

Teen News

We want to remind you young people to meet in the Activity building following the service this morning for the single and single again luncheon. Thanks to all of you for staying for the devo and fellowship last Sunday night. We all had a great time. This coming Thursday is Thanksgiving. I hope that all of you have a nice time with your family. Don't forget the Midweek Thanksgiving service in the church auditorium this week on Tuesday night. We will not meet on Wednesday this week only. Let's all continue to pray for Kendall. She will be undergoing tests this week in Houston.

BEN

*The year has turned its circle,
The seasons come and go.
The harvest all is gathered in
And chilly north winds blow.
Orchards have shared their treasures,
The fields, their yellow grain.
So open wide the doorway -
Thanksgiving comes again!*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Nov. 22 Single and Singles Again luncheon
- Nov. 24 Thanksgiving Devotional
- Dec. 1 Annual Holiday Dinner
- Dec. 6 Ladies Ornament Exchange
- Dec. 7 Card signing at Pam Galloway
- Dec. 11 Natchitoches, LA. Trip
- Dec. 15 Ladies Bible Class Luncheon
- Dec. 22 Midweek (Tues.) Holiday service
- Dec. 29 Midweek (Tues.) Holiday Service

What if you woke
UP
TODAY
with only the things
that you
thanked
God for
yesterday?



"Thanksgiving? That was when the Indians gave the Pilgrims turkey and later, casino gambling."

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

"GIVE US A GRATEFUL HEART"

Numerous families will gather this Thursday in this country and will celebrate the holiday we call Thanksgiving. People will dine and enjoy visiting with loved ones, good friends, good food, good conversation, football games, the traditional post-meal nap, and other things that have come to be dear to many people in America. In some homes, great emphasis will be placed on the giving of thanks—as the holiday's name indicates. At some tables, a prayer of thanksgiving will be offered for the bounty about to be enjoyed. Indeed, we ought to be thankful for the many blessings we enjoy! On the other hand, in too many homes, the traditional thanksgiving meal has come to be the only day in which thanksgiving is offered around the table. Unfortunately, few families sit around the table to eat together, let alone, pray together. This is a tragic state of affairs! The Bible says, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Philippians 4:6). Regarding food, we learn that God created all foods to "be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth" (1 Timothy 4:3). Examples abound in the Bible of thankfulness being expressed for the basic necessity of food (Matthew 15:36; Luke 22:19; John 6:23; Acts 27:35; Romans 14:6, etc.). Thus, we should always be thankful for our food—every day of our lives (cf. Luke 11:3). Beyond any doubt, we have tremendous blessing given to us each day by our Heavenly Father. May we come to acknowledge God as the source of all good things in our lives and give Him thanks daily—not just on Thanksgiving Day, but on every day that we live on this good earth.

DAN

Happy
Thanksgiving

2015



From Dan's desk:

This coming Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. We hope that you and your family have a wonderful holiday. Thanksgiving is always a time when families get together. We want to remind you that our midweek service this week will be on Tuesday night. We will have a devotional service in the church auditorium. We hope that each of you will join us at that time. The service begins at 7 P.M. We have a lot of activities forthcoming for the rest of this month and the month of December. Be sure and check the schedule posted on the bulletin board. The trip to Natchitoches, LA. will be a fun experience for all who go along. We used to live in that city and I attended the University there. We have a lot of memories of the church there. Natchitoches is the oldest town in the Louisiana Purchase. It was established in the year 1714. It is the most beautiful city during the month of December. The lights are absolute gorgeous. Please be reminded that our Annual holiday Christmas Fellowship will be held two weeks from this Tuesday night. It is a catered event and we need to know if you and your family are planning to be with us on that occasion. Please sign the list on the bulletin board so adequate arrangements can be made. This is always a fun time and helps to get us in the Christmas spirit. We hope you will plan to attend. The price is right and the food is always delicious. Santa will be there for all the children. Thanks for being here this morning and we hope to see each of you at the evening service tonight at 6 P.M. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

BOB STECH had a defibulator implanted this last Tuesday. He is home improving.

ED COMPTON is recovering from eye surgery this last week. He is better.

MONTY TODD is also improving at home following recent surgery

KENDALL DEAN, one of our young people here, will be undergoing tests this week in Methodists hospital in Houston and possible surgery.

PAUL HILLIER remains in serious condition in Lufkin.

ANN CRANE, mother of Jenna Mock, is in the hospital in Nacogdoches for tests and treatment.

CATHY HARDISON, sister-in-law of Jeannette Alford, has cancer.

All others with continuing illnesses are listed on the prayer list in the foyer..

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Virginia Stanaland and Doug Lowe on the death of their brother, **EDWIN LOWE**. He died on Wednesday at the nursing home. Services are pending.

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.

Missed Opportunities

The other day I ran across the story of a man who had a great opportunity that he missed. His friend took him for a ride one day way out in the country. They drove off the main road and drove through groves of trees to a large uninhabited expanse of land. A few horses were grazing and a couple of old shacks remained. The friend, Walter, stopped the car, got out, and started to describe with great vividness the wonderful things he was going to build. He wanted his friend Arthur to buy some of the land surrounding his project to get in on the ground floor. But Arthur thought to himself, *Who in the world is going to drive twenty-five miles for this crazy project? The logistics of the venture are staggering.* And so Walter explained to his friend Arthur, "I can handle the main project myself. But it will take all my money. But the land bordering it, where we're standing now, will in just a couple of years be jammed with hotels and restaurants and convention halls to accommodate the people who will come to spend their entire vacation here at my park." He continued, "I want you to have the first chance at this surrounding acreage, because in the next five years it will increase in value several hundred times." "What could I say? I knew he was wrong," Arthur tells the story today. "I knew that he had let this dream get the best of his common sense, so I mumbled something about a tight-money situation and promised that I would look into the whole thing a little later on." "Later on will be too late," Walter cautioned Arthur as they walked back to the car. "You'd better move on it right now." And so Art Linkletter turned down the opportunity to buy up all the land that surrounded what was to become Disneyland. His friend Walt Disney tried to talk him into it. But Art thought he was crazy.

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