

Good morning and welcome to services this morning! Everyone had a blast at our Third Annual Lads to Leaders family retreat yesterday. It's always great to spend time with our family strengthening bonds in the LORD. There will be a youth gathering at the Krumnow's this Friday, November 20th at 5:30 PM. All youth ages 5th-12th grades are encouraged to come. Have a safe and great week!

DOUG

"As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend."

Proverbs 27:17 NKJV

"REACHING FRIENDS WITH THE GOSPEL"

We only need look at the record of evangelism in the book of Acts to see that even first century brethren had to find alternate ways of reaching the lost. On the day of Pentecost, and for a time thereafter, public "street preaching" was done with great effectiveness. They even held the equivalent of protracted gospel meetings, preaching "daily in the temple," as well as teaching "in every house" (Ac. 5:42). However, as we read on in Luke's account we see less public preaching in favor of more person-to-person evangelism being done. I am convinced that the best way to reach the lost in this world is through friendship evangelism. Friends reaching friends with the saving message of Christ. How many friends have you reached with the gospel? Isn't it time to start?
DAN

MOVING ON TO MATURITY

It is easily discernible that living things naturally mature into fully developed organisms. Our physical bodies, assuming we live long enough, inevitably grow from miniscule fertilized eggs into functional adults. Likewise, under normal conditions, all kinds of animals, insects, and vegetation automatically grow up. From the mustard seed to the aardvark, countless living things are purposefully designed by God to naturally reach maturity. In contrast to physical life, spiritual maturity is by no means a foregone conclusion! Many Christians, however, mistakenly assume that maturity in years equates to maturity in spiritual things. In reality, the scriptures point out that developing spiritually is a conscious choice that one makes, not the inescapable result of living in the world for a number of years. Consider Elihu's words when he shrewdly remarked, "It is the spirit in man, the breath of the Almighty, that makes him understand. It is not the old who are wise, nor the aged who understand what is right" (Job 32:8-9, ESV). Although the three friends of Job were advanced in years and had plenty of advice for their comrade, they were certainly lacking in wisdom! In my own life, I have noted with surprise that some young men I know are far more spiritually mature than some of their older, more experienced brothers in Christ, despite a huge gap in years. When considering what **spiritual maturity is and how it may be obtained, Hebrews 5:11-14 offers great insight. We should consider ourselves and our character.**

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KTXD—47 Dallas, Texas
ASSEMBLY TIMES
Sun: 9:30 AM Class
10:30 AM Worship
6:00 PM Evening
Wed: 7:00 PM

"Are You Lovable or Unlovable"

Which, are you? "He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. He that loveth his brother abideth in the light" (1 Jn. 2:9, 10). "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death" (1 Jn. 3:14).

Some brethren are more loving and lovable than others. We will not feel the same emotional affection or attachment to some that we do toward others. However, we must "love (all) the brethren," for "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen" (1 Jn. 4:20)?

How do we know if we "love the brethren"? "By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments" (1 Jn. 5:2). Those who "love God, and keep his commandments" do not maintain membership in man made churches, worshiping God according to the traditions and commandments of men (Matt. 15:8, 9, 13). Their devotions are "in vain," the Savior said. Their religious plant, not being planted of God, "shall be rooted up." One does not "love the brethren" when he walks contrary to the commandments of Christ. If the man referred to above truly loved the brethren, he would "love God, and keep his commandments." If he loved the brethren, he would not be endorsing a religious institution unknown to the New Testament. He would not be following human traditions that make void the word of God (Mk. 7:7, 13; 1 Jn. 5:2). Therefore, he has not "passed from death unto life." Have you passed from death to life loveable or unlovable?

