

# Teen News

I hope all of you enjoyed the trip to Wal-Mart we made last Sunday night. I know that the Tipton Children's Home will greatly appreciate all of your personal sacrifices. Tonight the Devotional will be held in the activity building and hopefully all of you will be able to attend.

BLAKE

## Mark 12:44

They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything--all she had to live on."



"WHO SAID YOU CAN'T TEACH AN OLD DOG NEW TRICKS"

## TEXAS IS BURNING

James Singletery

You can't come home.  
Just stay where you are  
Your house burnt down,  
Texas is on fire.

Now there's a lot of people  
Who have the same desires  
To take care of Texas  
And put out the fires.

Their only companion during these days  
Is the fire and the wind  
And the smoky haze

God and the Nation have the same desire  
That's to bring on the rain  
And put out the fire.

As we go through life  
May we never stop learning  
So let's bow our heads  
Because Texas is burning.

In due time, God will show His hand  
He'll bring on the rain  
And cure the land.

The fields will grow green  
And the cotton will yield  
Across the meadows  
There will be hay in the field.

When the grass gets tall  
I'll be heading home  
I'm gonna saddle up and ride  
My Strawberry Roan.

### DOOR GREETERS

Sept. 25

Robert & Ruth Duzan

### COMMUNION PREPARATION

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### ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

### A CHURCH THAT EXCELS!

Someone noted this similarity between playing bagpipes and throwing a javelin blindfolded, "you don't have to be good to get everyone's attention!" What kind of person gets your attention? The Bible tells us the kind of person kings and other prominent people are searching for in Proverbs 22: 9, "Do you see a man who excels in his work? He will stand before kings; He will not stand before unknown men." Cream rises to the top, and excellence in work and character stands out like a diamond in the mud. A lack of excellence in our work for God will not please Him. Jeremiah 48:10 reveals the seriousness of serving God in a shoddy and less than excellent way: "A curse on him who is lax in doing the Lord's work" (NIV). The New American Standard Bible renders this verse, "Cursed be the one who does the LORD'S work negligently." Christians at every position should serve to the best of their ability. We can serve well, or we can serve poorly. We can excel, or we can be lax and negligent.

Mark 7: 34 says about Jesus, "He has done all things well," revealing that Jesus was committed to excellence in His service to God and to us. A Lord who did His best for us deserves the best we can do for Him. A church cannot excel unless the members who make it up are devoted to excellence. How excellent are you in living, loving, giving, forgiving, attending, worship, praying, teaching, and serving? "The society which scorns excellence in plumbing because plumbing is a humble activity, and tolerates shoddiness in philosophy because it is in an exalted activity, will have neither good plumbing nor good philosophy. Neither its pipes nor its theories will hold water" (Leadership magazine, Summer, 1993). Nor will the notion that we can scorn excellence and tolerate shoddiness in our service to God! If you want to hear God say, "Well done, good and faithful servant," you must commit yourself to doing well and being faithful and being a servant. The church excels in service to God when her members do.



### From Dan's desk:

*Respond Since January 1st  
16 Baptized  
Some 46 in attendance at  
Children's Bible Hour*

Good things continue to happen to the Lord's Church at Crockett Road. Last Sunday Children's Bible resumed for the months of September through May. One of the largest numbers in attendance in a long time was witnessed by those present. Some 37 were in the Chapel for Children's Bible Hour and some 9 were present for Toddler's Bible Hour. FANTASTIC. Thanks to all those who are working in Bible Hour and a Big thank you to Audrey for serving as coordinator this year. She always gives her best at what she does. The Lord continues to bless this wonderful church. Since the beginning of the year some 18 have placed membership, 18 responded for prayer and sixteen have been baptized into the Lord Jesus. This is exciting. As long as we uphold His Will and teaching, we are confident that greater things are yet to come for His people here. So many people work to make this possible. We are grateful for each of you and what you do to help the Lord's Body at this place. Thanks to Steve Neville for a great lesson last Wednesday night on the subject, "WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN". I begin a Gospel meeting with the Church at Groesbeck this morning. I will be back some during the week. Thanks to PERRY HALL for speaking in my absence this morning and tonight. I will see you next Sunday morning. Dan

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



### TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

#### PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

**JANE GRUMBLES** is undergoing tests in Denton, Texas where her daughter lives.

**DAPHNE PRINCE** remains in Palestine Regional rehab hospital recovering from hip surgery.

**TONI DEGELIA** is in Room 6808 at East Texas Medical Center with a staph infection in her back. She will be there from 6 to 8 weeks.

**CONTINUE TO REMEMBER:** Marlene Thompson, Jimmy Ray, Dennis Ellison, David Degelia, Maggie Larsen, Gary Oliver, Gerald Wilcher, Liam Lowe, Toby Williams.

**SERVICEMEN OVERSEAS:** Jason Mottern, Jeffery Dixon, & Blaine Klein.



Our sympathy is extended to Owen Perry and family on the death of Sybil. She passed away on Thursday evening and her services were held on Saturday. Interment was in Minden, LA.

### MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Our Monday Night for the Master program resumes again on Monday, Sept. 26th. Please make plans to make this a monthly ministry. Our meal will be Chili Dogs.

**Quarterly Fellowship** next Sunday, Sept. 25th, immediately after worship. Please bring two of the following: a meat dish, a vegetable, a salad, or a dessert.

The adult singles group will meet this Thursday night, Sept. 22nd, for our monthly outing. We will be going to Sam's in Fairfield for supper. If you are a single adult for whatever reason, please come and meet with us. We had 17 last month and everyone had a great time at Olive Garden. Please sign the sign up sheet on the board across from the office, if you will be going.

**Today is the last day to bring things for Tipton Children's Home. The truck will be here to pick up tomorrow!**