

# Teen News

Last Sunday night the youth group went out to eat at Don Mario's together. We had a great time and a good meal. I want to let everyone know how proud I am of Jayden Townsend. He lead us in the closing prayer after services last Sunday Evening. He did a great job! Jayden is becoming a young man and a leader at church and at school. Thanks to those who have been coming to Bible Classes on Sundays and Wednesdays. You all are doing a great job in making sacrifices to come worship. We want to remind the widows/widowers/singles that the youth will host the annual Thanksgiving Lunch on November 20th after the morning Worship Service. Please mark your calendars for this. We are planning a lot of other things to do too. I hope everyone has a blessed week! **BEN**

## Teen Commandments

Don't let your parents down; they brought you up.

Choose your companions with care; you become like them.

Be master of your habits, or they will master you.

Treasure your time; don't spend it, invest it.

Stand for something, or you'll fall for anything.

Select only a date who would make a good mate.

See what you can do for others; not what they can do for you.

Guard your thoughts; what you think, you become.

## Rejoice or Wail?

*"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" - Galatians 6:2.*

ONE of the most prevalent spiritual ailments is self-pity. It begins with the turning of the mind in on itself in morbid reflection. It ends in the conviction that God or fate or luck has singled us out as a striking case of misfortune and injustice. We feel aggrieved and resentful as we plod wearily and gloomily along the road that leads to despair. Paul has given us a hint of a cure, when he says, "Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." What we really crave is a lot of very soft and sentimental sympathy from those who will weep over us and weep with us. What we need is to turn our eyes outward toward other people. We are not pleased, but we are shocked and rebuked to discover that there are always sadder cases than our own; that there are so many people who need our help when we thought that we needed theirs. We begin by adding their burdens to ours and cutting the sum in two. We find rich fellowship and deep joy in suffering for and with others. We learn to like people we never liked before because we are kind to them. We feel ashamed to tell of our own miseries. Our burdens grow strangely light and unimportant. We get a song of rejoicing for our wail of despair. **BULLETIN DIGEST**

## DOOR GREETERS

**Nov. 13, 2016**

**Truman & Susie Tate**

## COMMUNION PREPARATION

**Nov. 13, 2016**

**John & Ann Mottern**

# Gospel Worker

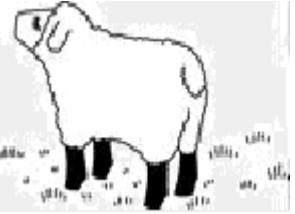
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## Sheep Don't Wallow

There was a lamb and its mother. The lamb passed a pigpen each morning on the way to the pasture with its mother. Watching the pigs wallow in the mud seemed like such fun, and on an especially hot day the lamb asked his mother if he could jump the fence and wallow in the cool mud. She replied, "No."



Then the lamb asked, "Why?"

The mother just replied, "Sheep don't wallow!"

This didn't satisfy the lamb. He felt she was just over-restrictive. So as soon as the mother was out of sight, the lamb jumped the fence and ran to the pigpen. He was soon feeling the cool mud on his feet, his legs, and soon his stomach. After a few moments, he decided he had better go back to his mother, but he couldn't. He was stuck.

Mud and wool don't mix. His pleasure had become his prison. He cried out and was rescued by the kindly farmer. When cleaned and returned to the field, the mother said, "Remember: sheep don't wallow."

Sin is like that. It looks so nice, we may think we can escape when we wish, but it is not so. Pleasures often become prisons.

Bulletin Digest

### MINISTERS

Dan D. Manuel  
*Pulpit Minister*

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

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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-NBC 56 Tyler, TX.  
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

**Remember to vote on Nov. 8th  
It is a privilege and opportunity to  
let our voice be heard.**



***From Dan's desk:***

Voting for our elected officials is an important thing. We are privileged in America to choose our civil leaders. Too many people never exercise this right and privilege. I hope that those who are registered to vote will do so and stand for the individual that you know according to the Bible aligns themselves more closely with the teaching of God. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord". The future of our country is based on the decisions that we make today. We must all be concerned about our youth and we must do what we can to insure a better and brighter America. Don't be lethargic and indolent, but make sure that you vote this coming Tuesday, if you have not done so already. Not every candidate espouses everything we would like to see in someone running for public office. Sometimes we have to choose the lesser of the evils. "Maybe that is the case in the Presidential election". In spite of that fact, we must choose someone and that someone should represent more closely the values and principles of God. We need to bring this country back to God. To sit idly by and refuse to let our voice be heard is a total disregard for things spiritual and for the country that God has given us. We must preserve this country and the foundation upon which she was founded. Please go vote. Your vote does count. Thanks for being here this morning. See you tonight.

**DAN**

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**EDITH (JO JO) BAGGETT aunt of Billy Lane has lung cancer and will be undergoing treatment soon.**  
**TUCKER FARRIS has been in rehab at Mother Francis hospital this last week. He is better.**  
**LINDA CHEAIRS has been readmitted to East Texas Medical Center in Tyler for treatment.**  
**BILL CHANDLER is recovering from a fall and pneumonia.**  
**DAVID BOLT is in serious condition in Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler. He is the brother-in-law of Harold and Bobbie Johnson**  
**Continue to pray for others who have ongoing illnesses.**

## GIVE ME THE BIBLE

**The Give Me The Bible t.v. program can now be seen each Sunday morning at 6:30 a.m. in the Denton, Sherman, Denison and in the Oklahoma area on ABC affiliate KTEN. Dan's daily commentary can also be seen each morning at 6:52 a.m.**

## 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.

## "DON'T FAIL TO VOTE"

Voting exercises one's opinion and choice of support for one side of an issue, or the election of an individual, group, or entity for specific appointments. An individual's associations (I Corinthians 15:33) and actions (Luke 6:44) can give a good indication about what he supports with his votes. Consider a person who gambles. It makes logical sense he would likely vote to enable more gambling. If a person hangs around bookies and casinos, the likeliness of him voting in support of a gambling related measure would be high. Also consider a person who overtly supports drug use. Others observed him using drugs in the past on numerous occasions. How likely would it be that he would vote to legalize drug use? Quickly drawn conclusions come from lifestyle behaviors of individuals. Inversely, based on the way an individual votes, assumptions are often made about the voter's lifestyle and morality. Since Christians strive not to be conformed to the world, but individuals transformed (Romans 12:1-2), light bearers (Matthew 5:16), and watchmen (I Thessalonians 5:4-6), the way they cast their votes should be done with great discernment knowing that the Will of God stands as their priority (Matthew 6:33). Christians want to look to the scriptures on how they should vote so they can vote with the authority of God and not strengthen the hand of evil doers (Jeremiah 23:14). The best option always stands as God's authorized option, faithful adherence to His Word. "Hate evil love good!" (Amos 5:15) Serving God is not a matter of situational ethics where accepting evil can be good at times. Christians need to act with authority behind their voting behavior. Act on the principles and spiritual values found in Holy Writ. To do otherwise is sinful. **SELECTED**