Author unknown

One Baptized and One Asks For Prayer

From Dan's desk:



It was a pleasure to study with and baptize Richard (Ret) Thornton last week. He is a fine person and I know will be a great addition to the Lord's Church at this place. Last Sunday morning, RODNEY COVINGTON responded to the invitation to ask for the prayers of the Lord's Church here. We commend him upon this decision. We all bowed in prayer for him. Sometimes life is tough and we face difficult times. He has been making several transitions lately and he expressed his desire to live closer to the Lord and ask the church to pray in his behalf. The Thanksgiving holidays are rapidly approaching and will be upon us soon. The Pandemic has altered the way we share family time together. Many will be out of town for the holiday, but many will be coming into town. Please be safe and practice safety measures. The Ladies luncheon last Thursday went well. We had between 20 and 25 present. It was a wonderful time of fellowship. Thanks to Glenda Baskin, Audrey Manuel and Sandy Singleterry for their help in organizing the meal and making provisions for the food. Everyone enjoyed their time together. It was a memorable day. We have not had any type of meal fellowship since last March. I think we are all hungry for that type of gathering. Hopefully before long we will be able to resume normal activities. Thanks you all for being present today and we hope and trust that many more will be coming back to worship with us soon. God is good and is with us constantly. See you tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

BETH FREEMAN has learned she has lung cancer and begins chemo & radiation soon.

MARY JO THOMASON has been undergoing tests.

STEVE AND JILL CAMP as well as AMY CAMP and CARSON all have Coronavirus and remain quarantined at home.

ELIZABETH ATTAWAY (Beth Freeman's daughter-in-law) got a bad report on her cancer this last week.

Some have been quarantined as a result of exposure to some in the work force.

Continue to remember these and all others in your prayers.

A prayer list is available in the foyer. Be sure to get a copy and give them a call or send them a card.

STOCK POT DONATIONS

A box has been placed in the hallway near the office for donations to the Stock Pot. Our congregation prepares the meal every Monday and at this time of the year donations are not as plentiful. You can help by bringing 5 regular cans of food, 1 institutional can or a \$5.00 donation.

RESPONSES BAPTIZED & MEMBERSHIP

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FOR PRAYER

Rodney Covington

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.

BULLETIN BLOOPERS

1. Applications are now being accepted for 2 years old nursery workers.
2. If you would like to make a donation, fill out a form, enclose a check, and drip in the collection plate.
3. Don't miss this Saturday's exhibit by Christian Martian Arts.
4. A worm welcome to all who have come today.
5. Don't let worry kill you off – let the church help.
6. Let us join David and Lisa in the celebration of their wedding and bring their happiness to a conclusion.
7. Helpers are needed! Please sign up on the information sheep.
8. Diana and Don request your presents at their wedding.
9. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.

**AND YOU THOUGHT
WE MADE MISTAKES!!**

Nov. 15, 2020

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Beth Freeman-begins chemo and radiation soon on her lung

Steve and Jill Camp- Coronavirus- They are at home.

Amy Camp and Carson Has Coronavirus. They are at home.

Cecil Stanaland-tests

Gary Missildine- lung issues

Mary Jo Thomason is undergoing tests in Tyler

Gerald Wilcher, surgery on his face- doing better

Ola Pearl Reeves- recovering from a fall

Emalie Tuschoff recovering from a fall. She is in Rehab.

Sherry Weisinger- (Steve Camp's sister) recovering from surgery

Kenneth Holland-COPD

Robert and Karen Johnson (preacher and wife in Longview) both have

Coronavirus, hospitalized

Leana Gaines & son, Husband died

Hannah Glenn, is undergoing Leukemia treatments in Dallas

Elizabeth Attaway (Beth Freeman's daughter-in-law) cancer

Maurine Ellis (mother of Sam Ellis) Maurine-gallbladder surgery

Scott Hilliard (cousin of Dwight Franklin) cancer

Wesley Wellborn (brother-in-law of Kyle Lock) cancer

Please remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers. They need our prayers. Millie Baur, Billie Bedford, Courtney Bell, Odessa Boyette, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Miki Kiser, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Ruby Merritt, James and Irma Ray, Margaret Richardson, and Marlene Thompson.

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