

Teen News

Thanks to Dr. Brandy Ricard for opening her home last Sunday night for the youth devotional and gift exchange. Everyone had a good time. Christmas is always a fun time and a time for us to make memories. Brandy and I really appreciate your support. It is a joy to work with you and we will continue to work on upcoming projects, trips, and L.T.C. that will take place the weekend of March 30th & 31st. Thanks for being in class this morning. If you are not attending, I hope you will come Weds. Night. BLAKE

We will have congregational devotionals on both Wed. Nights Dec. 19th and 26th, due to the holiday and several being out of town. Please make a note of this change in schedule.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to Laura and Frank Glenn on the birth of a new grandson **JAYCE KADE COBORN** born to Kristen last week in Palestine Regional hospital. Billy and Wanda Beil are maternal grandparents.

“Rejoice in the Lord and again I say rejoice, let your moderation be known to all men, for the Lord is at hand”
Phil. 4:4-5

CHILDREN IN CHILD PROTECTION CUSTODY

Thanks to all of you who participated in providing gifts to the underprivileged children in Anderson County this year. Even though there was a little “mix up” about the names of the those on the list, everything is in order and we will deliver the gifts to the C.P.S. on Thursday. Everything is already in place for next year and we will again participate. Elders & Deacons

HOW COME I NEVER SEE YOU IN CHURCH?



DOOR GREETERS

Dec. 23, 2012
Mark & Linda Johnson

COMMUNION PREPARATION

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Edify One Another

At the close of Paul's first letter to the church at Thessalonica. he exhorted them to "edify one another" (1 Thes. 5:11). The word "edify" comes from the Greek word oikodomeo. This word occurs thirty-nine times in the original text, and all except eight times it is translated as "build" or "built." Our Lord chose to use this word in Matthew 7:24 when He spoke of the wise man who "built his house on the rock." The idea Paul had in mind was that Christians should "build" one another up in the faith. After defining the word, Thayer comments that it is "the act of one who promotes another's growth in Christian's wisdom, piety, holiness, happiness" (Greek-English Lexicon Of The New Testament, p. 440). W. E. Vine said the word is "used metaphorically, in the sense of 'edifying,' promoting the spiritual growth and development of character of believers, by teaching or by example, suggesting such spiritual progress as the result of patient labor." (Expository Dictionary Of Biblical Words, p. 194). One of the highest duties that a Christian has is to encourage others. In a world filled with pessimism, violence and despair, our need for encouragement is great. It is all too easy to let the "ways of the wicked" become our ways. The happy man is the one who refuses to "stand in the path of sinners" or "sit in the seat of the scornful" (Ps . 1:1). As we run our race toward eternal glory, let us continually encourage each other and "run with endurance .(Heb. 12:1,2).

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
Gospel Broadcast Network

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Welcome to all our visitors this morning. We are glad you are here.



From Dan's desk:

It is good to have so many visitors among us this morning. We are always happy to have you with us. During the month of December numerous friends and loved ones visit our services while they are in town to be with their families during the Christmas season. Remember to spot our visitors and make them feel welcome to our congregation. Remind them of the visitor's bag prepared for them at the back of the building at the visitor center. Please be reminded that we will have congregational devotionals on Wednesday nights, December 19th and December 26th. We always make this change due to the holidays and many of our own brethren are out of town to be with their families. This is always a good time for us to praise the Lord in song, prayer and reading of the Holy Scriptures. Everyone is also reminded of the various events that will be taking place in the congregation here over the next few weeks. The youth, ladies and congregational events are scheduled and these always present additional times of fellowship and opportunities for us to grow closer together. We have begun a new study in the church auditorium Bible class on Sunday morning on the subject of "**Measuring Your Spiritual Growth.**" If you are not attending Bible class on Sunday morning, please plan to be with us. Also on Wednesday night, we have started a new study in the chapel on the subject of "**Conditions of Acceptable Prayer.**" If you are not attending on Wednesday evening, please plan to be with us. Thanks for being here this morning. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN
YOUR PRAYERS:**

VI BURCHFIELD had a heart attack last Saturday and had her heart shocked back in rhythm on Monday.

JOANN JOHNSON suffered a light stroke but is back home doing better.

ELIZABETH ATTAWAY, daughter-in-law of Fred & Beth Freeman, has learned she has breast cancer and had surgery last Friday.

PATRICIA COX, daughter-in-law of Ruth Cox, has learned she has lymphoma cancer.

MARION BIRDOW, daughter-in-law of Annie Lee, will have surgery soon in Boulder, CO.

DONNIE COOK niece of Bill Chandler has cancer and asked for prayer

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE WITH CONTINUING ILLNESSES: Darlene Brown, Melvin Manning, Gary Oliver, Dennis Ellison, Ed Furman, Sandra Ives, Maggie Larsen, Carrie Bell, LaShun Miller, Michael Morris.

TONIGHT WILL BE THE LAST CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR UNTIL JANUARY 13th, 2013.

SPARKS FELLOWSHIP

Everyone is invited to David and Jennifer Spark's home next Sunday night, Dec. 23rd for finger foods and fellowship. You can bring your favorite Christmas finger food if you like, and stay for the fellowship. This will take place right after the evening worship service.

WEDDING

You are invited to the wedding of Lindsey Gibson & Zachary McEwen on Saturday, December 22nd, here at the church building at 7 PM. The reception will follow at Harvey Women's Building. If you did not receive a personal invitation, or if you received one and cannot RSVP on the computer and would like to attend the reception, please sign the list on the bulletin board indicating that you will be attending, so adequate preparations can be made.

TUESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS LUNCHEON

The Tuesday morning Ladies class taught by Dan will have a year end Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday morning Dec. 18th. All the ladies are asked to bring a covered dish and plan to stay for the fun and fel-

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Ruby King and Carolyn Jenkins in the death of their brother-in-law and uncle respectively this last week. Also to Adelle Benge in the death of her sister, WILMA MAJORS this