

Good morning and welcome to services! We are so glad you are here. Our group had a wonderful time at CYC this weekend. It is such an edifying and encouraging gathering of young Christians and we are so grateful to have it so close by. There are only two Challenge Youth Conference sites, in Dallas and Pigeon Forge, TN, so most groups are required to travel much further than we do. We are already looking forward to next year! Lads to Leaders prep is in full swing! Be sure and finalize your registration with Alison before the 29th of this month. She has her laptop and is available before and after each service/ Bible class to help you with registration. If you are interested in participating in Storyline, we will be getting together next Sunday, the 21st, at 2:00 to film. Scripts should be ready by Wednesday, so be sure and sign up to make sure we have a part for you. We will also have a puppet team meeting on the 21st at 5:30. Our L2L Scrapbooking team will be meeting this Friday the 19th at 6:00pm. We will eat supper and start on our next winning scrapbook. It's a busy time, but always a lot of fun as we prepare for convention! **DOUG**

"Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!" Psalms 133:1

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning. At the end of the service today you will be given a gift bag from our congregation. "It is a small gift, but it comes from big hearts." Thanks again for coming.

READ YOUR POLICY

People often accuse insurance companies of not honoring their polices. Having spent a few years in that business I know the charge is seldom true. State and federal regulations force insurance companies to honor their policies. Insurers do exactly what they say in their policies; the problem is that most people have never read their copy. What keeps people from reading their policy?

Sometimes people trust their agent so they figure there is no reason to question his word. This is sad for there are a few "bad apples" in every business.

Sometimes people claim the policies are too difficult to understand. I believe most people who say this have never attempted to read their policy anyway.

I have also noticed that many people look at religion the same way they would a life insurance policy. They put blind trust in a smooth talking salesman (some preacher) and hope that he knows what he is doing. They never read their policy (the Bible) for they imagine that they couldn't understand it anyway. It is much easier to trust a priest or preacher than to read and study for them-

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Sun: 9:30 AM Class 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Evening Wed: 7:00 PM

Reasons for forsaking the assembly

The backslider's calendar is a result of the many excuses some members give for not attending the worship services of the church.

January — I hereby resolve to start attending worship regularly. Gotta get over the holidays first though.

February — Weather is terrible. I'll start when it gets a bit warmer. My blood is too thin this time of year.

March — Lots of sickness just now. Got to stay in and keep away from those "bugs."

April — Big crowds — Easter. They won't miss me.

May — I've been holed up all winter, and now that the weather is getting better, it's time for us to have reunions.

June — I'll wait until the baby is older. How on earth do some folks take their babies out when they are just a few weeks old and never miss a service!

July — Boy! The heat is terrific! That air conditioning in the church building gives me a chill. Anyway, we've got the cabin and the boat for Sundays.

August — Preacher is on vacation. He'll never know that I've missed. I never like those guest preachers anyway. When the preacher gets back

September — School has started. Vacation threw me behind in my work. Got to make one last visit to relatives before the snow flies.

October — Leaves are beautiful this time of year. I can worship God outdoors anyway. Kids will be cooped up all winter.

November — Getting colder. Can't stand the warm church building with so many people. I'll start back after Thanksgiving.

December — Christmas! I don't have time for church now. Roads are dangerous. Anyway, next month is January, and I'll resolve to start back next year.

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Are Your 2024 Resolutions ready for implementation? Worship tonight at 6 P.M.



From Dan's desk:

It was nice to be away for a few days of vacation. Thanks to BEN, DWIGHT, MARTY and KYLE for filling in for me while we were gone. It is nice to know that we have capable individuals who can adjust their schedule to help out. We appreciate you all. The New Year is off to a good start. Thanks to all of you who are here this morning. We appreciate each of you who are members and those who are visiting with us. It is great to see you today. We believe that this year will be a great year in the history of the Crockett Rd. Church. God is blessing His church family here and we are so thankful. We are grateful to those who work and give their time and energy to Bible Hour. This avenue is a great way to teach our young children. A big thank you also to all our Bible School Teachers on Sunday morning and Wednesday nights. The weather has been extremely cold this year and several in the congregation have been ill. Let's continue to pray for all of those we mentioned as ill. Be sure to get a copy of the prayer list and ask God's blessing on those who are ill. We hope to see you tonight. The evening service starts at 6 P.M. Hope to see you here. DAN







TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

TRACY MAY is still recovering from a knee procedure recently.

