

## Youth NEWS



Thank you to the Hutt Family for hosting the Jr./Sr. High Devo. We appreciate you!



The March Family/Youth Devo. will be hosted by the Pitchford Family on Saturday, March 25. More details to come.

Mark your calendar for an Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8 at 11 a.m. at the Hutt and Harris' homes. If you plan to participate in the hunt, please bring 1 or 2 dozen filled eggs and your basket. Everyone at the congregation is invited to enjoy hotdogs, served at the Hutts' house. Parking is available at both homes.



Please bring your lawn chair. Also, girls bring desserts and boys bring chips.

## Education NEWS

### In Search of the Lord's Way

The lesson for Sunday, March 26 at 7:30 a.m. on KMOL is entitled, "Obeying God." While many emphasize feelings and attitudes, the Scriptures are clear that God expects more. God expects those who love Him to hear His word and to obey. Obedience distinguishes the true disciple from the one who claims to follow the Lord.

### SUNDAYS

**Bible Classes** .....9:00 AM  
**Morning Worship** .....10:00 AM  
**Evening Worship** ..... 5:00 PM

*Tuesdays (September through May)*

**Men's Bible Study** ..... 10:00 AM  
**Ladies' Bible Study**..... 10:00 AM

### WEDNESDAYS

**Midweek Bible Study** ..... 7:00 PM

### EVANGELIST

Ronnie Scherffius

### SUPPORTED WORKS

James and Emily Cammock  
*Hamilton, New Zealand*

John Moore

*Bible Land Passages*

Cecil Shaw

*Ocho Rios, Jamaica*

Student Support

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NEWS AND  
INFORMATION  
FOR MID-  
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MEMBERS AND  
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# The Midtown CHURCH OF CHRIST Messenger

MARCH 19, 2017

"THE LINCOLN/KENNEDY MYTH" by Ronnie Scherffius

I am uncertain how many of have given much (if any) study to Biblical Criticism. Simply stated, literary criticism is "a written evaluation of a work of literature." Thus, biblical criticism is a written evaluation of the Bible. There are two types of biblical criticism: higher criticism (which seeks to destroy the Bible at all costs) and lower criticism (which treats the Bible as it would any other literary work and seeks only to verify its authenticity).

It goes without saying that those who despise the Bible hold to higher critics as the only legitimate thought on the matter. However, the methods employed by such critics are deplorable and they would be used on such literary works as Shakespeare or even the ancient works of Plato or Homer. Yet, because of contempt for the word of God, they use every tool at their disposal to cast doubt on a book that has more authenticating evidence than any other in history!

To show the absurdity of their work and the foolishness of their philosophy I would like to submit the following (which I found on the Internet). It is titled: The Lincoln/Kennedy Myth and its authorship given to *Professor L. C. Atom*. (I have an idea that the name of the professor is contrived) Having no way of knowing who the original author is it is impossible to give proper credit. The piece below is to be read as if you were living in the distant future and is to serve as a review (more like an attack) of the "legendary" account of the life and circumstances of Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy in light of "recent

archaeological discovery." Even today, no one can deny the uncanny circumstances and parallels of these two men, many of which simply cannot be explained with any satisfaction! How these uncanny circumstances and parallels are treated in the review below is exactly how certain biblical accounts of events and individuals such as the creation, the global flood, the lives of Abraham, Moses, Joshua, David, Solomon and Jesus (just to name a few) are treated by higher critics of the Bible who seek only to cast doubt and to destroy the validity of it in the minds of the masses.

"For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent. Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. For the Jews require a sign, and the

Greeks seek after wisdom: But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness" (1 Cor. 1:18-23).

**THE LINCOLN KENNEDY MYTH**

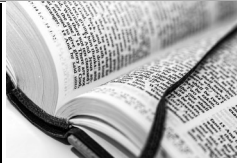
by Professor L. C. Atom

My recent archaeological digs in the ancient city of Washington has revealed much insight into the Lincoln/Kennedy controversy. While many respected archaeologists have suggested that the Lincoln and Kennedy stories refer to two different persons who may or may not have been historical, I have finally proven beyond any doubt that the two stories are myths. These myths not only refer to the same person, but this Lincoln/Kennedy individual never actually existed. The evidence for my conclusions is overwhelming. Archaeologists have known for a long time that there are seven letters in each name. However, my research has also shown that each of the so called presidents also had the legality of his election contested. The myths also portray both of these persons as involved with the issue of civil rights. (This is probably some secret mystery that involved the ancient religion of Democracy; many idols to the gods of Democracy were found in ancient Washingtonia)

Additional proof that the Lincoln/Kennedy myths are variants of the same earlier myth are as follows: both men were supposedly slain on Friday and in the presence of their wives. Lincoln was elected in 1860 while Kennedy was elected in 1960. (an obvious corruption of the earlier myth!) Both men are said to have had successors who were named Johnson. The successors were both Southern Democrats who had previously served in the U.S. Senate. Any rational archaeologist must conclude that the two Johnsons are the same individual. Further proof of this may be seen in their birth dates. The Johnson of the Andrew/Lincoln myth was born in 1808 while Johnson of the Lyndon/Kennedy myth was born in 1908. Also both names Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Johnson contain thirteen letters (again another obvious corruption of the earlier myth).

