

Teen News

Last Tuesday the Summer Youth Series was held in Lufkin at Angelina Church of Christ. This was the best one this summer, I think. The lesson was about being zealous for God. When God's zeal consumes you, you cannot be stopped. Zeal is the fuel for our passion, and passion provides the means for continuing the mission of Christ. We cannot love people the way God commands us without first loving Him with our entire being. The more you learn about Jesus, the more you will love Him. The more you understand what He gave up for each person on this earth, the more in awe you will become. Thanks again to Chris and Chloe for their zeal for God. I hope others will be encouraged by it. This coming Tuesday is our last S.Y.S., it will be in Crockett at Grace St. Church of Christ. What are you zealous for? Your life will show it!

BEN

WHAT WILL YOU LEAVE TO OTHERS?

What is the greatest thing you could leave behind when you die? Some will say it is the gift of love. Showing your family members what it means to love and encourage them to show that love to one another. Others might say that the greatest thing we can leave behind is faith. Demonstrating to your family what it means to trust in God and encouraging them to also live by faith also. Love and faith are certainly important things to leave behind, but I think there is something else of equal, perhaps greater value that we can leave behind and that is hope. When you depart from this life you will be separated from those you love. You will not see them anymore in this life and they will not see you. During that period of absence brought on by death is there anything more wonderful to give your love ones than hope? The hope to see each other again. The expectation that because you live your life by faith and love in God you will see those you left behind again. This was the point of Paul's message in 1 Thes 4.13-18. Paul also said, "If in this life only we are of all men most miserable."

WHAT WILL YOU LEAVE FOR OTHERS?



Those To Serve August 2016

A.M. Opening

7 Sam Ellis
14 Marty Nash
21 Jack Thomason
28 Ben Rhone

A.M. Closing

J.B. Matlock
Henry Baker
Kyle Lock
Truman Tate

P. M. Opening

7 Danial Plummer
14 R.D. Prince
21 Jerry Thompson
28 Robert Duzan

P.M. Closing.

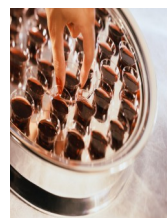
Jerry Sturgess
Charles Steen
Tom Watson
Brandon Franklin

Serve Communion

Adam Harding
Roy Davis
David Akins
Carl Rutledge

Ben Rhone
Dale Sparks
Mike Howell
Doug Rader

Communion Preparation



7 Dee Bell
14 Amanda Herbrough
21 R.D. Prince
28 Dwight Franklin

DOOR GREETERS

Aug. 7, 2016
Orre & Donna Costlow

COMMUNION PREPARATION

Aug. 7, 2016
Dee & Tiffany Bell

Gospel Worker

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Ben Rhone
Youth Minister

ELDERS

Dwight Franklin
Dan D. Manuel
Dale Sparks

DEACONS

Henry Baker
Johnny Jenkins
Kyle Lock
R.D. Prince

SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

MISSIONS

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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GIVE ME THE BIBLE
T.V. Program

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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.

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Selfishness...The Greatest Curse Of The Human Race

Selfishness is defined: "Caring unduly or supremely for oneself; regarding one's own comfort in disregard, or at the expense of that of others." Synonyms of selfishness are: "ungenerous, narrow, narrow-minded, self-indulgent, grasping, piggish, hoggish, miserly and covetous." Tertullian once said, "He who lies only to benefit himself, confers on the world a benefit when he dies." Why would this be so? Because a selfish individual is despised by all and is therefore his own greatest enemy. He is miserable and unhappy and makes no worth-while contribution to society. "Otherism" is no part of his philosophy of life. Christ, our example, lived an unselfish life. No one has ever lived a more unselfish life than Jesus Christ. *"Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men; And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."* (Philippians 2:4-8). Selfishness drives Christ out of one's heart. Doing nothing for others is the undoing for our own selves. A person centered on self, lacks a lot being well balanced in life. Paul was thinking of an unselfish life when he wrote: *"I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."* (Galatians 2:20).

SELECTED

**Two Place Membership
Ice Cream Supper well attended
Leadership appointed**



From Dan's desk:

We are happy about Jody and Ashley Radford placing membership with the congregation here last Sunday morning. We welcome them into our fellowship. Their address and phone number is placed in the bulletin elsewhere. It was good to be in South Haven, MS., near Memphis, Tennessee. We were there for the Lectureship. I had the opportunity to speak on the Gospel Broadcasting Network lectureship last Wednesday. I appreciate your prayers for us while we were away. It is great to know that the Gospel is reaching millions each day through the efforts of GBN and Give Me The Bible television program. Our program airs each week on GBN and we have requests for material often as a result of our program. We welcome Dwight Franklin as an additional Elder of the congregation and R.D. Prince and Johnny Jenkins as additional Deacons of the church. We are confident that they will serve well. God has blessed this congregation through the years in many ways and it is wonderful to be a part of such a loving group of Christians. We are grateful for the continued support and affirmation of the church here for her leaders. You make our work lighter and more fulfilling. Those who attended the ice cream supper last Sunday night enjoyed a wonderful evening together. The ice cream and cookies were great and the fellowship was equal to the good food. School is just around the corner as the month of August will be here tomorrow. The Summer is almost over and it has been a busy one for the congregation, but the Fall months are shaping up to be busy as well, with numerous activities. We hope to see each of you tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

JERRY & MARLENE THOMPSON are having issues with their heart and Jerry will have a heart cath Thursday and Marlene will have one later.

IKE WEATHERLY is home from the hospital, but will return soon for surgery.

LINDA CHEAIRS will have arterial artery surgery on both legs soon.

JARROD BELL is recovering from an automobile accident at home.

ROBERT TAYLOR will have knee replacement soon at Palestine Regional.

JOE CHAFFIN, friend of many here, is recovering from heart surgery in Tyler.

MILDRED HOLMES, sister of Virginia Stanaland & Doug Lowe, will have back surgery on Thursday.

HELEN CRAWFORD, sister of Billy Mason, has learned she has congestive heart failure.

Please pick up a prayer list for others in need of our prayers.

RESPONSES

**Placing Membership
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THANKS

Thanks to those who attended the Card Signing and sandwich supper last Wednesday. Much good was accomplished. Cards were sent to those who are ill and those who need encouragement. Thanks to those who brought food for the fellowship.

GOT MILK?

It's quite amazing to observe a new born baby and the way they just naturally crave milk for their nourishment, as well as pleasure I assume. I think it's safe to say a baby gets that "yummy in the tummy" feeling after consuming their favorite meal- "milk is good food" as the commercial used to say. When we are spiritually healthy Christians we'll experience a similar craving for the pure spiritual milk of God's word which is essential for our spiritual growth. I Pet. 2:1-3 "Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good He is so good to us all."

In Peter's second letter we are challenged to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (II Pet. 3:18) Growth in these areas of our spiritual life are directly tied to our craving for God's word. Jesus said "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they will be filled."- Mt. 5:6 As we satisfy our craving for the nourishing food of God's word we'll naturally begin to grow in the Christian virtues Peter outlines in II Pet. 1:5-8 For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge, and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance, and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. As we grow and mature in these areas of our Christian life we will be "effective" and "productive in our knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. MIKE SHERMAN