

Thanks to those who went to the youth rally in Groveton last Tuesday night. Each of you are aware that we will be hosting the Summer Youth Series this coming Tuesday night here at the church building. I hope that each of you will plan to be here. We want to have a good attendance especially, since we are hosting other young people in the area. Did you realize that school will be starting in less than a month. The summer is flying by and I hope that all of you have had a wonderful break. Thanks to those who continue to come to Bible class and worship. Thanks for being here this morning. We all get busy, but we should not be too busy for the Lord and His BEN church.



This will take place on Tuesday July 23 at 6:30 P.M. at the home of Alison Rader on 102 Marsh Lane. Bring your own meat for grilling and sides will be furnished. "Toe Dipping" in the pool is encouraged, plus swimming is available (no laughing is allowed). Great way to get to know one another and a great time in promised.



This month's Bunko Get Together will take place Thursday, July 18th at 5:30 P.M. in the small fellowship hall. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Please sign if you will be attending. Please bring your favorite snack and join us. All ladies are invited.

WELCOME VISITORS

A big hearty welcome to those visiting today. Allow us to meet and greet you following the worship service this morning.

"IS IT GOOD OR IS IT EVIL?"

The indictment of Isaiah against his generation, a people who had temporarily succeeded in turning truth upon its head, is no less applicable today: "Woe unto them that call evil good; and good evil, that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!" (Isaiah 5:20,21). Though Isaiah's generation perished in captivity the truth continued to march on. Their calling "evil good; and good evil" did not make it so. We face a similar challenge today, when right is called wrong and wrong is called right; when all things "gay" are assumed to be good, while God, oddly enough, is portrayed as one of this world's larger problems. Everything we once thought was true is now decried as false; all we once thought to be false is now lauded as true. But never forget this: truth will prevail. In the final analysis, when all has been said and done, when once-powerful nations have long-since crumbled into the dust of oblivion, God's truth will prevail. Men may deny truth's very existence. They may denounce it and demonize it. They may debate it incessantly. But truth will prevail. In the words of James Russell Lowell, "There is no good in arguing with the inevitable. The only argument available with the east wind is to put on your overcoat."

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DOOR GREETERS Sunday July 21, 2019 Wayne and Carol Ann Cartwright

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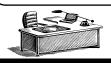
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There is one dining experience which demands carefulness and consideration more than any other. I refer to that one of a kind meal described in 1' Corinthians 11:20 as The Lord's Supper." Not common or ordinary, this is the memorial meal instituted by Jesus Himself on the night He was betrayed (11:23). It is a meal with unparalleled privilege for the Christian, for the cup and bread of the Lord's Supper is the "communion of the blood/body of Christ" (1St Corinthians 10:16). Communion in this verse is from the Greek word koinonia (pronounced "koy-nohn-ee'-ah") which Strong's Concordance defines as "partnership, participation, fellowship." According to Jesus' own words, the bread and cup of the Lord's Supper are symbolic of His body and blood given for us (1' Corinthians 11:24-25). Jesus expressly commanded us to eat and drink "in remembrance of Me" (11:24b, 25b). There is a time for the church to gather around a table to partake of a common meal and celebrate the Lord's goodness in a festive atmosphere. The early church often did so (see Acts 2:46; Jude 12). But the Lord's Supper is the Lord's, not our's. It is a solemn rite instituted by Jesus Himself and infused with the richest and deepest significance. That is why we are commanded to "examine ourselves" and to "discern the Lord's body" lest we "eat and drink in an unworthy manner" and thus become "guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" (11:27-29). If we partake carefully and reverently, the Lord's Supper feeds not our bodies but our souls as it takes us to the foot of the cross every week. It is, in the words of Lloyd O. Sanderson's beautiful song, "the feast divine." AUTHOR UNKNOWN

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From Dan's desk:

