

Youth Group Stuff

Tonight is our teen vs. adult volleyball game. Anyone who would like to come out and play or watch is welcome to do so. We will have sandwiches, chips, and cookies available for everyone. Come on out and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

We are looking for people that are willing to host a devotional. We will have a sign up list on the bulletin board in the foyer. Please go by and sign-up if you would be willing to host for us.

ARE YOU HONEST?

We live in an age when many people are dishonest. Oh, many would never tell what most consider a "big black lie," but they are dishonest nonetheless. Many are dishonest in the work place, deceiving customers to make a sale. Some fail to give a day's work for a day's pay. Some take items from work that have been purchased for the workers to use in the work place and not at home. Some call into work and lie about their health to take a day off. Many are dishonest when it comes to their income taxes, listing all kinds of questionable deductibles on tax returns. Some people have others to lie for them when the phone rings-- "Tell them I'm not home." All of these things are forms of dishonesty, which comes from a wicked and corrupt heart that is sinful and abominable in the sight of God.

"WHAT'S YOUR RANK"?

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., is known as the son of the famous President, but he had an impressive career in his own right. He graduated from Harvard and served in the military in W.W. I. A story is told of Roosevelt from the early days of W.W. II. He was waiting to board a plane on which he had a reservation. He overheard a private at the ticket window begging for a ticket: "I'm going overseas in three days. I want to see my Ma before I go. I can go home and back only if I travel by plane!" He was told, however, that there were no seats available on the plane. At that moment Roosevelt stepped up and said that he would surrender his ticket and his seat on the plane for the private. A fellow officer protested: "But General, this is a matter of rank!" Roosevelt gave a masterful reply: "That's right. He's a son. I'm only a general." The highest rank which God could bestow upon us is to call us his children. "See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are" (1 Jn. 3:1). As children we are given the closest possible fellowship in a relationship with God. We are given all the privileges of heirs. We are granted the status of family name and recognition. We are also given the awesome responsibility to live up to the expectations that go with being a child of God.

DOOR GREETERS

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

"Turning the Other Cheek"

"You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well; and if anyone forces you to go one mile, go also the second mile" (Mt. 5:38-42).

A big sergeant from a Highland regiment, serving many years ago in Egypt, was asked the circumstances of his conversion: "What was it that turned you to Christ?" He told of a private in his company years before when he was serving in Malta. This private was frequently harassed by other soldiers for his religious faith. One night the private came into the barracks quite late. It was a very rainy night. Before getting into his bunk, he knelt, as was his custom, to pray. The sergeant picked up one of his boots, which was heavy with wet mud, threw it across the room and hit the private in the side of the head. The private said nothing. He wiped the mud from his face and crawled into bed. The next morning, however, when the sergeant woke up, he found his muddy boots cleaned and polished by his bedside. He said: "It broke my heart."

One religious group has an advertisement on television which shows a rude driver of an off-road vehicle who intentionally splashes mud all over a bicycle rider. Later down the road, his vehicle has broken down. The bicycle rider arrives on the scene, looks at him sternly for a moment, then smiles and tries to help him fix the problem.

Turning the other cheek is not easy. The first inclination is to strike back, to get even, or to seek revenge. The route Jesus urges upon us is the behavior which is more likely to influence the other person for good. It is not something which Jesus merely commands, because Jesus practiced this ethic all of his life, especially in his death. Let us all take his teaching and his example to heart on turning the other cheek and attempt to put it to practice in our lives.

Great Meeting in Hallsville. Seminar coming next week in Dallas.



From Dan's desk:

My Thanks to Ken Upchurch for preaching for me last Sunday and giving an update on the work being done in Tanzania. As you know, we are supporting the works there in the school of preaching and through the combined efforts of a number of congregations the Gospel is being taught and proclaimed. It is good to see each of you this morning. The meeting in Hallsville went well. It was great to be back in my home town once again. I am grateful to Joe Hancock and others who continue the good work there in Hallsville. Hallsville is believed to be the location of the second oldest church of Christ in the state of Texas. Documents provide us with that information. God has blessed the church there and continues to do so. I am looking forward to the seminar in Dallas next week and thanks to those who are going along.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS:

BOB BURCHFIELD had hip replacement surgery on Tuesday and everything went well.

SANDY SINGLETERRY had tests at Scott & White on Tuesday and they all look good.

BUDDY HART, father of Pam Shellenbarger, will be having back surgery this week.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER: Charlie Hall, Maggie Larsen, Ida Lee Parkman, Danny Sumrall

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Clauis Lamb and family on the death of **EDITH LAMB**. Her services were held here on Saturday.

Our sympathy is extended to Carolyn Jenkins and family on the death of her father, **CARLIS KING**. His services were also held on Saturday in Alto.

Our sympathy is extended to Bill Chandler and family on the death of **ELIZABETH CHANDLER** on Friday of last week. Her services were held on Monday in Alto.



We will be having the church Fall Fest organizational meeting this afternoon at 5PM in the auditorium. If you would like to help with the Fall Fest, please plan to attend.



“The Trivial Many”

Christians must learn to not let the “trivial many crowd out the vital few.” In fact, the only thing that any of us will carry from this life is our character we have developed, in following Christ, by the thoughts we think, the attitudes we harbor, the words we say and the deeds we do. Every physical thing -- our homes, our cars, our clothes, our furniture, our bank, our workplace, etc. “will be burned up” (2 Pet 3:10-13)! We won’t even take any pictures of them as souvenirs to show each other in heaven! Our physical blessings can become our curse if we are consumed with them and “choke out” our primary relationship with our Creator (Mark 4:18-19). It is God’s eternal purpose to train and transform our character into the image of Jesus Christ, so we’re fitted for eternal glory (Rom 8:29-30, Eph 2:4-10, Titus 2:11-14). This pursuit is what matters most in this life.

So, in our journey to eternity, we must know what to ignore, what sins to shun, what to hold lightly, when to let go, and how to always keep our eyes focused foremost on our Lord, who ever beckons us onward and upward to Himself in our heavenly home (Phil 3:13-14, Matt 6:33, Lk 10:41-42). Jesus our example gained nothing great this world offers, yet He gained everything God offers (Phil 2:5-11). So, when we’re frustrated and stressed out, we must ask ourselves, “What difference will this make in eternity?” In the end, preparing ourselves by faith for that inevitable interview with our Creator is the true purpose of life. Everything else in this world is ultimately like arranging deck chairs on the Titanic.. **SELECTED**