

# Teen News

*Thanks to the Youth Group for going to visit our shut-ins last Sunday afternoon. What you all did was amazing! We appreciate the love you all have for the Lord. We really have a great group of teens in this church! Our congratulations to Megan Crawford on making the decision to become a Christian last Sunday night. Thanks to those who stayed for her baptism too. Please keep Megan and all of the youth in your prayers as they continue to grow spiritually. I hope you all have a good week. Thanks for being here!*  
**BEN**

## “In Decency And In Order”

Confusion and disorder are the fruit produced by sinful disregard for God's word and God's will. In families, in churches, in civil government, in finances, and in society at large, Satan is working as a roaring lion to destroy as many as he can by sin and confusion. “For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints” (I Corinthians 14:33). “Let all things be done decently and in order” (I Corinthians 14:40). The word “decently” denotes gracefully, becomingly, in a seemly manner. The expression “decently and in order” is used in I Corinthians 14:40 to express the exact opposite to the word “confusion” in I Corinthians 14:33. The word “peace” in this verse indicates one quality that comes from decency and order. In II Timothy 3:1-7, there is a vivid description of this disorder as it grows in the last days. Please notice just three verses of this passage. “For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God.” Thank God for people who have Christ who strengthens them to live a decent, orderly life and promote order in the Body of Jesus our Lord.

DAN

## “Unity, Let It Abound Among Us”

The beautiful words of David remind us how good it is when people get along with each other. “Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!” (Psalm 133:1). “With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace” (Ephesians 4:2-3). and division in the Lord's work is not good and not pleasant, as we see from the example shown in Acts 15:37-40 when Paul and Barnabas disagreed over taking John Mark on their missionary journey. “And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus; And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God” (Acts 15:39-40). The oil used by Moses in the anointing of Aaron and his sons, the tabernacle, the ark, and vessels for the tabernacle service was a special blend of olive oil, perfumed with myrrh, sweet cinnamon, sweet calamus, and cassia (Exodus 30:22-30). The reference to this anointing oil in Psalm 133 pictures unity among the brethren as being very enjoyable. The opposite of sweet fellowship is a stinking odor.  
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# Gospel Worker

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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 MISS HEAVEN

There was an old preacher who loved his children dearly and longed for them to live right. As they grew older, he did not want to browbeat them or make them think he was always “preaching at them,” so he looked for a way to lovingly and gently encourage them. He came up with his own heartfelt catchphrase, “Whatever you do, don't miss heaven!”

**When Satan comes calling, whatever you do, don't miss heaven!** There is certainly a momentary pleasure to be found in sin, but Moses learned to weigh temptation in the balance and see the lasting pleasure in “the reward” that awaited him (Heb. 11:24-26). View every temptation through the eternal ramifications that it can have.

**When considering the one whom you will marry, whatever you do, don't miss heaven!** When the children of Israel moved into the temporal Promised Land of Canaan and married those of a different faith, “they forgot the Lord their God” and “served their gods” (Judg. 3:5-7), and they missed the eternal Promised Land of heaven. View your future spouse through the eternal impact he/she will have on you.

**When considering your choice of career and your choice of hobbies, whatever you do, don't miss heaven!** Some things in life (like a job) are a necessity; some things in life (like hobbies) are optional. Yet, all things in life (whether we consider them necessities or options) must be evaluated in light of that which is “earthly” and that which is “eternal” (2 Cor. 5:1-8). View every decision of life through the eternal effect that it will have on your soul.

**When considering the place of the church in your life, whatever you do, don't miss heaven!** The church cannot take a secondary role in your life, off to the side, with occasional attention, for Jesus taught that we must “seek [it] first” (Matt. 6:33). View the priority to which you give the church through the eternal magnitude that it will have on you.

Friend, what is heaven worth to you? Have you “set your mind on things above” or “on things of the earth” (Col. 3:1-2)? Whatever you do, don't miss heaven!

David Sproule

**Five more baptized and Six  
place membership. We rejoice  
With each of these.**



***From Dan's desk:***

Sunday was a great day. God just keeps adding souls to the Lord's church. We are so thankful for the recent additions to the congregation here. I was so grateful for the opportunity to study with Billy and Sonja Rose and baptize them into Christ last week and also the privilege to share the gospel with Cody and Jessica Wright and to see them obey the gospel of Jesus. We welcome them into the fellowship of the Lord's church at this place. Last Sunday night after the service, Ben and I studied with Megan Crawford and she also was baptized for the remission of sins. We appreciate her love for the Lord. She has been coming for a few weeks now. Also Sunday night Rodney Covington responded to the invitation of Christ and expressed his desire to place membership with the church here and to ask for the prayers of the congregation. He recently retired from the Navy and the state. He moved here from the Birdville Church of Christ in Fort Worth, Texas. We welcome all of these into the Kingdom of our Lord and we will look forward to being in fellowship with them in the days to come. Thanks to those who came for the Valentine Luncheon last Tuesday. It was a great day and all who came had a wonderful time. The food was great and the fellowship equal to it. The games were fun and we saw another side to many of those who came. Thanks to Audrey for preparing all the dessert for the event and for the decorations. She always does a great job. The church here is an active vibrant group of people who love God and one another. We are so thankful to have worked through the years with such wonderful people. We love you all. Continue to pray for all of those who are still ill with the flu and others illnesses. We hope to see you tonight at the evening service.

DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



**TO KEEP  
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**BRIDGETTE HARBOUR** is a week away from the surgery & delivery of their baby, please keep them in your prayers.

**CLINT ELLIS** is experiencing kidney function failure.

**JAN RIDGEWAY**, sister of Dan Manuel, is in the hospital in Marshall with pneumonia.

**CARON HOLMES** (grandmother of Katie Holmes) is critical with hospice in Paris, Texas

*Remember all other who have been ill at home and those shut in.*

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**MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE  
MASTER**

One week from tomorrow night, February 26th, we will again be having Monday Night for the Master. We will meet at 6:15 for the meal and begin our work at 7 PM. If you can prepare a dessert, please see Shelly Franklin, Ann Mottern or Sandy Singleterry.



Teacher: Who answers my next question, can go home.  
One boy throws his bag out the window.

Teacher: Who just threw that?  
Boy: Me and I'm going home now.

**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.**