

Teen News

Thanks to those of you who stayed for the DEVO last Sunday night. The pizza was good and the devotional was fun. The youth are ready to go to Dallas for LTC. I've talked to several of them and they very excited! Its just two weeks away. Most of the youth were out for Spring Break last week and some will be out this week. I'm glad each of you are here this morning. Remember we will have a DEVO after church tonight.

BEN

BUNKO

Ladies Bunko will take place on March 24th. Please make plans to attend. We will meet at 5:30 at Bon Appetite. We must have 15 to reserve the place.

A child asked his father, "How were people born?" So his father said, "Adam and Eve made babies, then their babies became adults and made babies, and so on." The child then went to his mother, asked her the same question and she told him, "We were monkeys then we evolved to become like we are now." The child ran back to his father and said, "You lied to me!" His father replied, "No, your mom was talking about her side of the family."

Is It Narrow Minded?



I don't know about you, but I get a little weary of hearing the word "narrow" used as a slur against preachers who adhere to the Bible in their preaching. Sure they are "narrow," but so are factory workers, surgeons, druggists, and teachers.

The factory worker is so "narrow" that he uses micrometers and measures to the thousandth of an inch the bores and pistons of engines, electronic components and balancing wheels in timepieces. The surgeon is so "narrow" that he insists on ultra-technical laboratory analysis and meticulously sterilized instruments of special design. Why is he so "picky narrow" that he makes his assistants wear cloths over their faces? The druggist is so "narrow" that he just has to have a prescription before he will let you have certain drugs. He says he has to be "narrow" because government regulations are narrow, and even thinks it is for your good! As you think about it, it's a blessing that somebody is "narrow-minded." And however much we need to be narrow about vital material matters, we must be infinitely more careful and exact about spiritual laws. God will not be mocked! **Jeremy Frost**

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

ARE YOU REALLY DEVOTED AND LOYAL TO GOD?

At times it is hard for many people to see how wrong it is to introduce into the work and worship of the Lord's church anything that just simply appeals to them. They do not realize that to mix human wisdom with divine is offensive to God. Jesus rebuked the most pious Jews of his day because they could not accept what God said as sufficient; they had to add their own traditions and customs and make them of equal, if not more, important than scripture. True Christian has pledge to be devoted and to the Lord Jesus Christ. If one remains true to that pledge, customs and human traditions will not be allowed to become sacred. The ways of this world will not become a strong influence, and his/her desire will ever be to conform to the teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "This people honoreth me with their lips; But their heart is far from me. But in vain do they worship me, Teaching (as their) doctrines the precepts of men" (Matt. 15:8-9). One lesson we must eventually learn is that God's ways are incomparable to man's. The ancient prophet wrote, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith Jehovah. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa 55:8-9). The wisdom of this world is but foolishness to Almighty God. Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, And the discernment of the discerning will I bring to nought. Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?" (1 Cor 1:19-20). James wrote of a religion that was vain (James 1:26). Jesus said those who held to the traditions of men made void the commandments of God (Mark 7:8). A religion that is vain cannot be the religion that honors God. Not to put the bridle of truth on the tongue makes vain religion and to bring into the worship and work of the church anything God does not authorize makes vain worship. **We must always remain faithful and honor the authority of the Scriptures by upholding the Bible.**

DAN

**Welcome Visitors
We are glad you have
come.**



From Dan's desk:



I hope you didn't forget to move your clock forward one hour before going to bed last night. If you did and you just came to worship, you understand why worship is already over. We will meet again tonight at 6 P.M. I have always liked Daylight Savings Time. It is hard to believe that Spring is here and that the flowers and trees are beginning to bloom. If you have come today as a visitor we want you to know that we appreciate you being here. We love visitors in the congregation here and we hope you will come again soon. If you are a member of this congregation, we are glad you are here as well. Our times of Bible Study and Worship are truly times of great fellowship and learning. If you are not attending a Bible class on Sunday morning or Wednesday night, we encourage you to start attending. You will be blessed by doing so. We inadvertently announced that we would not have Children's Bible Hour tonight, but that was incorrect. Bible Hour will be held tonight and we encourage parents to bring your children and be here at 6 P.M. The only time Bible Hour will not be held is Easter Sunday March 27th. Please make a note. Easter comes early this year. The Youth will be going to L.T.C. in the Dallas area on March 25th. They will be back that Saturday in time for services on Sunday. We are so thankful for the good rain that we received this last week. It has been dry and God knew that we needed the moisture. We are grateful. We will see you all again tonight.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

We have no new ill to report at this time. Continue to pray for those who have recently undergone surgery or for those who have ongoing illnesses. There is a prayer list in the foyer that is available to you with the names of those who are ill and those who have asked for our prayers. Please pick up a copy.

**CHILDREN'S BIBLE
HOUR**

Children's Bible will be held tonight. They will only dismiss for the week of Easter. No Bible Hour on Sunday night March 27th. Please make a note.

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.

WHAT IS YOUR POSITION?

We live in a world with a huge variety of religions and in a world that offers a huge variety of denominational churches, inquisitive minds that do actually want to know may become minds that are confused. In the hope of shedding some light, we offer a bit of information designed to let you know what we, the church of Christ at this congregation is all about. There are things we share in common with other churches, but there are also things that clearly distinguish us from any other religion on earth. One distinguishing mark is our allegiance to the Bible as the word of the Living God. First and foremost, this congregation is committed to practicing and preaching only those things we find authorized in the New Testament. We believe having authority is essential Col. 3:17; Rom. 15:18; Matt. 28:18-19. Second, our worship is, to the best of our ability, a replica of that which the New Testament teaches. As we assemble to take the Lord's Supper Acts 2:42; 20:7 we also pray together 1 Cor. 14:15-16, we give of our means to support the work of the church 1 Cor. 16:1-4, we teach the sacred word 1 Thess. 5:27 and sing praises to God Eph. 5:19. Third, our work consists of causing the gospel to be preached Phil. 1:5, relief of the needy for whom the church is responsible Acts 6:1-6; 1 Tim. 5:16, and edification Eph. 4:12,16. We reject radicalism as well as liberalism. We seek to deviate neither to the left nor to the right, "from any of the words God commands" Deut. 28:14. We endeavor to include nothing not found in the New Testament, but also to include all that is found in the New Testament as it pertains to our work and worship. If questions arise about us, please let us know. We will not be deliberately wrong on anything.

DAN