

Teen News

Thanks to all of you for helping with the luncheon for the widows and widowers and singles. We are truly thankful to the other members of the church for helping prepare food for the meal as well. We hope that each of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving. We hope you enjoy being with your family. Please plan to be present day after tomorrow night for the devotional planned in the church auditorium at 7 P.M. The men will lead the service. This is an opportunity for us to thank our heavenly Father. BEN

LADIES ORAMENT EXCHANGE

The Annual Ladies Ornament Exchange will be held at the home of Sonda Baker on Sunday Dec. 3rd 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.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP Tuesday Dec. 5th

The Annual Christmas fellowship dinner will be held this year on Tuesday night, Dec. 5th. The meal will be furnished and you will need to sign the list in the foyer. A great menu is planned. There is no cost to you. Just show up. Please sign the list in the foyer if you are planning to come, between now and Dec. 1st.

WHICH IS MORE IMPOPRTANT?

Jesus went so far as to call some people "hypocrites" (Mark 7:6) and explained that what comes from the **inside** of an individual is what "defiles" him, not the other way around (Mark 7:14-23). If we're not careful, we can become so absorbed with looking good on the outside, that we forget what really counts. In fact, when we get to the place where we think "we've arrived," we may become proud of ourselves and judgmental toward others. Harboring bitterness, clinging to critical attitudes, and thinking too highly of ourselves are the kind of defiling things that make us guilty of Jesus' charge of being a "hypocrite." The point is this: It's the things on the **inside of our heart** — our thoughts and attitudes that really matter to the Lord 2 Corinthians 10:5;

THANKSGIVING, WHERE TO FIND IT?

Samuel Johnson said, "Gratitude is a fruit of great cultivation. You do not find it among gross people." First Thessalonians 5:18 sums it up: "In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." Gratitude is not always easy, and it is not the world's way to acknowledge and thank God. But it is the Lord's will. Gross people don't thank God in even the best of circumstances. But God's people always do, even in the worst. If we are in Christ we always have reason to thank God!

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



We hope and pray that your Thanksgiving Holiday will be a memorable one for you and your family. Please remember that our annual Thanksgiving Devotional will take place this Tuesday night instead of Wednesday night as usual. The church office will be closed both Thursday and Friday of this week.

**Widows, Widowers, and Singles
luncheon today in activity
building.**



From Dan's desk:

Our gratitude is expressed to the young people and Ben and Keri for providing lunch for the single and single again group in the church. This is an annual event and we appreciate those who help to provide the meal. This always a memorable event. Thanks for your comments about the lessons last week. The story of Balaam is truly a remarkable one indeed. It is amazing how God spoke to the fathers and prophets in the Old Testament. The lesson on Sunday night "devoted One To Another" was designed to help us understand what is meant by "being kindly affectioned one to another" actually means. This congregation is filled with love and affection for each other. We have a large number on the sick list at present and we want to continue to remember them with our petitions to our Father in Heaven. Several are improved but others remain seriously ill. Lorelee was on vacation this last week and I missed her in the office. If you should find mistakes in the bulletin, you can lay the blame on "Yours truly". We are in the process of updating the picture board. Several had their picture made last Sunday. If you would like to have an updated picture we will take your picture follow-ship worship this morning. Some pictures have not been changed in ten years. This would be a good time to update. If you haven't been contacted, please stay and have your picture made. Remember the midweek service will be held on Tuesday night this week in the church auditorium. We make this change each year to help accommodate those who are going out of town for Thanksgiving. Thanks for being here today. See you tonight.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

GERALD WILCHER is in the hospital in Tyler after a surgery this week. GEORGE LESTER has gone home from the rehab at True Care. Others that have been ill are improving. Pick up a prayer list in foyer. Others who have been ill are better.

SIGN UP LIST

Several sign up list are place on the bulletin board for the Annual Holiday Dinner on Dec. 5th. Ladies are urged to sign up for the Ornament exchange and those going to Sam's Restuarant in Fairfield on Thanksgiving Day, need to sign up. The Natchitoches Trip on Dec. 8-9 is available for you to sign also. Please do this as soon as possible.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Kathleen and Ed Compton is the death of their brother-in-law and former member LAMAR ROBERSON who passed away last Monday. Memorial services were held yesterday in Frankston.

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."

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!