

# Teen News

We are proud of Caleb Ellison, Zachary Phillips and Ashlyn Statham. They will be graduating from High School. The church has planned to honor them this morning in the church auditorium and they will be recognized at the luncheon we are having right after worship this morning. Be sure to stay and enjoy lunch with us and show the seniors our support. **BLAKE**

## MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER

Our last Monday Night for the Master, until fall, will take place tomorrow night. Please make plans to be here to devote one hour to this good work. Pizza and salad to eat that night. If you can provide a dessert, please see Jane Grumbles or Mary Stech.

Join us next Sunday for a special lesson on **MEMORIAL DAY**



## GROWING OLD GRACEFULLY

By Ruth Cox

How can I grow old gracefully? I look in the mirror each morning and see the bags under my eyes. I don't know if they are packed for a short trip, or an extended visit. My double chin prevents me from buttoning my top button on my blouse. To say the least about my hourglass figure it resembles a bag of potatoes (partly mashed.) Then comes the sagging flab hanging next to my armpits ( I call these my wings.) Moving on down the torso, it's a bumpy ride. My hips have ridges (like potato chips.) My stomach overlaps and I can't see my feet. Blue veins run up and down my legs like a river. If I rise slowly, and get my balance, I may stay mobile, if not, my knees lock (and this is where the bone meets the pad.) It's a nice feeling when a young clerk politely asks "Are you a senior citizen?" Then I know, this is as graceful as you get growing old.

I can take the other side of the coin. And take one day at a time, with an attitude of self-worth, looking in the mirror each day and marvel at my image, and repeat these words, "You've come a long way baby." Take what God has given me and be thankful. Because its not what you see on the outside that makes a person beautiful, but what is inside. I found this quote and it fit my line of thought. "Please don't touch my wrinkles, it took me so long to earn them."

**DOOR GREETERS** May 26, 2013

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# Gospel Worker

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FOX 44—Waco, TX.  
FOX 29, Bryan—College Station, TX.  
NBC 53—Lufkin, TX.  
**ASSEMBLY TIMES**  
Sun: 9:30 AM Class  
10:30 AM Worship  
6:00 PM Evening

## The Humble Shall be Exalted

Pride and envy are two ugly traits. We see athletes brazenly promote themselves. Celebrities expect people to drool over them and receive special treatment. Our generation was not the first to have self promoters. The disciples had this problem. While walking to Jerusalem, the mother of James and John, asked special treatment for her sons. **"And He said to her, 'What do you wish?' She said to Him, 'Grant that these two sons of mine may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on the left, in Your kingdom.' (Matthew 20.21).** She did not want much, she just wanted places of power and prestige for her sons. This did not go over well with the other disciples for they also wanted to be at the right hand of Jesus. **"And when the ten heard it, they were greatly displeased with the two brothers" (verse 24).** Why did the disciples act this way? Why so selfish? Because, that is the way the world thinks. **"But Jesus called them to Himself and said, 'You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them" (verse 25).** The way the world thinks, people of authority have servants to take care of them, and not the other way around. It is at this juncture Jesus points out one of the differences between His kingdom and the kingdom of men. **"Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant" (verse 26).** This runs totally contrary to the way of the Gentiles. Therefore, being great in the kingdom of God means being a servant. **"And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave" (verse 27).** Let us say you are a person of authority and have numerous servants or slaves. Which one would you value the most?

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## Graduating Seniors to be honored this morning



*From Dan's desk:*

It is good to see each of you in Bible Class and Worship this morning. We are so glad you have come. The year is passing by so swiftly. It is hard to believe that the school year is rapidly coming to an end already. Each year we always like to recognize our graduating seniors and pray tribute to them and make you aware of their accomplishments. This year we have three graduating seniors. They are: Caleb Ellison, Zachary Phillips and Ashlyn Statham. These young people have reached a milestone in their lives and we are so proud of them. They will be graduating from high school at the end of the month and then off to continue their education in college. We appreciate their efforts and pray God's blessings on them. Their parents are to be commended as well for all their energy, love and help through the years. I know that they are also proud of them. We will recognize them with a special presentation following the lesson this morning and with a power point presentation, as well as a luncheon, in their honor out in the activity building following the morning service. We hope that each of you will stay and enjoy the meal and fellowship together. These students also have a table of various items from their high school years on display in the activity building. Please go by and view their table and bid these young people your own personal congratulations. Last Sunday was a great day. Mother's Day is always special and we are grateful for all those who were in attendance. It is difficult not to get emotional when you speak in honor of the one who brought you into the world, especially if she is just a memory. May God continue to bless all mothers around the world. Thanks to Adam and Diane Harding for furnishing the beautiful Roses for the mothers last Sunday. They were truly appreciated. Thanks also to David and Jennifer Sparks for providing the pastries and drinks in the Activity Building last Sunday and to George Wooden for taking the pictures. Near thirty had their pictures made with their mom. Thanks to the ladies who have attended the Tuesday morning Ladies Bible Class so faithfully this last year and to those who attended the luncheon and brought the good food. It was a wonderful day. See you tonight.

DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**GARY OLIVER** has been dismissed from the hospital in Dallas and is back home now.

**LINDA ALLEN** continues to undergo treatment in the East Texas Medical Center in Tyler.

**WENDI BARNES** grandson **KAYSON** has been in the hospital in Dallas for tests and treatment of a liver condition.

### SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to **DAVID AND NINI LAMB** in the death of **NINI'S** father in China last week. We continue to pray for them.

One day Adam and his boys were out for a walk and happened upon the Garden of Eden. One of the boys said, "Dad, what is that place?" Adam responded, "Guys, that's where your mother ate us out of house and home."

### 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."**

## Don't Stay Away From Church Because...

1. You are a poor...There is no admission charge.
2. It rains...Most of us go to work when it rains, our building doesn't leak.
3. It is hot...Our building has air conditioning.
4. No one invited you...We go to other places we're not invited.
5. You have little children...We have classes for all ages.
6. There are hypocrites in the church...You associate with hypocrites everyday.
7. You have guests in your home...They will admire you for your loyalty if you go anyway.
8. You need a weekend vacation...No one can escape from God.
9. Your clothes are not expensive...You aren't coming to a fashion show. Consider John the Baptist.
10. Church standards are too high...Are they any higher than the Biblical standards for the church?  
~Unknown

### GRADUATES

Today we honor our graduating Seniors

They are:

**CALEB ELLISON**  
**ZACHARY PHILLIPS**  
**ASHYLN STATHAM**

Join us at Lunch in the activity bldg. following the service this Morning.