

Teen News

Thanks to everyone who stayed last Sunday and went bowling with us. We had a great time!! Thank you Jim Ricard for cooking the hamburgers and hot dogs, you did a fine job! I also want to thank Ashton, Kendal and Kimmie for cleaning the activity building last Monday. I want to encourage all teenagers to help out with Monday Night for the Master, it is a good way to meet others in the church and to help keep our church looking nice. Tonight after church the youth group is invited to my house for a meal, devotional and games. I hope you all will make plans to attend. See ya tonight!!

BEN

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Randy & Linda Foreman on the death of Randy's great niece KYLIE MIZE last week in an automobile accident.

Sympathy is also extended to Donnie & Wendy Fincher and Bert and Dee Ricard on the death of their niece who was killed in an auto accident this last week in Oklahoma.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of JUNE BATTS, former member who passed away this last week. Her memorial service was held near Texarkana and Arlington Texas.

"ARE YOU COMMITTED?"

Genuine Christianity is a living, personal, active daily fellowship with God! Note that John spoke of walking "with" God (1 John 1:7), not merely visiting Him occasionally! Jesus declared that it was the publican who went home justified, rather than the Pharisee, because he had come into God's presence seeking rather than bragging. The difference between these two men was more than the four characteristics listed above; what separated them was the very nature of their religion. To the Pharisee, religion was no more than a prop for his "public persona," an asset to his position in the community. The publican's behavior, however, shows us a man ready to acknowledge his need for God's presence in his life. Given that Jesus never offered a "weekly plan" for cross-bearing (cf. Luke 9:23), we will do well to consider things which are components of daily religion. "Then He said to them all, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.'" (NKJV) Bearing one's "cross" involves making a commitment to follow the Lord (rather than attempt to "lead" Him, as the Pharisee did!). In Matthew 4:19, Peter and Andrew were ready to make such a commitment, but in Luke 9:57-62 the "rich young ruler" was not. It is important for us to note that the commitment He desires from us is voluntary (Romans 12:1-2) rather than coerced, and the "rate of involvement" is daily. Isn't it time that we really pick up the cross and follow Him and start doing the Will of God our Father? Tomorrow might be too late.

DAN

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

"RIGHTEOUS OR UNRIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT"

Looking at our modern culture, we may believe the world has no standards. That is not true. Our culture does have rules. ... or at least one rule. We must never violate this rule or we will be castigated with names like Pharisee, legalist, hate-monger, callused, uncompassionate, unloving, unfeeling... Violating this rule is the worst sin in our society. Is it murder? abortion? homosexuality? fornication? child abuse? No. The standard is tolerance. The rule is never, ever judge anyone. The worst sin in our society is being judgmental. The people around us will go to almost any length so we will never, ever accidentally think they are judgmental of anyone. Allow me to illustrate with a story someone once told me. His conversation with a friend had turned to a man that often got drunk. He said, "I can't believe he goes out to the clubs and gets drunk". He said "not that there is anything wrong with it, I was just wondering." You see, even to this man, who is religious and claims to serve God, it would be far worse to be judgmental than to be a drunkard. Is being judgmental the worst sin that exists? Should we judge at all? If so, when? And what are the Bible guidelines for tolerance. Read Matt. 7:1-7 Righteous judgment is always acceptable in the eyes of Jehovah God. However, many tolerate in themselves, what they would condemn in others. **That is unrighteous judgment.**

DAN

Three Baptized Into Christ Great attendance for Monday Night For The Master



From Dan's desk:

Last Sunday evening, Dale and I had the privilege of studying with ALAN NICHOLAS and MICHAEL MORRIS and both were baptized into Christ. We rejoice with them on this decision. We are happy that they have made this commitment to Christ to live their lives for Him. Michael is the son of Patsy Bush and has been attending here for some time. He responded Sunday morning for prayer and has felt unsure of his baptism for some time. He was baptized following a study with Dale and me. ALAN NICHOLAS has been coming to worship with us for the last few weeks. On Wednesday afternoon I had a study with ELBIA HENDERSON and following our study she was baptized into Christ. We welcome her into our fellowship. She has been coming for some time now. Thanks to each of you who came to Monday Night for the Master last Monday. We had over 50 in attendance and much was accomplished. Thanks to Billy Lane for the hay at the entrances of the building and to Audrey and Willette for the beautiful Fall decorations on the outside of the building. I begin a Gospel meeting with the Church in Hallsville, Texas today. Many of you know that this is my hometown congregation. Joe Hancock is the local evangelist there and doing a good job with the congregation there. My thanks to Corey Johnson for preaching this morning in my absence and to the Deacons for preaching at the evening service tonight. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

KATHY CHAMBLESS had shoulder surgery on Tuesday at Palestine Regional. She is home recovering.

DAVID MITCHELL had an appendectomy on Monday. He is recovering at home.

JIMMY COOK had additional tests and will undergo treatment soon for cancer.

SHEILA McCULLOUGH has been diagnosed with Crohns disease.

SHELLY ROGGENDORFF, Robert Duzan's daughter, has learned she has ovarian cancer.

ALAN BRUMLEY, brother of Beth Freeman, has learned he has liver cancer

Remember all of the others who are continuing with treatment and those who

RESPONSES

FOR BAPTISM & MEMBERSHIP:

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We welcome these three new members into our fellowship. God continues to bless His church.

"BETTER OFF OR NOT"?

There is an interesting story about two little teardrops were floating down the river of life. One teardrop asked the other, "Who are you?"

"I'm a teardrop from a girl who loved a man and lost him. But who are you?"

The first teardrop replied, "I'm a teardrop from the girl who got him."

Life is like that. We cry over the things we cannot have, but we might cry twice as much if we received them. There is ample proof, even apart from the Bible, that receiving what we want does not always work for the best. Take, for instance, Buddy Post of Oil City, Pennsylvania. In 1988, Buddy won the lottery amounting to \$16.2 million.

Now, you would think that such a windfall would have brought him all kinds of rewards, but it did not. From that day, his world collapsed. He was sued. He was arrested for assault. His brother was convicted of plotting to kill him. His wife left him. His winnings were lost in court battles with his ex-wife and the State of Pennsylvania. Buddy would have been much better off if he had never won the lottery. Don't you think so? DAN