

Good morning! I hope all is well in your life. If you are visiting with us today, thank you for joining us. Thanks to those who came to "Monday Night for the Master" last Monday. We got a lot of things accomplished and had a great time together. We had a great Bible study last Wednesday evening with the youth group. My thanks to those who were there. If there are any other teenagers who would like to study with us, you are welcome to join us. We meet every Sunday morning at 9:30am and Wednesdays at 7pm. We sometimes have Devotionals on Sunday nights too. It's hard to believe that February is over and March has begun. Before we know summer will be here! Tonight after church, we will have a DEVO for the teens. Please make plans to attend. See you tonight!

BEN

## HOW CLOSE ARE YOU?

**Do you need to be baptized into Christ or memorize some scripture? Do you need to be more faithful in attendance at worship or renew a broken connection with the church? Is there a relationship you've been meaning to mend or an apology you keep intending to make? Maybe there's a child you need to hold. Or a teenager who needs you to talk with them about God and read the Bible, or attend their school play, or come watch them at a basketball game. Whatever it is, both Scripture and common sense demand that you do your utmost to do it right now. Don't wait until tomorrow to do what you ought to do today. Here's hoping 2019 will find you getting closer to God and more like Christ!**

**DAN**

## "By Merit Or By Grace"

Mark Twain was far from being a skilled Bible scholar, but he makes us think with these words about grace: "Heaven goes by favor. If it went by merit, you would stay out and your dog would go in." Twain's words remind me of the Bible's message in Romans 3:10 and 23 — As it is written: 'There is none righteous, no, not one' ... for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." And Ezekiel 18:4 and Romans 6:23a — the soul that sinneth, it shall die. .. For the wages of sin is death." The "death" in these and other passages is a reference to the eternal separation of the soul from God. This separation will occur at the final judgement and be maintained forever in the place Jesus called "hell." Hell is described by Jesus as indescribably horrible place with the "worm that does not die and the fire that shall never be quenched" (Mark 9:42 -48). The apostle John described it with the mind jarring, fear-inspiring phrase "lake of fire burning with brimstone" (Revelation 19:20; 20:10, 14 15). It is the place where all those whose names are not written in the Lamb's Book of Life will be cast. Hell is too awful and fearful to completely comprehend, along with the thought God would be just and righteous if He sent us all there. **DAN**

### DOOR GREETERS

**Sunday March 10, 2019**

**Orre & Donna Costlow**

### COMMUNION PREPARATION

**Sunday March 10, 2019**

**Jane Grumbles**

**NURSERY ATTENDANT- 3/10/19**

**Lorelee & Willette**

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**Dale Sparks**

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### ASSEMBLY TIMES

**Sun: 9:30 AM Class**

**10:30 AM Worship**

**6 :00 PM Evening**

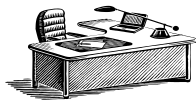
**Wed: 7:00 PM**

## "A SPIRITUAL MAKEOVER"

I once read of a debate between President Abraham Lincoln and an opponent who accused Lincoln of being "two-faced." The sharp-witted Lincoln, whose face has never been rated as being overly-handsome, disarmed his opponent with this verbal barb: "If I had two faces, would I be wearing this one?" Lincoln was apparently comfortable in his own skin, plain though it might have been. Too bad he isn't alive today. Thanks to modern plastic and cosmetic surgery techniques, he could have his plain face and forehead "lifted." He could, for a price, have his eyelids augmented through "blepharoplasty." If he didn't like his ears, a procedure known as "otoplasty" would be the way to go. If still dissatisfied, he could work wonders on those famous Lincoln wrinkles with a series of Botox injections. Any scars on his face could be "revised" and the facial skin itself could be "resurfaced." And if he didn't like the length and look of his nose, "rhinoplasty" would be a wonderful option (better known in less sophisticated times as a "nose job!"). Implants would do wonders for his hollowed-out cheeks. Finally, if he would undergo a chin procedure called "mentoplasty," he could have a brand new and dramatically madeover face! All in fun, of course, but in our body-conscious, beauty-worshiping modern world, extreme makeovers are becoming more and more frequent. People shell out serious bucks to have a part or parts of their body augmented or, to use a more popular phrase, get a "makeover." Practically any external part of the human body can be dramatically changed and supposedly improved through surgical and cosmetic alterations. The Lord calls on each of us to undergo a "Spiritual Makeover". A makeover of our hearts and minds and our lives, Phil. 2. A spiritual makeover comes from within. The outward man is wasting away, but the inward man should be renewed day by day. **DAN**

