

We will have a devotional at my house tonight after services. This will be a back to school devo. Next Wednesday night we will meet in the activity building at 6:15 P.M. for a meal, lesson and games. We are glad you are here this morning. We hope you will all be here tonight at the evening ser-Thanks for your cooperation. vice. **BEN** 

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to BRIDGETT FRANKLIN who recently graduated from cosmetology school. We are happy for her.

#### **SYMPATHY**

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Marty Nash and family in the death of his brother BILLY NASH who passed away last week. Memorial services were held last Thursday. Our prayers continue to be with the family at this time.

### Creation

An atheist scientist came to God and said. "We've figured out how to make a man without you."God said, "OK, let me see vou do it."So the atheist bent down to the ground and scooped up a handful. But God stopped him and said, "Oh, no you don't. Get your own dirt!"

#### WHAT ARE YOU

#### **ADVERTIZING"?**

Have you ever considered what type of an advertisement you are? One of our songs suggests that "We are the only Bible the careless world will read. We are the sinners gospel, we are the scoffers creed. We are the Lord's last message, given in deed and word, What if the type is crooked? What if the print is blurred?" Much of the book of Proverbs is devoted to warning young men about their choosing their companions. "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed" (Prov. 13:20). The majority of worldly people will pay very little attention to what we say, but our actions will always be scrutinized. When they think of our character and reputation, our actions will speak louder than our words. DAN

DOOR GREETERS Aug. 31, 2014

**Ike & Joyce Weatherly** 

**COMMUNION PREPARATION** Aug. 31, 2014

**Billy & Amanda Lane** 

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#### **ASSEMBLY TIMES**

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

## **Choose Friends Carefully**

In the first chapter of Proverbs, Solomon addresses one of the most important choices a young person can make, i.e., their choice of friends (Prov. 1:8-19). It is unfortunate that such important decisions in life have to be made by those who lack the experience and wisdom needed to help them make the proper choices. This is why parents need to help their children choose their friends. Solomon instructs us that "The righteous should choose his friends carefully, for the way of the wicked leads them astray" (Prov. 12:26). I have observed in the public schools that the worst children are often the easiest to make friends with. Friendships are so important -- we must not let them develop "by chance. "It is far worse to have the wrong sort of friends than to have no friends at all -- just as Paul warns us that "evil company corrupts good morals" (1 Cor. 15:33). Friends have much influence over us. Their ideas soon become ours. My mother used to tell me that "birds of a feather flock together." Solomon expressed the same thought when he said, "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed" (Prov. 13:20). David Padfield

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## School starts tomorrow. Guest speakers today.





## From Dan's desk:

We welcome each of you to the worship services today. Our guest speaker this morning is RALPH WILLIAMS with the Bear Valley School of Ministry. He will be speaking to the combined Bible Classes this morning and telling us about the School and the work that they are doing in Colorado in terms of training young men to preach the Gospel. We appreciate him being with us today. He will also be presenting the sermon this morning. HERSHEL BEARDEN with the India Missions will be here to speak tonight. Hershel has been involved in the work in India for many years. We are grateful for the work that is being done on foreign fields as well as the evangelism that takes place at home. Hershel recently lost his wife in death. We thank him for coming today. I am preaching in a short Gospel meeting with the church in Leesville, LA. We have been supporting that work for sometime until recently and now that they are self-supporting we have been reaching out to other mission points. We had a large number of visitors last Sunday. We had a group from Kountz, Texas as well as from Kirbyville, Texas. Several other visitors were scattered throughout the assembly last Lord's Day. School begins tomorrow in Anderson county. Let's continue to pray for those in our congregation who serve as teachers and for the students that they will be teaching, as well as others young people in our congregation. We were saddened by the death of BILLY NASH this last week. Memorial services were held at the building last Thursday. We will see you next Sunday, when we return from LA.

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#### TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

ANNIE LEE BIRDOW is doing some better. She is still ill at home and undergoing tests. LINDA ALLEN'S, mother, **East Texas Medical Center with** pneumonia. She is in ICU. TRIPP BAKER has been in undergoing tests this last week at Texas Children's Hospital in Dallas. He had a biopsy on his kidney on Thursday. Others are improving at home.

**BIBLE CLASS PROMOTION** Our children's Bible classes will be promoting next Sunday. Please make sure you have your children here next week, so this transition can be a smooth one. It won't be so hard on your child, if others are moving up at the same time. If you have not been coming to Bible class, resolve to start next week.

#### **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.

## "ARE YOU MY FRIEND"?

If you are my friend, if you are concerned about my soul, give me the truth. Do not flatter me. Do not praise my virtues while remaining silent about my vices. Do not fear that the truth will offend me. Do not treasure our friendship, our friendly relations, above my salvation. Do not think that by ignoring my sins you can help. Do not think that being blind to my sins will prove vourself charitable. However I may react to it whatever may be my attitude toward you after you have done it, give me the truth! For the truth, and only the truth, can make men free from the shackles of sin. strengthen me in the pathway of righteousness and lead me to the joys of heaven. If I am wavering, weak, lukewarm, indifferent, neglectful; if I have been overtaken in a trespass, if I have been drawn into the pleasures of the world; if I have left first love; if I have been led astray by error; or if I have done none of these, but simply need to grow in knowledge and be edified, give me the truth! BILL CREWS