

Teen News

I hope everyone had a great week!! I want to thank all of you who came to the L.T.C. meeting last week. I know you will do well in what ever you do. If there is anyone else who would like to participate in L.T.C. please see me A.S.A.P. (3rd-12th grade). We will start right away with our studies on this years theme "The Life of Moses". We have a lot to cover before April 18, so I encourage all of you to come to every class! I also want to welcome **Ashton, Alyssa and Blake Howell** to the youth group. I know you all will add a lot to our program, we are glad to have you!! **Tonight** after the evening worship service we will have a devotional and meal at our home, please make plans to come!!!

BEN

The Ladies Bible class taught by Dan on Wednesday mornings has decided to change back to Tuesday mornings at 9:30 AM. All ladies in the congregation are urged to attend, if you can. Please make a note of this change.

RETIREMENT PARTY

Johnny Jenkins has retired from BIG BROWN, and his family would like you to celebrate with them on March 15th at 2 PM in the activity building. Please indicate on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board across from the office, if you will be attending. Congratulations Johnny!

"A LOOSE TONGUE"

What is gossip? It is negative unflattering words that when spread hurt the reputation of others. Sometimes gossip is made up out of thin air. Other times, only part of the story is true while many significant factors are left out thus leaving the wrong impression. Some gossip can be true but can serve no good purpose to pass it on to others. How does the Bible describe gossip? God's Word often uses words like whispers, backbiters, and evil speaking (Rom. 1:29-32; 2 Cor.12:20; 1 Pet.1:1). But how serious is this behavior in God's sight? Well, let us take a brief look at some truths about gossip and its spiritual dangers. Why is whispering so detrimental? What are its fruits? First, whispering often causes strong friendships to dissolve (Prov.16:28). Can you imagine how this would interrupt spiritual unity and progress in a congregation if the conflicting friends were brethren? We must carefully measure everything we say for the consequences can be powerfully negative. Also, backbiting can feel like the "piercing of a sword." (Prov. 12:18). Has unfair critical talk about you gotten back to you? It hurts deeply! This is not what Jesus has taught us to do. He commands us to treat others in the way we would like to be treated. (Mt. 7:12). Loose speech not only damages the reputation of others, it diminishes the usefulness of the gossipier. The only one who wins in this scenario is Satan. **SELECTED**

DOOR GREETERS Mar. 16, 2014

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March 16, 2014**

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Tipton, OK
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GIVE ME THE BIBLE
T.V. Program
KETK-56 Tyler, TX.
FOX 44—Waco, TX.
FOX 29, Bryan—College Station, TX.
NBC 53—Lufkin, TX.

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Fellowship Luncheon
next Sunday, March 16th.
Please bring two of the following: A meat dish, a vegetable, a salad, or a dessert.



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One Baptized & Three Place Membership



From Dan's desk:

We want to welcome each of you to the worship services today. We are glad that you are with us. Last Sunday we announced the baptism of RUSSELL JOHNSON last week. Russell is the son of Harold and Bobbie Johnson. We welcome him into our fellowship here at Crockett Rd. He is a fine person and I have known him a long time and following our discussion together, he was baptized for the remission of sins. Last Sunday we also welcomed into the church family KENNY HANCOCK who comes to us from the Rusk church of Christ. Kenny has been coming for the last several weeks and we are happy about his decision to be a member here at Crockett Rd. Also on Sunday morning, MAURINE GRIMES made her desire known to place membership with us as well. She comes to us from the Walnut Hill church of Christ in Dallas, where she has been a member for many years. We all love and appreciate her so much. Maurine grew up here in Palestine and has come back to live here. She is a resident at the Altera Sterling House, room 116. We will look forward to having her with us all the time here at Crockett Rd. The weather has really been changing recently. One day its warm and one day it's cold. Hopefully Spring will be here soon. Many of the trees and plants are already blooming. I just hope the cold weather last weekend did not kill them. Over the next few weeks, we will have numerous visitors to the Dogwood Trails. Let's make sure to make our visitors welcome and invite them to come again. I hope that each of you moved your clock forward one hour. If you didn't you will not be on scheduled. Daylight Savings Time begins today. We will see you tonight at the worship service. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

LINDA ALLEN had knee replacement surgery on Thursday. She is recovering. **JAMES SINGLETERRY** fell and broke some ribs.

CURT DONALDSON, son of Mary Stech, will enter Baylor Hospital in Dallas on Wednesday for tests and treatments.

JERRY SPARKS, brother of Dale Sparks, is seriously ill.

NIKI SATTERWHITE, sister of Clint, remains in the hospital in Dallas.

RESPONSES

BAPTISED & MEMBERSHIP

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MEMBERSHIP

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(No phone yet)

THANK YOU

Thanks to Phillip Castillo for cleaning and washing the church bus. It looks great and we really appreciate his kindness for doing this for the church.

"A WORD FITLY SPOKEN"

The wise writer once said, "*A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger*" (Proverbs 15:1). Good advice, indeed.

We would be wise even today to admit that it is much better to give a soft (as opposed to *harsh*) answer because we will be more successful in our attempts to persuade others of the truth, be more likely to have others actually hear what we are saying, and have a greater chance for making friends while diminishing the chance of making more enemies. Even when others have spoken or acted harshly towards us, the soft answer will prevent [or at least hinder] an escalation of the conflict or strife, whereas a harsh retort would only prolong it and incite further anger. In most situations, this proverbial instruction would be worth heeding.

King Solomon would comment further on the need for a soft answer, reminding us, "*It is honorable for a man to stop striving, since any fool can start a quarrel*" (Proverbs 20:3). Many men continually prove themselves foolish in this matter, for they just cannot let someone else insult them or get in the last, harsh word. But there is no honor in continuing strife by answering with harsh words when a soft answer would end the strife. There is no honor in being able to arrogantly say, "I sure showed him, didn't I?" I repeat, there is no honor in this. DAN