



10-25 Fifth Quarter after the football game @ the Rock Building  
 10-30 Prepare supper and bible skits for Saints Night Out

**Wissam Youssif Al-Aethawi**

"In a place where the Bible is considered blasphemy against God, it was my secret vice for 13 years."

Born in Baghdad, Iraq where he lived, studied, graduated, served in the military, and worked as a civil engineer, Wissam Youssif Al-Aethawi lived on less than \$3 a month for 13 years in a society that relies on Islam to be the final and ultimate authority on matters both civil and legal.

"Hatred was preached and encouraged. It was taught that we were right and everyone else is wrong," writes Al-Aethawi. And this in a "big-brother" society in which the 2 government-run TV channels, the only channels available, were controlled to the smallest detail by the Saddam Hussein administration. With no internet, cellphones or satellite receivers and in a time where even the school kids had to be involved in a continuous military alert and military training, Wissam found that he was involved in a religion that could offer no answers, no assurances; a religion where, "if God is the way the Quran describes Him, I'm going to hell anyway, before I go to heaven, if I ever make it to heaven."

Because of this, in 1997, Wissam bought his first Bible (or partial Bible) from a flea-market. This was followed by saving money for a complete Bible in 1998 and for the first time in his life, he heard someone say that the Bible was true. After a careful personal Bible study and searching out the scripture, Wissam decided he needed to be baptized and the rest, well, he will tell during his time with us Sunday.

**Attendance**

Bible Class.....	68
Worship A.M.....	109
Worship P.M.....	NC
Wednesday.....	105

2013 Budget: \$3,800  
 Contribution: \$3,742.81

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**Welcome**

*October 27, 2013*

**Announcements**

*#258 The New Song (all)*  
*#602 Nobody Fills My Heart Like Jesus (all)*

**Opening Prayer**

*#381-382 Jesus' Sacrifice Medley (dotted verses)*

**Communion Message**

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*#45 How Great Is Our God (paperbook)*

**Offering**

*CD Track #2 Shout Hallelujah (both)*

**Scripture Reading**

**Sermon**

*#46 Light the Fire (paperbook-both)*  
*#634 We'll Work Till Jesus Comes (1,2,3)*

**Closing Prayer**

# Preacher's Porch




Well, Green Peace is at it again. In case you are wondering what Green Peace is, they are an international group of people dedicated to the preservation of the Earth and its resources by any non-violent means necessary. These are the ones throwing red paint on people wearing fur, living in trees in old-growth forests to prevent them being logged, running their boats between whale hunters and whales, etc. Recently, according to Google News, a group of about 30 people boarded and took control of an oil-drilling platform in the Arctic Ocean owned by Russia. According to the report, this action was necessary to call attention to the plight of the world's oceans and global climate changed by the emission of greenhouse gasses caused by burning fossil fuels. They now are being charged with piracy and face 15 years in a Russian prison for their stand to save the world.

What a great picture of dedication and devotion. What a wonderful example of leaving it all behind for a cause in which you believe. While many of us are thinking, "What idiots!" we certainly have to admire that they are so passionate about their mission as to literally sacrifice everything for that purpose. Whether their efforts are successful or not, several million people (those who have heard the story) have now heard their story, learned of their cause, and must come to some type of conclusion about that cause...which side to be on.

I think that is what Christ had in mind for us as His disciples when he said, "In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples. (Luke 14:33)". I think it is what he had in mind when He said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. (Matthew 28:18a-20a)." I think it is what he had in mind when he said, "Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. (Mark 8:34-35)." And He said it to us.


If a bunch of ordinary people are willing to give everything they have up; their freedom, their possessions, their comfort, etc. to try to stop drilling for oil in an effort to save Earth, how much more should we be willing to sacrifice everything in order to save men's souls? It is our mission.

In Him, Todd



**Kristi Pederson**, Sunday morning visitor last week, has requested prayers for her family.


**Continue to Remember:** *Mary Taylor, Jerry Greene, David & Jennie Waggoner, Landon Farmer, Bill Wood, Theo Allen, Kirby Whitley, Brenda Estridge, Krista McCarty, Rosalie Littlejohn, Brownie Pickens, Wan & Sue Callaway, Khristie Beard, Nikki Freeze, Alyene Williams, Alastair & Linda Ferrie, Coach Darin Mays, Karla Brinkley, and April Taylor*



We would like to congratulate **Addie Duncan, Lauren Taylor and Kaci Williams** who were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on Tuesday Night.

**Wednesday Supper**  
**October 30th**

**Menu:** Youth Group  
**Chef:** Halloweenies  
**Dessert:** Birthday Cake

**Saints Night Out**  
**October 30th**  
Ages 2 years-5th grade  
If you could donate candy, please bring it by the office.



We will be having a **Game Night** for all adults on **Saturday, November 2** at 7:00. Please bring your favorite snack or finger food.




**Azle Church of Christ is having a Ladies Day** on Saturday, October 26th from 9AM-1:00 PM. Registration begins at 8:30 and admission is 1 non-perishable food item for the Food Pantry. The guest Speaker is Rosalyn Baily. Lunch will be served. The flyer is on the bulletin board and there is a sign up list on the foyer table.


**Upcoming Events:**  
(items in red are this week)

**30 Saints Night Out**  
**2 Adult Game Night**  
**3 Elders Meeting**  
**9 City Wide Garage Sale**

**\*Saturday Mornings @ 6:30\* Men's Breakfast @ Bridge Street Grill**

**The Westview Boys' Home** will be here on **November 4th** to collect donations. Some of the requested items are:

**Spam**  
**Ravioli**  
**Applesauce**  
**Egg Noodles**  
**Marshmallows**  
**Plastic Silverware**



**Barbara Greene** needs rides to **Dallas** to see **Jerry**. If you could help, please let her know.

**If you have ever brought a dish to a potluck, funeral or any church event, please check the table in the foyer to see if we still have one of your dishes. Any dishes left after Wednesday, October 30th will be open for anyone to take.**






**OCTOBER**

**Birthdays:**  
25 Daniel Wilson

**Girl Scout Troop 8515** will be hosting the **City Wide Garage Sale** on **Saturday, November, 9th**, beginning at 8 a.m. If you would like to participate, there is a flyer on the bulletin board with more information, or you can see Vicki Yurcho.



**OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE IS**  
6:00-6:20 SUPPER  
6:30-7:15 BIBLE CLASS  
7:20-7:30 DEVOTIONAL