

# Teen News

Bible Hour started back last week and was a big success!! I want to thank each of you who are helping this year. You all are doing a great job with these kids!! There were several kids who attended and we all had a great time. Parents and Grandparents please make sure to bring your kids to church every Sunday night. Bible Hour is a good and fun learning experience for your children. I want to encourage the Jr. High and Sr. High to stick around after the evening service tonight. We are having a youth devotional, food and games. You're welcome to invite your friends too. I hope everyone will make plans to stay. NEXT Sunday night after church the youth would like to challenge the adults to play them in a volleyball game! A meal will be served before the game. Have a wonderful day and a great week!  
TODAY IS CHLOE'S BIRTH DAY! HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!!!!

BEN

Lorelee will be on vacation this week. If you call and no one is at the church, please leave a message on the answering machine and I'll get back to you, or call me on my cell phone: 903-724-2556.  
DAN

## BUNKO

Bunko for ladies will begin on Thursday, Sept. 17th at Bon Appetit (across from the church building). Arrive between 5 & 5:30 PM. We will have dinner and then play Bunko. The cost is \$10.00 for the meal. This is an excellent way to get to know one another better, plus it is a lot of fun. We will meet every third Thursday of the month, same place, same time. Please sign the sheet on the bulletin board across from the secretary's office.

## A Letter from Brother Lukewarm

Dear Preacher,

I found your card on the door when we got back from the park Sunday afternoon. I suppose you had been by to see why we didn't come to church Sunday morning, so I will explain. You see, my mother came to spend a few weeks with us, and we all went to the park on a picnic. We sure had a good time! Preacher, I saw something I could hardly believe on Sunday as we were going to the park -- John Moneymaker was plowing his cotton. I think that is terrible, don't you? I think you ought to do some preaching about the people who stay away from the church to plow on Sunday. And say, I saw Bill Pleasuremaker down on the creek fishing. It sure made me feel bad! Maybe you can throw in a point in a sermon that will make him see where he is wrong. I just don't know why people act that way. Well, preacher, I just thought I'd drop you a line to let you know why we were not there Sunday. Mother will be here about six weeks, then we will be right there every Sunday morning in time for preaching!

Your friend --Lukewarm.

**DOOR GREETERS –Sept. 20, 2015,**  
Marty Nash

**COMMUNION PREPARATION**  
Sept. 20, 2015  
Billy & Amanda Lane

# Gospel Worker

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FOX 29, Bryan-College  
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NBC 53– Lufkin, TX.  
**ASSEMBLY TIMES**  
Sun: 9:30 AM Class  
10:30 AM Worship  
6:00 PM Evening  
Wed: 7:00 PM

## Two Gun Crowley

Quite a few years ago, in May of 1931, the city of New York witnessed the capture of one of the most dangerous criminals the city up to that time had ever seen. His name was "Two Gun Crowley." He had shown himself to be the kind of man who would kill at the drop of a hat. Some time before his capture he had been parked at the side of a road when a policeman came up and asked to see his license. Without saying a word Crowley drew his gun and cut the policeman down. Then, as the officer lay dying, Crowley jumped out of his car, took the policeman's revolver and fired another bullet into the body. What did this man, "Two Gun" Crowley, think of himself as a person? We know, because when he was finally captured in his girl friend's apartment at the end of an hour-long gun battle involving hundreds of police, a bloodstained note was discovered that had been written by Crowley during the battle. It said, "**Under my coat is a weary heart, but a kind one - one that would do nobody any harm.**" Later, Crowley was sentenced to the electric chair. When he arrived on death row at Sing Sing, he did not say, "This is what I get for killing policemen." No! He said, "This is what I get for defending myself." The point is that "Two Gun" Crowley did not blame himself for anything.



Now if that was true of "Two Gun" Crowley and other criminals, how much more true it is of normal men and women like you and me. We sin, but we cover up the sin. We refuse to acknowledge it even to ourselves. No wonder, then, that Jesus taught we are to acknowledge it first of all. We are to admit our anger, acknowledging our guilt, and we are to do this as the first step to its cure. - 1 John 1:7-10.

## One Baptized and Places Membership



### *From Dan's desk:*

Last Sunday afternoon I had the privilege of studying with LARRY FINLEY and following our study together, Doug and Kayanne Lowe gathered with Larry and he was baptized into Christ for the remission of sins and expressed his desire to place membership with the Lord's Church here. We welcome him into the fellowship of God's church family here at Crockett Rd. Larry is a friend of many in the church here. God continues to bless the church here with additional numerical and spiritual strength. The Children's Bible Program got off to a great start last Sunday night with some 29 (students and teachers). It was great from all reports and we are grateful for all who participated. They will resume again tonight at 6 P.M. All are encouraged to be present. Our Ladies Bible Class that meets on Tuesday morning at 9:30 A.M. got off to a great start as well with 30 present. Thanks to the ladies who gathered for the class. I believe we will enjoy our time together each Tuesday. Joe Hancock did a great job last Wednesday night as our guest speaker. We appreciate Jo so much. We want to continue to remember all those who are ill and in the hospital at this time. Paul Hillier had a brain biopsy last Tuesday morning. He has stage 3 brain cancer. We want to continue to pray for him and his family at this time, as well as the church in Lufkin. Paul is a former Youth Minister of the congregation here. We are glad you are all here this morning and if you are visiting with us today, do come again. We appreciate your presence. We hope to see each of you tonight at the 6 P.M. service. DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



### TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**MARK JOHNSON** will have kidney surgery on Tuesday in Tyler.

**BILLIE BEDFORD** is undergoing tests

**R.D. PRINCE** has been undergoing tests this last week.

**PAUL HILLIER**, former youth minister, was diagnosed with a brain tumor. He had a brain biopsy last Tuesday.

**JAN TODD** will have knee replacement surgery this week in Dallas.

*Keep others who have been ill in your prayers.*

### RESPONSES

#### BAPTIZED & MEMBERSHIP

Larry Finley

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Next Sunday night, September 20th, we will have Youth vs Adult Volleyball game. A meal will be served before the game. Make plans to attend as player or spectator.

### 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.

## "He Never Let On!"

by Robert Turner

The musical "Oklahoma" has a character, Judd, who is eulogized in a mock funeral as one who was kind and gentle, and loved the whole human race; "Only they never knew it - he never let on." Poor Judd is not dead - he isn't even sick. There are thousands of his kind in the church. They love all people and long to see the whole world converted - the world never discovers this burning desire. They never "let on," even to a hair dresser. They love the truth, according to public prayers and songs. But if they attend Bible study at all, it is to give their opinion or experience, not to study the text. If a passage seems to run counter to their traditional concepts, they ignore it or "explain it away." They believe in salvation by grace - and if you push them hard enough they will admit it. They know that one may fall from grace - i.e. some one other than themselves. If they really believe that the Lord will reveal and judge the secrets of their lives and thought, "they never let on." You would never guess it. They "love the brotherhood" if not the brethren. They long for unity of all saints, and would do almost anything to see all issues properly settled - except meeting with those with whom they differ for an honorable and scriptural discussion of the issues which divide them. This is not intended as a blanket indictment of all church members, for I know the salt of the earth is at work. Christians are concerned, and endeavor to teach their neighbors. Gospel preachers are demonstrating by sacrificial efforts, their love for souls. There are those who care more for peace with God, than for approval of "the party." Selected