

## Teen News

Good morning and welcome to services. Thank you so much to the Krumnows for hosting a fun fellowship last Saturday at your home. We have a whole new appreciation for glow stick art and I think we all agree that hot dogs taste best cooked over a fire. We are looking forward to getting together tonight for a devotional and games in the activity building. We are asking our boys to bring a bag of your favorite chips and our girls to bring a 2 liter drink.  
**DOUG**

“just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”” Matt. 20:28

**Parents need to fill a child's self-esteem so high that the rest of the world can't poke enough holes in it to drain it dry.**

### THANK YOU

Thanks to those who came for Monday Night for the Master last Monday evening. Thanks to Sandy Singleterry and Shelly Franklin for helping to get the meal together. Everyone in attendance enjoyed it and there was much done as a result of our efforts.

Keep smiling. God loves you.

### “Don't Click that Link!”

God didn't send that email and neither did I. Did you ever receive an email that said something like, “I should have sent this sooner,” or “I thought you'd like to see”? It may have had my name on it, may be even as the send-er, or someone else very familiar to you.

It is a favorite trick of scammers, spammers and others who want to steal your personal information to send this type of email. The link may be connected to nothing seemingly of consequence, or it may be connected to something vulgar. If you are “lucky”, they will scan your address book and send the same email to all of your friends, Or, they will have stolen your financial information and passwords.

**Rocky Whitely**

*what is good and innocent as to what is evil” (Romans 16:19)*

**May 9, 2021**

**Door Greeters**

**Security Team**

**Communion Preparation**

**Gayle Hamilton**

# Gospel Worker

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### **DEACONS**

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Lorelee Reeder

### **MISSIONS**

Brown Trail School of Preaching, Bedford, TX  
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Hershel Bearden—India  
Steve Handley—Prison Min.  
Central TX Children's Home—Buda, TX  
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NBC 28 KYLE, Bryan—College Station, TX.  
FOX 29 KSVP Lake Charles, La

ABC 10 KTEN Sherman-Tx  
KTXD— 47 Dallas, Texas

### **ASSEMBLY TIMES**

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

### “THE BACKBONE”

The word backbone is really a misnomer because it refers to the spine which has 33 bones called vertebrae. It is a very complex part of our anatomy which science divides into 4 parts. However for this article we will only use 3 parts—the upper, middle and lower “backbone” in order to compare it to our spiritual walk. Somehow it has come to signify courage or strength which would be an interesting etymology study in itself. As the spine supports the torso in the vertical position, so the Lord's church supports the truth and is also called “...God's household...and the pillar and foundation of the truth.” (1 Tim 3: 15)The upper part of this pillar would be made up of those who are most visible, vocal and visionary—usually the elders, deacons, teachers and other leaders. Their roles are ones that people know and recognize. They are probably known by name. The middle part would have members who are sacrificial, social and serving. They uphold the “one another” verses that New Testament Christians are supposed to do. They might be greeters, ushers, people who set up and clean up before and after events, helpers of those who move in or out of houses, visitors of the sick and many other tasks. They plan and execute special events like VBS, Mission Possible, gospel meetings, chili suppers and other meals. They visit the sick, help people get to worship services and print and distribute the bulletin and other materials. You may or may not know their names, but you'll recognize and appreciate their smiles. The lower part of the pillar would be the members who are humble, helpful and habitual. You may not know their names because they are most often silent servants. They may be widows, widowers, singles and just shy people. They support the church by attending, encouraging, providing rides to appointments, sending cards, making calls, listening to and informing elders of special needs, contributing financial support and prayer. All three of these “backbone” parts are greatly needed to allow God's household to stand tall in the world in which we live. It demands courage and strength and everyday commitment. No matter your role, God has a reward for you. (Heb 6:10)

JIM BAILEY



**One Responds to Invitation  
Attendance continues to climb.  
41 attend Monday Night For  
The Master.**

*From Dan's desk:*

Welcome Church family and those who might be visiting with us today. We are glad you are here. We hope and pray you will be blessed by worshipping our God and being in fellowship with His children. It is a great day and we are blessed. Thanks for coming. Our attendance on Sunday evening continues to climb as well. Wednesday night attendance is also up. All of this is indicative of your interest in this spiritual. It was nice to have a number of folks from the Elkhart Church of Christ with us, as they are not having services on Sunday night or Wednesday night until a preacher is secured. Gene Greer just retired from the church there. Last Sunday morning KAREN JONES responded asking for the prayers of the Lord's Church here. We commend her and continue to pray for her. She is a sweet person and one who loved our Lord. Last Monday night some 41 gathered for the evening meal and work session. Thanks to Sandy, Shelly, Dwight, Jill and Charles. It take a lot of effort to get everything to the meal and desserts. The Pizza and salad was great. Thanks again for a wonderful job every time we meet. It was a wonderful evening of fellowship and much resulted from the efforts of those in attendance. We appreciate your help. We only meet one more time in the month of May for Monday Night For The Master and we will resume in the month of September. Please make a note of this on your calendar. The work of the Lord continues at this place and we all want to be counted as labourers in the Vineyard of God. We hope to see you tonight at 6 P.M. for the evening worship service.

DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



**TO KEEP  
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**DOUG LOWE** is recovering from back surgery this last Week.

**SHELAH JORGENSEN** has been undergoing tests on her heart.

**Danna Collins** has Covid-19 at home.

**TONI WARREN** is still recovering from a fall and surgery for a broken leg. She is home improving.

**JESSIE KRAUS** had surgery on her hand. She to improve at home.

**SAM ELLIS** had surgery on his leg last week and is improving at home.

*Prayer list is available in the foyer  
Of those with ongoing illnesses.*

Most people want to serve God, but only in an advisory position.

Don't wait for six strong men to take you to church.

Worry is the darkroom in which negatives can develop.

**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. Thanks again for coming. Do come again.**

**"The Bible Is Not A Dead Letter"**

The Holy Scriptures and the truth of God it contains can never be destroyed. Matt. 24:25. It has outlived and outlasted the attacks of atheists, so called higher-criticism, scientific skeptics, and liberal theologians. One man wrote, "A thousand times over, the death knell of the Bible has been sounded, the funeral procession formed, the inscription cut on the tombstone, and committal read. But somehow, the corpse never stays put." Though men may seek to put it away, the word of God is here to stay. That's the tenacious truth.

DAN

**ARE YOU RESILIENT?**

How many resilient people do you know who have come back after defeat, have risen above inhibiting debilitating handicaps to become great? I used to think resilience meant ability to cope, patience to keep on and not give up, the ability to function even if parts of the system were dysfunctional or inadequate. It is all those things and more, by extension. The dictionary says it is elasticity: ability to be stretched out of shape and then return to proper shape. Even Christians stumble and fall at times. But the same obedient penitent faith that straightened them out in the first place can put them back in shape and keep them there. God has given us all the spiritual resources we need to get in shape and stay in shape – to survive, conquer, and overcome everything. We must become resilient

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## PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Glenda Baskin is undergoing treatment on her foot.

Jennifer Sparks is recovering from leg and ankle surgery last Thursday from an accident recently.

Doug Lowe recovering from back surgery.

Danna Collins has covid-19 and recovering at home.

Donnie Fincher– has Covid-19 at home.

Wendy Fincher is undergoing heart tests and procedures.

Toni Warren recovering from a broken leg and surgery.

Eddie Stanaland son of Cecil and Virginia having heart issues. He will have an oblation soon.

Una Whitley (Mike's aunt) is recovering from a fall. She is in Trucare Nursing facility.

Shelah Jorgenson has been undergoing heart tests this last week.

Charlene Grumbles (Jane's daughter-in-law) undergoing tests for leukemia

Lorelee Reeder has been undergoing tests.

David Hawkins and family (son of Bill and Linda Hawkins) involved in a horrific hail storm in Norman , Okla.

Sam Ellis had leg surgery and he is improving.

Christine Oliphant– Frankya Cooper's daughter and friend to many– breast cancer

Mary Jo Thomason is having therapy treatments on her legs

Leilani Leonard mother of Adam Krumnow recovering from surgery in Waco.

Three family members of Eva Walker (Lucile Walker) (Cecilee Walker) (Charlie Ray) have been seriously ill.

Carroll Pierson (brother-in-law of Ed Coleman of Elkhart) has covid-19

Jo Ann Henry (sister of James Henry) recovering from surgery in Ft. Worth

Ike and Joyce Weatherly are both having health issues.

Kenneth Holland-COPD

Emerald Ellis learned she has gestational diabetes

Rhonda Paul, (sister-in-law of Gary Paul and aunt of D'Anne Davis) has cancer and they have asked for our prayers.

Scott Hilliard (cousin of Dwight Franklin) cancer

Wesley Wellborn (brother-in-law of Kyle Lock) cancer

**Please remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers.** They need our prayers. Courtney Bell, Odessa Boyette, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Ola Pearl Reeves, Bobby Johnson, Miki Kiser, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Ruby Merritt, James and Irma Ray, Emalie Tuschoff and Patsy Bush.

**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 are improving. If you know of someone who needs to be on the supplement prayer list or removed, please notify us in the church office.

THE ELDERS