

Teen News

Good morning everyone. I hope you all had a good week at school. Today is the Widow and Widowers luncheon. If you are not already, come to the Activity Building and give us a hand, as we could use all the help we can get. I also hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Light Park in Athens on Friday night. See you all back here tonight.

Blake

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.

My favorite mythical creature? The honest politician.

Take my advice; I don't use it anyway.

He does the work of three men: Larry, Moe and Curly.

ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

The Annual Ladies Ornament Exchange will be held at the home of Sonda Baker two weeks from today Dec. 8th after worship services. She will be serving lunch. Ladies are asked to bring an ornament to exchange and join us for a delightful experience. All ladies are invited to attend.



Those to Serve December 2013

AM . Opening

- 1 Dale Sparks
- 8 Jerry Sturgess
- 15 J.B. Matlock
- 22 Henry Baker
- 29 Robert Duzan

A.M. Closing

- James Singleterry
- Ben Rhone
- Billy Lane
- Blake Baker
- David Akins

P.M. Opening

- 1 Kermit Grimsley
- 8 Caleb Ellison
- 15 Marty Nash
- 22 R.D. Prince
- 29 Jack Thomason

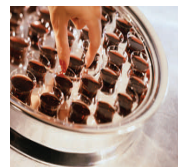
P.M. Closing

- George Wooden
- Charles McCullough
- Doug Lowe
- Dwight Franklin
- Jerry Thompson

Serve Communion

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| Kyle Lock | Jim Ricard |
| Henry Baker | Adam Harding |
| Jeff Sparks | Jerry Sturgess |
| Jim Edge | Clint Satterwhite |

Communion Preparation



- 1 Jerry Thompson
- 8 Andy Link
- 15 Billy Lane
- 22 Danna Collins
- 29 Dale Sparks

DOOR GREETERS Dec. 1, 2013

Jane Grumbles & Lorelee Reeder

COMMUNION PREPARATION

Dec. 1, 2013

Jerry Thompson

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MINISTERS

- Dan D. Manuel
Pulpit Minister
- Blake Baker
Youth Minister

ELDERS

- Dan D. Manuel
- Dale Sparks

DEACONS

- Henry Baker
- Sam Ellis
- Dwight Franklin
- Adam Harding
- Kyle Lock

SECRETARY

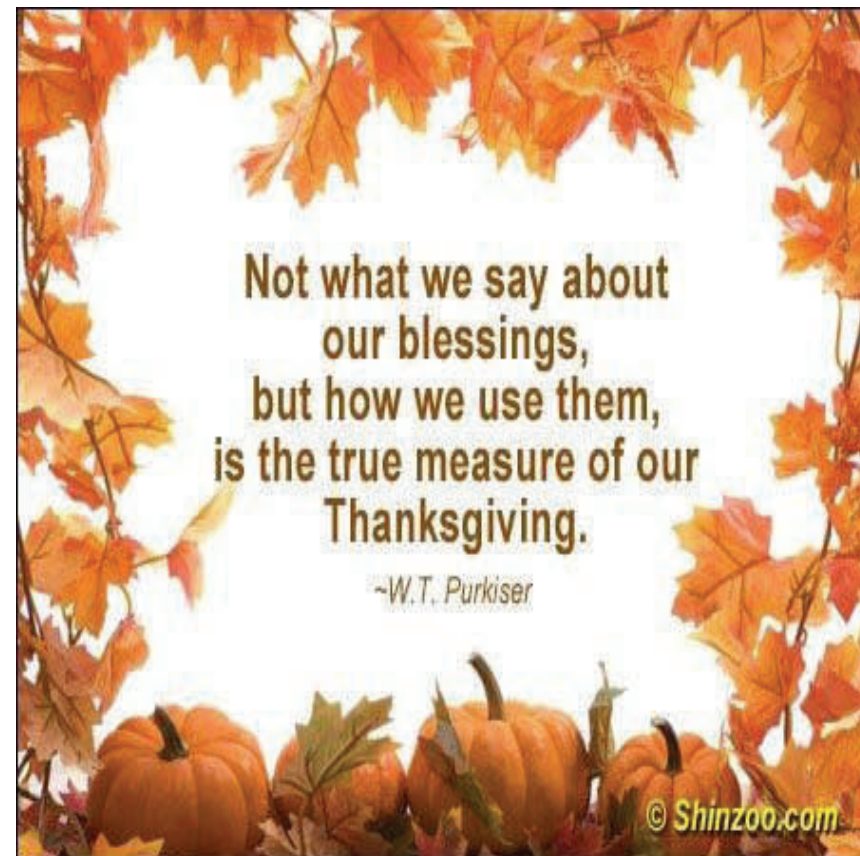
- Lorelee Reeder

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

- Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX
- Jose Cuadras—Mexico
School of Preaching
- Hershel Bearden
India Mission
- Central TX Children's Home—Buda, TX
- Tipton Children's Home
Tipton, OK
- GBN T.V. NETWORK
GIVE ME THE BIBLE
T.V. Program
- KETK-56 Tyler, TX.
- FOX 44—Waco, TX.
- FOX 29, Bryan—College Station, TX.
- NBC 53—Lufkin, TX.

