

Teen News

I would like to thank all of you for your enthusiasm and help during LTC. If it weren't for you all I would have been totally lost, instead I was only partially lost. I hope all of you had a good time in Dallas this weekend as I enjoyed the convention myself. Tonight there will not be a devotional due to the LTC convention and Easter weekend. Happy Easter!

Blake

The Safest Place to Be

How to stay safe in the world today...

- 1) Avoid riding in automobiles because they are responsible for 20% of all fatal accidents.
- 2) Do not stay home because 17% of all accidents occur in the home.
- 3) Avoid walking on streets or sidewalks because 14% of all accidents occur to pedestrians.
- 4) Avoid traveling by air, rail, or water because 16% of all accidents involve these forms of transportation.
- 5) Of the remaining 33%, 32% of all deaths occur in Hospitals. So, above all else, avoid hospitals.

But, you will be pleased to learn that only .001% of all deaths occur in worship services in church, and these are usually related to previous physical disorders. Therefore, logic tells us that the safest place for you to be at any given point in time is at church! And Bible study is safe too. The percentage of deaths during Bible study is even less.

WHY DO WE LOVE CHILDREN?

While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut-ins, I used to take my 4 year old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers, and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced my self for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, 'The tooth fairy will never believe this!'

A little girl had finished her first week at school. "I'm just wasting my time," she said to her mother. 'I can't read, I can't write, and they won't let me talk!'

A woman was trying hard to get the ketchup out of the jar. During her struggle the phone rang so she asked her 4-year-old daughter to answer the phone. 'Mommy can't come to the phone to talk to you right now. She's hitting the bottle.'

Our sympathy is extended to Reba, Mike & Renee Whitley on the death of **BILLIE WHITLEY**. His graveside services were held on Monday at Myrtle Springs cemetery.

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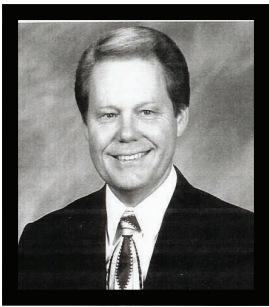
MISSIONS & OUTREACH

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Tipton Children's Home
Tipton, OK
Gospel Broadcast Network
Tullstar Ministry

ASSEMBLY TIMES

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





**GOOD MORNING
BRETHREN**
We are glad you are here today.
Greet Our Visitors



From Dan's desk:

The meeting in Leesville, LA. went well. One responded to the invitation of Christ. It was a well attended endeavor and I am thankful that I had the privilege of speaking in this special series of lectures. My thanks to Hershel Bearden and Bernie for preaching for me while I was away last Sunday. We came in on Sunday night. Our hearts were saddened by the death of BILLIE WHITLEY. His memorial service was held at the Myrtle Spring cemetery on Monday. Our love and prayers go out to the family. Several are ill at present, and we want to continue to remember those in our prayers. Please check the bulletin and the Prayer list in the foyer for those for whom we should be praying. Today is the traditional day of Easter. Many will celebrate this day, as the day that Christ was raised from the dead. We know as Christians, that no one knows the day. It is not wrong to celebrate the resurrection of Christ, but we as His followers do that EVERY SUNDAY. We do it in the observance of the Lord's Supper. I am glad the world will pause long enough to think of our Saviour and to recognize that He did in fact rise from the grave triumphant. If you are visiting with us this morning, we are glad that you are here and we do hope and trust that you will come again. I hope the worship service will be meaningful for you, and if you have questions that we can address, we would be most delighted to help you. Thanks again for coming and let us meet you following the worship. DAN

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN
YOUR PRAYERS:**

CLINT ELLIS is undergoing tests.

BRANDON FRANKLIN was taken to the emergency room on Wednesday. He has the flu & bronchitis.

SANDRA IVES is also undergoing tests at East Texas Medical Center Hospital in Tyler.

GARY OLIVER was sent to Baylor hospital in Dallas for treatments for his cancer. His address is on the bulletin board. He will probably be there a couple of weeks.

EVELYN HARRIS has been moved to Tru-Care Assisted Living for rehab, Room 201.

TED MISSILDINE is not feeling well and very weak.

RUBY KING, mother of Carolyn Jenkins, is in a Rusk Nursing Home for rehab.

SHAUN MILLER, son of Nancy Miller, has returned home from the hospital.

MORRIS TURMAN, grandfather of Brandy Baker & Brianne Campos, went home from the hospital after by-pass surgery.

NOLAN CONAWAY, nephew of Jimmy & Linda Allen remains seriously ill.

CHECK THE PODIUM IN THE FOYER FOR THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILY WITH CONTINUING HEALTH PROBLEMS.

REMEMBER THE SERVICEMEN!

Blaine Kline, David Sims, Dustin Delsi, Jim Griffith, III, Tyler Griffith, & Joseph Griffith.

CONGRATULATIONS

To our young people who went to L.T.C. last Friday and Saturday. They did a great job and we are so thankful to Blake and Brandy for their efforts to work with our youth. They too, do a wonderful job. We will honor the youth soon for their efforts in L.T.C.

THE CROSS OF JESUS

The cross of Jesus is the symbol of discipleship. Jesus's cross is the most glorifying thing to God known to man. In (Mark 8:34) Jesus said "If any man will come after me, let him take up his cross and follow me." The death of Jesus on the cross was mandated by God in order that all mankind could receive forgiveness of sin.

The Cross of Jesus is the most awesome expression of love known to man.

Jesus Christ, the son of God, took upon himself the sin of all mankind, past, present and future.

Suffered death and separation from the Father.

Shed his blood and took our sins upon his own body, giving us the gift of [Eternal Life](#).

Gave us spiritual gifts and the gift of the Holy Spirit enabling us to walk in holiness and righteousness before him.

The disciples did not know that when Jesus died the veil around the Mercy Seat in the Temple was rent from top to bottom, thereby representing the end of the terrible [Separation of God and Man](#) that had existed since the days of Adam and Eve. All they saw were the earthquakes, darkness and gloom that were upon all the earth. Their faith and hope were at a very low point.

Then came the discovery of the empty tomb, and when Jesus revealed himself to his disciples and others there was new excitement and hope. Everything He had told them was right on schedule. Later, when they saw Jesus ascend to heaven with their own eyes, their faith reached a new pinnacle! They knew at last He was who He said He was, and they were changed forever.

A short time later, on the day of Pentecost, they were filled with the Holy Spirit and given Power to accomplish the things He had commanded them to do. Nothing, not persecution, imprisonment, or even death itself, would keep them from taking the message of the cross of Jesus to the world.