

# Teen News

Good morning!! Thanks for being here today. Church camp is just five weeks away! Please turn in your registration form to me when you have it completed. If you don't have one and want to go, come see me and I'll give you one. The ages are 10-18 and camp is June 15-20. Tonight after the evening worship service we will go to Ci Ci's pizza to eat and fellowship. Thanks to J.B. and Joyce Matlock for making this possible! Remember this Saturday all high school students are going to the lake. We will fish, swim, play games, eat, have a devotional and much more!! See ya tonight. Also, if you see Ashton be sure to tell her happy birthday. (It was last Thursday!)

BEN

## See It Through

When you're up against a trouble,  
Meet it squarely, face to face;  
Lift your chin and set your shoulders,  
Plant your feet and take a brace.  
When it's vain to try to dodge it,  
Do the best that you can do;  
You may fail, but you may conquer,  
See it through!

Black may be the clouds about you  
And your future may seem grim,  
But don't let your nerve desert you;  
Keep yourself in fighting trim.  
If the worse is bound to happen,  
Spite of all that you can do,  
Running from it will not save you,  
See it through!

Even hope may seem but futile,  
When with troubles you're beset,  
But remember you are facing  
Just what other men have met.  
You may fail, but fall still fighting;  
Don't give up, whate'er you do;  
Eyes front, head high to the finish.  
See it through!

Edgar A. Guest

## CONSEQUENCES

We can learn a lot from early man. I'm not talking about evolutionary theory or the supposed, "missing link," I'm talking about Adam, the very first man. He, like all of us, was created in the image of God. Adam knew what it was like to walk and talk with God in the garden of Eden. He knew the incomparable pleasure of an unmarred relationship with his Creator. Despite all this, Adam gave up everything for a taste of forbidden fruit. What can we learn from Adam? **There is no grief so great as a lost opportunity.** When we mourn for a lost loved one, what do we most desire? We'd probably like the opportunity to hug them one more time, to tell them how much we love them, and to right any wrongs we might have caused. Adam must have thought a lot about missed opportunities after he had been cast out of the garden. God no longer walked and talked with him as He had done before. Adam's close, intimate relationship with God was gone. That opportunity was lost because there was something between Adam and God that could not be reconciled. Just as you can't un-speak a word or un-ring a bell, Adam found that he couldn't undo sin. Tragically, it was only *after* he had been cast out of the garden that Adam truly realized what he'd lost. So it is with us, that many times we do not realize the grief that sin can cause until we have already made the wrong choices.

ADAPTED

DOOR GREETERS May 25, 2014

Ike & Joyce Weatherly

COMMUNION PREPARATION  
May 25, 2014

Charles & Sheila McCullough

# Gospel Worker

## Crockett Road Church of Christ

1717 Crockett Road; P.O. Box 288  
Palestine, Texas 75802  
903/723-6291  
www.crockettroadchurchofchrist.org

### MINISTERS

Dan D. Manuel  
*Pulpit Minister*  
Ben Rhone  
*Youth Minister*

### ELDERS

Dan D. Manuel  
Dale Sparks

### DEACONS

Henry Baker  
Sam Ellis  
Dwight Franklin  
Adam Harding  
Kyle Lock

### SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

### MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Brown Trail School of  
Preaching, Bedford, TX  
Jose Cuadras—Mexico  
*School of Preaching*  
Hershel Bearden  
*India Mission*  
Central TX Children's  
Home—Buda, TX  
Tipton Children's Home  
*Tipton, OK*  
GBN T.V. NETWORK  
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



## Senior Elkhart High School

Chassity Chambless to be honored upon  
her forthcoming graduation from Elkhart  
High School. Congratulations!

VOLUME 50

NUMBER 20

May 18, 2014

# FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON following the morning worship hour.



*From Dan's desk:*

Thanks to the men who came to the breakfast and workday last week. It was a great day and all who participated had an wonderful time of fellowship and a lot was accomplished. I understand that the ladies who came yesterday to the Tea also had a good time. Thanks to Sandy and others who organized this effort and fellowship for the ladies. The end of May is approaching and that means school will soon conclude until the Fall. We will honor CHASSITY CHAMBLESS this morning upon her forthcoming graduation from Elkhart High School. Chassity is a busy young lady. Not only is she attending high school, but she is also working at two jobs after school and on the weekends. We are happy for her upon reaching this milestone in her life and wish for her the very best in life. We will have our quarterly fellowship luncheon after the worship hour this morning. We hope that each of you will want to stay for the fellowship and good food. These are times that draw us closer together. Thanks all of you for being present this morning, and if you are visiting with us today, please plan to join us for lunch. There will be plenty. We hope you will come again. Thanks for you comments about the Mother's Day Sermon. It is always great to honor mother for the good things she does and for what she means to all of us. We have some wonderful mothers and grandmothers in the congregation here at Crockett Rd. We praise them all. We had a great attendance last Sunday, in spite of the fact that many were out of town with their children or their mothers. See you tonight. DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**MICKEY BOWLES** has learned that he has bile duct cancer and has entered M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston for surgery and treatment **GARY OLIVER** remains ill and request our prayers. He will not be able to have his bone marrow transplant at present.

**NICOLE GUERRA** has been moved to Palestine Regional Rehab.

**MATTIE BERRYHILL**, mother of Linda Allen, has been ill and in hospital.

**JACK CARROLL**, grandfather of Chance Carroll, has liver and colon cancer and is taking treatment in Florida.

**G.G. & JONNA GARDNER**, friends of Jeff Sparks, were involved in an auto accident and are in serious condition.

**CARRIE HARDING**, Adam's sister, is seriously ill in California.

**Please remember all of  
these in your prayers**

### 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.**

## HOW ABOUT YOUR CONSCIENCE?

Scripture is filled with warnings concerning our conscience. Jeremiah spoke about his people having, "forgotten how to blush" (Jer. 8:12). Further, he said that when wickedness was done in Israel, "my people love to have it so" (Jer. 5:31). Paul speaks of those who, "suppress the truth in unrighteousness" and therefore do not pay attention to God's will (Rom. 1:18). Later, Paul again mentions people who had spent so much time in sin that they were, "past feeling" (Eph. 4:19). Jesus Himself spoke of those whose, "hearts have grown dull, their ears hard of hearing, and their eyes closed" (Matt. 13:15).

All those passages point to one frightening truth: it is possible for people to get to a point where sin no longer pricks our conscience and causes us to feel guilty (hence the term, "seared" — 1 Tim. 4:2). When we become numb to the presence of sin, it becomes impossible to please God (Rom. 8:8). How do people often sear their consciences?

People sear their consciences *Procrastination, Rationalizations, Compromise, Apathy, pride and many other things*. Many people are seared by spiritual inactivity and lethargy. From the outside, they may appear to be "good" people, but the word of God has no noticeable effect on their growth and development, spiritually speaking. This is a great concern, for God's word commands us to grow (2 Pet. 3:18), and be transformed (Rom. 12:1-2). Jesus said that those who hear His words and fail to do them are foolishly building their spiritual houses on a foundation of sand (Matt. 7:24-27). **DON'T LET IT HAPPEN TO YOU.**

DAN