

The youth will be having a camp out on July 23-24. We will be camping out at Lake Palestine. We will leave at 4 PM on Friday. We will have a sign up sheet on the bulletin board for who will be coming, and also what you will bring. We are in need of chips and drinks.

We are also in need of tents for the youth to camp out in, we have a couple already, we are in need of one or two more. Please contact Josh, if you happen to have one we can borrow.

## SINGLES

Since we were rained out when we tried to go to "OUTBACK STEAK HOUSE" we will make plans to go there on Thursday, 7/15/10. Please meet at the church at 5:30 PM. There is a sign up sheet on the board.

### THE JOKE'S ON YOU

by Phil Ryder & YOU



"Hey, Red...how's it feel to have a face that stops traffic?"

- Looky Loo • Unknown

## If God Should Go On Strike

How good it is that God above has never gone on strike  
Because he was not treated fair in things He didn't like.  
If only once He'd given up and said, "That's it, I'm through," "I've had enough of thee on earth, so that is what I'll do.

"I'll give my orders to the sun, cut off the heat supply,  
And to the moon give no more light and run the oceans dry.  
Then just to make things really tough and put the pressure on,  
Turn off the vital oxygen till every breath is gone."

You know He would be justified, if fairness were the game,  
For no one has been more abused or met with more disdain  
Than God, and yet He carries on, supplying you and me  
With all the favors of His grace, and everything for free.

Men say they want a better deal, and so on strike go,  
But what a deal we've given God to whom all things we owe.  
We don't care who we hurt to gain the things we like,  
But what a mess we'd all be in if God should go on strike.

## DOOR GREETERS—July 18, 2010

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### ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

### Help! My Computer Died

2 Timothy 2:15

When I arrived home last Friday night from the Memphis School of Preaching Lectureship, after unloading the car, I attempted to check my e-mail. When I turned on my computer there was a message on the screen that put terror in my heart.



### **It was in a blue box - It said that my registry was corrupted**

I did not know what that meant, but it offered to fix the problem. So being that trusting person I am, I told it to go for it. What it did was lock itself up so completely that I couldn't get any thing to work. Both of my sermon outlines, the bulletin and my class notes for Sunday were now gone! I cannot describe the panic and despair that overwhelmed me.

Then, someone reminded me that I had preached sermons and taught classes for years before I had a computer. (Yes, I am that old.) This started me thinking about how much I had been depending on a machine that had turned on me with out warning.

So Saturday night after spending seven hours at a Bible Bowl, I sat down to prepare my sermons and my class for the next day. Amazingly enough I still remembered how to outline a lesson with a pencil (the original word processor) and paper. To shorten a long story, I was able to deliver two sermons and teach a class on the book of Joshua. But we did not have a bulletin.

Why am I bothering to tell this tale of woe? I am relaying this experience to remind us that we need to depend upon ourselves more in our efforts to study God's Word. We, too often, rely on others to study for us and tell us what the Bible says and how to apply it to our lives. Instead, we need to study for ourselves. It also reminded me to not accept every false offer of help. I have since been told that I should not have allowed the computer to fix itself.

We can find many who are willing to help us on our journey to Heaven. But to accept their help can be even more disastrous than the offer by my computer. It seems that most of the files on it can be recovered, but to accept many of the offers of help in the spiritual realm can condemn us to being destroyed for eternity.

We are encouraged in 2 Timothy 2:15 to "Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth". It is important that we correctly study the word ourselves and not just believe and do as we are told by well intended or otherwise helpers. Daily prayer and daily Bible study will ensure that should our source of earthly help fail, we will not feel the panic and despair that overwhelmed me last Friday night because we have our Heavenly Father.

-- Don Treadway



## Welcome to our services.

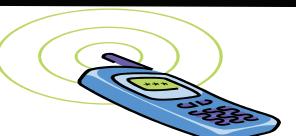
Watermelon supper was a great time of fellowship.



## FROM DAN'S DESK..

Last Sunday was a great day. It was a wonderful occasion to honor the birth of our nation. America is a great country and we all need to work at trying to restore the principles that made her great. The watermelon supper following the evening service was great. A large crowd stayed for the watermelon and fellowship. It proved to be a lot of fun. The Watermelon seed spitting contest was won by Gregg Gurganus. Also the watermelon speed eating contest was won by Tom Watson. Boy could that group who entered the contest eat watermelon. By the way the winner got a "free watermelon". Thanks to Scott Johnson, Josh Shellenbarger, and Chanta King and others who helped ice down the watermelons and put up tables, etc. for the evening activities. It was a great day. Next Wednesday night JEFF PROCTOR from Gilmer, Texas will be our guest speaker. Please plan to be present. You will enjoy his presentation. See you tonight.

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES  
OR PUT THEM ON VIBRATE.**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

### PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS:

**CHARLES McCULLOUGH** had hip replacement surgery on Tuesday in Tyler. He is doing great.

**ELIZABETH CHANDLER** is still in a great deal of pain. Underwent a Cat scan Thurs. **DEANNA CHAPMAN** is doing better after her brain aneurysm. She is in the hospital in Tyler.

**GENE HERGENREDER** bother in law of George Wooden and Friend **TERESA** of George both had colon surgery this last week.

**EMMA RICARD** has been undergoing tests and will continue tests this week..

## Bug Spray Gal. 5:15

Did you catch the silly news report a couple of weeks ago? It seems that a bug flew into a lady's mouth. She did good, well, kind of. She spit it out ... but then she did bad. She sprayed bug spray into her mouth. Now she's in the hospital. We're told she'll recover, and probably will not have any serious brain damage.

My first thought upon hearing this report was how ridiculous. While a bug might have hurt her, the bug spray could have killed her. Also, she sprayed the bug after it was gone.

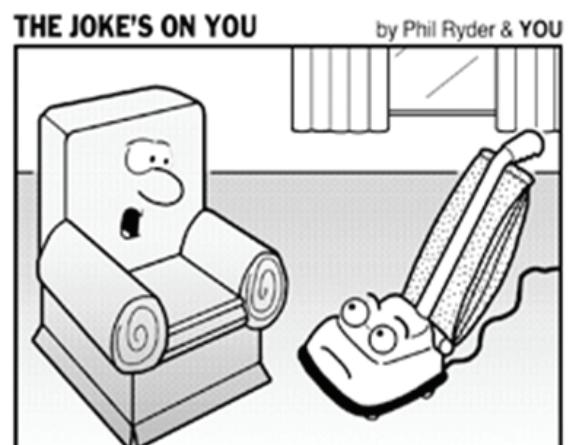
I wonder if sometimes we have reacted in a similar manner. Some false idea comes along, and we examine it and spit it out. We speak out against it and do what is in our power to correct it. But then we practice overkill. We harp on it. We won't let it die. We spray toxic words and methods to make sure that it is gone. If we're not careful, we will be in danger of killing the church (Galatians 5:15).

God's people are not to enjoy a "ruckus" (2 Timothy 2:14, 24; c.f. Matthew 12:19-20; Phil. 2:3-4). When we major in poison, we seem to be enjoying a ruckus. When we spend all of our time with our finger on the bug spray button and little or none of it on teaching the lost and encouraging the saved to faithfulness, we aren't much different than the lady we're laughing about.

**Brethren, spit out the false doctrine quickly!**

(Revelation 2:2; 1 John 1:10-11). You wouldn't let a bug fly around inside your mouth for a minute. But then get on to God's business of "seeking and saving the lost" (Luke 19:10).

-- Dale Jenkins - Nashville, TN --



"Haven't you dumped that old bag yet?"  
- P.R. • Smalltown, USA