

Good morning! Hope everyone is having a great start to summer. Our middle schooler's had a wonderful time at Friday night's lock-in. The chaperones are still needing a little extra coffee to get going, but everyone had a great time.

This Tuesday is our first Summer Youth Series at Bullard. This year's theme is 'Stand Firm" and we are looking forward to wonderful lessons, uplifting worship and great fellowship. If you have not attended SYS in the past, please consider doing so. It's an excellent tool for growth in your walk with Christ.

Early bird pricing for Camp Red Oak Springs has ended, but it's not too late to sign up! Please let us know if you need any assistance (financial or otherwise) in order to attend.

Hope everyone has a great week! DOUG

"Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Ephesians 6:11

### **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.

### **CHECKING OUR ATTITUDE**

In his letter to the saints at Philippi, Paul reminded them of the importance of possessing the proper attitude regarding spiritual matters. "Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. Let this mind be in vou, which was also in Christ Jesus:" (Philippians 2:3-5). I have made the statement that the word "attitude" was not found in the Bible. I was referring to the King James Version of the Bible, and I believe that it is not to be found in this version. However, we are to be careful when making such a statement when so many different versions and translations now exist. Rather than the word "mind", the New American Standard Version uses the word "attitude" in Philippians 2:5. Regardless of whether mind or attitude, the meaning is that we are to have the disposition or mental position which Jesus possessed if we hope to be like Him. It is good to take a check or examination at times. "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?" (II Corinthians 13:5. **Bob Thompson** 

June 11th 2023 **Door Greeters Security Team Communion Preparation David & Jennifer Sparks** 

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

### KINDNESS IS SO IMPORTANT

And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise. For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them. And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same. And if ye lend (to them) of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and (to) the evil" (Luke 6:31-35).

Pay attention to that last statement; "he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil." We learn something important about God here; even those who hate Him receive kind treatment at His hands. Paul refers to the salvation God offers through Jesus Christ and His gospel as "the kindness of God" in Titus 3:4. Kindness is something in which every person can improve and grow; judging from the New Testament's words on the subject, God plainly intends it to be a common characteristic of His saints. Kindness does NOT "come naturally" for everyone, and it is especially hard to extend kindness to some folks. When a man knowingly lives a wicked life, Christians can be sorely challenged to show him much kindness; but such is our responsibility, Colossians 3:12. In Ephesians 4:32, Paul instructs us to "... be ye kind one to another,...." . KINDNESS is not a sign of "weakness" or some sort of a character flaw. In the New Testament, the word "kindness" means usefulness, moral excellence (in character or demeanor), or gentleness. In Ephesians 4:32, it describes being "usefully employed, in that which is good and gracious." When we read that God is kind, He is telling us that His actions toward us are good for us, useful, to the saving of our souls. His exceedingly rich grace to man is demonstrated by His kindness toward us through Christ, Ephesians 2:7. Nowhere does the Bible equate kindness with being weak, or backward, or ashamed of one's faith. **ADAPTED** 

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# BEN RHONE TO PREACH THIS MORNING AND DWIGHT FRANKLIN TONIGHT. One Responds to invitation. JOE HANCOCK to speak Weds.



### From Dan's desk:

Audrey and I are out of town today conducting a Gospel Meeting in the state of Mississippi. My thanks to Ben Rhone and Dwight Franklin for speaking for me today. My thanks also goes to David Sparks for teaching the Adult class in the church auditorium this morning. JOE HANCOCK will be our guest speaker this Weds. night in the Summer speaker series. He will do a great job and we are so grateful for everyone's willingness to serve when needed. It takes a lot of time to work up lessons and the congregation here has always been encouraging to those who step in to help when needed. We will be back in town later this week. BRET NASH responded to the invitation last Sunday night and confessed sin and asked for the prayers of the church here. We commend him and continue to pray for him. Many of you are aware that Chloe will begin her college courses soon and some adjustments are being made. We will now have a secretary (EVA) in the office on Monday through Thursday from 9-12. We believe that this is sufficient from our experience in the past. Chloe will continue to keep books for the church (pay bills, work up the financial statement each month, secure information to Sonda for the filing of tax forms for 941, and other responsibilities pertinent to her work. She will be compensated only for her work in this area. We appreciate her willingness to continue this on a limited basis. She does a great job and we appreciate her help in the office over the last year and a half. Thank you for your prayers while we are away. It is always nice to be away for a few days and I am looking forward to preaching for the brethren in this special effort in Brandon, Miss.

### PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

DOUG SUMRALL continues to recover from recent procedure in Tyler Hospital.

GLENDA BASKIN is improving following surgery recently. She is at home.

JESSIE KRAUS has been ill with upper respiratory problems at Brookdale assisted living. No visitors at this time. LORELEE REEDER has been in the hospital in Flower Mound for treatment.

Prayer list is available in the foyer.

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# "Are You Dealing With The Devil?

No matter what business you may be in, there are associated costs of doing that business (inventory, advertising, labor, etc). Not one of all the business classes I had in college ever taught me that all sales revenue is straight profit!! The old adage is true..."You have to spend money to make money." This same fundamental truth is equally applicable in relation to our spiritual standing before God. For the purposes of this article, consider committing sin as "doing business with Satan." Remember, the Bible teaches that "...the wages of sin is death" (Rom. 6:23). Wages have historically been the highest cost of any business. When we sin, there are going to be "costs" we'll have to pay. Have you ever heard of the expression "hidden charges and fees" when dealing in business? These are those costs we usually have to pay because we didn't really pay attention when we agreed to enter into some transaction. Since sin always brings separation from God ( Isa. 59:1-2; Eph. 2:1-3, 11-13), Satan never really explains this charge to us. He knows he would never close another deal if he fully informed us of the consequences if we committed the sins he places before us. Usually, we shy away from certain costs of doing business if we think the costs outweigh the benefits we hope to derive from our investment. How pleased he must be when we agree to pay this price and thus estrange ourselves from the God who made us, loves us, and planned for our redemption through His Son's death. Let us all be "fully informed spiritual consumers"...none of us can afford to do business with Satan. His costs are way too high!

**SELECTED** 

### June 4th, 2023

### PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Glenda Baskin is recovering from surgery on her foot three weeks ago.

Landon Lindgren, nephew of Scott Roberson, was in a fire accident and suffered second degree burns.

The family has requested prayers.

Jessie Kraus has been sick with upper respiratory problems at Brookdale.

Kenneth Holland continues to have issues with COPD

Gayle Hamilton had knee replacement surgery recently and has started rehab.

Doug Sumrall is recovering from recent surgery. He is recovering at his home.

Gwynette Sturgess' surgery had to be rescheduled again. It is Indefinite

Paul Cartwright continues to recover from recent surgery in Dallas.

Shelia Thompson's granddaughter, Kymber (8 months old) has stage 2 cancer and the family request our prayers.

Becky Barnes' great grandson had a bone marrow transplant. He is under observation.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, is improving. As a result of her cancer treatment her tumors are shrinking.

Sharron Grizzle has liver cancer, and asked for prayers. She is in Tru-Care Nursing facility.

Bryce Stewart former member is still undergoing tests and cancer treatment.

Deborah Hagemeier (former member) has cancer and requests prayer.

Jerry Thornton of Canton, brother-in-law of Bill Rawson has cancer & requests prayer.

### Remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Joyce Matlock, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Lorelee Reeder, Martha Sims, Monty Todd, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff and 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 are improving. If you know of someone who needs to be on the supplement prayer list or removed, please notify us in the church office.

THE ELDERS