

Ponca City Christian

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Seeking, Serving, Sharing
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DEVOTIONAL POETRY

This devotional poem reminds us of how Christ can change the life of those who trust in Him. It speaks of the love, care, and commitment that Jesus Christ has for people who accept and receive Him.

Let Me Tell You

by Wynelle R. Piner

Let me tell you,
Jesus Christ will change your life!

Let me tell you,
Let go of all the guilt, the pain, the strife!
He loves you; He's waiting here to tell you.
His arms are open wide.

It doesn't matter, that thing that you did.
It doesn't count, that thing that you said.

Just ask His forgiveness and let His love be
the lifter of your head.
Step out strong, with your head held high—firm
of gait, with a straightforward approach to life.

You have a future,
Jesus Christ will make sure of that.

Just follow the plan that He has for you.
And nothing, that is good and perfect, will
you lack.

Giving in Review

As of November 30, 2023

Income Received YTD	\$271,244.17
Actual Expenses YTD	\$295,431.51
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$301,125.00

MAY ALL THE BLESSINGS
OF THE LORD
BE YOURS IN ABUNDANCE
IN THE *New Year.*



The Covenant Project began in 2019 as part of the work of the Governance Committee of the General Board of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada. During their fall retreat, they committed to the work of aligning The Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) with God's design for the church and to claim the power and potential of covenant. This led to a period of review and a series of rich consultations with church leaders and town hall meetings followed by drafts presented to the Administrative Committee and the General Board. Resolution GA-2343, titled "Amendments to The Design of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)," was presented and adopted at General Assembly 2023 in Louisville, Kentucky. As outlined in GA-2343, the two focus areas of responsibility will be the General Assembly and the General Board. In developing the plan, as part of their work, the Implementation Team will also enlist the help of individuals to serve on task groups.

The Covenant Project work began and was rooted in prayer. The process has also been undergirded by study of scripture as reflected in the Covenant Curriculum provided for congregations and regions to utilize to engage scripture in the process.

Please continue to pray for our whole church and the Implementation Team. As their work is authorized by the Governance Committee of the General Board, may it be guided and blessed by God's covenant of love which binds us to God and to one another.

Clyde E. Hunt, Jr.

Moderator, General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the United States and Canada