

Teen News

Thanks to all who came to the devotional last Sunday. It was good to see some of you that I have not seen in a while on this past Sunday and Wednesday night. There will not be a devotional this Sunday but we will have one on the following Sunday night so make plans for that. I am also trying to put together a time in which we can donate blood but there are some limitations as to your age and other factors. If you are interested see me after church this morning. See you all tonight.



Yes the Disciples followed Jesus but not on Twitter



These beat facebook friends anytime



Those to Serve May 2013

AM . Opening

5 J.B. Matlock
12 Kyle Lock
19 Henry Baker
26 Jerry Sturgess

A.M. Closing

5 Charles McCullough
12 Sam Ellis
19 Steve Camp
26 Billy Lane

P.M. Opening

5 Bill Chandler
12 Brandon Franklin
19 Johnny Jenkins
26 Bob Stech

PM. Closing

5 Dale Sparks
12 Doug Lowe
19 Carl Rutledge
26 Truman Tate

Serve Communion

David Akins
Gary Chambless
Dwight Franklin
Phil Sybert

David Lamb
Robert Duzan
Jim Ricard
Blake Baker

Communion Preparation



5 David Sparks
12 Myron Mitchell
19 Gerald Wilcher
26 Steve Camp

DOOR GREETERS May 5, 2013

Sue Grubbs & Jane Grumbles

COMMUNION PREPARATION May 5, 2013

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Dale Sparks

DEACONS

Henry Baker
Sam Ellis
Dwight Franklin
Adam Harding
Kyle Lock

SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX
Jose Cuadras—Mexico School of Preaching
Hershel Bearden
India Mission
Central TX Children's Home—Buda, TX
Tipton Children's Home
Tipton, OK
GBN T.V. NETWORK
GIVE ME THE BIBLE T.V. Program
KETK-56 Tyler, TX.
FOX 44—Waco, TX.
FOX 29, Bryan-College Station, TX.
NBC 53—Lufkin, TX.

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Emerging Church Movement

A few years ago Audrey and I visited Vicksburg, Mississippi on our way to a gospel meeting. One sight we could not miss was the Mississippi River. The United States Geological Service estimates that approximately 373 billion gallons of water flow by Vicksburg every day. That water comes from the thousands of lakes, rivers, streams, and creeks that flow into it, creating the river's distinctively muddy character. Christians today live in a world that, not unlike the muddy Mississippi, is influenced by multiple streams of ideas, thoughts, and philosophies. This period has been characterized as postmodern because of its anti-rational thinking and its complete acceptance of any and all ideas regardless of how ridiculous they may seem. This is illustrated for us in the chorus of a Charlie Daniels' song entitled, "Muddy Mississippi." "Everybody is alright / Ain't nobody uptight / Dancing in the moonlight / Muddy Mississippi roll on." It should not surprise us that some are placing a special emphasis upon taking the gospel to the postmodern world. This effort is known as the "Emerging Church." It is a pan-denominational effort to engage the postmodern world around us with the gospel, but with a subtle twist. The "Emerging Church" wants to do this with the acceptance of postmodern presuppositions. "Emerging Church" adherents do not believe that we ought to characterize the message of the gospel as either true or false. This, they claim, buys into a failed system of knowledge. Instead, they seek to engage the postmodern culture "non-confrontationally." This entails that we simply sit down to have a "conversation" about things; no one is right or wrong; no one is exhorted to give up false doctrine and embrace truth. All ideas and philosophies are equally legitimized and somehow the postmodern culture is evangelized. equated with an effort to solve social problems such as hunger, homelessness. Some Christians have even been caught up in this kind of thinking. They need to be reminded that Jesus didn't die for the philosophies of men, but for man's salvation from the philosophies of men (1 Corinthians 2:1-5). Jesus proclaimed His message as "truth" (John 8:32) and severely chastised those who did not believe it (John 8:44-45).

Thanks to All who are involved in the work of the Church here.



