

# Teen News

Good morning everyone. Did you remember to study for just five minutes a day this week? I hope at least commit five minutes a day for study. There will not be a devotional this week. Be thinking about something you would like to do next Sunday and let me know your suggestions on Wednesday. See you all tonight.

BLAKE

## **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 Price a Sermon?**

One beautiful Sunday morning, the preacher announces to his congregation, 'My good people, I have here in my hands three sermons.....

A \$100 sermon that lasts five minutes  
A \$50 sermon that lasts fifteen minutes  
And a \$20 sermon that lasts a full hour.

Now, we'll take the collection and see which one I'll deliver.'

## **"RECORDS REMOVED"**

In an old, one-room, country schoolhouse years ago, John Maynard was doing very poor work. About half way through the school year, though, something the teacher said inspired him. He diligently applied himself to his work. His grades improved. His assignments were neat and attractive. He finished the year with very good marks, and his parents were quite proud. On visitation day at the end of the year, however, John's heart sank as he saw his mother looking at his workbooks from that school year. He knew that the first half of those workbooks were full of messy work and unsightly blots. He watched as his mother leafed through them and was surprised that his mother was quite pleased as she called his father over to examine them. John discovered that his kind teacher had removed all of his work from the first half of the year and only left the work that was neat. The point in life where we have a change of heart is called "repentance." Sometimes in the Bible this change is simply called "turning" (Acts 3:19). When we make an about-face, God covers up all of our shabby deeds from the past. He forgives, which means he removes them from the record book. In ancient times writing was removed from leather scrolls by washing or sponging the ink off, and this metaphor was employed frequently in the Bible. The Psalmist prayed: "Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.... Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities" (Ps. 51:1, 9). God declares: "I, I am He who blots out your transgressions..." mist" (Isa. 43:25)

**DOOR GREETERS Oct. 27 2013**

Ike & Joyce Weatherly

**COMMUNION PREPARATION**  
Oct. 27, 2013

Billy Lane

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FOX 44—Waco, TX.  
FOX 29, Bryan-College  
Station, TX.  
NBC 53—Lufkin, TX.

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

## **FORGIVENESS FULL AND COMPLETE**

Forgiveness is more than just speaking the words. It must be sincere and from the heart. It must be patterned after the forgiveness God has granted to us. It must be accompanied by actions which befit true forgiveness. Forgiveness involves a kind attitude -- abandoning all animosity and hatred. All bitterness, anger, wrath, clamor and evil speaking should be put away (Eph. 4:31). We can hold no grudges. One must deny the impulse to get even and seek to do the forgiven one good.

Forgiveness involves forgetting (Heb. 8:12), but what does it mean to forget? It is impossible for a person to completely obliterate the wrong from his mind. Rather it means to not hold the person accountable for it anymore. When forgiveness is granted that should end the matter. It should never again be dredged up or held against the one who has been forgiven.

Forgiveness should be given by the "golden rule" (Matt. 7:12).

One should always be willing to forgive -- even at repeated offenses. Matthew 18:21-22 has the apostle Peter asking, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, 'I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.' Jesus was willing to forgive those who crucified Him, but they were not forgiven until they acknowledged their wrong and repented of it (Luke 23:34; Acts 2:36-39). When one refuses to repent, he is to be regarded as a "heathen and a tax collector to you" (Matt. 18:15-17). May God help us to have such a forgiving spirit.

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# THREE RESPOND TO THE INVITATION



**From Dan's desk:**

We want to welcome all of our visitors today. We have a number of guests from many places. A large number are with the Christian R.V. Rally held each year in Grapeland, Texas at Salmon Lake park. It is good to have RAY FRANKS speak to the congregation this morning. Ray coordinates the rally each year and always a wonderful job. It is always good to hear him speak. We want our guests to know that we are planning lunch immediately following the morning worship service. We hope that each of you will stay for the meal. There will be plenty of good food and fellowship. Last Sunday morning REMI AREOLA responded to the invitation to confess Christ and to be baptized for the remission of sins. We welcome him into our fellowship here. Also responding was PHIL and LEEFEE SYBERT. They came asking for the prayers of the church. We commend them highly. I know that you are looking forward to the Fall Festival at the home of Clint and Jonna Satterwhite a week from this Saturday evening. We will have a lot of activities planned and we want the entire congregation to join us for this special event. We will also be having "Trunk or Treat" for the young children again this year on the parking lot following the Wednesday evening Bible class on Oct. 30th. You are asked to place candy in the truck of your car, like we did last year, and serve the children as they approach your car. It is always great to see the children dressed up in costume. Our Monday Night For The Master will be held the Monday Night prior to that Wednesday evening. Please look elsewhere in the bulletin for information concerning this event. We appreciate all who work so hard to make our efforts successful. DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**DAVID SPARKS** was admitted to ETMC Tyler with chest pains last Monday. He is home and doing better.

**SARAH FOREMAN** had surgery on Tuesday at Medical City Hospital in Dallas. She is doing better.

**Remember others who have been ill and undergoing treatment.**

**Remember JASON MOTTERN** in Afghanistan and other U.S. military personal serving around the world.



Our fall fest will be held at the home of Clint and Jonna Satterwhite this Saturday evening, Oct. 26th, at 5PM. We will have booths, good food, devotional. If you are riding the bus, it will leave the church at 4:30 PM. If you would like to man a booth, please sign the sign up sheet. Some suggestions are given, but feel free to suggest others. Mark your calendar for a wonderful time!

## BAPTISM

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## FOR PRAYER

Phil & Leefee Sybert

## CONGRATULATIONS

To Doug & Kayanne Lowe on the birth of a new granddaughter, ABIGAIL LEANNE BRITTON. She is the daughter of Katy & Jacob Britton.

Join Us For  
**Trunk or Treat**  
October 30th



Immediately after Bible class Wednesday night. Great fun for everyone!