

Teen News

Thank you for being here today! It is now time to sign up for church camp. If you are interested in going this year we will have a short meeting after church this morning in the youth room. I hope all parents will encourage your kids to go. Church Camp is not only fun, it will be a good place for them to meet friends and grow stronger in their faith. If you have any questions about camp, feel free to come to the meeting.

“ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE”

Thank God for challenges for they strengthen our souls. The strongest oak is not the one which is nurtured in a greenhouse environment, but one that grows in the open where it battles against the storms around it. The same is true of Christians and the “storms” in their lives. Here is the way God describes trials, “The testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing” (James 1:3-4). The way to full maturity (perfection and completion) is to travel the road of adversity.

Thank God for challenges because they give us a sense of certain victory. We may not win every individual skirmish, but the bottom line is that we are winning. Each of us has come a long way in our walk with the Lord and though it has at times been trying, we are better people now than we were before. This is because we are overcoming our encounters with adversity. Look back at your life. You are winning! There are challenges ahead, but you have been winning and with God’s help you will achieve victory!

Now think about the challenges around us and how God is working through us to become victorious. Our finest days and greatest victories lie before us!

D. Jenkins



Those To Serve

April 2018

A.M. Opening

- 1 J. B. Matlock
- 8 Doug Lowe
- 15 Wayne Cartwright
- 22 Charles Steen
- 29 Roy Davis

A.M. Closing

- Doug Rader
- Kermit Grimsley
- Luke Lane
- Jerry Sturgess
- David Akins

P. M. Opening

- 1 Robert Duzan
- 8 George Wooden
- 15 Henry Baker
- 22 Kyle Lock
- 29 James Singleterry

P. M. Closing

- Brandon Franklin
- Rick Giles
- Tom Watson
- Billy Lane
- Larry Hooper

Serve Communion

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| Doug Sumrall | Jayden Townsend |
| Mike Whitley | Donnie Wells |
| Charles Steen | Doug Lowe |
| Gary Chambless | Larry Hooper |

Communion Preparation

- 1 Charles & Sheila McCullough
- 8 Deanna Chapman
- 15 Dee & Tiffany Bell
- 22 Robert & Lois Duzan
- 29 J. B. & Joyce Matlock

DOOR GREETERS

July 1, 2018

J.B. & Joyce Matlock

COMMUNION PREPARATION

July 1, 2018

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Dale Sparks

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Henry Baker
Johnny Jenkins
Kyle Lock
R.D. Prince

SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

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Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX
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School of Preaching
Hershel Bearden
India Mission
Central TX Children's Home—Buda, TX
Tipton Children's Home
Tipton, OK
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T.V. Program

KETK-NBC 56 Tyler, TX.
FOX 44 KWKT—Waco, TX
FOX 33 KMSS
Shreveport, LA.
NBC 28 KYLE, Bryan-College Station, TX.
NBC 53—KLSB Lufkin, TX.
FOX 29 KSVP Lake Charles, LA.
ABC 10—KTEN
Sherman-Denison, TX
ASSEMBLY TIMES
Sun: 9:30 AM Class
10:30 AM Worship
6:00 PM Evening
Wed: 7:00 PM

THE ROCK OF AGES IS SOLID

How many times have you echoed the hymn, “On Christ The Solid Rock I Stand”? The grand old song we often sing says: “On Christ, the Solid Rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand.” This hymn is truly based on Biblical truth. *Christ is the Solid Rock...of the Old Testament.* “My rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold” Psa. 18:2; “The rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God” Psa. 62:7. *Christ is the Solid Rock...upon which the church has been founded.* No human can take His place as the “chief cornerstone” of the church Eph. 2:20; 1 Pet. 2:6, for “no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ” 1 Cor. 3:11. When Peter confessed the deity of Christ, the Lord said, “On this rock (**His deity**) I will build My church” Matt. 16:18. *Christ is the Solid Rock...upon whom I stand.* The emphasis is on the confidence that we need to have to stand on Him and Him alone. Can each of us affirm these things, “I am not ashamed...For I know whom I have believed...I will walk in Your truth...I will not forget Your word...I will keep the commandments of my God” Rom. 1:16; 2 Tim. 1:12; Psa. 86:11; 119:16, 115? He is the Solid Rock upon which the wise man builds his home Matt. 7:24-25. *All other ground is sinking sand!* There is other ground upon which we may stand, even ground that may appear to have insignificant differences to standing on Christ. However, the ground of the Lord is unique and there is no other that is “close enough.” “Their rock is not like our Rock,” for there is no “rock like our God” Deut. 32:31; 1 Sam. 2:2. The ground of man-made doctrine is sinking sand Matt. 15:8-9. The ground of self-prescribed, will worship is sinking sand Col. 2:23. The ground of justifying decisions with “I think, I feel, I believe” instead of “The Bible says” is sinking sand Col. 3:17. The ground of “everybody else is doing it” is sinking sand Rom. 12:2. The ground of trusting in the riches of this world is sinking sand Matt. 13:22. The ground of enjoying the pleasures of sin is sinking sand Heb. 11:25. The ground of doing whatever it takes to please others is sinking sand 1 Thess. 2:4; Gal. 1:10. When you take a look at your life and where you stand right now, can you boldly profess, “My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness...I wholly lean on Jesus’ Name”? If you have built your hope on any other ground than the Solid Rock, you are on sinking sand! Too many times in our lives we find ourselves building our spiritual house on the shifting sands of time instead of erecting it on Christ the Solid Rock.