From Dan's desk:

A number of years ago, I was driving and I saw a man carrying a cross along the side of the road. He was attempting to make people think of the great sacrifice of Christ. However, as I drove past this man, I noticed that his cross had wheels. Our society has made an icon out of the cross. We wear them around our neck, they dangle from our ears, and they are even tattooed on our bodies. I wonder therefore if many have not failed to comprehend the significance of the cross. The cross represents selflessness, sacrifice, obedience, dedication, and self-denial. Few realize the importance of the cross. The cross is more than a piece of jewelry or a trinket, and they certainly don't have wheels. There's nothing convenient about a cross. My advice to those who wish to gain public attention by carrying a cross...take off the wheels! Those wheels are incongruous with the message of the cross. I for one, noticed the wheels, not the cross. Don't lessen the burden of the cross by accessorizing it with something that makes it convenient. May God help us as a congregation to never lose sight of the true meaning of carrying the cross. We must continue to preach Jesus and Him crucified. If you are visiting with us this morning, we are glad you have come. We hope you will come again. The month of April is just about over. As May approaches, many things are planned. We ask that you refer to your schedule of events and plans given you at the beginning of the year. Our V.B.S meeting last Sunday afternoon went great and our staff is in place. Tomorrow is Monday Night For The Master. Please plan to join us for supper at 6:15 P.M. and the work session to follow. We only have one more meeting together in May before the summer break. Thanks again to Jane and others who help in preparation of the meal for those who attend. She always does a great job and we are grateful for all she does. Thanks also to those who came for the Men's Breakfast last week. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the breakfast and the fellowship experienced. We had thirty men who came for the work day. It is good to see each of you this morning. We hope you will be back tonight as we again will be offering a period of worship to our Lord.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

LINDA ALLEN will have additional surgery on her foot on Tuesday of this week at East Texas Medical Center.

MATTHEW RAY has been moved to a rehab center in Houston.

JENNIFER CARR, family of Nancy Miller, had surgery Wed. a week ago, and they had to go back in this Tuesday. She's in ICU in Dallas Methodist hospital.

CONNER BRAMLET, newborn cousin of Pam Gallaway & great nephew of Sue Grubbs, is having seizures and may have an infection in the spinal cord.

KEN KIRBY, family of Nancy Miller, is in a coma at Hermann Hospital in Houston.

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE WITH CONTINUING ILLNESSES:

Ed Furman, Gary Oliver.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER Will take place tomorrow night at 6:15 P.M. for supper and work session will follow. Plan to be with us. It is great when Christians work together. If you can provide a dessert, please see Jane Grumbles or Mary Stech.

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."

"QUIT YOUR PROCRASTINATING"

Procrastination is the act of putting something off until a later time. There is an old proverb, "Never put off 'til tomorrow what you can do today." The procrastinator turns that saying on its head in a weak effort to be amusing and says, "Never do today what you can put off 'til tomorrow." People in our society procrastinate often. We may put off appointments with our physician. We may put off meetings at work to a later day or time. We may opt for exercising a day later or put off going to the store until tomorrow. Certainly we've all done such things at one time or another in our life, and so much as such things have no eternal significance on the state of our souls, it is more or less unimportant. Let us be clear, however, that while it is one thing to procrastinate with the business of this world which may be eternally inconsequential, it is quite another thing to procrastinate with the business of the Lord where there are eternal consequences.

It is funny (in a sad way), however, how many will get priorities confused. Many understand the importance of not procrastinating when it comes to matters of money. They will get their bills paid on time and in the mail. They will not be negligent to transfer money out of stocks and into bonds before the market changes. They will go to the gas station at midnight if it will save a few cents on the gallon before the price increases the next day. Funny (!?) how we see the importance of not procrastinating when it affects our pocketbooks! How much more important are our souls and the souls of those around us? Such actions expose our true priorities and will leave us without excuse in the judgment. "Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring" (Proverbs 27:1 ESV). Paul declares in 2 Corinthians 6:2 "now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation." Putting off the Lord's work to some future day may temporarily resolve whatever problem we think we have, but it will not resolve that problem eternally, it will only create greater, insurmountable problems. The Road to Hell is paved with good intentions. Don't help pave the road to Hell for yourself or others.