

Teen News

It is good to see everyone this morning, I hope you all had a good week. Thanks to everyone who played volleyball last Sunday, it was a lot of fun!!! I was sore for about two days, but I'm ready to play again. **This morning after worship we will meet at the activity building to eat tacos provided by Dwight and Shelly Franklin. After we eat we will go to the bowling alley or to Dogwood Junction.** Please make plans to come. I also want to encourage all of you to attend the Bible studies on Sunday morning and Wednesday evenings. It is a time for us to grow stronger in our faith through God's word and fellowship. **Remember** this coming up Wednesday we will meet in the activity building at 6:15 p.m., we will eat, have a devotional and play games. Please invite your friends too!!

BEN

BROKEN TOYS

As children bring their broken toys
With tears for us to mend
I brought my broken dreams to God,
Because He was my friend.
But then instead of leaving Him
In peace to work alone,
I hung around and tried to help,
With ways that were my own.
At last I snatched them back and
cried,
"How can you be so slow?"
"My child," He said,
"What could I do?
You never did let go."

"BECAUSE IT'S RIGHT"

Reward incentive motivation permeates our society. People respond to rewards just like little puppies do. Some parents think only in terms of rewarding their children, and, they even reward them for being bad. When a parent says to a little child, "If you will quit throwing a temper tantrum, we will go get an ice cream as soon we get away from the doctor's office," he is rewarding bad behavior and the child quickly understands how to get what he wants. The "in thing" now in many churches is to offer physical rewards for being religious. That ranges from the "gospel of health and wealth" that says, "If you give \$100, God will give you \$1,000," to appealing to the fleshly appetites of entertainment to get people to come to "church." Whatever happened to doing right, because it is right? Surely, Jesus offers men rewards, but those incentives have nothing to do with the sensual desires. In fact, he condemned those who followed him because they were fed -- "Labor not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life,"(John 6:29). The reward for righteousness is eternal life with God. God expects right behavior, because he is holy and we must be like him to share in spiritual life(1 Peter 1:15-16). ADAPTED

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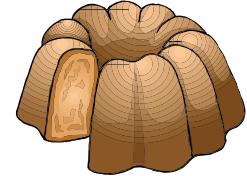
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ASSEMBLY TIMES
Sun: 9:30 AM Class
10:30 AM Worship
6:00 PM Evening
Wed: 7:00 PM

CHILI COOK-OFF & CAKE AUCTION



Who will get the
award for Bests
Chili and Cake



One week from tonight, February 23rd, the youth will again host a Chili Cook-Off & Cake Auction in the activity building immediately after evening worship service. If you would like to submit an entry to either of these, please sign up on the sheets across from the office.

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YOUTH & ADULT VOLLEY-BALL REPLAY TONIGHT



From Dan's desk:

We welcome each of you to worship this morning. Please make our visitors welcome to our services. We have been blessed again today with warmer weather. It seems that the weather has been back and forth this year. Spring is just around the corner and the winter weather will all be over. Last Sunday was a great day. One was baptized following the morning worship service. We rejoice with TERRI SUMARAI who was immersed in water for the forgiveness of sins. We all commend JANE GRUMBLES for her decision to be baptized again. Jane had been baptized previously and did not feel comfortable with her baptism and wanted to make sure that she had obeyed God's will and a full understanding of commitment to Christ. She was baptized a week ago yesterday. We rejoice with her.. The Youth and adult volleyball game was just great everyone had a wonderful time. We had about 40 present for the evening and all present were so excited that they want to have a replay again tonight after services. The Pizza and other foods were great. I have to admit that I was a little sore on Monday morning. We appreciate Ben and Keri for organizing this event. We all left about 9 P.M. It was truly a fun time. The youth were great and invited several friends to come play as well. The Valentine luncheon went well also last Wednesday. Thanks to all who helped to make it a fun day. Thanks for your positive remarks about the lessons last Sunday. This congregation is always an encouraging body of Christ. Many of you give so much. Thanks to the men who gathered yesterday to help trim the rose bushes and other things that were done. We will see you tonight.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

ED FURMAN has developed a staph infection after his recent hip replacement. He will see a specialist in infectious disease soon.

GARY OLIVER will have a bronchoscopy on Tuesday in Houston and then see his transplant doctor.

ELLA GRACE MITCHELL, granddaughter of Garry & Emalie Tuschoff, has a mass on her brain. Tests were conducted in Dallas last week.

GENE CHANDLER, brother of Bill Chandler, is back in the hospital in Tyler for gallbladder surgery.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

We will have a men's breakfast next Saturday morning. Weather permitting. We will also have a work morning for those who can help. There are several things that need to be done and we appreciate your help. Breakfast at 8 A.M. in Activity Building.

RESPONSES:

BAPTIZED
Jane Grumbles
Terri Sumarai

Welcome Visitors. We appreciate your presence and hope you will join us for worship again real soon.

"Bread Enough and to Spare"

The hungry prodigal knew his rich father wouldn't go to bed without supper that night. He would. The more he thought of it, it dawned on him that nobody on his father's farm would fall asleep with a growling stomach. He would. Even his father's servants had "bread enough and to spare" (Lk. 15:17). He didn't. Since the father in the parable represents the Father in the Bible, we can draw some interesting conclusions from the phrase "bread enough and to spare." God has never been stingy with His blessings. He "...giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not" (Jas. 1: 5: cf. 1: 17). Take bread for instance. When Israel's children needed some in the wilderness, they had all the manna they wanted: "Gather of it every man according to his eating, an o'mer for every man..." (Ex. 16:16). When a widow shared what she thought was her last meal with Elijah, God refilled her meal barrel and no matter how much she dipped out-it stayed full until the famine ended (I Kings. 17:15, 16). When Jesus fed five thousand men (plus women and children), the famished people ate all they wanted and still had twelve baskets left (Mt. 14:20). When He "opened His buffet" to four thousand another day, they, too, ate their fill and had seven baskets extra (Mt. 15:37). ADAPTED