KATHY CHAMBLESS had a procedure on her back this last Monday. She is improving at home.

JESSIE KRAUS fell and broke two ribs this last week. She also has pneumonia

DAVID CARDER is having gallbladder issues and possible surgery in the hospital in Plano, Texas.

RESPONSES
FOR PRAYER AND STUDY
Laquisha Purvis
Jarvis Jones
Oakwood, Texas

LADIES BIBLE CLASS
Has resumed meeting on Tuesday at 10:00 A.M. in the small fellowship hall. Plan to join us.

NEW CHAIRS

We have purchased new chairs for the activity bldg. We are giving away several of the old chairs. See Dwight Franklin or Steve Camp or call the church office if you are interested.

SOMETHING YOU WILL NEVER REGRET

Through the years we will have numerous opportunities to reach someone who is out of Christ. With each opportunity we pass by, how much responsibility have we ignored? If you try to reach some lost soul with the gospel, don't let it be merely a "duty." Make it a work of faith and a labor of love (1 Thess. 1:3). Try to see that lost person as someone you once were and remember where you were prior to salvation. If you had been treated the way we treat some of the lost souls all around us, where would you be now? Encourage your children to obey Christ. Don't give them the opportunity to say to you, "Well you aren't doing your duty." Encourage them to come to Bible Class and Worship. I will guarantee you that if you do, and if your non-baptized child obeys the gospel, it will be one day in time you will never forget. Bringing others to Christ requires teaching. Jesus said, "Every man therefore that hath heard and learned of the Father, cometh to me" (John 4:45). Jesus came teaching (Matt. 4:23; 9:35; 11:1, and more). He gave orders for his disciples to continue teaching his word (Matt. 28:20). His apostles gave orders to us to continue that teaching. "And the things you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also" (2 Tim. 2:2). The book of Hebrews contains this charge: "For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God" (Heb. 5:12). Don't let an opportunity pass that you don't at least make some effort. DAN

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER January 14th, 2024

David Carder is in a Plano Hospital with gallbladder issues and possible surgery.

Jimmy Allen is improving at home from recent hospitalization.

Gary Missildine has been having upper respiratory problems.

David Mitchell is seriously ill with Lung and Heart issues in the local hospital.

Tracy May is recovering at her home from recent knee surgery

Kathy Chambless had a back procedure this last week but is home recovering.

Kenneth Thomason, son of Jack and Mary Jo, is in an Irving hospital with a head injury.

Ann and Ken Holland both continue to have issues with COPD and eye issues.

Ed Compton is recovering from recent surgery.

Spencer Kieffer (friend) has lymphoma and asked for prayer.

Lori Tanner Richardson, cousin of Cindy Thornton, has breast cancer and asked for prayers.

Jeffery Wooden, son of George, will be undergoing radiation therapy soon.

Sue Smith, friend to several is recovering from surgery in Dallas.

Paul Cartwright is doing much better and tests have been negative.

Madison White, step daughter of Jamie White, is recovering from brain cancer surgery and will be undergoing treatment soon.

Jo Ann Hannah friend of Mary Alice Largent recovering from surgery.

Rusty McLen friend to others is having health concerns and surgery.

Mary Alice Largent's daughter, remains seriously ill.

Buddy Townsend, brother-in-law of Dan and Audrey, is with hospice in Tyler.

Diane Wilcher continues with health concerns.

Sherron Carder's daughter Shannon Carney is undergoing tests

Jerame Gipson's friend, Lisa Safronoff, is having health issues.

James, Angela and Anthony Birdow. All have health issues and need prayers.

Bob Monroe, former member has prostate cancer and is undergoing treatment.

Trent Barrett, son of Pat Barrett is recovering from an accident.

Angela Buddin, niece of the Cartwrights, has a brain tumor.

Becky Barnes' great grandson continues to have health issues.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, is still undergoing tests and treatment

Remember those in nursing homes and home bound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, George Wooden, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Jessie Kraus, George Lester (has moved to nursing home in Houston) Joyce Matlock, Annie Lee Birdow, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Martha Sims, Monty Todd, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff, Charlie Young.

NOTE: We try to update the prayer list each week. When people are improving and doing better we remove their names and add new ones who have asked to be on the list. We need those of you who are acquainted with those on the prayer list to let us know when they improve. Please notify us in the church office.