

# Teen News

Good morning everyone. It is good to see you all this morning. I hope everyone had a good time at the devo last Sunday night. I thought it was a lot of fun watching you all ride the rides at the carnival. Just as a reminder there will not be a devotional tonight after services but, we will have one next Sunday after morning services so go ahead and make arrangements for that. Have a good day today and we will see you all tonight.

Blake

## WHO NEEDS THE CHURCH?"

Many people are "notional" Christians. They claim to be Christians but do not practice their Christianity by church attendance. These are people who need the church. Why do they need a church home? For the same reasons you do. They need the spiritual help and climate going to church provides. They need the Scripture preached and to remember the Lord's death in His supper. They need to praise the Lord in song and to pray about their needs. They need the Lord's help and teaching from week to week. They also need a church home because we all need our brothers and sisters in Christ. Life has a way of handing us surprises. It means so much to have the support of loving brothers and sisters who pray with us and for us when we need them. Solomon was right when he said that "two are better than one" (Eccl 4:9) There is strength in numbers, and brothers and sisters assure our hearts when they walk beside us in serving the Lord. "Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend" (Prov. 27:17) Surely you know someone who needs the church. Wont you help them? Bring them to the Lord. "Come and see" (John 1:46)

## "WILL YOU BARELY MAKE IT?"

Moses was destined to enter in the land of Canaan. This land was the land which God had promised to Abraham and his descendants. This land was described as "a land which floweth with milk and honey." Numbers 14:8. On the journey, Moses disobeyed God by striking the rock from which water was to come instead of speaking to the rock. As a punishment for his transgression, Moses would not be allowed to bring the congregation into the land. Numbers 20:9-13.

In the New Testament, we are challenged by this passage: "Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it." Hebrews 4:1. I am impressed by the thought of this passage that I do not have to miss heaven by much. This passage impresses me with the thought that I must put forth great effort to enter into that eternal rest. How sad it was for Moses that he barely missed the promised land. But, it was still only an earthly land. To barely miss the eternal land would be the great tragedy of life. In regard to the betrayal of Judas, Jesus said, "it had been good for that man if he had not been born." Matthew 26:24. If we miss heaven, regardless of how much, indeed, it would have been better had we never been born.

We, as the church, have been blessed with the great opportunity of serving Jesus Christ. Our discipleship will bring unto us the beauty and glory of that heavenly land. "Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ." Colossians 3:24.

## DOOR GREETERS –Nov. 18th

**Lois King & Sue Grubbs**

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**Nov. 18, 2012**

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### ASSEMBLY TIMES

**Sun: 9:30 AM Class**

**10:30 AM Worship**

**6:00 PM Evening**

**Wed: 7:00 PM**

## God Is Our Help

"Our soul waiteth for the Lord; he is our help and shield." Psalm 33:20. We live in a rushed society. Many things that we do can be done in a very brief period of time. Microwave popcorn, t.v. dinners, and instant coffee have made their mark in our lives. We have not been trained to wait, but yet, we must learn to wait on the Lord. Time is of no consequence to God. "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." II Peter 3:8. Noah waited for the coming flood; Abraham waited for the birth of a son; Joshua waited for the promised land; and a condemned race waited for a redeemer. In waiting, we receive the help which we need. Since "the way of man is not in himself;..." (Jeremiah 10:23), man needs help. The spirit of man longs for a spiritual help in a wilderness of sin. Battles must be fought; mountains must be climbed; obstacles must be overcome. Temptations and trials assault us; difficulty and defeat confront us; sadness and despair engage us. We need help. "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." Psalms 121:1-2. The power of the Creator can sustain the helpless soul who will believe. No enemy can stand against the power of God, our helper. "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us." Romans 8:37. The enemies of God have fallen in days long gone because of His great power. Elijah was able to stand against Jezebel; Gideon was able to stand against the Midianites; Moses stood against Pharaoh. The eleventh chapter of Hebrews recounts the courageous lives of "those of whom the world was not worthy." (38). They "through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,"...Hebrews 11:33-38. They fought. They suffered. They endured. They overcame. By the power of the Almighty.

The election is over!

One more baptized into Christ!



