

Teen News

I will be out of town today and probably will not be back until late Sunday night. Please go to one of the adult classes today. I will see you again on Wednesday night. Please keep inviting your friends to join us and grow our class.

Blake

TIME ON SUNDAY NIGHT

In our efforts to encourage members to return for the Sunday night service, we changed the time of service to 5 P.M. back in October. Some said that they did not drive after dark and we assumed that if we changed the time to 5 P.M. this would help. It seems that it has hindered some from being able to attend, especially those who work shift work and do not get off until 5 P.M. For this reason and other considerations, we are moving the time back to 6 P.M. beginning Feb. 5th. This will give you a couple of weeks to reacquaint yourselves with the new time change.

WHERE WILL YOU SPEND ETER-

Our eternal salvation is the most important thing in this life. It doesn't matter what we have accomplished if we lose our souls in Hell; we lose it all. Jesus says in Matthew 16:26, "For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" Nothing in this world is worth losing our soul over. This life is very short. "It is even as a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away" (James 4:14). In eternity we will be placed in only one of two possible places: Heaven or Hell. Heaven is so wonderful, we can't even begin to imagine what it will be like but Jesus says, "there are few who find it" (Matthew 7:14). Heaven is described by our Lord as containing many mansions (John 14:1-3). In Revelation 21:4, we read, "And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away. Hell is so terrible that we cannot comprehend how horrible the torment will be with the continual weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth (Matthew 8:12). Jesus says "there are many who go in by it" (Matthew 7:14). Those who go there will be "cast into the lake of fire and brimstone...and they shall be tormented day and night forever ever" (Revelation 20:10).

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

Sun: 9:30 AM Class
10:30 AM Worship
5:00 PM Evening
Wed: 7:00 PM

**TIME CHANGE ON
SUNDAY NIGHT TO 6
P.M. on FEB. 5th**

Undenominational

Denominationalism has to do with dividing up the whole into parts and giving each part its own name. In mathematical fractions, the lower number is called the "denominator" which tells us into how many parts the whole has been divided. But, the word "denominate" simply means to name or to give a designation to something.

Denominationalism is rooted in the sinful divisions of men dividing and splitting the church of Christ. Christ came and established His one church (Matt. 16:18), but men have been dividing the whole into thousands of factions and fractions. The attempts to divide the church began in the very first century when the church began. Paul challenged the Corinthians who were dividing themselves into various factions and denominating them by saying, "*I am of Paul*" and "*I of Apollos*," and "*I of Cephas*," and others, "*I of Christ*" (1 Cor. 1:12). Apparently, the apostle was able to end the divisions within the congregation. In fact, most of our New Testament is written to stop the false teaching and division that men are so prone to initiate.

In the twenty-first century, we must not engage in denominating the church of our Lord. If the apostles were here today, they would write to us in the same way that Paul wrote to the Corinthians in stopping the divisions. Since we have the words of the apostles in our New Testament, let us follow them so that we can be sure we are on the right track and are avoiding denominationalism. I certainly do not want to be a part of any man-made division. I only want to be a part of the church that belongs to Christ.

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**Give Me The Bible Conference &
Luncheon A Great Success
Time Change on Feb. 5th back to
6 P.M.**



From Dan's desk:

The "Give Me The Bible" television program annual gathering yesterday was well attended and all who attended were encouraged through the efforts of this combined Ministry. Some thirty-one congregations of the Lord's Church are actively supporting the "Give Me The Bible" television program that airs each Sunday morning over KETK NBC 56 out of Tyler and over the sister station in Lufkin-Nacogdoches, Texas. Thousands view this program each Sunday. The program also airs through the week over the Gospel Broadcasting Network. Many lives have been reached with the message of Christ and we often hear of those who are baptized as a result of this production with the Gospel of Jesus. The program has been in existence for the last twenty 23 years and soon to begin number twenty-four in April. The church here serves as the over-seeing congregation and catalyst for the program. Brethren, when we cease to be evangelistic and we lose our momentum, we die spiritually. Thanks to all those who helped with the meeting yesterday, the food was great, as usual, and we again, are grateful to have had the opportunity be a part of this effort and to serve as the host congregation for the annual event. Our sympathy is extended to Maxine Alexander and family in the death of John Alexander. John was a Deacon for several years here back in the eighties. He had been ill for a long time. Maxine was the church secretary for several years also. Services were held last Wednesday. Please be reminded that the service schedule on Sunday evening will change back to 6 P.M. two weeks from tonight on Sunday Feb. 5th. The days are getting longer and we will be going back on Daylight Savings time in just about a month from that date, March 11th. Please make a note of this change. Thanks for being here this morning. It was great to see a number of brethren back last Sunday. Hope you are better, if you are ill. **Dan**

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN
YOUR PRAYERS:**

GERALD WILCHER will have knee surgery on January 31st.

GARY OLIVER is still undergoing medical tests.

DON SEALE, father of Jeff Seale, is in very serious condition.

DANNY SUMRALL, father of Jeff Sumrall, is critically ill in the hospital in Tyler.

CONTINUEING ILLNESSES: Ed Furman, Dennis Ellison, Billy Whitley, Maggie Larsen, Toby Williams, Connie Lowe, Nona Brogden, Walter Otto.

REMEMBER our U.S. Servicemen

Blaine Kline, David Sims, Jason Mottern, Jason Parker, Clinton Le Master & William Fairbanks.

"**GOD IS LOVE**" (and so are His people). Just want to say "Thank You" to our many sisters and brothers for all the cards, phone calls, food, but mostly for the prayers on our behalf during our illness. I, Millie, am on the mend, but still weak. I will be back with you soon. I miss all of you, and most of all, I love you .

Millie and Bernie, too.

Our sympathy is extended to Doug Lowe and Virginia Stanaland in the death of their great nephew, LIAM LOWE who passed away on Monday of this last week. Our prayers are with the family.

Our first "MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER" for 2012 will take place next Monday night, January 30th. Please make plans to attend and spend one hour working for the Lord. We will be having Pizza for the meal. If you will be eating with us please come at 6:15. If you can provide a dessert, please see Mary Stech. Our work will begin at 7 PM.

NADAB & ABIHU

God has chosen to give us some valuable lessons from the Old Testament. "For whatever things were written before were written for our learning" (Romans 15:4). Nadab and Abihu were priests in the tabernacle of God under the Old Testament. One of their duties was to burn incense in the tabernacle at 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM each day. "Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before the Lord, which he had not commanded them. So fire went out from the Lord and devoured them, and they died before the Lord" (Leviticus 10:1-2). The KJV says "strange fire". It was "profane" or "strange fire" because that fire was not authorized. Nadab and Abihu were told in offering the incense they were to "take a censer full of burning coals of fire from the altar" (Leviticus 16:12). Apparently they chose to ignore the Lord's instructions and do as they saw fit and get the fire elsewhere. Because their sin was doing that which the Lord "had not commanded them", they were struck dead for doing so. Doing that which the Lord "had not commanded" is prohibitive.