



# THE SINGLES' NEWS

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## ADAPTING TO A SINGLE CHRISTIAN LIFE

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### SINGLES' FOCUS

*The focus of the ministry is God, his word, and his teachings on loneliness, finances, abstaining from sex, marriage, re-marriage, cohabitation, and other issues that relate or effects the single Christian's way of life.*

In 1 Corinthians 7:7-8, Paul said, *"For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that. I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, it is good for them if they abide even as I."*

Widow or widower, due to the death of a love one, courtship, separation through divorce, or just not married all signifies that you are a single. If you are a single and have been baptized for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38), then you are a Christian single (Acts 11:26).

Adapting to a Christian single lifestyle can be very challenging in a sinful, carnal, information, and fast past world. It can be more challenging when the world, even churches and religions, focuses on the home, family, marriage, and parenting. In other words, little is said about single living or Christian single living (Christian single lifestyle).

Some people choice to be single and others are single due to situations, or circumstances in their lives, such as divorces, and individuals who can not find the right mate. However, choice or circumstance, Christian singles must learn how to adapt, accept, and be joyful in their single-hood, for one, Jesus is our example of being single.

As our text explains, marriage and singleness is good, and both have an important part in God's purpose. Paul was teaching that single people have more time to devote themselves to the ministry, and will of God, whereas married people may have to deal with the pressures, and concerns of their spouse and family. However, marriage or single, one is not better than the other, just as long as God's purpose and will for you is being fulfilled.

### There are a few axioms that I want to share with you on how to adapt to a Christian single way of life?

1. Be content and accept the fact that you are a Christian and a single and it is a gift from God (Philippians 4:11, 1 Corinthians 7:7-8, Hebrews 13:5).
2. Adjust if you have to, without changing God's will for you (1 Corinthians 9:19-23).
3. Seek God and hold on to him (Hebrews 11:6, 1 Corinthians 10:13).
4. Learn and understand God's purpose for you (Romans 8:28).
5. Transform your mind daily (Romans 12:1-2)
6. Trust and acknowledge God always (Proverbs 3:5-6)
7. Stay hid in God (Colossians 3:3)

### COMMITTEE

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Chasity Medlock

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## EVENT SCHEDULE

### Committee Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Each Month (15 Minutes after Worship Service)

### Singles' Day

July 21, 2007

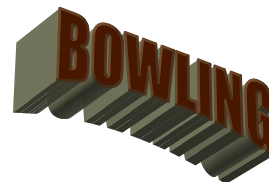
6:00 p.m.

(Further Information will be provided)

**Notice:** We are looking for volunteers for are annual

### Sunday Sunrise Singles' Breakfast

coming in August! Please See Chasity Medlock or Donale Stewart For details



Since our last issue, and major event, we would like to say to those who did not attend the bowling competition between the singles and married, you missed a wonderful treat.

Approximately 35-40 individuals showed up at the Fiero Bowling Lanes, March 17, 2007 to eat, fellowship, and have positive Christian fun.

Thanks to all those who participated.



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## SINGLE TIP

**Did you not know that God told us what is good for our spiritual health?**

### Proverbs 3:5-8

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil. It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.  
*So let us start trusting.*

## THANKS.....

THANKS AND A SINGLE HAT OFF TO THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE POT LUCK AND DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD TO OUR ELDERLY AND SICK AND SHUT-IN

### GOT IDEAS?

COME JOIN THE SINGLES AND HELP THIS MINISTRY BE SUCCESSFUL!

### BIRTHDAY WISH



Happy Birthday to all of our February-July Singles. May you have a prosperous and blessed year!

## SINGLE POETRY CORNER



To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

**Solomon of Ecclesiastes 3 :1-8**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR NEW CHRISTIAN SINGLES! STAND FIRM ON YOUR RIGHTEOUSNESS**

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