

**Thank you for being here this morning. My thanks to those who have been coming to Bible Class on Wednesdays and Sunday Mornings. Thanks to Mr. Plummer for teaching my class last Wednesday, we had visitation for Mrs. Dollye Jeffus. Please remember her family in your prayers. I hope you all are having a good time in school! Remember what we have been talking about in class—**

**BE DIFFERENT! See you tonight.**  
**BEN**

## “DON’T BE ANXIOUS”

Anxiety is so destructive and Christians are not immune. It touches the lives of virtually every family and affects millions of people every single day, touching all walks of life in myriad circumstances: The educated worry because of everything they know, while the uneducated worry because they know so little. The rich worry because they have so much, while the poor worry because they have so little. The old worry because they aren't young, but the young worry because they aren't older. Anxiety takes so much time for so many folks, interfering with everyday action, sometimes even making people physically ill. It remains, however, one of those silent problems few seem to want to talk about. This is not just a psychological issue, though, and there may be many who would be surprised to learn that worry is prohibited by God (Matthew 6:25-34). "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life ..." (Matthew 6:25). May the Lord God help us to overcome our anxious moments in life. We can rise above the problems of life. **DAN**

## “REKINDLE THE FIRE”

It is incredibly therapeutic watching a fire. A fire seems to bring out wonderful moments of reflection and conversation when we are sitting around the fire. Fires are beneficial in many ways with the heat, light, and mood it produces. God’s word is compared to a fire in Jeremiah 23:39. Like a fire it enlightens and penetrates. I believe that the gospel also a fire, and the church needs to be on fire to spread it properly. I also believe that the church that is on fire for the Lord shines brightly in many ways and glorifies Him (cf. Matthew 5:16; Ephesians 3:21). How I wish more brethren would take advantage of the times we burn brightly for the Lord in work and worship. Have you ever been sitting around a fire that was beginning to dwindle, took a stick and stoked the coals, and the fire would burn brightly again? It is amazing that just moving the burning coals around a little makes such a big difference in the fire. There’s a lesson for all of us in this. It is important to keep moving about serving, working, fellowshiping, and encouraging one another in the church. Doing this breathes needed oxygen into the church and helps the gospel fire to burn in our hearts and lives. The more of us “burning coals” who move around, the brighter we will burn together for the Lord! So, stoke the fire – stoke the folk! “10.6.

**DAN**

## DOOR GREETERS

**Sunday Sept. 29, 2019**  
**Billy & Sonja Rose**

## COMMUNION PREPARATION

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### **GIVE ME THE BIBLE-T.V.**

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### ASSEMBLY TIMES

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



**Our next Monday Night For The Master will take place Tomorrow night at 7 P.M. We will meet at 6:15 P.M. for the meal and work between the hours of 7 till 8 P.M. We hope you can join us for Pizza and Salad.**

## INTENTIONS

Diligence is necessary to progress in spiritual living. You can't sit around and become spiritual. Furthermore, diligence doesn't come by some process of osmosis—just because you are in close proximity to a Bible or to those who believe it and are involved in it. Diligence is personal—a personal, willful action. You decide to be diligent. In II Timothy 2:15, Paul says, "Give diligence to present yourself approved to God." The English word translated diligence is from a Latin word which means to give earnest persistence to a matter. The Greek word for diligence means both an earnest zeal and a burning haste to get a matter done. You can't sit around and be diligent. Peter tells us something about diligence when he uses that same term when to conclude what we call The Christian Graces: "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure" (II Peter 1:10). He had begun with that same admonition: "But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith ..." virtue, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, brotherly kindness and love. You don't add those things up in your mind and you're through; it's a life-long pursuit, one requiring consistent diligence to make sure the calling of God. It all begins with the decision to continually add all these graces as you go along. *D. Bowman*

**New Church Directory is available in the office.**

*Monday Night For The Master  
resumes tomorrow night at  
6:15 P.M.*



**From Dan's desk:**

We are thankful for the attendance of all of you this morning. We hope to see you at the evening worship service at 6 P.M. tonight. We failed to mention last Sunday that KIM ELLIOTT was baptized week before last. We are so happy for her and rejoice with her upon this decision to obey the gospel and make her calling and election sure. Kim is a sweet young lady and is employed with Wal-Mart Distribution center behind the church building and has worked for them for over eighteen years. We welcome her into our fellowship here at Crockett Rd. Our sympathy is extended to the family of Dollye Jeffus who passed away last week. She was unable to attend services for some time because of ill health. We still have a number of folks on the sick list. Some had surgery this last week and others are anticipating surgery in the days to come. Some are undergoing cancer treatment. Please be mindful of all of these either listed in the church bulletin or on the prayer list in the foyer. Please pick up a copy and pray for those listed. Our Children's Bible Hour program is off and running and doing great. We have been having good attendance on Sunday evenings as well in the auditorium. We are grateful for those who come back on Sunday night. We really appreciate your attendance and love for the Lord. Please remember that tomorrow night is time for Monday Night for the Master. We will meet at 6:15 P.M. for pizza, salad and dessert. This is always a great time for us to serve our Lord and accomplish a number of things around the church building. We hope you can come. See you tonight.

DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



**TO KEEP  
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**DEBBIE WARREN** is recovering from surgery this last Thursday.

**DEANNA CHAPMAN** continued to undergo cancer treatments in Houston this last week.

**LINDA LIPPOLD** was in Houston this last week for cancer treatment.

**JAMES SINGLETERRY** begins radiation treatment this week.

**ADELLE BENGÉ** is critically ill at Palestine Regional Hospice.

*Others who have been ill are improving. Continue to pick up a pray list in foyer and pray for those who have asked for our prayers.*

## **SYMPATHY**

**Our sympathy to the family of DOLLYE JEFFUS who passed away last Sunday morning. Memorial services were held on Thursday at Rhone Funeral Home Chapel.**

## **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.**

## **"Is God Really Listening?"**

*"Call to Me, and I will answer you..."* (Jeremiah 33:3). Through prayer God has enabled us to be able to talk directly to Him, to personally present to Him all of our needs, concerns, thoughts, and fears. He has promised us that, because of His unlimited power, our prayers can make a difference for good, they change things (James 5:16). But, the scriptures are clear that God does not always respond to the sinner's prayer. Acts. 10. *Why would God not listen to somebody's prayers?* The simple answer is, "Sin!" But, it is not that God will not listen to a person's prayers simply because that person commits a sin. It is through prayer that a Christian who has sinned is to purposefully ask God's forgiveness (Acts 8:22). But, when a person is living an ongoing lifestyle of sin, and does not repent, God can choose to stop listening to that person's prayers. Many scriptures deal with this scenario, several examples being: Psalm 18:40-41; 34:14-16; Proverbs 15:8-9, 29; Isaiah 59:1-3; John 9:31; 1 Peter 3:11-12. The very idea that God would not listen to their prayers would be shocking to many people. Virtually everyone, regardless of how unfaithful to God they might be, of how wicked and completely ungodly are their lives, of how totally disrespectful to God they have become, they still believe they can pray anytime and expect God to listen to their prayers! Many people would become quite emotional, some even angry, at the suggestion that perhaps God might not be listening to their prayers. The idea that individuals can disrespect God through continual disobedience and unfaithfulness, and that God will still always pay full respect to their prayers is presumptuous, to say the least. It could also be described as arrogant, absurd, even downright ungodly and wicked. DOES HE LISTEN TO YOU? DAN