

Good morning and welcome to services! Our small but mighty group had a great time at Central Texas Children's Home. We worked hard but played harder and enjoyed wonderful fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Buda. A big shout out to Hailey Brooks and Katie Holmes for chaperoning and putting in a lot of hard work. The Summer Youth Series this past Tuesday evening was a blast and so uplifting. I would like to encourage all of our young people to take advantage of these incredible opportunities for spiritual growth Hope you will join us this week for Lamp Camp where everyone will be challenged to commit twenty five scriptures to memory in three days. Have a great week DOUG

"Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You." Psa. 119:105

WHAT IS THE GREATEST THING YOU **CAN LEAVE BEHIND WHEN YOU DIE?**

What is the greatest thing you could leave behind when you die? Some will say it is the gift of love. Showing your family members what it means to love and encourage them to show that love to one another. Others might say that the greatest thing we can leave behind is faith. Demonstrating to your family what it means to trust in God and encouraging them to also live by faith also. Love and faith are certainly important things to leave behind, but I think there is something else of equal, perhaps greater value that we can leave behind and that is hope. When you depart from this life you will be separated from those you love. You will not see them anymore in this life and they will not see you. During that period of absence brought on by death is there anything more wonderful to give your love ones than hope? The hope to see each other again. The expectation that because you live your life by faith and love in God you will see those you left behind again. This was the point of Paul's message in 1 Thess. 4.13-18. Paul also said, "If in this life only we are of all men most miserable." Selected

THOSE TO SERVE **IN AUGUST 2021**

A.M. Opening A.M. Closing **1** Clint Satterwhite **Bill Hawkins** 8 Ben Rhone **Dale Sparks 15 Jack Thomason Dan Hughes** 22 Gary Missildine **Bill Rawson 29** Charles Steen **Don Smith** P.M. Opening P.M. Closing 1 Mike Whitlev **Scott Robinson** 8 Marty Nash **Jim Ricard** 15 Dwight Franklin **Cory Camp** 22 David Sparks **Steve Camp Brandon Franklin** 29 Doug Rader Serve Communion **Austin Evans Bret Nash Kyle Lock** Tom Watson **Clayton Collins** Adam Krumnow **Doug Sumrall Garrett Krumnow Prepare Communion** Marty Nash 1 8 Andy & Shelia Link 15 Henry & Sonda Baker 22 Jerame Gipson 29 **Danna Collins** Aug. 1, 2021

Door Greeters Security Team Communion Preparation Marty Nash



MINISTERS

Dan D. Manuel **Pulpit Minister Doug Rader**

Youth Minister **ELDERS Dwight Franklin** Dan D. Manuel

Dale Sparks DEACONS

Henry Baker Steve Camp Kyle Lock **R.D.** Prince **Doug Rader**

SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder **Eva Walker**

MISSIONS

Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX Jose Cuadras-Mexico Hershel Bearden-India Steve Handley-Prison Min. **Central TX Children's** Home—Buda, TX **Tipton Children's Home** Tipton, OK **GBN T.V. NETWORK** GIVE ME THE BIBLE-T.V. FOX 44 KWKT-Waco, TX **KTAL NBC Channel 6** Texarkana-Shreveport, LA. KFXK FOX 51 Tyler NBC 28 KYLE, Bryan-College Station, TX. FOX 29 KSVP Lake Charles, La ABC 10 KTEN Sherman-Tx KTXD-47 Dallas, Texas **ASSEMBLY TIMES** Sun: 9:30 AM Class 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Evening

Selfishness...The Greatest Curse Of The Human Race

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Selfishness is defined: "Caring unduly or supremely for oneself; regarding one's own comfort in disregard, or at the expense of that of others." Synonyms of selfishness are: "ungenerous, narrow, narrow-minded, self-indulgent, grasping, piggish, hoggish, miserly and covetous." Tertullian once said, "He who lies only to benefit himself, confers on the world a benefit when he dies." Why would this be so? Because a selfish individual is despised by all and is therefore his own greatest enemy. He is miserable and unhappy and makes no worthwhile contribution to society. "Otherism" is no part of his philosophy of life. Christ, our example, lived an unselfish life. No one has ever lived a more unselfish life than Jesus Christ. "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made him-self of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men; And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." (Philippians 2:4-8). Selfishness drives Christ out of one's heart. Doing nothing for others is the undoing for our own selves. A person centered on self, lacks a lot being well balanced in life. Paul was thinking of an unselfish life when he wrote: "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; vet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me." (Galatians 2:20). **SELECTED**

