

WE ARE LEAVING FOR CHURCH CAMP TODAY!! I'm so excited for all of us who are going to Ark-La-Tex Church Camp this week. Here are few things to expect : good fellowship, singing, Bible studies, devos, sports, swimming, praying, games, GREAT FOOD and much more. We will have so much fun! **REMEMBER Tuesday June 23 we start our Summer Youth Series. We will be leaving the church building at 4:30 p.m. and go to the Livingston Church of Christ.** This will be a great opportunity to meet and worship with people your own age. I hope that you all will make plans to attend. **NEXT Sunday is Fathers Day and the youth will honor all Dads with dough nuts and coffee in the small fellowship hall from 9 to 9:30 a.m. (I'm asking the youth to meet me up here at 8:45a.m.)** I hope you all have a blessed week!! BEN

“SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT”

When we complain of having to do the same thing over and over, let us remember that God does not send new trees, strange flowers and different grasses every year. When the spring winds blow, they blow in the same way. In the same places the same dear blossoms lift up the same sweet faces, yet they never weary us. When it rains, it rains as it always has. Even so would the same tasks which fill our daily lives put on new meanings if we wrought them in the spirit of renewal from within., a spirit of growth and beauty.

“ARE YOU GOING TO THE MOVIE?”

Years ago the plot of romantic movies was simple. Boy meets girl. Boy loves girl. Boy loses girl. Boy wins girl. Though there were many other activities in the movie, this was the basic plot. Now the plot has changed. Time and time again this is the plot line. Boy meets girl. Boy has sex with girl (with her as the aggressor). Boy is loved by girl. Boy decides if he wants the girl or not. This obviously conveys a huge moral change in our culture. Two responses should be obvious to modern plots. Does this immediate desire to hop in bed with a man reflect reality? What man would want a personal, permanent relationship with such a careless woman? Secondly, no matter what our society's pagan morals may be, what the modern plots communicate is sin. It is called fornication (having sex with someone not your marriage partner) and is condemned in passages like 1 Corinthians 6:13. Is it any wonder why so many people have given up on going to the movies? Why would someone want to go and delight in the things they tell others to abstain from as a Christian? Maybe this is something some might rethink. Just perhaps. DAN

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

“YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAITH”

A recent survey by the National Study of Youth & Religion found that while many teens are active in religious groups, few are well educated about those beliefs, and therefore have a “shallow” faith. The study showed that while many teens had a belief in God and believed faith was important, many had a difficult time explaining how that faith made any difference in their lives. I believe this study shows us the importance of biblical education to growing in faith. As many have abandoned “Bible” class for classes more rooted in popular psychology and current fads, the spiritual development of their students has suffered. Without hearing God's word, faith does not grow. (Romans 10:17) Faith that does not grow beyond the basics, is weak and shallow. As we read in 2 Peter 1:5-8, *“But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

We must challenge not only our teens, but also ourselves to grow in faith or risk having a worthless faith!

ADAPTED

Youth To Camp V.B.S. Tuesday, June 23rd



From Dan's desk:

Summer vacations have already begun. Last Sunday a number of our folks were out of town on various trips. Several visitors were with us even though several of ours were out of town. Our Summer Speaker series started last Wednesday night. Thanks to David McCain who came from Mt. Pleasant to speak to the congregation here. I have been in a Gospel meeting near Gilmer, Texas this last week. I hate that I had to be away on Wednesday night. Several preachers are in the rotation on Wednesday nights. It provides an opportunity for the congregation here to hear someone other than the regular minister. It was good to be with Perry Cowan and the Shady Grove Church of Christ once again. Our Vacation Bible School "Super Tuesday" is rapidly approaching. Please begin now to invite your friends and any young people you know, to make plans to attend. It will be a great day. We have several things planned. Ben and Keri will be leaving with the youth to attend the Ark-La-Tex Christian Youth Camp this week. Please continue to keep them in your prayers. We are grateful to Ben and Keri and others who continue to provide activities for the youth and those who teach them in Bible Class. We are grateful for the presence of all of you. Remember that next Sunday is Father's Day. We will have a luncheon following the morning worship service. We hope you will stay and fellowship with us, if you are not treating Dad to lunch somewhere else. We hope to see you tonight.

DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

CLINT ELLIS was released from the hospital and is doing better.

NANCY MILLER will have surgery on Friday of this week in Houston.

WANDA BURKE, former member here, was taken to hospice in Tyler on Monday. She is very critically ill.

Please pick up a prayer list on the podiums.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

Next Sunday following the morning worship service. Bring Dad and celebrate Father's Day with us. Please bring 2 of the following: a meat dish, a vegetable, a salad, or a dessert.

Our Youth Group invites you to bring your Dads to.....

**Donuts
with
Dad**



*Next Sunday, June 21st,
9 to 9:30 before Bible class*

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 MUCH CAN YOU HANDLE?"

Jesus told His disciples, in John 15:8 "By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples" (NKJV). Paul tells us in Romans 15:6 that it is our privilege to glorify God with one mind and one mouth. In Galatians 6:10, he introduces the intriguing idea that Christians should follow the example Jesus left us (cf. 1 Peter 2:21) in "doing good" as He did (Acts 10:38). Paul qualifies this idea of our responsibility to "do good" with the words "as we therefore have opportunity," acknowledging that sometimes we might desire to help in some good work but simply lack the means or the opportunity. We know, however, that God never seems to seek out the idle person when He has a task to accomplish; rather, He finds a busy man because that person will make time, will make opportunity, will make a way to do the good work God places before him. This in turn raises an interesting thought, one well worth our consideration: As a Christian and one of God's people, how much can you "handle?" Maybe just a little more.

DAN