listen to Holy Spirit. Take the time to receive the words of love and grace that God, your Father speaks to you. He loves you...like crazy. All the way, all the time, He loves you.

God loves you. He rejoices over you. And He takes great joy and delight...in you!

*I have loved you with an everlasting love. I have drawn you with unfailing kindness. Jeremiah 31:3 NIV*

*The Lord your God is with you; the mighty One will save you. He will rejoice over you. You will rest in His love; He will sing and be joyful about you. Zephaniah 3:17 NCV*

## Dates & Times to Remember

**Heaven in Business:** Join us this Saturday for our next meeting of Heaven in Business! Listen, learn and intercede as we partner with Holy Spirit to bring His Kingdom here on Earth!

**Want more info?** [Contact Denise.](#)

February 7 / 9am

Come early for breakfast and fellowship at 8:45!

**Basics of Cooking Class:** Want to fellowship & learn more about cooking and kitchen up-keep? Join us for Basics of Cooking, our newest series offered through *The Servant's Table!*

**Want more info?** [Contact Janine.](#)

Register online to attend.

February 14 / 10am-1pm

**Valentine's Cookie Decorating Party:** Join us for an afternoon of fun as we talk, laugh and spend time together over cookies and icing!

All are welcome! Kidz grades 2 & under must be accompanied by an adult.

**Want more info?** [Contact Susie.](#)

[Register online](#) to attend.

February 14 / 2-4:30pm

**Who We Are Class:** New to Word Fellowship in the last 6-12 months? Come find out more about who we are and the purpose God has corporately for us here at Word Fellowship!

Want more info? [Contact Sandy.](#)

A WFC Core Class / 10 participant minimum / [Register online](#)

February 21 / 9am

Come early for breakfast and fellowship at 8:45!

## Other Information

**Candlelight Prayer House:** The progress is exciting! Check out [pictures and videos](#) of the progress!