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Pastors Will and Karen to be on WFCJ

StrongTower Christian Media WFCJ 93.7FM

Pastors Will and Karen have been given an opportunity to be on WFCJ, 93.7FM to share our Faith Story. Our story on what God did to get WOW Church into our building and what He is continuing to do in our ministry in Bowersville Ohio,

We will be live on the air on Friday, May 15th at 4:35pm.

Please tune in and listen but most importantly please pray that we would articulate the story of God's amazing work property, That the people God has ordained to hear would be encouraged, strengthened and given hope by hearing what God has done for us and understanding that He is no respector of persons. Pray also that God would have people listening who might be looking for a church home like ours and that they would want to come and see for themselves how good our God is.

This is an incredible opportunity and we feel humbled that the Lord would allow us to do this.

Church Events

- Apr 30th Women Of God's Design
- May 2nd All Church Work Day
- May 3rd Carry In Fellowship
- May 14th Pinterest Party
- May 15th WFCJ
- May 16th Mother/Daughter Tea
- May 28th Women Of God's Design



Sunday School

8 reasons to bring your kids to Sunday School

1. Age Targeted Teaching: Where else can your kids get Biblical instruction that's focused toward their developmental abilities?

2. Friends: In Sunday School, your child will build positive friendships with their peers by discovering God's Word together.

3. It's Fun: Sunday School is not Disney Land, but our teachers do work hard to teach the Bible in ways that are relevant and fun for kids.

4. Spiritual Mentors: Sunday School Teachers can be a Christian role model who supports you and helps inspire the faith of your child.

5. Systematic Bible Learning: Our curriculum is designed to give a broad foundation, so children will understand how all the parts of Scripture point to Christ.

6. Praying Teachers: Our teachers consistently pray for your child's faith to grow. Coming to Sunday School gives another occasion for God to answer those requests.

7. Send the Right Message: Making Sunday School a priority shows your kids that God's Word really does matter more than pillow-time.

8. Adult Learning Time: While the children enjoy their class, you can relax and focus on what God has to impart to you through the Pastor's message without interruption.

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You know how, when you were a small child, you were taught the holy Scriptures; and it is these that make you wise to accept God's salvation by trusting in Christ Jesus. Timothy 3:15

A friend of mine has an 11 year old daughter who has had issues with a little boy who used to be in her class at school. He was at their house the other day playing basketball in the driveway. My friend looked out the window at one point and they were sitting on the grass talking, the little girl said, "All you have to do is ask". A few minutes later she came into the house and said, "Mom, may I give my Jesus calling book to *Tommy? She went and got her devotional book and they sat in the driveway and read through it. She then asked him, Would you like to accept Jesus into your life? The little boy responded with a hearty "Yes I would." And right there, in her driveway under the basketball hoop this little 11 year old girl led him in the prayer of salvation.

Friends, As she told me this story tears welled up in my eyes and I thought of our kids here at WOW Church. It is NO small thing that you are a part of investing in their precious little lives with your tithes and offerings, teaching classes and yes, even preparing a room for them to call their own. Great will be your reward in heaven and I am privileged to serve with you all. Never think your service to God is a small thing – it just may mean another saved life!

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The greatest need that every individual Christian has, is to be aware of the abiding empowering presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

The past couple of weeks I've been teaching on the Holy Spirit. I believe the greatest need that every individual every individual Christian has, is to be aware of the abiding empowering presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives. After His resurrection Jesus met with his disciples and gave them many instructions but none as important and impactful as His instruction found in the gospel of Luke where He said, "And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high" (Luke 24:49, KJV).

This promise was realized on the day of Pentecost when those same believers who had received the Holy Spirit (John 20:22) were now filled with the Holy Spirit. The change that we see in them is remarkable. The same disciples who had denied Jesus and who were hiding in fear because of the Jews now spilled out into the street and began to proclaim "the wonderful works of God" (Acts 2:11), in front of everyone and to anyone within the sound of their voices. The manifested presence of God resulted in three thousand souls being saved. The church was birthed on the day of Pentecost and is still moving forward in the power of the Holy Spirit. The same gift that gave the early believers the boldness to proclaim the goodness of God and demonstrate the power of God to an unbelieving generation is available to each and every believer today.

Peter declares this truth in his sermon that day,

"Peter *said* to them, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself." (Acts 2:38-39, NASB)

This promise is still valid and available today to any believer who will accept it and receive it. I want to encourage you to be a partaker of all that God has for you. The difference you will see in your life will be just as dramatic as those on the day of Pentecost.

Announcements

- **Carry In Fellowship** The first Sunday of each month (providing that is not a holiday). WOW Church is a family. We are also pattened after the first church in the book of Acts and as a part of their tradition they "broke bread together". We believe this is an important part of building relationships. So just bring a main dish and a vieggie or dessert and make plans to attend.
- **Pinterest Party** The second Thursday of each month. This is an great opportunity to get to one one another in a non-church setting. It's also a great opportunity to invite a friend who may feel more comfortable attending an 'art class' than attending a church service. Please preregister by the Sunday before so we can be sure we have enough supplies. Contact Linda Fliehman for more information. Cost is \$5 per person.
- Easter Egg Hunt Thank you to everyone who came out to help stuff eggs, pray, pass out brochures and share the love of Jersus with the community last Saturday at the annual Easter Egg Hunt. This is a great opportunity for us to be heard and seen in the community and to let people get to know us.
- **Special Services** Our services with Rev. Jim and Stephanie Montgomery were amazing. God moved on this place and we will NEVER be the same!! Praise Jesus!!! If you were unable to atttend the special meetings, they are online at our website at <u>http://www.wow-church.org/media/</u>. If you are do not have online access and would prefer to have the messages via cd please see Julieanne Martin and she will make sure you get copies.

- Helps Ministry If you went through the connection classes last fall and have not turned in your paperwork please get that in to us so we can meet with you. If you did or did not go through the classes we encourage you to please take a look at <u>our website</u> to see where you would be able to serve here at WOW Church. There is so much to do and we need every hand on deck as we endeavor to do what God has called us to do in this and surrounding communities.
- All our messages are downloadable online and on our church app



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Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 30th and May 28"

Women of God's Design! Women for ages have been bombarded with the world's view of what it means to be a woman but are these ideas and expectations realistic? Are we failing or are we deceived? This is a class birthed out of Pastor Karen's personal experiences, much scripture searching, and prayer. I believe it is something God gave me to help other woman become the woman God designed her to be. These classes will be held in my home and will run for 6 months. I encourage you to put this on your calendar and make it a priority. Invite a friend and come discover God's plan and design for your life. – Pastor Karen

Saturday, May 16th

Mother Daughter Tea. For Mothers AND/OR daughters – come celebrate with us. A sign up sheet will be located at the information table and a cost of \$5 per person must be paid by Sunday, May 2nd. Come be pampered and blessed!!!