

Good morning to all of you!! I hope you have a great week. Thanks to those who stayed for the DEVO last Sunday night. We all had a great time and fun fellowship together. We will soon be planning other activities for the youth. I want to encourage all youth to participate in as much as you can. I know many of you have other things going on too. If any one has church camp forms to turn in, Please get them to me by tonight! Thanks.

BEN

NO CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR on March 12th and March 19th due to Spring Break. Parents please make a note. Bible Hour will resume on March 26th.

#### LADIES....

There is a Ladies Day at the Angelina Church of Christ in Lufkin on Saturday, March 25th. Katrina & Brianne Hillier, the wife & daughter of the late Paul Hillier will be the speakers. The theme is "When Life Gives You Lemons, Make Lemonade." If you would be interested in going to this, please sign the sign up list on the bulletin board across from the office. We must let them know by March 10th. We will be leaving Palestine around 7 AM that morning.

#### "A Cold Hard Look In The Mirror"

One of the most difficult things in life is to see ourselves for who we really are. Someone has said. "If we could see ourselves as others see us we would probably deny it." This has been a challenge for religious people throughout time. Jesus was regularly in conflict with the Scribes and the Pharisees, and He called them "hypocrites." In Luke 18, Jesus told about a Pharisee and a Publican who prayed. One big difference between the two is the Publican was able to see himself for who he really was, while the Pharisee was in the same spiritual drought if not worse, yet he thought highly of himself and looked on the Publican with disgust. It's very difficult to see ourselves, know our own strengths and weaknesses, when we are constantly eyeing others. Thus Jesus talked about a hypocrite with a beam in his eye while trying to judge a brother who had only a peck in his eye. I'm reminded of the following noem.

#### "The Insult"

A lady with one of her ears applied
To an open key hole heard inside
Two female gossips in converse free
The subject enraging them was she.
"I think," said one, "and my husband thinks,
That she's a prying, spying, eavesdropping minx!"
As soon as no more of it she could bear,
The lady, indignant, removed her ear.
"I will not stay," she said with a pout,
"To hear my character lied about!"

Tim Woodward

#### **DOOR GREETERS**

Sunday March 12, 2017 Orre & Donna Costlow

#### **COMMUNION PREPARATION**

Sunday March 12, 2017

John & Ann Mottern

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#### **ASSEMBLY TIMES**

Sun: 9:30 AM Class 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Evening Wed: 7:00 PM Remember Clocks 10 Next Sunda \*\*PLEASE SHARE\*

It is hard to believe that the time has arrived for us to move the clock forward. Please do not forget to move your clock forward one hour before going to bed next Saturday night. By doing so, you will be on time for Bible Class and Worship.

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# The Month of March has arrived. Thanks to those who helped Monday night.



### From Dan's desk:



We're already into the third month of the year. So far, we have been beneficent of the blessings of God in terms of additional numerical growth. God is blessing our church family with additional growth both numerical and spiritual. We are grateful for those who came last Monday night. Those who come and offer their time and help mean so much. When brethren come together to work in combined efforts much can be accomplished. We appreciate Dwight and Shelly along with John and Ann Mottern for preparation of the delicious tacos. It is a real job to prepare so much food. They always do a great job. We are already making plans for our Vacation Bible School on Tuesday June 20th. We will be giving you additional information about this special effort soon. Our teachers are already scheduled this year. It is early, but it will be here before you know it. We have had several who have been ill with the flu. Some have been out of worship for two or more weeks. Let's continue to pray that they will improve soon and be back with us. Thank you so much for the comments about the sermons last Sunday. This congregation is so encouraging. The Love that abounds at this place is not only felt by those of us who are in attendance here, but in the community and other places as well. Please take note of those who are not here and take the time to give them a call or send them a card to let them know we miss them. We must seek to be encouragers. All of us need it. Thanks for being here today. See you tonight. DAN

#### PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





# TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

MARGIE MYERS has come home from the Hospice of East Texas. She remains seriously ill at her home.

MARTHA SIMS had a stress test and echo-cardiogram on Monday in Tyler.

HOWARD ELLIS, father of Sam Ellis, was hospitalized last week.

All others who have been ill at home or in the hospital are doing better.

PRAY FOR ALL OF THESE

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS
We are glad that you are here. We do
hope you will come again.

#### **FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON**

Our first Fellowship luncheon for 2017 will take place on Sunday, March 19th. This will be during the "Dogwood Trails" so chances are we will have visitors with us. Please bring 2 of the following: a meat dish, a vegetable, a salad, or a dessert. Make plans now to be with us that day.

#### "THAT'S YOUR OPINION"

Opinions are important to people. Someone once said, "To force an opinion is like pushing the magnetized needle of a compass around to where we wish the North Star stood." How abundantly true this is demonstrated in religious matters. Webster defines an opinion as: "A belief not based on absolute certainty or positive knowledge but on what seems true, valid, or probable to one's own mind." An opinion in religion is a belief people hold that is not sustained by a book, chapter and verse. Many people in religious matters force opinions because of an improper attitude toward the scriptures. They have formed opinions such as "one church is as good as another". "instrumental music is acceptable in worship," "churches may pool their resources to do a work common to them all." These people do not misinterpret the scriptures - they admit what the Bible teaches, they simply do not feel that they are limited by the scriptures - hence, form an opinion which creates a factious body of people. Opinions are the biggest barrier to unity in the Lord's church. May it ever be that we as a local church continue to teach and practice that which can be believed with absolute certainty and positive knowledge because it can be found in the book, chapter and verse. We do not force opinions - we stand for "what is written." That is what matters in thing religious.

DAN