

Good morning and welcome to services! We are so glad you are here. We are really looking forward to the Lads to Leaders convention this spring and we are so busy preparing for it. We have 17 young people signed up for various events and 14 of those will be attending convention with us along with many adults. Our puppet team is starting regular practices this Sunday afternoon and our scrapbook team has already been working away on this year's scrapbook. Our Bible Bowl team has already been studying the book of Romans on Wednesday nights, but will be adding additional practices. Be sure and grab a youth calendar for the month of February. It will include all of our L2L practices, as well as events like our chili cookout and ladies brunch. You can find the calendars on the youth bulletin board. Hope everyone has a great week! DOUG

"For You, Lord, *are* good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You." Psalm 86:5

## **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.

## Jealousy, Envy, Bitterness

One of the saddest things in the world is to see a person who looks like they've been weaned on a sour lemon. Various circumstances can no doubt trigger this miserable look. Often times it is the result of a heart filled with jealousy, envy and bitterness. Folks, the Bible has something to say about such qualities. "Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice" (Eph. 4:31). - "Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy" (Rom. 13:13). - "for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?" (1 Cor. 3:3). - "Do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door!" (Jas. 5:9). - "Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, {2} as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby," (1 Pet. 2:1-2). DAN

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

## "LOST DUE TO FAILURE"

What a tragedy it would be if we fall short and fail to receive the heavenly inheritance reserved for us due to our failure. It is sad that the vast majority of people of this world are entering the wide gate that leads to eternal punishment in Hell. Jesus says, "for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it" (Matthew 7:13-14). For the majority who are lost there will be no second chance to get it right. It is tragic for a child of God to fall short and miss Heaven. We should be very careful for, "let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall" (1 Corinthians 10:12). No one who departs this life with a failing faith can expect to go to Heaven. "Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God" (Hebrews 3:12). Those who turn back and walk no more with Christ need not expect eternal salvation. "Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your calling and election sure" (2 Peter 1:10). DAN

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## GIVE ME THE BIBLE CONFERENCE Great success!!!!



## From Dan's desk:

The Lord's church here responded to the events of last weekend. We appreciate all who came to the "Give Me The Bible" Conference". It was a most enjoyable day and our thanks to all who participated in any way. The funeral for Jessie Kraus was well attended and thanks to all who help at this event. Jessie was loved and appreciated in so many ways. The longevity of her life was most amazing. To live to see your 105 birthday is almost unbelievable. Thanks to Jill and Jeanette for coordinating the food for so many of the events. Thanks to Dwight and Shelly for coordinating the meal for Monday Night For The Master. Sorry I has a virus and could not be there. Thanks to all who were in attendance. Annie Lee Birdow's memorial service was held yesterday afternoon at 1 P.M. here at the church building. She was 95. She, too, will be missed. We all loved her deeply and mourn her passing with her family. She will be interred in Houston, Texas. Continue to pray for this family as well as for others who have recently lost loved ones in death. See you tonight. DAN

## PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

MARY ALICE LARGENT is improving following a recent back procedure.

MOLLY RAY has been having health issues and undergoing tests.

DALE, ANN SPARKS & DENISE CARROLL have Covid.

SHARRON CARDER also has Covid. She is home.

MARY CHAMBLESS is recovering from a broken wrist that resulted from a fall. She had stitches in her forehead also.

MASON JOHNSON, young 16 month great son of Linda Johnson remains seriously ill at home.

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## **LADIES**

The ladies are reminded that we will have class this Tuesday at 10 A.M.
Plan to be with us.

## "Except"

Exceptions may be good, or they may be bad, depending upon how they are used. We come across a few exceptions in God's word. Fortunately for us, these make life easier and they make our lives worth living. Without these exceptions, our lives would truly be miserable. "Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven" (Mt.18:3). The rule: "ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Why is this so? Because of man's problem with sin (Is.59:1,2). However, our gracious God offers an exception: "Except ye be converted and become as little children." Those who manifest an humble spirit, a forgiving attitude, and a simple trust in God, as little children do, will be exceptions to the rule. Sin will not bar these from entering into the kingdom of heaven. It is a sad reality that most in this world will choose to adhere to the rule, rather than being exception to the rule.

Another exception offered by our Lord is this: "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Lk.13:3). The rule: "ye shall all likewise perish." Why is this? Again, the answer is man's problem with sin. Yet, the Lord extends his mercy and grace in providing an exception: "Except ye repent." All men who are led by godly sorrow (2 Cor.7:10) to repentance can escape this sentence of death(Rom.6:23). Jesus gave another exception when he stated, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (Jn.3:3). The rule is this: "he cannot see the kingdom of God." Why? The answer remains the same man's sin problem. "Except a man be born again." Anyone who obeys the gospel (born of the Spirit), culminating in his immersion into Christ for the remission of sins (born of water) has been born again who is born again is a Christian, and has been admitted into the kingdom of God, the church.

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## PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

## **February 4, 2024**

Molly Ray has been having health issues and undergoing tests last week.

David Carder is back home from rehab. Sharron Carder has Covid at her home.

Angela Birdow and her family in death of her mother, Annie Lee Birdow.

Glenda Baskin had surgery on her foot this last Friday in Tyler.

Gary Missildine has been having upper respiratory problems.

Mason Johnson (16 month great grandson of Linda Johnson) having seizures. He is at his home.

David Mitchell is back home from rehab.

Mary Chambless fell and broke her wrist and had stitches in her forehead.

Katie Holmes sister-in-law died in Midland. Services pending.

Terry Hail, son of Glenda Baskin had heart bypass surgery. He is recovering.

Larry Baskin has surgery on his arm recently. He is better.

Becky Welborn, sister of Kyle Lock has been seriously ill.

Kathy Chambless had a back procedure recently, but is home recovering.

Kenneth Thomason, son of Jack and Mary Jo, is in an Irving hospital with a head injury.

Ann and Ken Holland both continue to have issues with COPD and eye issues.

Spencer Kieffer (friend) has lymphoma and asked for prayer.

Mary Bryant, cousin of Linda Hawkins has Lymphoma Leukemia

The Hawkins friend, Vernon Dickinson has staph infection and asked for our prayers.

Noelle Eason, granddaughter of Peggy Higginbotham, is having tests and treatment.

Lori Tanner Richardson, cousin of Cindy Thornton, has breast cancer and asked for prayers.

Jeffery Wooden, son of George, is undergoing radiation for cancer.

Sue Smith, friend to several is recovering from surgery in Dallas.

Madison White, step daughter of Jamie White, is recovering from brain cancer surgery and will be undergoing treatment soon.

Jo Ann Hannah friend of Mary Alice Largent recovering from surgery.

Mary Alice Largent's daughter, Jewell, is in Mayo Clinic for surgery.

Mary Alice Largent had a back procedure last week and doing better.

Diane Wilcher continues with health concerns. She fell and has 4 broken ribs.

Jerame Gipson's friend, Lisa Safronoff, is having health issues.

James, Angela and Anthony Birdow in the death of Annie Lee, and is undergoing treatment.

Becky Barnes' great grandson continues to have health issues.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, is still undergoing tests and treatment

## Remember those in nursing homes and home bound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, George Wooden, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Joyce Matlock, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Martha Sims, Monty Todd, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff, Charlie Young.

**NOTE:** We try to update the prayer list each week. When people are improving and doing better we remove their names and add new ones who have asked to be on the list. We need those of you who are acquainted with those on the prayer list to let us know when they improve. Please notify us in the church office.