

Teen News

Thanks again to the parents and the elders for meeting with us last Sunday. Thanks for all the support and suggestions. We are already planning a lot of activities for all the youth this year. Thanks to the teens for being here this morning, I really appreciate your effort in coming to class.

REMEMBER after services this morning we will have lunch in the activity building and then go bowling. I hope everyone will be able to attend!!

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BIBLE TRIVA

1. Which timber was used to build the ark and what sealant was used?
2. What was the age of Moses on his death?
3. What killed Matthew?
4. Balaam was spoken to by what animal?
5. What is the name of the sea where Jesus harnessed the raging sea?
6. Name the cities specified in the book of Genesis.
7. Name the ruler of Judah afflicted with leprosy?
8. What was it that Jacob had to do in order to marry Rachel?
9. Name the disciple who was a tax collector.
10. After he fled for his life, which tree did Elijah sleep under?

(Answers in next week's bulletin)

RECHARGE YOUR BATTERY

Recently somebody told me something about batteries that I had not thought of before. I am used to the regular batteries you put in your TV controls or flash light. Once the battery is used up you throw it away. These batteries will recharge better if you drain it of all its power. They tell me that I need to allow the battery of the cell phone get low before I plug it in. Why, because the battery will recharge better than if you recharge it all the time. After a while it will lose the capacity to recharge. Then there are the batteries we have in our automobiles. Those batteries need to stay charged all the time. If you leave the lights on and drain your battery you have to recharge it. The problem is, it will lose some of its capacity. Therefore every time the battery is drained it loses a certain percentage of its strength. Eventually it will not recharge. Therefore our automobiles have generators. The function of the generator is to generate power for the battery. In essence the battery is always being charged up. We are rechargeable beings. We grow stronger and better the more we do in God's service. While we may become tired and need rest we do not grow weary in doing good. Isaiah 40:31. Isa 40:31 Gal. 6:9 **SELECTED**

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Calendars

I was looking at the calendar for the upcoming year. Yours may have pictures of beautiful scenes, or cars, or animals, or no pictures at all. There are twelve separate parts of the calendar for there are 12 months in the year. As you look at each month, you will see a common pattern. There are seven columns to represent the seven days of the week. Some months will have four rows and others five. The number of days in the month and what day of the week the month starts will determine the number of rows. A calendar is both a map and a piece of history. It contains the days ahead that we may or may not see. Our life is uncertain, a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes away (James 4:14). Peter compares us to the flowers and grass that wither and pass away (1 Peter 2:24). Each day you can look in the obituaries in the newspaper for those who will not see another day. We do not know what will happen in the future in our lives. Each block that is created by the columns and rows is an individual day. Where we will go, what we will do, and who we will meet are not known at the present time. We may have specific dates circled or notes written to remind us of appointments and their times, but most days are left blank. Each day will provide us with unknown temptations, tasks, joys, sorrows, and triumphs. A calendar is also a piece of history. As we use each day, each block contains what we have done; whether we write it down or not does not matter. You may have a calendar with birthdays and anniversaries of family members. The Bible speaks of our deeds being written down and the judgment to come. We do not know and it may be good that we are unaware of what lies ahead. But, it will be ours to use and to give account of. Let us make sure we are headed in the right direction leave behind a good calendar.

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Give Me The Bible Conference Well Attended.



From Dan's desk:

Thanks to each of you who attended the Give Me The Bible Conference yesterday. It was great to see everyone. We had a good representation from the congregation here. We had several from surrounding congregations as well. Thanks to Jay Lockhart for a timely lesson and to Gospel Advocate for coming to display materials and make them available to all who were present. It was a great day. Thanks to Sam at the Dogwood Diner for a great meal and for the preparations made for the noon luncheon. Thanks also to those who helped prepare for the event. Thanks to Audrey, Lorelee, Deanna Chapman, Dwight Franklin, Dale Sparks, Ben Rhone. We are so happy about the baptism of GEORGE LESTER. George has been a dear friend for many years and to hear him make the confession of faith and obey the gospel was a moving experience for me personally. We welcome him into our fellowship here at Crockett Rd. I know that we will all make him feel welcome. Ben, Keri, Dale and I met with the parents and teens last Sunday. Ben is making plans for the youth this year. It will be a good year and we are grateful for the participation by all those who were present. It was a good meeting. The youth met at the home of Ben and Keri last Sunday night for a devo and activity. We still have several who are ill with the flu and various viruses. Even though attendance was up last Sunday, we still have many that are ill. Thanks to the Deacons for their participation in the service last Sunday and to Kyle for teaching the combined adult classes. Henry presented the budget for the year. We are thankful for the generosity of this congregation, your love for God and your commitment to Him. Hope to see you

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

LINDA ALLEN was hospitalized with a possible light stroke. Doctors have now ruled that out, and she is undergoing tests as an outpatient.

ED FURMAN will have hip replacement surgery on January 28th in Tyler.

GARY OLIVER is again undergoing chemo treatments.

ANN BAUR began her chemo last week.

KEN HERRIAGE, son-in-law of Jimmy Cook, is hospitalized with a severe infection in his arm.

PLEASE REMEMBER JASON MOTTERN who is serving our country in AFGHANISTAN. Also remember all U.S. Servicemen and women now serving in the armed forces of the good ole U.S.A.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Our first Monday Night for the Master will take place next Monday, January 27th. We will meet at 6:15 PM for the meal (lasagna, salad, & garlic bread) and begin our work at 7PM. Since we have been off for a couple of months there are many things that need to be done. We hope you will make this part of your New Year's resolutions to be a part of this good program.

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.

Armchair Christianity

We've probably all heard of the stereotype in which the man sits in the chair all day barking out orders to his wife, never getting up, and demanding complete access to the remote control. Unfortunately, this is a view that many Christians hold concerning what it is like to be a child of God. Before any of us ever become a couch potato we need to ask ourselves if we are studying like a Christian should. I don't mean, are you studying like everyone else in the congregation but are you studying as the Bible says a Christian should. It is important that we understand just what the scriptures teach about our study habits.

Ephesians 5:17 says, "So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is." Paul had said a couple of chapters earlier that when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ (3:4). So we must observe first of all that we CAN understand God's will and secondly, that this revelation is recorded in the inspired scriptures. The way we go about finding out about God's will is simply by reading. This is how we know what God would have us to do.

Being lazy with our study habits will not help us increase our knowledge. This will only come when we commit to getting our hands off the remote and onto the Holy Word.

Let us not become lazy with our example. The way people observe us comes mostly from what they see of our example. We often focus our attention on how we behave when we come to worship God but somehow forget that we are Christians all the time, not just on Sundays and Wednesdays. When you are in a dark room, the first thing that comes to your mind is turning on the light. Let's do the same with our example. This should be the same instinct that we have in the world. The world is darkness. The main thing we should want to do is be that light. **A little light in a lot of darkness goes a long way. Let us never forget that. Are you experiencing the fullness of Christ. "Some drink from the fountain of life, others just gargle and spit."**

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