

# Teen News

Good morning and welcome to services! We hope everyone will join us tonight for our annual pumpkin carving devo. We will be carving pumpkins in our backyard and enjoying time in fellowship together. Next weekend will be our youth group Halloween party. Get your costumes ready and bring your spookiest finger food! If you haven't had a chance to sign up for our L2L retreat, please do so as soon as possible. The retreat bulletin board is in the hallways next to classroom 3. You can choose to spend the entire weekend with us or opt for Saturday only. We will be in Kemp at Cedar Creek Lake and it is only about an hour away. Hope you'll join us! DOUG

"As iron sharpens iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend."

Proverbs 27:17

**October 30, 2022**

**Door Greeters**

**Security Team**

**Communion Preparation**

**Robert Lopez**

### VOTE

**Remember that you are privileged to vote for various candidates in the upcoming election on Nov. 8th. Please remember to exercise your God given right.**

## "BE HAPPY"

If the skies above you are gray, you are feeling so blue...SING AND BE HAPPY." That's the way the song goes, and that's the way the Christian should feel about his life. Too many people seem to be waiting for happiness in the future. What's wrong with today? Sure, happiness is a city we are striving to reach, but happiness is also being a part of the "city of the living God" right now (read Hebrews 12:22-24). I'm afraid that if we push our happiness too far out into the future, we won't know how to appreciate it when we get it...if we get it. Some of the best times we have are not bought with money. Living and loving with those around us are not necessarily better because more dollars and more things are present. Taking pride in what we are inside and what we have done for good are not really based on the dollars we spent achieving them. Real friends and neighbors do not ordinarily judge by what we have, but by the attitude of mind and heart that we exhibit in the way we deal with them. The sound of birds singing or crickets chirping, the beauties of the moon above at night, a walk in the gentle rain, are not bought with coins. Abraham Lincoln once said that a man is about as happy as he makes up his mind to be. Happy people are happy most of the time. Miserable people are miserable most of the time. The Good Lord once said about living according to God's will: "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them" (KJV, John 13:17). If you are sad, turn your life around in Christ. BE HAPPY!

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# Gospel Worker

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Dan D. Manuel  
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Dwight Franklin  
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Dale Sparks

### DEACONS

Henry Baker  
Steve Camp  
Kyle Lock  
R.D. Prince  
Doug Rader

### SECRETARIES

Chloe Collins  
Eva Walker

### MISSIONS

Brown Trail School of  
Preaching, *Bedford, TX*  
Jose Cuadras—*Mexico*  
Hershel Bearden—*India*  
Steve Handley—*Prison Min.*  
Central TX Children's  
Home—*Buda, TX*  
Tipton Children's Home  
*Tipton, OK*  
GBN T.V. NETWORK  
GIVE ME THE BIBLE—  
T.V.  
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KTAL NBC Channel 6  
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Charles, La  
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## "Speak To Us Smooth Things"

We are living in a "politically correct" world today. Much of this "political correctness" has made its way into the Lord's church just as it did in Isaiah's day. God says in Isaiah 30:9-10, "This is a rebellious people, lying children, children who will not hear the law of the Lord; who say...do not prophesy to us right things; **smooth things**, prophesy deceits." Many people did not want to hear God's truth then, and they do not want to hear it today. Paul says that people "will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap to themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth and be turned to **fables**" (2 Timothy 4:3-4). This is happening in the Lord's church today. There are those who are tickling people's ears with their teaching and preaching in all the stories (fables) they tell as they strive to entertain the people. Jesus says "For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, so that I should heal them" (Matthew 13:15). If people do not hear and follow the Lord's word they will be lost. Many in the church do not want to hear what the Bible says about Hell, drinking alcohol, adultery, lying, denominationalism, marriage, divorce, and remarriage, or any of the other sinful activities that are going to cause people to be lost. People do not want to give up their sinful activities. For this reason many in the church are not preaching and teaching the whole counsel of God. People are wanting them to "speak to us smooth things". Some are preaching and teaching only what the people want to hear. Many of the lessons and sermons that are being taught would be readily acceptable in any denominational church. We must have a desire to hear the truth of God's word or we will not hear it. Paul says, "because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie, that they may be condemned who did not believe the truth." (2 Thessalonians 2:10-12). DAN

ONE RESPONDS IN THE MEETING.  
MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER  
TOMORROW NIGHT AT 6:15.  
PLAN TO BE WITH US FOR THE MEAL