# THREE RESPOND

## 2 baptized & one restored



*From Dan's desk:*

Last Sunday was a wonderful day with the coming of those who were baptized into Christ and one being restored. Last week, Audrey & I had the opportunity study with TIM and KAREN JONES who have recently moved to Palestine from the Houston area. On Friday morning, Tim was baptized for the remission of sins and the Lord added him to the church family here. We also had prayer for KAREN. On Sunday morning, they came forward to place membership with the Crockett Rd. church family. Karen asked for the prayers of the church and expressed her desire to re-dedicate her life to Christ. We rejoice with both of them. Also responding last Sunday morning was FAITH DORMAN, daughter of Scott and Tifany Roberson. She confessed her faith in Christ and was baptized for the remission of sins. We are happy for her and her family upon this most important decision. The Lord God continues to bless this wonderful congregation with additional numerical strength and spiritual strength as well. Thanks to all of you who came to Monday Night For The Master last Monday night. Much was accomplished as a result of us working together in the Kingdom of God. Thanks also to James and Sandy Singleterry, Dwight and Shelly Franklin and John and Ann Mottern for their help in getting the meal ready for those who came. It was a wonderful evening and we are blessed to have so many who are willing to give of their time and energy to the serving in the church. The month of February is history and the month of March has arrived. It looks as though it is coming in like a lion. As was announced last Sunday, I have learned that I have prostate cancer. We are taking the necessary steps to remedy that problem with radiation. Thanks for your prayers and concern. DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



### TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**BEVERLY ROBERSON** mother of Scott Roberson is in the Hospital in Plano, Tex. She fell and broke her hip.

**DEANNA CHAPMAN** will finish radiation treatments on her neck for cancer tomorrow.

**BRENDA CREEL**, sister of Gayle Hamilton, has gone home from M.D. Anderson hospital following surgery. Gayle is grateful for your prayers.

**CHARLOTTE PERRY** (former member) is critically ill in Methodists hosp. in Dallas.

**RAY FRANKS** (friend of many) will be at M.D. Anderson this week undergoing additional tests for cancer.



Move clock forward one hour Saturday night

### RESPONSES

**BAPTIZED & Membership**  
Faith Dorman

(Daughter of Scott and Tifany Roberson)

**BAPTIZED & PLACING MEMBERSHIP**  
TIM JONES

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### "FRIENDLY FIRE IN THE CHURCH"

Too often we hear about servicemen being killed by friendly fire. The accidents that occurs are tremendously sad and tragic. The Bible condemns "friendly-fire" in the church: "And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and is set on fire by hell ... With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God ... My brethren, these things ought not to be so" (James 3:6-10). Later James bluntly says, "Do not speak evil of one another, brethren" (4:11a). It seems the first thing some people do every day is brush their teeth and sharpen their tongue. Friendly-fire is causing spiritual casualties in the church. Gossip, slander, saying about others behind their backs, and unfounded criticism - all have this in common: they are all sins, condemned in the word of God, no matter how popular they are in the church. Bombs and bullets may come from a so-called friend, but they are just as fatal as those delivered by an enemy. Friendly-fire in the church cools friendships, harms fellowship, and bums reputations. Help extinguish it by refusing to speak (or receive) evil about others. Be sure to watch your words. They often can become hurtful and damaging and they often spiritually destroy. DAN