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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



Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our Thanksgiving.

~W.T. Purkiser

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO EACH OF YOU.



From Dan's desk:

This coming Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. It is a day of remembrance for all the blessing that God has given. We should be thankful every day of our lives. Many will be out of town for the holidays and we pray that God will keep you safe and bring you back to us. We always miss you when you are away. This Tuesday night we will have our "Annual Thanksgiving Devotional" in the chapel. The men of the congregation will again be leading the service. We appreciate all who will be involved. We hope you will plan to be with us. This is always a special time. This will be for this week only. Remember TUESDAY NIGHT. Sam at the Dogwood Diner has invited members of the church here to dine at the restaurant on Thanksgiving at no cost. All you are asked to do is bring one covered dish. Everything else will be furnished. The lunch will be served at 11:30 A.M. If you have no family or place to go on Thursday, this will give you an opportunity be with others and offer your thanksgiving to God for all His blessings. We have a lot coming up in the next few weeks. The Annual Christmas Dinner on Tuesday Dec. 3rd, the Ornament Exchange at the home Sonda Baker on Dec. 8th after worship services and numerous other gatherings. Remember that today is the time for the Widow and Widowers luncheon provided by the youth and Brandy and Blake Baker. This will take place in the activity building immediately after the worship service today. If you are a widow or widower, you are invited to attend. Our thanks to the youth and Bakers for making this possible again this year. Thanks to the ladies who met last Saturday to prepare wreaths for the shut-in's and nursing home patients. See you tonight.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

EMERALD ELLIS is back in Palestine Regional for additional tests. She is in Room 311.
BOB BURCHFIELD has been admitted to rehab in Tyler.
DONNIE FINCHER had day surgery on Thursday.
GARY PAUL also had day surgery on Thursday.
BOBBIE JOHNSON - Still awaiting test results.
JIMMY ALLEN has blood clots in his legs that may require surgery soon.
BOB STECH returned home from the hospital yesterday. He is recovering at home.
SARAH FOREMAN had her first chemo on Monday.
HELEN SPARKS, sister-in-law of Dale & Ann Sparks, has learned she has cancer and has asked for our prayers.

Remember JASON MOTTERN in Afghanistan and other U.S. military personal serving around the world.

Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.

A clean desk is a sign of a cluttered desk drawer.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP Tuesday Dec. 3rd

The Annual Christmas fellowship dinner will be held this year on Tuesday night, Dec. 3rd. The event will be catered and you will need to sign the list in the foyer. A great menu is planned. The cost is \$8.50 per adult, \$5.00 per child (below 10 yrs.). Please sign up by next Sunday and indicate which entrée you want. You may pay Lorelee anytime between now and Dec. 1st.

Don't Be Foolish"

The Lord included in His "Sermon on the Mount" a warning that causes on to ponder. He taught His followers to not call anyone a fool or he would be in danger of hell fire (Matt. 5:22). Why such a severe penalty for simply calling someone a fool?

The usual definition of "fool" is "one deficient in intellect or judgment." We run into to those quite regularly! "The fool hath said in his heart, "There is no God"" (Ps. 14:1). Solomon with "wisdom" gave a lengthy discourse in his Proverbs on the matter. "Fools despise wisdom" (1:7); "The way of a fool is right in his own eyes; but he that hearkeneth to counsel is wise" (12:15); "Folly of fools is deceit...Fools make a mock at sin" (14:8-9); The lips of the foolish does not disperse knowledge (15:7); "The mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness" (15:14).

"And a highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called the way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the way faring men, though fools, shall not err therein" (Is. 35:8).

The Pharisees were chastised by the Lord and called "fools" because they criticized and judged the hearts of men by what they observed outwardly (Lk. 11:37-40). The rich man, who built bigger barns to amass worldly goods but was not "rich" toward God, was called a fool by the Lord and told that his soul would be required of him the very same night (Lk. 12:20). Finally, we can conclude that the real fool is the one who denies God and resists His Word. We may feel too refined to be considered a fool, but a careful examination of our personal life may reveal more than what we would like to acknowledge about ourselves. Submit to God and His Word!