The Annual Summer Youth Series will be held at our building this Tuesday night. Every Summer the youth in the region gather on Tuesday evenings for a time of fellowship and worship. This Tuesday we will be hosting the youth rally. If you would like to attend you are invited and welcome. Our thanks to Gene Greer for his presentation on Wednesday of last week. His subject was "Redeemed By The Blood Of The Lamb". We are grateful for all of our speakers this summer. Thanks also to the ladies who made cookies for the fellowship following the worship service in the church auditorium last Wednesday night. In the month of August, PAUL CARTWRIGHT (son of Carol Ann and Wayne) will be here to speak. We will look forward to having him here. It was good to have him and his family with us last Sunday evening. He led singing for us and did a good job. We still have a number of brethren who have been ill and in the hospital. Let's continue to pray for their recovery. Many remain on vacation and we always miss them in the worship services and in Bible class. Pray for their safety while they are traveling. We welcomed TAMMY VASQUEZ into our fellowship Sunday morning. As she expressed her desire to place membership with us here at Crockett Rd. She is the daughter of Jimmy Allen and she has been a member of the Body of Christ for a long time. We bowed in prayer for her and we are thankful for her decision. Remember to take note of those who visit with us and make them feel encouraged and welcome among us. Thank all of you for being present today. We hope you will want to be present at the evening worship service at 6 P.M. DAN



BARBARA SUMRALL remains hospitalized in Intermediate care at Christus Mother Francis Hosp. in Tyler.

SANDRA ELLISON, sister of Gerald Wilcher has cancer and is in True Care Nursing facility. BRIAR JO GRIFFIN will have a surgical procedure this week in Dallas.

DAVID EVANS brother of Marlene Thompson, has cancer and is undergoing treatment. J.T. GRUMBLES has been in the hospital this last week undergoing tests and treatment for pleurisy.

IKE WEATHERLY will have cancer treatments soon

<u>GENELLE STUTEVILLE (aunt of Carolyn Jenkins) will have cancer surgery week after next in Tyler.</u>

Remember prayer lists are available in the foyer.

AREA SUMMER YOUTH SERIES Please be reminded that the Summer youth series will be held here at our building this Tuesday evening July 16th. Churches of Christ youth groups from all over East Texas will join with our youth in singing and a lesson from the Holy Scriptures. If you can prepare cookies for this event, please sign the list on the bulletin board.

RESPONSES For Membership and Prayer TAMMY VASQUEZ 2413 Crockett Rd. Palestine, Texas 75801 Phone 903-373-3083

IS YOUR MARRIAGE HOT OF COLD?

Arnold Schwarzenegger said, "I read where one wife plans to divorce her husband as soon as she can find a way to do so without making him happy." In spite of the fact that the Bible says whoever finds a wife finds a good thing (Proverbs 18:22), millions of people find themselves under a mountain of marriage misery. Their experience mirrors what the late great Minnie Pearl once said about marriage — "Gettin' married's like taking a bath in a tub of hot water. After awhile, it ain't so hot." So it would seem for many. The fire has fizzled and the love didn't last. These past fifty years have seen America become the most divorce-prone nation on earth. Many who said "I do" really didn't. at least not "until death do us part." More like, "until debt do us part." Instead of "so long as we both shall live" the real truth for many is "until one of us is tired of it." In spite of the fact that God is on record as saying He hates divorce (Malachi 2:16), large numbers of people now view divorce as being morally neutral, a liberating and lifeenhancing option to be exercised if/when the marriage magic disappears. Rock star Rod Stewart, himself twice divorced, verbalized the casual attitude toward marriage he and millions of others have acted out. He said, "I think marriage vows should be changed, because they've been in existence for 600 years, when people used to live until they were only 35. So they only had to be with each other for 12 years, then they would die anyway. But now, it's a big commitment because you're going to be with someone for 50 years. Someone said "the vows should be written like a dog's license that has to be renewed every year." Some partners in marriage do their best to keep the marriage in place, but when a mate determines to leave their partner in marriage there is little that one can do. We must stand by these folks and love them. They need encouragement and we as members of the Body of Christ must do what we can to lend help and encouragement to those who hurt. May God help us to do so. DAN

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