

Good morning and welcome to services! We've had the best weekend at CYC, but it's great to be back at Crockett Road! CYC was held at Waterview Church of Christ Friday night, all day Saturday and Saturday evening. We enjoyed beautiful singing and wonderful lessons and we learned so much in the breakout classes. We also enjoyed great fellowship with members of our group as well as those from other congregations. If you didn't make it this year we hope you'll make it next year! Hope everyone has a great week! **DOUG**

"And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing." James 1:4

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."

Just One Addiction

People are addicted to many things, alcohol, drugs (legal & illegal), nicotine, gambling, food, pornography, etc. All of these things can ruin your life. Look what Peter says, "promising them freedom while they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved." (2 Peter 2:19). So the goal of the Christian is not to be overcome or enslaved to anything in this world This is a principle that not only Peter taught, but the apostle Paul said, "...I will not be mastered by anything" (I Cor. 6:12). But the big problem is that the alcoholic will not admit that alcohol controls him. We humans have the ability to deny the obvious.

We must continue to examine our own lives - that we have but one who has overcome us, only one who has enslaved us by His goodness - that is, Christ. May the love and goodness of Christ overcome you always, and happily I will be enslaved to Him who loves me so.

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Exceptions may be good, or they may be bad, depending upon how they are used. We come across a few exceptions in God's word. Fortunately for us, these make life easier and they make our lives worth living. Without these exceptions, our lives would truly be miserable. Jesus stated, "Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven" (Mt.18:3). The rule: "ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." Why is this so? Because of man's problem with sin (Is.59:1,2). However, our gracious God offers an exception: "Except ye be converted and become as little children." Those who manifest an humble spirit, a forgiving attitude, and a simple trust in God, as little children do, will be exceptions to the rule. Sin will not bar these from entering into the kingdom of heaven. It is a sad reality that most in this world will choose to adhere to the rule, rather than being an exception to the rule. Another exception offered by our Lord is this: "Except ye re-

pent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Lk.13:3). The rule: "ye shall all likewise perish." Why is this? Again, the answer is man's problem with sin. Yet, the Lord extends his mercy and grace in providing an exception: "Except ye repent." All men who are led by godly sorrow (2 Cor.7:10) to repentance can escape this sentence of death(Rom.6:23). Jesus gave another exception when he stated, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (Jn.3:3). The rule is this: "he cannot see the kingdom of God." Why? The answer remains the same-man's sin problem. "Except a man be born again." Anyone who obeys the gospel (born of the Spirit), culminating in his immersion into Christ for the remission of sins (born of water) has been born again who is born again is a Christian, and has been admitted into the kingdom of God, the church. DAN

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We are thankful for your attendance today. "Give Me The Bible" Conference is next weekend.



From Dan's desk:

Our New Year has gotten off to a great start. Plans were presented last week for the New year. The schedule of events presented gives a broad spectrum of activities planned for the congregation here. The Summer speakers are in place and some of the speakers have never been here before. You will enjoy these men. The Give Me The Bible will be a great success and we are so grateful to all of you who have signed up to be present. Several churches will be represented as was the last year conference with over 20 different congregation representing their home churches. The Panelists for Give Me The Bible will be on hand with two panel discussions that will lift your spirits and encourage you in God's work. Come meet these men. We have already been experiencing the winter weather, but at this point, it appears that the day of the conference will be pretty. The meal will be great and a big thank you to Jill and Jeanette for their help with the delicious meal and to Lisa Lambert and others for their help with the decorations. Our congregation is using the New Year with its challenges and opportunities of service. We appreciate all of you for your support of our efforts. The Elders and Deacons continued to be encouraged by all the good that is done at this place. We hope to see you tonight at 6 P.M. Thanks for being present this morning and honoring the Lord's Day as well as serving to encourage each other in the Faith. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



DOUG LOWE, JOYCE WEATH-ERLY,VERNETTA WALKER, LARRY BASKIN and all who have been hospitalized recently are all improving.

NANCY MILLER is in U.T Medical Center in Tyler for treatment of a heart condition. SHIRLEY MOORE is now at Tru-

Care nursing facility. Be sure to get a prayer list available in the foyer today.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Our Monday Night for the Master program begins again a week from tomorrow night, January 27. We will be having pizza and salad. If you can make a dessert, please see Shelly Franklin. We will eat at 6:15 and begin our work at 7 PM. Join us for a wonderful evening.

SYMPATHY Is extended to the family of GERRY HAHN who passed last week. Services were held on Thursday Our sympathy is also extended to Tiffany Bell in the death of her grandfather this last week.

Undenominational

Denominationalism has to do with dividing up the whole into parts and giving each part its own name. In mathematical fractions, the lower number is called the "denominator" which tells us into how many parts the whole has been divided. But, the word "denominate" simply means to name or to give a designation to something. Denominationalism is rooted in the sinful divisions of men dividing and splitting the

divisions of men dividing and splitting the church of Christ. Christ came and established His one church (Matt. 16:18), but men have been dividing the whole into thousands of factions and fractions. The attempts to divide the church began in the very first century when the church began. Paul challenged the Corinthians who were dividing themselves into various factions and denominating them by saying, "I am of Paul" and "I of Apollos," and "I of Cephas," and others, "I of Christ" (1 Cor. 1:12). Apparently, the apostle was able to end the divisions within the congregation. In fact, most of our New Testament is written to stop the false teaching and division that men are so prone to initiate. In the twenty-first century, we must not engage in denominating the church of our Lord. If the apostles were here today, they would write to us in the same way that Paul wrote to the Corinthians in stopping the divisions. Since we have the words of the apostles in our New Testament, let us follow them so that we can be sure we are on the right track and are avoiding denominationalism. I certainly do not want to be a part of any manmade division. I only want to be a part of the church that belongs to Christ.

Guy Orbison, Jr. Durango, CO

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Sunday January 19th 2025

Nancy Miller has been in Christus in Tyler this last week for tests and additional treatment. Lanova Mitchell continues to improve. She is back at Legacy for rehab. Prayers for the family of Gerry Hahn who passed away last week. Services were held last Thursday. **Rick Giles remains ill at his home.** Our prayers for Tiffany Bell in the death of her grandfather this last week. Doug Lowe continues to improve from his recent heart procedure. Renee' Whitley is undergoing treatment for a blood clot. Ann Sparks continues to do some better. She is home. Mason Johnson (great grandson of Linda Johnson) continues to improve. David Carder has been ill at home, but is undergoing tests & treatment. Will Hawkins, son of Bill and Linda, is having health issues. Bryan Titlow, cousin of Jim Ricard, has cancer & is undergoing treatment. Jay Mays, relative of Doug Lowe, has cancer, and desires prayers. Lori Tanner Richardson, cousin of Cindy Thornton, has breast cancer. Jerame Gipson's friend, Lisa Safronoff, is hospitalized in Memphis, Tenn. Becky Barnes' great grandson continues to have health issues. All others are improving at home.

Remember those in nursing homes and home bound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Blackie Foreman, George Wooden, Bobby Johnson, Joyce Matlock, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Martha Sims, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff, Charlie Young, Johnny Jenkins, and Cecil Stanaland. **NOTE:** We try to update the prayer list each week. When people are improving and doing better, we remove their names and add new ones who have asked to be on the list. Please notify us in the office.