

# Teen News

Good Morning! Thanks to those who came to the widow, widowers and singles luncheon last Sunday. We had a great time together! Thanks to those who made desserts for the lunch. Thanks to Keri Rhone and Jill Camp for the meal, you both out did yourselves. The food was very good! I really want to thank the youth group for all the hard work they put in to this lunch. You all did a great job and worked very hard. I had several people express how thankful they were. I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and good break from school. Christmas is on the way now! I cant wait!!! See you all tonight. BEN

## LADIES ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

The annual Ladies Ornament Exchange will take place next Sunday, Dec. 3rd, immediately after morning worship at the home of Sonda Baker. Lunch will be provided. Bring an ornament to exchange and join us.

**HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP:** Our annual Holiday Christmas Dinner will take place on Tuesday night, December 5th at 6:30 PM. It will be a great evening and we hope everyone will join us for a wonderful meal and special program. There is no cost & Santa will be here for the children to present gifts. You need to sign up by next Sunday.

## OTHER UPCOMIG ACTIVITIES

**NATCHITOCHEs TRIP** see sign up sheet Dec. 8th and 9th. Cost is \$75.00 for the room.

**CARD SIGNING** and fellowship at home of Pam Galoway on Tuesday, Dec. 12th.

**UGLY SWEATER PARTY** at the home of David & Jennifer Sparks, Saturday night, December 23th.



## Those To Serve

Dec. 2017

### A.M. Opening

3 J. B. Matlock  
10 Doug Lowe  
17 Wayne Cartwright  
24 Charles Steen  
31 Dale Sparks

### A.M. Closing

Doug Rader  
Kermit Grimsley  
Luke Lane  
Jerry Sturgess  
David Sparks

### P. M. Opening

3 Robert Duzan  
10 George Wooden  
17 Henry Baker  
24 Kyle Lock  
31 Gary Missildine

### P. M. Closing

Brandon Franklin  
Rick Giles  
Tom Watson  
Billy Lane  
Charles McCullough

## Serve Communion

Quinn Glass	Jody Radford
Kolby Radford	Jeff Sparks
James Singleterry	Doug Rader
Richard Giles	Billy Lane

## Communion Preparation

3 Gary & Liz Missildine  
10 Danna Collins  
17 Andy & Shelia Link  
24 Charles & Shelia McCullough  
31 Marty Nash

## DOOR GREETERS

Dec. 3, 2017

Robert & Lois Duzan

## COMMUNION PREPARATION

Dec. 3, 2017

Gary & Liz Missildine

# Gospel Worker

## Crockett Road Church of Christ

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### 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

### MISSIONS

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.

ABC 10—KTEN  
Sherman-Denison, TX

### ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

## The Kingdom of God

When the Pharisees demanded of Jesus when the kingdom would come, He replied in Luke 17:20-21, "... The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you." The Jews didn't understand that. The Kingdom of God was to be within the hearts of men, and not in some specified geographical area. Israel wanted more, just like they had when they insisted on a king and God gave them Saul. Jesus taught that His Kingdom would not come with outward show as would earthly kingdoms. It could not be seen with the naked eye. It's a spiritual Kingdom, and it exists in the hearts of men. As people are converted to Christ and He comes to dwell in them by faith, the borders of the Kingdom spread. The people are visible and so there is a visible expression of Kingdom subjects, but its domain is not limited to geographical terms. It can spread out and fill the earth. Indeed it should be so spread. As Kingdom subjects, we must see ourselves with a whole new priority. We are ambassadors, who, in the words of a great hymn are, "Here on business for my King. Oh, be ye reconciled, thus saith my Lord and King. Oh be ye reconciled to God." I'm not convinced that the vast majority of Christians truly understand this relationship and the all-encompassing effect it should have on our lives. At Crockett Rd. I do believe that we comprehend the meaning. Fulfilling our roles in this congregation as subjects to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords is the number one "main" thing that we should strive for as Children of God. Those who minimize their association with God's church, His family, the etemal Kingdom relationship in Christ, are seriously taking for granted just as Israel of the long ago did, what God has given us. I wish we had the words to cause all the redeemed of God to be faithful to Him. Rev. 2:10 DAN

## Numerous Activities planned in the month of December



### From Dan's desk:

You are aware that many activities are being planned for the month of December. Please check the bulletin board and sign up to participate in the numerous events that are forthcoming. This is always an exciting time of year and we hope that you will want to be a part of the fellowships that are planned. We hope that you and your family had a wonderful time at Thanksgiving. Many are still out of town for the long weekend. It will be good to have them all back with us. The luncheon last Sunday went great. We had some 53 present. This is wonderful. The youth, as well as Ben and Keri, Steve and Jill Camp and perhaps others did a wonderful job. Everyone really enjoyed the delicious meal. Thanks also to those you attended the special service last Tuesday evening. It was a blessing to all who came. We will return to the regular schedule next Wednesday night. The men did a good job of leading in song, prayers and the reading of the Holy Scriptures. The cooler weather has really been nice. The Fall is a beautiful time of year, but that means that winter is coming and the real cold weather will set in. We remind all parents that there will be NO BIBLE HOUR tonight, because of the long holiday weekend. They too will resume next Sunday evening. We are grateful to those who work in this program that provides an opportunity for the younger children in the church to learn in a different setting. Clint and Jonna and others are doing a great job with this program. Thanks for being present this morning and we will look forward to seeing you tonight in worship at 6 P.M. DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**ANNIE LEE BIRDOW** remains in Mother Frances hospital in Tyler after an automobile accident.

**GARY WARREN** will have cancer surgery on Tuesday of this week in Temple.

**LaSHAUN MILLER**, son of Nancy Miller, remains in Mother Frances hospital in Tyler with heart problems. He is in I.C.U.

**JEFF ATTAWAY**, son of Beth & Fred Freeman, had double knee replacement surgery last week. He is better.

**TERRIE McCOSLIN**, mother of Holly Palk, will have neck surgery tomorrow.

*Continue to remember all these and those on the prayer list in your prayers.*

### LADS TO LEADERS

Tonight at 5 PM we will kick off the new Lads to Leaders program in the activity building. All young people and their parents are encouraged to attend. This program will replace LTC, which we have been involved in for several years. Please plan to attend.

### 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.

## "Are You Lovable or Unlovable"

Which, are you? "He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. He that loveth his brother abideth in the light" (1 Jn. 2:9, 10). "We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death" (1 Jn. 3:14). Some brethren are more loving and lovable than others. We will not feel the same emotional affection or attachment to some that we do toward others. However, we must "love (all) the brethren," for "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen" (1 Jn. 4:20)? How do we know if we "love the brethren"? "By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments" (1 Jn. 5:2). Those who "love God, and keep his commandments" do not maintain membership in man made churches, worshiping God according to the traditions and commandments of men (Matt. 15:8, 9, 13). Their devotions are "in vain," the Savior said. Their religious plant, not being planted of God, "shall be rooted up." One does not "love the brethren" when he walks contrary to the commandments of Christ. If the man referred to above truly loved the brethren, he would "love God, and keep his commandments." If he loved the brethren, he would not be endorsing a religious institution unknown to the New Testament. He would not be following human traditions that make void the word of God (Mk. 7:7, 13; 1 Jn. 5:2). Therefore, he has not "passed from death unto life." Have you passed from death to life loveable or unlovable?

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