

Good morning and welcome to services! Tonight is our annual chili cook -off and cake auction. We always have a great time and it's going to be a great evening of fellowship and delicious chili. We always appreciate the great support from our congregation each year! We will be meeting at Tru-Care this Wednesday for visits with our members who are there then grabbing some supper together before Bible class. We always have the best time visiting. Hope to see you there!

DOUG

"There are many plans in a man's heart, Nevertheless the Lord's counsel—that will stand." Proverbs 19:21

Remember that God Loves you. John 3:16

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.

"IT'S REMOVED"

"Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out" (Acts 3:19).

In an old, one-room, country schoolhouse years ago, John Maynard was doing very poor work. About half way through the school year, though, something the teacher said inspired him. He diligently applied himself to his work. His grades improved. His assignments were neat and attractive. He finished the year with very good marks, and his parents were quite proud. On visitation day at the end of the year, however, John's heart sank as he saw his mother looking at his workbooks from that school year. He knew that the first half of those workbooks were full of messy work and unsightly blots. He watched as his mother leafed through them and was surprised that his mother was quite pleased as she called his father over to examine them. John discovered that his kind teacher had removed all of his work from the first half of the year and only left the work that was neat.

The point in life where we have a change of heart is called "repentance." Sometimes in the Bible this change is simply called "turning" (Acts 3:19). When we make an aboutface, God covers up all of our shabby deeds from the past. God says, "....I have swept away your transgressions like a cloud, and your sins like mist" (Isa. 43:25; 44:22).

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

Diluted Truth

Growing up I used to watch all the Bowl Games on New Year's Day. There were about eight of them and they were confined to that 1 day. To get to a Bowl Game a team had to be really, really, really good. Now we are inundated with bowl games. There are so many that a I cannot keep up with them. One Bowl Game had two teams whose coaches were fired for having such a poor season. Another Bowl Game had to get a special waver from the NCAA to allow a team with a losing record to play. Why the change over the last 50 years? Money and the desire of the colleges, the NCAA, and the organizers of these Bowls to make money. The end result is that the Bowl Season is now over a month long and most fans only keep up with their team. The bowls have become diluted to mean practically nothing. Such can be said to a lot of preaching that goes on today. It used to be that the Bible was preached in almost every pulpit. Now a lot of places hardly hear the Gospel of Christ. The conditions of salvation are often left out of sermons, and sin is not mentioned. In denominations the Bible is a relic, an outdated book with outdated principles. Every day in the Lord's church there are congregations where plain preaching is not appreciated. So what happened over the last 50 years? Man has decided that religion should concentrate on man and not God. Church has become a social organization with social programs and a social message. Some preachers today are good communicators but poor students. Churches have become businesses with "programs" and "outreaches." Money is needed to finance all of these activities. The truth is diluted to appeal to a larger audience. The end result is weak preaching and teaching. DAN

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Monday Night For The Master a week from tomorrow night. Chili-Cook-off and Cake Auction tonight.



From Dan's desk:

The month of February so far has really been a wonderful month with warmer than usual temperatures. The rain last week was great also. We needed it, for the Good Lord always sends what we need. Thank you for your comments on the lessons last Sunday. We all need to learn to love with a biblical love. We all need to be reminded of this great command of God quite often. We still have several that are ill with various illnesses. We have been in Dallas this last week for a few days with Chloe. We have learned that she does have M.S. She has been having great difficulties as of late. She has been a patient in the U.T. Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas for additional testing. Please continue to remember her as well as others in your prayers. Please remember a week from tomorrow night is "Monday Night For The Master". We will eat at 6:15 and then work between the hour of 7-8 p.m. Don't forget the Chili-cook-off and Cake auction tonight following the evening service. It is always a lot of fun and you are encouraged to stay. Thanks to all those who helped with the Valentine luncheon last Tuesday. We appreciate Jill and Jeanette coordinating this event. I know the ladies enjoyed it much. We hope to see you tonight at 6 P.M. **DAN**

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES





TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

JAYCE COBORN grandson of Franks and Laura Glenn had emergency appendix surgery this last week in Dallas. He is home doing better. DELMER and LYNDA WILSON'S DAUGHTER BRANDI has been undergoing tests for a legion on her lung.