**From Dan's desk:**

Well the election is over and all the political rhetoric is over for a while. We hope and trust that the next four years will promise numerous changes for the better. Thanks for your positive remarks about the Bible class last Sunday and the sermons. I am thankful for the involvement of all in this congregation, who work hard to promote the work of the Lord at this place. It is hard to believe that we are already in the middle of November. Thanksgiving will be arriving soon and then Christmas and then the New Year. The year 2012 will be history and what a history it has been. Please mark your calendar for Tuesday November 20th. This is the time for our annual Thanksgiving Devotional. Services will be held on Tuesday evening instead of the regular time on Wednesday night. This provides families a time of preparation for the Holiday event of Thanksgiving with guests who will be coming to their homes. Please make a note of this change. Our annual Christmas fellowship will be held on Dec. 4th this year. We hope that each of you will want to participate. This event will also be catered again and a lot of plans have been made for the evening. Please sign the list on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend. We were happy about the baptism of PATSY SPIKES last Monday afternoon. Following a study with Dale and I, she was baptized for the remission of sins. We welcome her into our fellowship. We are blessed with visitors from various places. Please invite them to return and visit with us again. Thanks to those who gathered in the chapel last Wednesday night for singing night. We always appreciate those who join together for praise and worship to our God. Thanks for being present today. We are glad that you have joined us today in our observance of the Lord's Supper and time of spiritual renewal. We hope to see each of you tonight at 6 P.M. for our worship hour. DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



**TO KEEP  
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

GARY OLIVER is in Baylor Hospital recovering from a bone marrow transplant. Continue to pray for him.

JESSICA WOODEN will have gall bladder surgery on Thursday.

LaSHUN MILLER, son of Nancy Miller, was in ER again with heart problems.

GENE CHANDLER had exploratory surgery Wednesday in Tyler.

MATTIE BERRYHILL, mother of Linda Allen, is in the local hospital.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE WITH CONTINUING ILLNESSES:** Dennis Ellison, Ed Furman, Sandra Ives, Maggie Larsen, Jayme Drinkard.

PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR U.S. SERVICEMEN.

**RESPONSES**

**BAPTIZED & MEMBERSHIP**

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**WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT**

We invite you to share the joyous occasion of the Marriage of  
**DEANNA GAIL CHAPMAN**  
to  
**JAMES DELTON "Dale" DOUGLAS**  
Saturday,  
the seventeenth of November  
Two Thousand and Twelve  
At Two O'clock in the afternoon  
Crockett Road Church of Christ.  
Reception to follow immediately in  
the Activity Building.

Our sympathy is extended to Phil Sybert in the death of our beloved Sherry Sybert who passed last Monday. Services were held here in Palestine on Friday and then in Houston this last week. Our prayers are with the family.

**LADIES**

The Sister to Sister schedule of events are placed on the bulletin board by the church office. If you would like to be involved, please sign the list or see Jennifer Sparks for details about any of the upcoming activities that have been planned for the ladies.

**"ARE YOU MOTIVATED?"**

We all need to be motivated to be involved in the work of the Kingdom. Generally, motivation is "up and down" in our lives. As the people of God we need to find a way to stay motivated to always "abound in the work of the Lord" (*1 Cor. 15:58*). I sincerely believe that a study of Isaiah chapter six will help us in that endeavor. We have all heard the text and sometimes sermons preached on "Hear am I, send me." Isaiah found the motivation to be about the business of the Lord. That motivation was rooted in the vision he saw, the impact on his life personally, on that of the nation, and what he feared could have happened to him as a result of the vision - namely his death. God did not destroy him but rather He cleansed his heart and soul with the "fire from off the altar." It was this cleansing that prompted the response of Isaiah when God questioned who would go to warn Israel of His coming judgment. "HERE AM I, SEND ME" he said (*verse 8*). When we consider the challenge we have of doing good works for the Lord, individually or as a congregation, it becomes obvious that good works begin with enthusiasm but generally dwindle to the "faithful few." Why is this so? Is it possible that what really motivates us needs to be contemplated more seriously? Sometimes we are motivated by the wrong things. May God help us to be zealous of good works.

Dan