

# Teen News

It's good to see you all this morning. Thanks for being here!! Summertime is almost here and I know you all are counting down the days. This summer we have a lot of activities planned. Church camp is June 14-19. I want to encourage all of you to go this year. We had a great time last year and it is great way to meet new people and learn more about God. Next Sunday after the morning service we are planning on eating lunch and going bowling. Please make plans to go with us and invite your friends to church with you. We will also give out the L.T.C. awards to those who participated next Sunday.

Ben

## “Symptom’s”

Fever is a symptom of a disorder somewhere in the body. The primary problem may be a hidden infection that would not otherwise be noticeable until it is in an advanced stage. High body temperature tells us something is wrong in the body, somewhere. It tells us a reliable cure needs to be found and applied. Unnecessary absence from worship and Bible study is a fever-like symptom. Mere absence, however, is not the only factor for diagnosing spiritual illness. There are times when it may be necessary to be absent from worship and Bible study. On the other hand, habitual absence is a spiritual malady that needs to be cured. As a fever may possess a man who does not know what causes it, even so a Christian can neglect worship without being aware of the problems that cause one to do so. We can easily camouflage our lack of concern for worship by involving ourselves in personal interests. This is easy to do when other interests seem to be more important than they really are. Select wisely the things that are important in life (Mt. 6:33). We should recognize the difference in one who would rather attend worship, but can't, and those who attend but had just as soon be elsewhere. My mere presence in a meeting house every time the doors open should not be taken as a sign of “good spiritual health.” Attending just to have a good record of attendance, without a positive desire to please the Lord and learn how to serve him better, is worthless.

## “STAND FOR TRUTH”

The responsibility to defend truth is repeatedly stated. Yet, there are dangers in this work. Jesus' words to the church in Ephesus, (Rev. 2) more than suggest the reality of the danger of not standing for truth. Is anything more formidable faced by the people of God than the responsibility to recognize, expose and stand against false teachers and refusing to follow or fellowship divisive and dangerous people? The people of God are to contend earnestly for the faith (Jude 3). They are to be set for the defense of the gospel (Philippians 1:17: I Peter 3:15). This task cannot be entered into lightly. Each servant of God must come to a full understanding of the hidden and grave dangers involved in this work.

DAN

**DOOR GREETERS –April 26, 2015**

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### ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

## You'll Get Dizzy

A certain man was troubled with dizzy spells, redness in his face and bulging eyes. Every day when he went to his office, he experienced these things. Week-ends were not so bad, so he concluded his work was causing his physical discomfort. He went from one doctor to another and none could tell him what the problem was. He consulted psychiatrists, psychologists and psy-chics. What was wrong? Why was he constantly suffering from dizzy spells, redness in his face and bulging eyes? He tried everything, it seemed. Nothing helped. He finally resigned himself to the fact that whatever was causing all this was fatal. It bothered him so much he began to lose weight. He couldn't sleep at night. He feared he would never overcome this. He became a nervous wreck and his health began to deteriorate. He had lost hope that he would ever recover. He decided to prepare for the worst. He made out his will, bought a cemetery plot, instructed the preacher what he wanted at his funeral, and even made arrangements with the local undertaker. He was fully convinced of his soon demise. He even decided to buy a new suit of clothes to be buried in. When he went into the clothing store he was measured for everything. He picked out shoes, socks, coat, and pants. The sales person asked, “What size shirt will you be need-ing, sir?” “Size 15, please,” he replied. The clerk said, “But, sir, I believe that is a bit small. Let me measure your neck size.” After the measurement, the sales person said, “I'm sorry sir, but your will need a 16 1/2, not a size 15.” But the man insisted, “No, I have worn a size 15 for years.” The sales person tried several times to convince his customer that he needed a 16 1/2, but the man would have nothing of it. Finally, the exasperated sales person said, “Well, sir, if you insist, we'll get out a size 15, but I must warn you, you will have dizzy spells, get red in the face, and your eyes will bulge out.”

Some people are so set in their ways, they will never admit the obvious. Some are so unwilling to change they appear to prefer to remain spiritually without comfort. Long ago, a very wise men wrote:

*“The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth*

*unto counsel is wise” (Prov. 12:15).*

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# YOUTH TRIP TO TYLER ZOO THIS AFTERNOON.



*From Dan's desk:*

It is good to be back home from our meeting with the Church in Winnfield, LA. I appreciate Ron Brown and the Deacons for filling in for me last Sunday. I know that you enjoyed hearing the messages that they presented. Thanks for your prayers while I was away. Thanks to George Wooden for taking pictures over the last couple of weeks. Those pictures will be placed on the Church family picture board soon. AMANDA HERBROUGH is now working with that project. We appreciate her efforts. Sometimes it is hard for us to get to know one another. We have several new faces among us and this is one good way to be able to identify a name with a face. I hope you take advantage of the picture board and that you will become better acquainted with the newer members of our congregation. It is good to have Lorelee back in the church office after her vacation last week. Thanks to CLINT SATTERWHITE for cleaning the church buses. CLINT will be driving the bus to Tyler this afternoon to the Zoo. Young children up through age 14 and their parents are invited to go along. We will take a sack lunch and eat at the park and enjoy the Zoo in Tyler, go for ice cream and then back home for the evening worship service. We hope you will want to go along. Thanks for being here this morning and for the encouragement you give to each member of the church family. We hope you will want to join us in worship tonight at 6 P.M. See you then.

DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**BOB BURCHFIELD** has learned he has lung cancer.

**MICKEY BOWLES** is under hospice care at his home in Ft. Worth.

**MICHAEL MORRIS** has returned home from the hospital under the care of home health.

**NANCY MILLER** is still undergoing tests.

### SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Gerry Hahn on the death of **JIM HAHN**. Jim passed away Wednesday afternoon. His services were still pending when bulletin was printed.

### RESPONSES

#### BAPTISED

J.C. Davis  
1250 Winrock Blvd. # 9301  
Houston, TX 77057  
(Frankya Cooper's grandson)

### MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

This month's Monday Night for the Master will be on Monday, April 27th. We will meet at 6:15 for a meal of Sloppy Joe's and begin our tasks at 7 P.M. Make your plans now to be here to give one hour extra to the Lord's work.

### 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.**

## "WE ARE IN A BATTLE"

The Scriptures teach that each of us is involved in a spiritual battle with eternal ramifications (2 Cor. 10:3-5; Gal. 5:7-8). Heaven and Hell are at stake in our warfare. In this battle there can be no reconciliation. The combatants, flesh and spirit, will never be at peace (Gal. 5:17). There is no question about who will win, because the winner and loser are fixed. All that is left is for us to pick a side. If we choose to live in fleshly lust, we have chosen the losing side and we must not expect to win this war (Rom. 8:13). To win, we must choose to be in Christ (Gal. 3:27) and to remain in Christ by abstaining from "fleshly lusts, which war against the soul" (1 Pet. 2:11). If we are to be among the victors, we must make no "provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lust thereof" (Rom. 13:14). This is the battle for the most precious commodity we possess, our souls. Jesus spoke of the value of the soul in Matthew 16:26 when He said, "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Your soul is most definitely worth the fight. We did not pick this battle, God picked it for us.

DAN