MONTY TODD is improving following his recent hospitalization.

CHLOE COLLINS has been in Dallas at U.T. Southwestern undergoing neurological testing. She does have M.S. and will undergo treatment.

LISA LAMBERT and her grandson had covid this last week but are better.

A prayer list is available in the foyer.

MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Monday night, Feb. 26th will be our Monday Night for the Master for this month. We will eat at 6:15 and work will begin at 7PM. Everyone is asked to join us for a wonderful evening of working together.

BUILD ON THE FOUNDATION

Have you watched workers clear an area where a building is going to be located? You probably noticed they first made it level, then dug a trench for a foundation, and finally poured in concrete on which to build the walls. A building needs a good foundation so it will not slide on the dirt under it. A good foundation is always built first for without it a building is never safe (cf. 1 Cor. 3:11). Yet if the workers stopped after making the foundation there would just be a level area with some concrete. While some things could be done on a concrete foundation, a person would not be safe from a storm there. A person could not come in from the cold there. What if the workers started building another foundation on top of the old one? In New Testament times God had to tell some Christians to not stop with the foundation of the Old Testament teachings. He wanted them to build Christ's house, the church, on that foundation, but then to go on. "Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying against the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God" (Hebrews 6: 1). The same principle holds for us today. We cannot stop with learning just the simple things from God's Word (Heb. 5:1214). We must continue to build on our foundation and build a beautiful Christian life (2 Pet. 1:58). We must build up the church each day for it is the one place we find safety from the storms of life and warmth from the coldness of sin in the world (Eph. 2). DAN

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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Jayce Coborn, grandson of Frank and Laura Glenn had emergency appendix surgery in Dallas this last week.

Chloe Collins is recovering from recent tests that indicated that she has M.S. She has been in Dallas U.T. Southwestern Medical Center.

Glenda Baskin had surgery on her foot and continues to recover.

Delmer and Lynda Wilson's daughter Brandi, is undergoing tests on a lesion on her lung.

Mason Johnson (16 month great grandson of Linda Johnson) having seizures. He is at his home.

Terry Hail, son of Glenda Baskin had heart bypass surgery. He is recovering.

Larry Baskin had surgery on his arm recently. He is better.

Becky Welborn, sister of Kyle Lock has been seriously ill.

Kenneth Thomason, son of Jack and Mary Jo, is in an Irving hospital with a head injury.

Ann and Ken Holland both continue to have issues with COPD and eye issues.

Spencer Kieffer (friend) has lymphoma and asked for prayer.

Mary Bryant, cousin of Linda Hawkins has Lymphoma Leukemia

The Hawkins friend, Vernon Dickinson has staph infection and asked for our prayers.

Noelle Eason, granddaughter of Peggy Higginbotham, is having tests and treatment.

Lori Tanner Richardson, cousin of Cindy Thornton, has breast cancer and asked for prayers.

Jeffery Wooden, son of George, is undergoing radiation for cancer.

Sue Smith, friend to several is recovering from surgery in Dallas.

Madison White, step daughter of Jamie White, is recovering from brain cancer surgery and will be undergoing treatment soon.

Jo Ann Hannah friend of Mary Alice Largent recovering from surgery.

Mary Alice Largent had a back procedure and is doing better.

Diane Wilcher continues with health concerns. She fell and has 4 broken ribs.

Jerame Gipson's friend, Lisa Safronoff, is having health issues.

Becky Barnes' great grandson continues to have health issues.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, is still undergoing tests and treatment

Remember those in nursing homes and home bound in your prayers.

Courtney Bell, Patsy Bush, Mary Chambless, Opalene Chapman, Mary Ann Colling, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, George Wooden, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Joyce Matlock, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Martha Sims, Monty Todd, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff, Charlie Young.

NOTE: We try to update the prayer list each week. When people are improving and doing better we remove their names and add new ones who have asked to be on the list. We need those of you who are acquainted with those on the prayer list to let us know when they improve. Please notify us in the church office.