DAN

**Welcome Dogwood Trails
Visitors. We appreciate you
coming today.**



From Dan's desk:

If you have come to the city of Palestine to visit during the annual Dogwood Trails, we are glad that you are here. The Dogwoods are in bloom and they have really graced our city. We appreciate all of you who are here and we hope you will come again soon. We had several Jamboree visitors last Sunday from various places, in and out of state, as well. Spring break is over and the young people, as well as teachers, are back in school and the routine of daily life. It is always good to have a break from normalcy. Thanks for your positive remarks about the lessons last Sunday. We begin our 47th year with the congregation here. It is hard to believe that we have been in Palestine that long, but we have been blessed to have worked with such a wonderful church family as the one here at Crockett Road church. We hope and trust that the future will be even brighter and greater for all of us. Remember that tomorrow night is Monday Night For The Master. We hope that each of you will want to join us as we work around the building. We always get so much done when we work together. We will meet at the usual time of 6:15 P.M. for the meal and we will work between the hour of 7-8 P.M. The meal that night will be pizza from Mazzio's, along with salad. If you can bring a dessert, please see, Shelly Franklin, Sandy Singleterry or Ann Mottern. We appreciate these sweet ladies for their coordination of the meal. The days are longer and you should be able to get home before dark. We always appreciate all those who come and help. Thanks for being here this morning and we hope to see you tonight at 6 P.M.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

KENLEE HARBOUR is doing better in Dallas. We continue to pray for her.

MARLENE THOMPSON will have heart valve surgery next week.

CINDY ODEN, daughter of Johnny and Carolyn Jenkins, will have surgery in Washington state next week.

ALIYAH JEDESEH, 8 mo. old great granddaughter of Marlene, has a heart valve that's not closing. Surgery at Texas Children's.

Continue to pray for all others that we have mentioned recently. PRAYER LIST IN THE FOYER ON THE PODIUM.

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Welcome to the 80th Annual Dogwood Trails and to our Church Family. We are glad to have you with us today. Please display your visitor label so we can identify you and make you feel welcome.

***We appreciate you worshipping with us
this morning.***

APRIL BIRTHDAY'S

- 6 Carolyn Jenkins
- 10 Lauri Akins, Jeff Sparks
- 14 John Taylor
- 15 Sonda Baker
- 16 Dale Sparks, Cecil Stanaland, Jessica Wright
- 17 Janae Evans
- 24 Amanda Herbrough

“Let Me Bless Others”

We should all want to be a channel of blessing to others. Paul expressed his desire to be used as a channel of blessing in Philippians 1:20-21, “According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.” The song “Make Me A Channel Of Blessing” conveys the lesson that the servant of the LORD can be the useful instrument, the channel of blessing, from God to those in need. Consider the first stanza, “Is your life a channel of blessing? Is the love of God flowing through you? Are you telling the lost of the Savior? Are you ready his service to do?” Paul wrote by inspiration to the church at Corinth, the church that did not always appreciate his leadership. “And I will very gladly spend and be spent for you; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I be loved” (2 Corinthians 12:15). This is Paul’s way of saying, “I will lay everything, even my life, on God’s altar for you.” Your life can be a channel of blessing if you will take up your cross and follow Jesus daily (Luke 9:23-24). If you follow the selfish, fleshly path, your life can also be a stumbling block (I Corinthians 8:9). Let us every day make that effort to bless someone else as God has blessed us. You will reap what you sow in life. Gal. 6. What are you sowing in your life? DAN