

Teen News

Thanks for being here this morning. It is hard to believe that the first month of the year is almost gone. Thanks to the youth for making Valentines Cards for our shut-ins. We will go visit them in a few weeks and take them their Valentine Cards. I appreciate those who have been coming to Bible Class. Keep up the good work! See you tonight. BEN

OUR SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to BEN and KERI RHONE in the death of Ben's uncle KEITH RHONE who passed away last week. Memorial services were held in Crockett last Monday.

"Monday Night for the Master"

One week from tomorrow night we will have Monday Night For The Master.



Supper at 6:15 P.M.
Work session 7-8 p.m.

See Shelly Franklin or Ann Mottern if you can prepare a dessert.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

"Adam blamed Eve and Eve blamed the snake and the snake didn't have a leg to stand on."

COUNT YOUR MANY BLESSINGS

As Christians today we are blessed to be children of God. We serve a God who still hears our complaints, who knows each one of us so intimately the hairs of our heads are number by him. We should be careful with our complaints, rather showing tremendous gratitude for what God has done, is doing, and will do for us each and every day and into an eternity. Such was not the case with God's people in ancient times. The children of Israel, upon leaving Egypt, were truly a blessed people. Their country, though ruled by another nation and another king, had been chosen by God to deliver the Savior to a world lost in sin. Not only had they been released and granted their freedom, without a war, without loss of an Israelite life, they had been given tremendous financial resources by their former captives. The children of Israel, after generations of servitude, were on their way to a land said to be flowing with "milk and honey." It was a vacationer's paradise. The weather was perfect and the ground fertile. Great opportunity for financial stability and growth were afforded by the land because of its location in a crossroads of commercial trade routes. They had a God known throughout the world for what He had done for His people, the children of Israel in Egypt. They were to travel without want as their accommodations were taken care of completely. Their food and clothes were provided for them. The children of Israel were a very family oriented society, as generations of a family grew up, lived and died in close proximity to each other. They learned from each other. They had a mutual respect for each other which resulted in a depth of love that can only come with such close contact. Within their families, they looked out for each other. They were a people with a rich heritage passed on for the benefit of those rising generations. In spite of all these blessings from God, they still complained. May God help us to see the blessings of what we do have, instead of what we do not have. We are more blessed than any people on this earth. May God help us to live like it. DAN

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

"DON'T GO TO SLEEP"

There are many warnings in the scriptures against sleeping when we should be awake. The Hebrew writer warned that we are to "Take heed to the things that you have heard and do not let them drift away from you" (Heb. 2:1-4). Being slack and irresponsible will cause us to perish and our lives here be virtually negated. I beg you not to drift, for it will only take a second in hell to wake you to the realities of eternity! It may be an individual Christian who has drifted off into a stupor very similar to a driver on a long trip who goes to sleep at the wheel so gradually that he is unaware of it until he has forked a big tree along the road. It could as easily be an entire congregation that has fallen to sleep and stopped producing. As family members, we often drift off while on duty in bringing our children up nourished in the Lord. That wake-up call normally does not register until our children are in trouble, then it is too late! The same neglect can destroy a marital relationship, simply due to inattentiveness. Different Bible characters were awakened; sometimes too late to change matters, but others were salvaged in the nick of time. King David heard the alarm sounded when Nathan said, "Thou art the man" (2 Sam. 12:1-14). Guilty of adultery, immorality and murder, but when awakened he confessed his sins and God forgave him. The alarm sounded for a young man eating with the pigs in a far country (Lk. 15:11-32). He demanded his inheritance, left home, and spent his money on riotous living. It was only "when he came to himself" that he was awake enough to know of the wrongness of his conduct. He returned home to present himself broken and hopeless to a forgiving and loving father. His lowly position is what enabled him to see objectively. One of the loudest wake-up calls was when the rich man found himself in torment. Too late to benefit him, but in time to help others. Though he "fared sumptuously" while on earth, he was spiritually overdrawn (Lk. 16:19-31). The bottom line is just simply "stay awake to what is right."

DAN

One Places Membership Church off to a great start for the year 2018



From Dan's desk:

The Give Me The Bible Conference was great and we had a good attendance from several congregations. We enjoyed the good singing and the two speakers, RANDY FOREMAN and RAY FRANKS. They did a really good job and we are so thankful for the challenges to “love God and one another more.” Cotton Patch did a good job with the catering. And a big thank you to the World Video Bible School for being here along with the A.G. Hobbs publishing company with their array of biblical materials and tracts. All those in attendance really enjoyed the day. We were made to rejoice last Sunday morning at the coming of DAPHY COSTLOW who responded to the invitation to ask for the prayers of the church and re-dedicate her life to Christ as well as placing her membership with the congregation here. I have known her for a long time and I am so happy that she has made that decision along with others in her family in recent months to do the same. These folks are a great blessing to the Lord's church here at Crockett Rd. The snow last Monday evening and Tuesday resulted in us not having the ladies Bible class. The cold and icy weather curtailed a number of things in Palestine, as well as office closings etc. This is the first time in several years that we have had any real winter weather. Before long Spring will be here and the flowers and Dogwoods will be back in bloom. We still at this point in time have several that have the influenza or other viruses. Let's continue to pray for them as well as for those who continue to undergo cancer treatment. We hope that each of you will be present for the evening worship service tonight at 6 P.M. I will be speaking on the subject, “What Are Your Standards.” DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

MARTHA SIMS has been in the local hospital for tests and treatment.

MARIA BALDERAS is recovering from shoulder surgery this last week. She is better.

GLORIA VEGA is also recovering from recent heart tests. She is improving.

JIMMY ALFORD is also improving at home from recent back surgery in Tyler.

Others that we have recently mentioned are improving.

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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.

BABY SHOWER

There will be a Baby Shower honoring Bridgette Harbour on today from 1:30 to 3PM in the Family Room of the activity building. Bridgette & Daniel will be having a baby girl soon.

LIGHT IN A WORLD OF DARKNESS

Does your light shine? In a world becoming more and more corrupted with the influence of Satan and his followers, as Christians we must shine. Our light that shines should never be one of arrogance or conceit, but rather one as a simple light would from a hill. As Christians we are in fact to let our light shine and not hide it under a basket (Matt. 5:16). The light we let shine is our influence in the world. It is the way we act, the way we dress, the way we talk, and the way we carry ourselves when we are with our peer group. Our light is the self-discipline we must have to do the right thing when no one will notice or may even know. It is doing the right thing for the right reason. It is not doing the wrong thing for the right reason, that reason being, it is a sin against God (Gen. 39:9). God knows our hearts, our secrets, and our thoughts (Ps. 44:21; 69:5, 19; 94:11; 103:14; 139:1-4). For us to shine, as God wants us to shine, our hearts, thoughts, and actions must be pure. When Moses came down from Mount Sinai after receiving the Tablets of Stone on which the Old Covenant were written, the inspired writer tells us, “*Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone while he talked with God*” (Ex. 34:29). The writer goes on to tell us that initially the people were afraid of the shiny countenance of Moses. Moses' face shone because he had been in the presence of God. As we consider and reflect on the great blessings God continually bestows on us each and every day, do our faces show the joy and peace found in Jesus? The New Testament tells us God continues to physically bless the good and the evil with rain and sunshine (Matt. 5:45). However, it is only in Jesus one can find the true joy and peace that shine forth from us (Phil. 4:7). Thank God, for the fact we can shine in a world of darkness. Thank God for those around me whose countenance is always shining, despite the physical adversities they may be facing daily. Thank God for you. “Keep on shining. The world will be a better place in which to live and God will be glorified”. Have a great and glorious day.

DAN