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Youth return from Mission trip to Central Texas Children's Home. One Baptized



From Dan's desk:

Our young people along with several parents just returned from a weekend of work and service to the Central Texas Children's Home. Our young people got a chance to see the other side of the world in terms of how blessed they really are to have parents. Thanks to Doug and Alison for coordinating the trip and others who went along. The youth continue to attend the area youth rallies in the East Texas area. They have been extremely busy this Summer with various youth activities. Thanks to Eva Walker, Audrey and Jane Grumbles for helping to assemble the new Ledger directory. There may be a few mistakes, but we have tried to make it as up to date as possible. This directory is a list of those currently attending services here. We still have a church roll in the office, but the new directory has been an effort to list current attenders. Over the last three weeks, members have had the opportunity to make any necessary changes that needed to be made. We offer our apologies for any and all mistakes in the directory. We can make corrections in the bulletin if received early in the week. We continue to receive favorable comments about the "Give Me The Bible" television program each week. We will be taping five programs tomorrow in Dallas. Continue to keep our efforts in your prayers. Thanks to Robert Johnson for his timely lesson last Wednesday night in the Summer series on "Spiritual Vision". He did a great job. CANDACE ROHUS was baptized last Thursday morning following our study together. She has been coming about a month and I set up a study with her. I am thankful for her commitment to God and this decision she has made. Thanks for coming today, and we hope to see you tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





LORELEE REEDER'S surgery was postponed and will be rescheduled. JOYCE MATLOCK will begin cancer treatment in about three weeks. Others who have been ill are listed on the prayer list in the foyer.

NEW LEDGER DIRECTORY OF <u>CURRENT ATTENDERS</u>

Last Sunday we passed out the new directory. There are always a few mistakes and corrections that need to be made. Please add the following to the back of your directory.

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Out of the Mouth of Babes

Joel Stephen Williams

A little girl asked her father: "Papa, do you love Jesus?" He responded: "How can I love someone I have never seen?" The girl thought for a moment or two, and then she asked: "Papa, how old was I when Mother died?" "Only six months," he replied. Then her words cut him deeply: "Then I can't say that I ever saw her, and I don't remember her at all. But you have always tried to make me love her by telling me how good and kind she was. And I do love her." Soon tears were flowing down his face, and he knew that out of the mouth of babes wisdom had been spoken.

When Jesus appeared to some of the apostles after his resurrection, Thomas was not present. Thomas was reluctant to believe even after hearing the testimony of the other apostles. He demanded proof: "Unless I see the marks of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe" (Jn. 20:25). A week later Jesus appeared to the disciples again, and Thomas was present this time. Jesus offered the proof Thomas desired: "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe" (Jn. 20:27). The answer of Thomas showed faith: "My Lord and my God!" (John. 20:28). But it is the response of Jesus on which we want to focus at the moment. Jesus said to Thomas: "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe" (Jn. 20:29). May God help us to believe before we see.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the family of OLA PEARL REEVES who passed away this week. Funeral services were held yesterday here in Palestine.

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lorelee Reeder's Surgery was postponed and will be rescheduled. Christine Oliphant– Frankya Cooper's daughter and friend to many– has breast cancer& undergoing treatment Mary Ann Colling (Doug Rader's mother) is in Legacy @ Town Creek Leo Brooks, infant nephew of C.T. and Haley Brooks is improving. Coy Chapman is with hospice care at his home. Joyce Matlock has throat cancer and will undergo treatment soon. Mary Jo Thomason is having therapy treatments on her legs Joyce Ferrell, Mary Stech's sister is with hospice in Waco. Jerry Thornton of Canton, brother-in-law of Bill Rawson his lung cancer and will begin treatment soon. Emily Davis (granddaughter in-law of Ann and Kenneth Holland) has brain cancer and Kenneth is still having breathing issues. Ike and Joyce Weatherly are both having health issues. Maureen Ellis, Sam's mother has pneumonia in Duncanville, Texas Scott Hilliard (cousin of Dwight Franklin) cancer Wesley Wellborn (brother-in-law of Kyle Lock) cancer Joe Radford(friend to many) is recovering from brain surgery he is doing much better. Remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers. They need our prayers. Courtney Bell, Odessa Boyette, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Ola Pearl Reeves, Bobby Johnson, Miki Kiser, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Ruby Merritt, James and Irma Ray, Patsy Bush, and Gary and Emalie Tuschoff

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