

Teen News

Good morning I'm glad that you are here. It has been a beautiful week! I want to apologize for having to postpone our youth bowling trip last Sunday. We will reschedule soon. Thanks to those who have been attending Bible Class on Sundays and Wednesdays. **If any youth, ages 10 and up want to go to church camp, please see me ASAP.** Church Camp this year will be in mid June. I'm not sure on the exact dates yet, but I should know very soon. We have several who have said they wanted to go this year. If you are interested in going or have questions about camp, please see me. **We will have our annual chili cook-off and cake auction on Sunday, February 19.** I want to remind the Sr. High and Jr. High students to bring their Bible with them to class. See you all tonight! BEN

“LET’S RETURN TO THE BIBLE”

The plea to return to the Bible – to speak where the Bible speaks and to be silent where the Bible is silent – is a worthy, legitimate, and meritorious goal.

The effort to restore the New Testament church, to practice those things which our Lord authorized, and to reject those things that are without scriptural support, is Christ-honoring and Bible-respecting.

Those are the principles that our brethren proclaimed from the earliest days of the restoration plea. These are the precepts that motivated sincere individuals to abandon their denominational names and creeds and to become New Testament Christians. We must continually reemphasize these same truths to every succeeding generation. ALAN HIGHERS

Our Youth Need to Be Taught to Consider the Consequences of Their Actions

Being able to look ahead, and to understand the value of Bible Study, properly chosen friends, selecting a Christian mate, and so forth, is true wisdom. Paul tells us that *"whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap"* (Galatians 6:7). Moses' comment in Deuteronomy 32:29 is priceless: *"Oh, that they were wise, that they would understand this, that they would consider the latter end."* Our youth need to be drilled to look ahead, think ahead, plan ahead – "If I do this, what will be the result?" We will otherwise one day look back and ask ourselves, "What reward did I get from those things of which I am now ashamed?" (Romans 6:21). The attitude of "Well, I'll do what I want to, when I want to do it and nobody is going to stop me" will lead straight to the pig-pen (Luke 15:16). In Ecclesiastes 11:9, Solomon says, in essence: "Go ahead, youth, enjoy yourselves. Live it up. Follow your heart and whatever your eyes see that you want, go after it." But then comes the punch line: *"But know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment."* Learning to consider the results is something we all need to do. But, prayerfully, many of our youth will learn it while yet young. Thanks to Ben and Keri who teach our youth this lesson DAN

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

“Does He, or Doesn't He?”

"Call to Me, and I will answer you..." (Jeremiah 33:3). What a blessing is prayer! Through prayer God has enabled us to be able to talk directly to Him, to personally present to Him all of our needs, concerns, thoughts, and fears. He has promised us that, because of His unlimited power, our prayers can make a difference for good, they change things (James 5:16). But the scriptures are clear that there are people to whose prayers God will not listen. Why would God not listen to somebody's prayers? The simple answer is, "Sin!" It is not that God will not listen to a person's prayers simply because that person commits a sin. It is through prayer that a Christian who has sinned is to purposefully ask God's forgiveness. When a person is living an ongoing lifestyle of sin, however, and does not repent, God can choose to stop listening to that person's prayers. Many scriptures deal with this scenario, several examples being: Psalm 18:40-41; 34:14-16; Proverbs 15:8-9 & 29; Isaiah 59:1-3; John 9:31; and 1 Peter 3:11-12. The very idea that God would not listen to their prayers would be shocking to many people. Virtually everyone, regardless of how unfaithful to God they might be, how wicked and completely ungodly are their lives, how totally disrespectful to God they have become, still believes they can pray anytime and expect God to listen to their prayers! Many people would become quite emotional, some even angry, at the suggestion that perhaps God might not be listening to their prayers. The idea that individuals can disrespect God through continual disobedience and unfaithfulness, and that God will still always pay full respect to their prayers is presumptuous, to say the least. It could also be described as arrogant, absurd, even downright ungodly and wicked. The right to pray to God is a blessing, and with blessing goes responsibility. Can we call God, Father if we are not His child. If we are not a Christian, is God really our Father? DAN

**February has arrived.
Thanks for being here this
morning.**



From Dan's desk:

We had a large attendance at "Monday Night For The Master" last Monday evening. We are grateful to Sandy and James Singleterry along with Dwight and Shelly Franklin as well as John and Ann Mottern for their help with food preparation. It was a great evening and much was accomplished through the efforts of those who were present. We really appreciate all who give their time and energy to serve our Lord in this way. Many times during the week people often come and work that are not able to come on Monday night. We too are so thankful for brethren who serve in any way in this congregation. The month of February looks to be a busy month for the church here. The annual "chili cook-off" to help the youth will take place on Sunday even February 19th. This is always a great evening. Several of the youth will be going to Christian Camp this summer and they are involved in various activities and the money raised through contributions help them defray the cost of such activities. We are grateful to Ben and Keri and our young people, who do a lot. Over the last few weeks we have had a number of visitors among us at the services. This is great and we hope you will take time to recognize them and make them feel welcome. If you are visiting with us today, we hope you will stay for a while and let us meet you and get to know you. There are also visitor gift bags available in the foyer. We hope you will take one. We want you to have one. We hope you will come again soon. We encourage all of our members to be present at the evening service at 6 P.M. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

NORMA HENSON, mother of Sara Briley, is critically ill in the hospital in Lufkin.

STEEL CAMPBELL, brother-in-law of Steve & Jill Camp, is having health problems.

CHARLES McCullough will have a heart cath on Tuesday of this week at E.T.M.C. in Tyler.

Several in the church remain ill with various illnesses. Please pick up a prayer list in the foyer and continue to pray for them.

The Tipton Children's Home will be here on Feb. 13th They have asked that we help with Paper Towels, Kleenex, assorted cereal. Please bring the suggested items to the church building Sunday night Feb. 12th.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

This Saturday, February 11th, we will have a Men's Breakfast & Workday. All men are invited to come at 9AM. The work is optional. Feel free to come, even if you don't feel like you can work. Cost is \$3.00.

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.

Do's and Don'ts Of a Christian

Love One Another. (John 13:34; 15:12; 15:17; 1 Peter 1:22; 1 John 4:7-11). Let us be committed to one another's well being, both physically and spiritually, to the point that we are willing to sacrifice our time, our wealth, and our own interests for one another.

Don't Judge One Another (Romans 14:13). This does not mean that we are not to concern ourselves with the righteous judgment of fruits, but rather Paul tells us not to create problems and issues out of things which are not themselves matters of right and wrong.

Teach One Another (Romans 15:14; Colossians 3:16; 1 Thessalonians 5:11; Hebrews 3:13). Everyone has something to offer the congregation, and we need to encourage one another onward in our journey to heaven.

Greet One Another (Romans 16:16; 1 Corinthians 16:20; 2 Corinthians 13:12; 1 Peter 5:14). We often take for granted the simple "Hello's" that we exchange when we meet. May we every one cherish the bond that makes two Christians saying "hello" a meeting of friends, brethren, and loved ones.

Serve One Another (Galatians 5:13). We have the privilege to follow Christ, but Christ's own life was made perfect through the service He rendered for us—those who were unworthy. Therefore, let us serve one another from a loving desire to serve, rather than the willful desire to be served.

Don't Bite and Devour One Another (Galatians 5:15). We need to remember that our enemy is the devil (1 Peter 5:8). But we will never defeat him while we are fighting among ourselves.

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