

Thanks for being here this morning. I hope you all are enjoying your summer break. The youth that went to church camp last week sure had a great time. I'm very proud of them for the awards the received. This Tuesday evening we will host the Youth Summer Series here at Crockett Road. This will be a lot of fun! I want to encourage the youth to invite your friends to come along. Have a great week! BEN

### THE ANCHOR OF THE SOUL

Hope is the anchor for the soul. It keeps us from drifting, from being too impressed by the present current. Get hope so that your soul can have some ease. Hope does that: it promotes selfconfidence without arrogance, brings assurance without over-confidence. It produces quietude in the midst of turbulence and helps us look up when the world gets us down. Hope is a rock. It keeps us from moving away from the good. Get It helps (Hebrews 6:19). hope. DAN

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Richa	rd Giles	Danial Plummer
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	Watson	Wayne Cartwright
<b>Communion Preparation</b>		
2 Charles & Sheila McCullough		
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DOOR GREETERS		
Sunday July 2, 2017 Harold and Bobbie Johnson		
<u>COMMUNION PREPARATION</u> Sunday July 2, 2017 Charles & Sheila McCullough		
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**Our Annual Youth Rally for the East** Texas area will be held this Tuesday night. Ben will be speaking and young people from all over East Texas will join each other for a wonderful evening of great fellowship. Doug Sumrall will be cooking out for all the youth in attendance. We really appreciate Doug and all he does for the Lord's Church here.



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## Great V.B.S. Thanks to all who helped in any way.



# From Dan's desk:

The Annual "Super Tuesday" V.B.S. was a great success and we are grateful to everyone who helped in any way to make it a memorable experience. Thanks to the teachers and helpers who worked so hard over the last several weeks to insure that the children in attendance were taught of God. Thanks also to Sue Grubbs and the refreshment committee for all your work. The children learned a lot and they enjoyed their time here. It was a wonderful day. Thanks for your words of encouragement about the "Father's Day" lesson last Sunday. We need more Godly fathers to step up to their responsibilities and begin leading their families toward Heaven. We had several visitors in the audience last Sunday. It is always great to visit with old friends who come to share time with their families. If you are visiting with us today, thanks for coming and we hope you will come again real soon. The Annual area-wide youth rally will be held here at our building this Tuesday night. Ben will be the featured speaker. I know we will have a large number of young people from all over East Texas for this event. Thanks to those in the congregation who made cookies for V.B.S. and the Youth Rally. We appreciate Ben and Keri for taking the young people to Summer Christian youth camp last week and we are proud of those Ben mentioned last week regarding their awards. Special awards were given to Jayden Townsend, Chloe Collins, Braden Chambless and Isabel Herbrough. We are grateful to all of our young people even if you were unable to attend camp for some reason or another. DAN

### **PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**





CHARLOTTE WHITAKER, sister of Elizabeth Mason, had colon cancer surgery last Friday. <u>NANCY MILLER</u> will have leg surgery this coming week. <u>BENTLY GRIFFIN (</u>young son of James and Kalli Jo) has been undergoing tests and will not have to have surgery.

<u>KATHY DAVIS and DANNY DAVIS</u> (daughter and son-in-law of Kenneth and Ann Holland) have both been undergoing tests.

SANDWICH SUPPER-CARD SIGNING This Wednesday night we will meet after church for a sandwich supper and card signing. We have many people who are ill or have lost loved ones. Please plan to join us. Please bring either sandwiches or desserts.

### 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.

### WHAT IS THE CROSS TO YOU

The cross is to some "a stumbling block" (1 Cor. 1:23). The Greek word "stumbling block" is where we get the word "scandal." That's what the cross was to the Jews: a scandal. They couldn't imagine a suffering Savior, that the Son of God would be a man of sorrows. The Jewish historian, Josephus, wrote that "crucifixion was the most wretched of all ways of dying." But the power of God is seen in that He was able to turn this seeming defeat into stunning victory. The gates of Hades could not overpower His Son or His plan. We need not be ashamed of the word of the cross. It is the power of God for salvation (Rom. 1:16). We must preach the cross as the wisdom of To the Gentiles, the cross was God. "foolishness" (1:23). "Why would a "god" become a man? How could a woman be with child of the Holy Spirit? An immaculate conception? Foolishness!" The Greeks "search for wisdom" (1 Cor. 1:22). They had Plato, Socrates, and Aristotle. They had education and intellectualism. They could explain anything. Except the wisdom of God. Paul wrote that he did not come to Corinth with "superiority of speech or of wisdom" (2:1). He did not come to impress them with his own understanding or worldly wisdom. He rested on the wisdom of God as seen in the cross of Christ. As the hymn Wonderful, Merciful Savior asks, "Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?" But this plan was in the mind of God before the foundation of the world. His wisdom worked it out. "May it never be that I should boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ" (Gal. 6:4). The best way to do that is to preach the cross as the power and wisdom of God. Anything less is offensive to the Lord. **DAN**