### *From Dan's desk:*

One responds in the Gospel Meeting in Hallsville. We were so thankful to be with the Hallsville congregation last week in the meeting. It was great to be with Joe Hancock. Joe just recently suffered the death of his wife SHARON. Joe worked with us prior to moving to Hallsville 19 years ago. We helped send him to preacher's school at Brown Trail in Beford, Texas. He has done an excellent job with the church there and they love him. We continue to pray for him at this time. It was great to be with him and fellowship with the church there when I grew up as a young boy. I have many memories about the folks there who are still living and many who have gone on to be with God. Please don't forget that tomorrow night will again be the time for Monday Night For The Master. We will eat at 6:15 P.M. and work between 7 P.M. and 8 P.M. Much is accomplished as we labor together in God's Vineyard. Plan to be with us. We only have one more week in the month of October and the month of November will be here. We will move the clock back one hour on Nov. 6th. We had some 17 present for the game night and a lot of fun last Friday night a week ago. We offer our gratitude to all who came and brought the delicious finger foods. It was great. See you all tonight at 6 P.M.  
DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



**TO KEEP  
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**SONJA ROSE** has been in the local hospital this last week undergoing tests.

**BECKY BARNES** has been in the local hospital for tests with heart issues this last week. She is home improving. All others who have been ill are improving.

**Get a copy of the prayer list in the foyer. It is available for you.**

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"

Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping."

#### 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. Do come again.

## What One Must Do To Be Saved

**HEAR THE GOSPEL OF  
CHRIST** *John 20:30;*

*Rom 10:17*

**BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS  
THE SON OF GOD**

*Rom 10:16; Acts 18:8; Heb 11:6*

**REPENT OF SINS** *Luke 13:3;*

*24:47; Acts 3:19; 17:30*

**CONFESS FAITH IN  
CHRIST AS GOD'S SON** *Matt  
10:32; Acts 8:37; Rom 10:10*

**BE BAPTIZED (IMMERSED)  
IN WATER** *Matt 28:19; Mark*

*16:16; Acts 2:38; 10:47-48;*

*22:16; Rom 6:1-6; Gal 3:27;*

*Col 2:12; I Peter 3:21*

**CONTINUE FAITHFUL  
UNTO DEATH** *Matt 25:21, 34;*

*2Peter 1:1-11; Rev 2:10;*

**Monday Night For The Master**

**takes place tomorrow night.**

**We will eat at 6:15 P.M. and**

**work the hour of 7-8 P.M.**

**Please plan to be a part of  
the work force. Much can be  
done when we work to-  
gether.**

**October 23, 2022**

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Randy Nash, brother of Marty, has gone home from the hospital and improving.

Ranette Vargas, sister of Roseann Carthen, is undergoing treatment for cancer.

Jewel Jones, daughter of Mary Alice Largent, is critical in Detroit.

Sonja Rose has been in the hospital with thyroid issues.

Tina Teetz, daughter-in-law of Pat Baird, is awaiting cancer surgery.

Linda Lippold is improving at home.

Becky Barnes great grandson is awaiting treatment for cancer.

Becky Barnes was in the hospital with heart issues, but is back home. She is improving.

Mike Davis' uncle, Robert Walker, is having health issues and a possible stroke.

Daniel Gregory, nephew of Mike and Renee' Whitley, is having kidney issues.

Sam Ellis is undergoing outpatient treatment for cancer in Tyler.

Sami Killian, friend of the Ellis', has heart issues, but is home.

Madison and Mabry Gipson's grandfather is seriously ill with possible cancer.

Bryce Stewart former member is still undergoing tests and cancer treatment.

Ralph Wilcher, Gerald Wilcher's brother is undergoing health issues.

Gerald and Diane Wilcher continue to have health issues at home.

Bob Stech has been ill at home, but improving.

Robert James, son of Linda Wilson is awaiting a biopsy for prostate cancer.

Vernell Johnson's 4 year old daughter, Victoria recovering from heart surgery

Kenneth Holland is better from Covid, and he is at home.

Jamie Flores, niece of Ann Sparks is having health issues and requests our prayers.

Meltha Adams, aunt of Scott Roberson is seriously ill in South Carolina.

Bobby Fitzgerald (friend of Ellis family) has cancer and will begin treatment soon.

Tanner Atterton, friend of the Brooks was involved in a serious accident and has asked for our prayers. He is home improving.

Deborah Hagemeyer has cancer and requests prayer.

Vonda Simmons, cousin of Lue Gannon has serious health issues.

Clayton Steen, son of Charles and Betty is cancer free but still has some health issues.

Jerry Thornton of Canton, is undergoing additional oral cancer treatment.

**Remember those in nursing homes and the homebound in your prayers.**

Courtney Bell, Odessa Boyette, Patsy Bush, Mary Ann Colling, Ruth Cox, Blackie Foreman, Jerry Graham, Sue Grubbs, Gerry Hahn, Bobby Johnson, Miki Kiser, Jessie Kraus, George Lester, Lanova Mitchell, David Mitchell, John Mottern, Ed and Kathleen Compton, Lorelee Reeder, Irma Ray, Martha Sims, Marlene Thompson, Gary and Emalie Tuschoff and 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 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