In the myths both of these men were supposedly killed by Southerners. Even thought modern archae-

**SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT JESUS CHRIST AND SALVATION**



**APRIL 2 - 5**

Presented by  
Ronnie Scherffius

- Sunday, April 2 at 9 a.m.**  
♦ "What Does The Old Testament Say About Christ?"
- Sunday, April 2 at 10 a.m.**  
♦ "What Is The Nature of Christ: Is He God Or Man?"
- Sunday, April 2 at 1 p.m.**  
♦ "What Will You Do with Jesus Which Is Called Christ?"
- Monday, April 3 at 7 p.m.**  
♦ "Why Will Some Be Lost?"
- Tuesday, April 4 at 7 p.m.**  
♦ "How Can I Know What Is Right?"
- Wednesday, April 5 at 7 p.m.**  
♦ "How Can I Remain Faithful?"

ologists have not yet discovered the ancient language from which the two cognate terms "Booth" and "Oswald" come, I believe we are very close to making this discovery. For example, John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald each contain fifteen letters. Also, we have just uncovered additional evidence which reveals that in both myths Booth and Oswald were murdered before their trial could be arranged. Also, not only were these men both Southerners but they both favored unpopular ideas.

Additional evidence that we recently uncovered reveals that according to legend Lincoln had a secretary named Kennedy who advised him not to go to the place where he was killed. While Kennedy had a secretary name Lincoln who advised him to not go to Dallas. And last but not least, the legend also says that both men were taken to their burial place by the same horse drawn vehicle. This is an obvious anachronism since we know that people in the middle of the 20th century did not use horse drawn vehicles!

**News & ACTIVITIES**

**Sunday, March 26**

- The Fourth Sunday Fellowship Meal will follow evening services.
- There is a "mail box" in the foyer for your bible questions to be answered each fourth Sunday during evening services.

**Wednesday, March 29**

There will be a Fifth Wednesday Singing this month.

**Thursday, March 30**

The next Leadership Development Class will be held at 7 p.m. here at the building.

- Brookdale Team #3 will meet today.

**Check out MidTown's updated website at [www.midtowncoc.org](http://www.midtowncoc.org) to listen to sermons, read bulletins, and other news.**

Records You Helped Make  
For the Week of  
MARCH 12, 2017

**Attendance**

- Sunday Bible Class.....101
- Sunday Morning Assembly.....139
- Sunday Evening Assembly.....89
- Wednesday Attendance.....98

**Offering: \$5,195.98**

**Keep in PRAYER**

**IN SYMPATHY:**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **Bo Dykes, Peggy Matlock's** sister-in-law's father.



**MidTown Members:**

- Paul Atkinson
- Buster Bailey
- Jeff Cannady
- Les Daltry
- Jan Farris

- Dee Gilpatrick
- Betty Key
- Kathy Laws
- Sandy Malone
- Ann Pantel
- Glen Pitts
- Angela Sneeringer
- Mickey Tisue
- Clark Withers

**& Friends Family:**

- Victor Benitez,  
*brother of Virginia Escojido*
- Bert Haynes,  
*father of Pam Stryker*
- Kim Neel-Farthing,  
*daughter of Joyce*
- June Green,  
*mother of Janice FitzSimmons*
- Amy Jamison,  
*daughter of Terry*
- Barbara Lopez,  
*mother of Rosalba Barton*
- Liz Lopez,  
*friend of Nina Siegel*
- Janell Marshall  
*mother of Karon Barton's*  
*sister-in-law*

- Amanda Mueller  
*sister of Amy Harris*
- Fred Porter,  
*brother-in-law of Della Rampley*
- Madeline Posey,  
*family of Julie Posey*
- Sarah Randle,  
*mother of Steve*
- Polly Ray,  
*aunt of Connie Cleveland*
- Scott Reeves,  
*son of Sam and Leta*  
*brother of Sherry Lynch*
- Gary Rush,  
*friend of the Arnots*
- Sammy Snead,  
*brother-in-law of Ronnie Scherffius*
- Prem Verma,  
*father-in-law of Archana*
- Kennedy Young, Sr.,  
*uncle of Naomi Flonnory*