

Good morning everybody. Thank you for coming. It is always good to have you here. It is wonderful to see the church growing and moving forward. Thanks to those of you who stayed last Sunday night. A big thank you to Gary and Toni Warren for providing the evening meal for us. It was really good and we had about 25 present. We will be having a fellowship tonight after services and we hope all of you will stay. I will tell you more about that today. Thanks to those of the youth group who came and helped out at Monday night for the Master last Monday night. A lot was done by all those who came.
BEN

What is Christianity?

It is not a voice in the wilderness, but a life in the world. It is not an idea in the air but feet on the ground, going God's way. It is not an exotic to be kept under glass, but a hardy plant to bear twelve months of fruits in all kinds of weather. Fidelity to duty is its root and branch. Nothing we can say to the Lord, no calling Him by great or dear names, can take the place of the plain doing of His will. We may cry out about the beauty of eating bread with Him in His kingdom, but it is wasted breath and a rootless hope, unless we plow and plant in His kingdom here and now. To remember Him at His table and to forget Him at ours is to have invested in bad securities. There is no substitute for plain, everyday goodness. —Babcock.

SENIOR ADULTS

You are invited to the next "GAME DAY" on Oct. 8th from 1P.M. - till 3 P.M. at the Senior Center. Bring a game. The cost is \$1.00 to cover cost of the building. Everyone is invited to come.

"ZEAL IN THE HOUSE OF GOD"

The church can and will grow in proportion to the love and spirit with which we go about fulfilling our individual duties as Christians. Thus we can ask ourselves if we are as fervent and zealous about our personal work on non-Christians as we should be. What about our fervency and zeal in visiting the sick and needy? How fervent in spirit are we in giving of our means to do the Lord's work? How fervent and zealous is our attendance and many, many more questions. An English writer, Joseph Addison, once wrote: "There is no greater sign of a general decay of virtue in a nation, than a want of zeal in its inhabitants for the good of their country." Modifying that statement without altering the thought: "There is no greater sign of a general decay of virtue in the church than a want of zeal in its members for the good of the church." However, fervency and zeal are the elements of growth and warmth in any combined effort. They are especially essential in the Lord's work. The church is to be made up of those who ought to be "zealous of good works" (Titus 2:14). Words like fervent, zeal and excited should describe our lives in the service to our Lord.
 DAN

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

"Take A Look At Your Life"

Wouldn't it be great if all of God's children would love him above everything else in life. It should be the prayer of all of us that people would love him, worship him devoutly and work diligently in his cause. Unfortunately this is not so. Paul urges that every Christian examine self, whether they are in the faith or not (2 Cor. 13:5). What if you were to act in reference to your job as you do in remembering the Lord's death? How long would you last or would you be gaining promotions and increasing in salary because of your devotion to the company? Do you ever decide that you will just not go to work today; that you will go fishing or golfing instead? Do you ever go wandering in after the workday is well under way and then swell up and refuse to go to work at all for a long time if anything is said about it? Do you listen condescendingly to your boss when he tells you what he wants done for the day, and then do as you please? Do you seriously think for a minute that the Lord is going to put up with the foolishness that even men of this earth will not tolerate? Give yourself this test. Examine yourself whether you be in the faith. You certainly are not in the faith if you are trifling with God's will and your soul. It might be a good time to examine yourselves today and determine if you are being loyal to Jehovah God. We sometimes make decisions that not only affect our own lives, but the lives of others. DO YOU MEASURE UP?

DAN

Two Baptized Five Place Membership



From Dan's desk:

Excitement continues to prevail over recent conversion to Christ. We are so thankful to God for the recent additions to our church family. Last Week I had the opportunity to study with Donna and Orre Costlow. Donna was baptized for the remission of sins. We thank God for her decision to act on His will. Orre is a member of the Lord's church and they have been attending Gray's Chapel Church of Christ. We welcome them to our church family. Orre is employed by PALESTINE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER. Donna is a RURAL MAIL CARRIER. Also last week I had the privilege of studying with TUCKER FARRIS. He too was baptized into Christ for the remission of sins. We welcome him into our fellowship and congregation here at Crockett Rd. Tucker is owner of FARRIS BODY SHOP. I have been friends with all of these for a long time and we are happy that they have chosen to work with us here. Last Sunday morning DOUG and ALISON RADER made known their desire to place member with the church here. They come to us from the Gabriel Oaks Church of Christ in Georgetown, Texas. Doug grew up here in Palestine and is employed by PALESTINE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER. Alison is employed by INTEGRATED CARE. God continues to bless our church family with numerical and spiritual strength. A lot of plans for the church are forthcoming. Search the bulletin for events schedule. Thanks for being here this morning. We are glad to have you with us. If you are visiting, please come again. We hope to see each of you tonight at the 6 P.M. service. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

DOUG SUMRALL will have knee surgery a week from tomorrow at Palestine Regional Medical Center.

ANNIE LEE BIRDOW continues to undergo tests and treatment.

CINDY PACE (daughter of Lanova) started chemotherapy this last week for breast cancer.

All others who have been ill are improving. Please pick up one of the prayer lists in the foyer. They are updated each week.

RESPONSES

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WEDDING SHOWER

A shower honoring **CHRISTIE MITCHELL** has been planned for Sunday, Oct. 18th at 1:30 in the activity building family room. Ladies please make plans to attend. Selections are at Walmart, Bed, Bath & Beyond and Silver Lady.

Absence is a Symptom

Fever is a symptom of a disorder somewhere in the body. The primary problem may be a hidden infection that would not otherwise be noticeable until it is in an advanced stage. High body temperature tells us something is wrong in the body, somewhere. It tells us a reliable cure needs to be found and applied. Unnecessary absence from worship and Bible study is a fever-like symptom. Mere absence, however, is not the only factor for diagnosing spiritual illness. There are times when it may be necessary to be absent from worship and Bible study. On the other hand, habitual absence is a spiritual malady that needs to be cured. As a fever may possess a man who does not know what causes it, even so a Christian can neglect worship without being aware of the problems that cause one to do so. We can easily camouflage our lack of concern for worship by involving ourselves in personal interests. This is easy to do when other interests seem to be more important than they really are. Select wisely the things that are important in life (Mt. 6:33). We should recognize the difference in one who would rather attend worship, but can't and those who attend but had just as soon be elsewhere. My mere presence in a meeting house every time the doors open should not be taken as a sign of "good spiritual health." Attending just to have a good record of attendance, without a positive desire to please the Lord and learn how to serve him better, is worthless. Deliberately missing a worship service or Bible study is always spiritually significant. It is significant because it reveals the presence of a wound, an infection, a depression, or some other spiritual disorder. The fact that a person "feels well" about their spiritual life is no guarantee of sound spiritual health. DAN