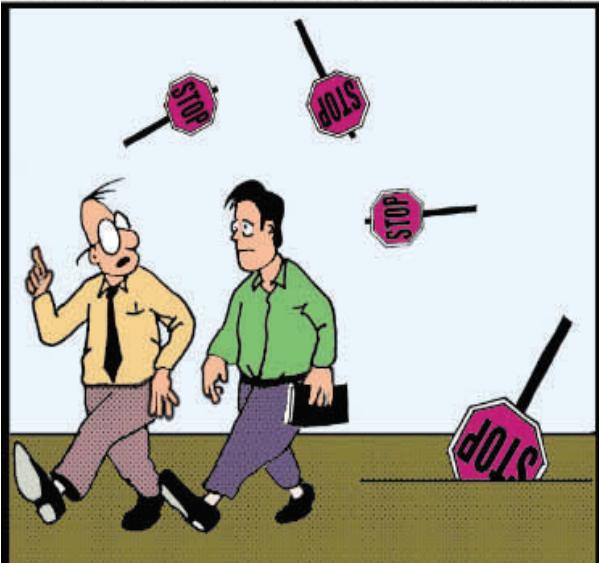


Teen News

LTC SANDWICH SUPPER & AWARDS BANQUET IMMEDIATELY AFTER SERVICES TONIGHT. Please bring either sandwiches or dessert and stay to honor these young people on their achievements.

SINGLES will meet this Thursday night at 5:30 PM at Village Seafood on Hwy 79. Please sign up if you will be attending.

CHURCH OF THE COVERED DISH by Thom Tapp



"I'm so sure of this... it would take a sign from God to stop me!"



Those to Serve May 2011

A.M. Opening

- 1 Steve Camp
- 8 Dale Sparks
- 15 Sam Ellis
- 22 Adam Harding
- 29 Henry Baker

P.M. Opening

- 6 Bernie Baur
- 13 Robert Duzan
- 20 Dwight Franklin
- 27 Charles McCullough
- 29 Jerry Sturgess

A.M. Closing

- 1 Jeff Sumrall
- 8 David Sparks
- 15 Truman Tate
- 22 James Singleterry
- 29 Billy Lane

P.M. Closing

- 1 Jim Hahn
- 8 Blake Baker
- 15 Mark Johnson
- 22 Tom Watson
- 29 Brandon Franklin

Serve Communion

Ike Weatherly
Robert Duzan
Ben Rhone
Todd Perry

Jack Thomason
Mike Whitley
Jim Ricard
Dwayne Hagemeier

Communion Preparation



- 1 Bob Stech
- 8 S. Grubb & L. King
- 15 Sheila Link
- 22 Phillip Castillo
- 29 Steve Camp

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Sam Ellis
Dwight Franklin
Adam Harding
Kyle Lock

SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

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Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX
Jose Cuadras—Mexico
School of Preaching
Hershel Bearden
India Mission
Ken Upchurch
Tanzania Africa Work
Central TX Children's Home—Buda, TX
Tipton Children's Home
Tipton, OK
Gospel Broadcast Network

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

"IF TOMORROW NEVER COMES"

Tomorrow will never come for many people. *"Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away,"* (James 4:14). The nature of our life is that we are on earth only for a brief time. What if tomorrow never comes in your life?

If tomorrow never comes I want to be found in Christ. The Bible teaches we should, *"be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith,"* (Philippians 3:9). I care nothing for self-achieved righteousness; I simply want to be found in Him.

If tomorrow never comes I want to have served faithfully in the Lord's army. I long to hear God say, *"Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord,"* (Matthew 25:23). Whatever has been put into my hands my goal is to be trustworthy in it. Being God's faithful servant is what matters.

If tomorrow never comes I want to die in the service of my Lord. I realize, *"I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work,"* (John 9:4). I desire to be busy with God's business during the daylight of my life. Night is coming.

If tomorrow never comes I want my family and friends to know of my love and I want to leave them an example to follow. Paul said, *"Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ,"* (1 Corinthians 11:1). My prayer is that the example of my life can be such that I can say to family and friends, *"Follow my example. I followed the Messiah; now you follow me."*



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES.

If you have not been here since last Easter, we hope you will make Sunday a **WEEKLY Practice.**

From Dan's desk:

We welcome each of you to our worship service this morning. Today is that day that is so often recognized as Easter Sunday. For some reason or another, some people believe that this day is more important to the Lord than any other Sunday. **WRONG.** God delights in the assembly of His children every Sunday. Too many people believe that if they come to church on Easter Sunday and Christmas, they are in good standing with God. **WRONG.** God wants a relationship (full-time). If you are not in the habit of attending worship each Sunday, I hope you will consider doing so. The early church gathered every Sunday for the purpose of worshipping God, hearing His Word and taking the Lord's Supper. This is not something that should just be a HABIT people get into or out of, but something we do because we love God. Congratulations to the youth who did so well at L.T.C. this weekend in Dallas. We appreciate all those who helped work with the young people in preparation for the events taking place in Dallas this year. Remember that Monday Night For The Master takes place tomorrow night at 6:15 P.M. We will begin work at 7 P.M. All are encouraged to be present. See you tonight for worship services.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

VONOLGA ROBERSON has been hospitalized this last week with blood pressure problems and a high fever.

BERNIE BAUR is still very weak after his hospitalization and continues to need our prayers.

GENE HERGENREDER, brother-in-law of George Wooden, had surgery on Monday of last week for an infection and will have to have two additional surgeries.

WENDELL BEAN, a friend of Gary & Jan Todd, has pancreatic cancer and needs our prayers.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER: Dennis Ellison, Bob Burchfield, Gary Oliver, Mary Ann Chapman, Bill Hogan, Gerald Wilcher, Toby Williams, Hunter Sheridan, & Danny Sumrall.

SERVICEMEN OVERSEAS:
Adam Keck, Jeremy Dixon, Blaine Kline, Josh Mottern.

Our sympathy is extended to Joann Johnson and family on the death of her sister, JEAN REESE. Her services were held on Monday.



MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Tomorrow night will be Monday Night for the Master. We will meet at 6:15 for a Taco Salad supper and then begin our work at 7PM. If you can prepare a dessert, please see Jane Grumbles.

"Wiped Out"

"Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out" (Acts 3:19).

In an old, one-room, country schoolhouse years ago, John Maynard was doing very poor work. About half way through the school year, though, something the teacher said inspired him. He diligently applied himself to his work. His grades improved. His assignments were neat and attractive. He finished the year with very good marks, and his parents were quite proud. On visitation day at the end of the year, however, John's heart sank as he saw his mother looking at his workbooks from that school year. He knew that the first half of those workbooks were full of messy work and unsightly blots. He watched as his mother leafed through them and was surprised that his mother was quite pleased as she called his father over to examine them. John discovered that his kind teacher had removed all of his work from the first half of the year and only left the work that was neat.

The point in life where we have a change of heart is called "repentance." Sometimes in the Bible this change is simply called "turning" (Acts 3:19). When we make an about-face, God covers up all of our shabby deeds from the past. He forgives, which means he removes them from the record book. In ancient times writing was removed from leather scrolls by washing or sponging the ink off, and this metaphor was employed frequently in the Bible. The Psalmist prayed: "Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions....Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities" (Ps. 51:1, 9). God declares: "I, I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins....I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud, and your sins like mist" (Isa. 43:25; 44:22).