

We have started a new series in our youth class on "Spiritual Wellness" in which we exam ine our spiritual wellness in regards to serving God. We just finished the first lesson in the se-"How well do you hear?". The next lesson is "How well do vou read?". On several occasions we find Jesus saving, "HAVE YOU NOT READ...?". Many do not read the Word of God as they should, and that affects our "Spiritual Wellness" in several ways. I want to encourage all youth to attend class every Sunday and Wednesday. We have a great youth group that meets regularly and we notice there are some here who do not attend... WE NEED YOU! Thanks for being here today and I'll see you tonight! FYI, we will have a DEVO after-**BEN** wards.

**Anniversary Celebration** On Sunday, October 21st, the children of

Bert & Dee Ricard would like to invite you to help them celebrate their parents 60th Wedding Anniversary. It will take place from 4 to 6 PM in the activity building.

An older gentleman was sitting on a park bench sobbing. A police officer came up and asked him what was wrong. "I'm 75 years old," sobbed the man. "I have a 35 year-old wife at home. She is beautiful, a great cook, mother of my two young children, charming and madly in love with me." "So what's the problem?" "I can't remember where I live!"

#### "SEARCHING FOR SOULS"

Churches that do not evangelize will eventually fossilize. Many have lost sight of our mission. Jesus gave instructions to his disciples, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already unto harvest" (John 4:35). It is true that the farmer plants a crop, and by patient and persistent labor awaits the harvest that he prays and assumes will follow. The harvest is not immediate in the world of agriculture. However, Jesus taught his disciples that this is not so when we are speaking about planting the seed of the gospel. They were in the city of Samaria, and Jesus had just finished speaking to the woman at Jacob's well. The seed that he planted on this occasion was already beginning to germinate, and would soon bring forth a harvest, almost immediately! Like the disciples, we sometimes fail to see the potential that exists around us. Someone once said, "You can't count the number of apples in a seed." We never know what good might be accomplished if we will but take the word to those who need to hear it. Let us allow the gospel to work (Isa.55:11; Rom.1:16)! While we must temper our expectations of immediate returns with the realization that sometimes the seed must germinate for long periods of time, this should not keep us from doing what we can to teach the precious message to those around us. Opportunities abound at every turn! It is not necessary to look to the far reaches of the world to find those who need the good news. They are right here in Palestine. Let us DAN search them out.

### **DOOR GREETERS**

Sunday October 14, 2018 R.D. & Daphne Prince

## **COMMUNION PREPARATION**

Sunday October 14, 2018 **David & Jennifer Sparks** 

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#### Sherman-Denison, TX **ASSEMBLY TIMES**

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



## **Call for reservations**

#### **NEED A CABIN?**

**Contact Information** 

Call Salmon Lake 936-687-2594

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"Backing In For A Good Time"

**Make your reservation soon** 

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# The Louisiana-Texas Christian R.V. Rally begins a week from Today At Salmon Park in Grapeland





# From Dan's desk:

Everyone had a great time at the Satterwhite's yesterday. Thanks to all who came and to those who prepared food. It was a great experience. These are wonderful occasions when we can draw closer together in fellowship. It is so hard to believe that Autumn has finally arrived. Before long Christmas and the New Year will be approaching. My thanks goes to Dwight Franklin for speaking in my absence last Sunday evening. I know he did a good job. We have so many capable people who can step in at a moment's notice and meet the responsibilities as they arise from time to time. I was in Hallsville last Sunday night preaching for my home congregation. It was a pleasure to visit with old friends and to declare the message of God through last Wednesday night. Thanks again to Cheryl Ellis for teaching ladies class on Tuesday and to Ben Rhone for teaching the chapel class last Wednesday night. The month of October has arrived and we have several plans that remain for this month. We are looking forward to the R.V. rally coming up next week at Salmon lake in Grapeland. Bro. Ray Franks always does a good job in hosting this event each year. The Louisiana-Texas Christian R.V. Rally provides an opportunity for all of us to draw closer to our Lord. Several will be going down to the rally that week and on Friday night October 19th, we have been invited to "Patriotic Night". This is a salute to our veterans and we will have the annual "fish fry". No cost, but everyone is invited to join us. It is always a great experience and fun time for those who attend. Put it on your calendar. Thanks for being present today, and if you are attending as a visitor, we want you to know how glad we are that you have come. Please come again soon. See you tonight. DAN

### PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





# TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

LARRY BASKIN had a surgical procedure this week in Tyler.

DEANNA CHAPMAN had a cat scan last Monday. The results were good. She will have cat scan on her brain soon.

LARRY HOOPER had back surgery this past week.

DAPHY COSTLOW had a heart cath this last week in Tyler.

DAVID CARDER had a surgical procedure last Wednesday.

ROSE MARIE FOREMAN, mother of Sherron Carder, fell and broke her ankle. Surgery soon. FREDDY BALLARD, uncle of Katie Holmes, is very ill with cancer in Paris, TX.

DAVID BOLT, brother-in-law of Harold Johnson & Nancy Mooney, is in ETMC in Tyler with respiratory problems.

Please pick up a prayer list and remember these folks in your daily prayers.

# RESPONSE For Prayer and Membership

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## **THANK YOU**

Thanks to Clint and Jonna Satterwhite for opening their home and land to us for the Annual Fall-Fest this year. It was great.

#### "BE A FRIEND"

Friendship is one of the most precious and sought after blessings of human relationships. As with any urgently felt need, there are pitfalls associated with the pursuit of friendship. These will provide the subject matter of next week's bulletin article. However, when we focus on the responsibilities of friendship, many of the pitfalls are easily avoided. Good news is meant to be shared. And, of all the people, our friends ought to be the ones with whom we are most anxious to share the gospel. Admittedly, some may not be ready to receive the gospel when first we mention it to them. But, we should persist in prayerfully and purposefully using our influence to lead our friends to Jesus. We must not be so afraid of losing our friends that we allow them to face eternity unprepared without having given them opportunity to hear the gospel. In the haunting words of one of our hymns, we would not want to hear a friend say to us on the day, "You never mentioned Him to me!" In Mark chapter five. Jesus healed a man who had been possessed by thousands of demons. As Jesus was departing the region, the man who had been delivered from his demon-possession begged to go along with Him. But Jesus turned him down, saying, "Go home to your people and report to them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He had mercy on you" (Mk. 5:19). The King James Version renders Christ's statement in this way: "Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee." With whom should we be more eager to share the good news of what Jesus has done for us than to our friends? Friends have a responsibility to give what needs to be given; correct what needs to be corrected; and share what needs to be shared. These are the responsibilities of being a true friend. **GLEN ELLIOT**