

We just received word from Lads to Leaders on the Bible Bowl and Pearls testing. While we did not have anyone place in Bible Bowl, we had two place in the Pearls test. Congratulations to High Scorers Raeleigh Plummer for the 5th-6th grade division and Lily Rader for the 3rd-4th grade division. We are so proud of them and all who participated in Lads to Leaders this year. In preparation for next years L2L, I challenge you to read Hebrews Chapters 1-4. For the memory challenge this week, please memorize Hebrews 2:16-18. Have a great week and stay healthy! "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise:"

Ephesians 6:2 NKJV

Doug

A big, burly man visited the preacher's home and asked to see the minister's wife, a woman well known for her charitable impulses.

"Madam," he said in a broken voice, "I wish to draw your attention to the terrible plight of a poor family in this district. The father is dead, the mother is too ill to work, and the nine children are starving. They are about to be turned into the cold, empty streets unless someone pays their rent, which amounts to \$400."

"How terrible!" exclaimed the preacher's wife. "May I ask who you are?"

The sympathetic visitor applied his handkerchief to his eyes. "I'm the landlord," he sobbed.

"PEACE DESIRED"

A letter was received by the IRS stating: "I can't sleep; my conscience is bothering me, enclosed find a check for fifty dollars. If I still can't sleep, I'll send the balance." The writer was just willing to do enough to relieve guilt, but not enough to square the debt. A Chinese proverb presented some insight to peace of mind, "If there is righteousness in the heart, there will be beauty in the character. If there be beauty in the character, there will be harmony in the home. If there be harmony in the home, there will be order in the nation. When there is order in the nation, there will be peace in the world." It sounds almost simplistic, but it also makes such good sense. Society's problem is that we are not at peace with self; when not at peace with self, nothing else can be right because we are constantly looking through jaded windows. "Peace is: the normal, non-warring condition of a nation, a group of nations, or the world; a state of mutual harmony between people or groups; freedom of the mind from annoyance, distraction, anxiety; tranquility, serenity, silence, calm or quiet." There have always been times of peace and war. Solomon said: *"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven... a time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace"* (Eccl. 3:18). As long as free-thinking people with different priorities and ideals exist, war and strife will exist. Peace is a costly thing! Our nation has not become the nation that it is without many battles, sacrifices, blood and tears of our forefathers. Our nation has always been peace loving. Wars have been fought because of unrest and ulterior motives of other countries trying to disturb or rob our nation of its privileges. The world has been a constant battleground for thousands of years. How can we achieve that peace we all so much crave? God is the author of peace (1 Cor. 4:33; Rom. 5:33) and until His will is embraced by mankind, there will be no peace, *"For He is our peace...and came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh"* (Eph. 2:14, 17). As Jesus was preparing for His departure to be with God, He told His disciples: *"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid"* (Jn. 14:27). He brought that peace by the cross, *"...having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself"* (Col. 1:20). - Mike Jones

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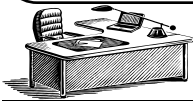
ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

—Don't—
GIVE
—up!—

The STORMS in my LIFE
prove the **STRENGTH** of my **ANCHOR**.
As I believe, hope, trust and
DEPEND on GOD,
He will give me Joy, Courage
and the Strength to do and
OVERCOME THE IMPOSSIBLE.

**The future is as bright as the promises of God.
Don't give in or up!
Better Days Are Coming.**



From Dan's desk:

Some minds are like concrete, thoroughly mixed up and permanently set. We need to always keep our minds on Christ. When God's Word is revealed make sure it is in concrete, but when opinions are stated always keep your mind open. "Opinions are just that." I know that it gets difficult just being enclosed . While we are unable to meet together and we are socially distancing, spend more time reading your Bible and praying to our Father. God is the only one who can pull us through these distressing times. Allow God to speak to you through His word. Don't just listen, but act upon what God says. Thanks to all of you for your favorable comments on Facebook. Many have been watching by way of our website or our youtube account also. These are great tools to reach others with the saving message of Christ. In spite of our shut-down, I have been studying with others about the gospel. Time is of the essence. Many are listening to my lessons who are not members of the Body of Christ. We are reaching some who might not otherwise walk through the doors of our church building. This is a case of our Lord using bad things to accomplish good things. Rom. 8:28. Thanks for your continued prayers. Stay safe, wash your hands, wear your mask and do what you can to slow the spread of COVID-19. We must all work together.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

MARSHALL WALKER is recovering from surgery in the Veteran's Hospital in Dallas. He is scheduled to go home soon.

CLINT ELLIS is also improving following recent surgery in Tyler last week.

LASHUN MILLER has come home from the hospital in Tyler and is improving.

All others who have been ill are all doing better.

A prayer list is attached to the bulletin this week.

Thanks to **Jan Todd, Diane Wilcher and Linda Foreman** for making masks for the church staff and some of the older members. We appreciate you time and talent. God bless you all.

SYMPATHY

Our heart sympathy is extended to Charlie and Loretta Young in the death of their niece, **DIANE McCracken**, who passed away this last week in Houston. Graveside services were held last Wednesday here in Palestine with Dan officiating. She was a friend to a number of people in the congregation.

Love

I Cor. 13

**KEEPS NO
RECORD OF WRONGS**

GIVE ME THE BIBLE YOUTUBE

If you would like to watch the Give Me The Bible Television program, you can go to **"GIVE ME THE BIBLE"** youtube or go to **GIVE ME THE BIBLE FACEBOOK** and watch current and archived programs. You can also go to our **church website crockettroadchurchofchrist.org** and watch current and archived programs. It would be a way to stay motivated instead of watching the news each day about how many have died and all the propaganda presented by many of the "Fake News" affiliates. Give it a try. You will be blessed.

THE ELDERS

"DO YOU STILL HAVE YOUR JOY?"

Salvation is always accompanied with great joy. There is joy for the saved, as there was for the Ethiopian whom Philip baptized (Acts 8:39) and also for the jailor of Philippi when Paul baptized him and his household (16:33-34). There is also joy for the witnesses of that salvation, just as there is joy when a child is born into the world (cf. John 16:21; 3:5). In fact, our Lord said that "there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents" (Luke 15:10). Joy often finds expression in song (1 Samuel 18:6; Psalms 98:4; Ephesians 5:18-19; Acts 16:25), and when that joy is lost, we find that we cannot sing praises as we once did. Don't lose your joy. **DAN**

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Clint Ellis– Gall Bladder Surgery. He is back home doing better.
Dee Ricard, heart issues

Deanna Chapman, cancer treatments Just got a good report in M.D. Anderson
Willette Rasure, heart problems. She is back home from TruCare

Linda Lippold, cancer treatments

Debbie Warren, recovering from surgery at Scott and Tiffany's
Marshall Walker, doing better and will have surgery in about a month in Dallas.
Gerald Wilcher, kidney disease & COPD He is home and doing better.

Kenneth Holland, COPD

Lynda Allen– (Beth Freeman's sister) Cancer issues

Hanna Glen, Leukemia

Una Whitley, Mike Whitley's aunt, mini strokes

Leann Oliver (cousin of Deanna Chapman) Cancer has returned

John Ownby (step-father of Emily Sparks) cancer

Jack Beasley– (Husband of Brenda) recovering at his home

Amy Lambright (niece of Costlow family) cancer

Bryce Stewart nephew– cancer treatment of Virginia Stanaland and Doug Lowe

Jim Davis– numerous health problems

Ed Compton, numerous health problems

Elizabeth Attaway (Beth Freeman's daughter-in-law) cancer

Ricky Ramirez tests (brother-in-law to Phillip Castillo and Carrie)

Howard & Maurine Ellis (father & mother of Sam Ells) having health problems

Scott Hilliard (cousin of Dwight Franklin) cancer

La Shaun Miller (son of Nancy Miller) heart problems . He is back home from the hosp.

Wesley Wellborn (brother-in-law of Kyle Lock) cancer

David Arnold (preacher in Houston) Pancreatic cancer

Lynn Dillon– Dan's friend– lung problems in Texarkana, Texas

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 are acquainted with those on the prayer to let us know when they are improving. If you know of someone who needs to be on the supplement prayer list, please notify us in the church office. The Elders



**Our Thoughts
and Prayers
are With you**