

# Teen News

The youth will be gone to Praise Camp (Singing School) in Canfield, Arkansas this week. They will be leaving early this morning and will be back late Friday night. Please keep all of the teens in your prayers as they travel this week.

The youth will be selling Pennington Watermelons again this year. We will have a sign up list on the bulletin board in the foyer. The prices will be between 5-8 dollars. We will also be offering a different variety of watermelons that include, Yellow Meat, Red Diamond, and the Stars and Stripes. Please go by and sign up. We will have them ready to pick up on the 27th.

## V.B.S.

### June 22nd –25th

Our Vacation Bible School will be held this year the week of June 22nd through 25th. Please mark this date on your calendar. We are all excited about the school this year and we will be having another follow-up meeting soon. Please plan to be in town with your children for this special event. It will be a great effort. Bring the kids.

**Audrey Manuel is in need of cardboard paper towel rollers for VBS. If you empty a roll this week, please save this roller for her. Thanks!**

## Dying By Degrees

In an experimental laboratory, a frog was placed in a container of water. The water was heated at the rate of 0.036 of a degree per second. The frog did not notice the change. When the water finally reached 140 degrees, the frog died. But, he had not been aware of any change in temperature. The frog died by **degrees**.

In the above story, by an unknown author, a spiritual principle is taught that we as Christians should give heed to. Like a lot of church members, the poor frog never did realize he was dying. He could have jumped out at any time if he had known the danger. Members of the Lord's church can (and often do) stray far from God, but they never reach this unfaithful state in one night. It takes place by **degrees**. A Christian begins to miss services occasionally and then a little more often, then soon he or she is completely out of duty and lost. Even then, they sometimes do not realize they are dead while they yet live (cf. [1 Timothy 5:6](#)). Maybe others still attend services, but their lives lack that inner devotion and fervor they once had. How did they get into such a condition? Little by little they omitted prayer, Bible study, meditation, and personal consecration until finally there remains only a shell of a once faithful Christian.

### DOOR GREETERS— June 20, 2010

Marty Nash  
Jim & Gerry Hahn

### COMMUNION PREPARATION

June 20, 2010  
Billy Lane

# Gospel Worker

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### MINISTERS

Dan D. Manuel  
*Pulpit Minister*  
Joshua Shellenbarger  
*Youth Minister*  
Owen Perry  
*Personal Evangelism*

### ELDERS

Dan D. Manuel  
Dale Sparks

### DEACONS

Henry Baker  
Sam Ellis  
Dwight Franklin  
Adam Harding  
Scott Johnson  
Kyle Lock

### SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

### MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Brown Trail School of Preaching, *Bedford, TX*  
Jose Cuadras— *Mexico*  
*School of Preaching*  
Hershel Bearden  
*India Mission*  
Ken Upchurch  
*Tanzania Africa Work*  
Central TX Children's Home—*Buna, TX*  
Tipton Children's Home  
*Tipton, OK*  
Gospel Broadcast Network

### ASSEMBLY TIMES

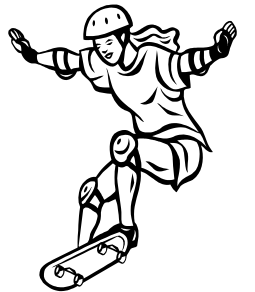
Sun: 9:30 AM Class  
10:30 AM Worship  
6 :00 PM Evening  
Wed: 7:00 PM



## Please Touch Me

I am your baby  
Please touch me!  
Not just when you feed me and diaper me  
But stroke my legs, my arms, my back, my head.  
Hold me close in tenderness  
That says—"I love you."

I am your teenager,  
Please touch me?  
I need to feel a fond love  
Coming through your hands, your arms;  
I need to see it in your eyes  
Hear it in your voice,  
Even when we disagree.  
Some of me is still a child—Please touch me!



I am a child with a family of my own,  
Please put your arms around me  
Mother, Father, when my heart aches  
With all the heartaches you have known.  
Now that I am a parent,  
I see you differently and love you more.  
When you embrace your grandchildren—  
Don't forget me!



I am your aging parent,  
Please touch me  
The way my mother did  
When I was young.  
My hair is coarse and gray  
But please stroke it.  
My hand is withered but hold it,  
Embrace my tiring body.  
I need your strength—Please touch me!



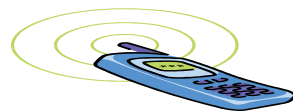
**V.B.S. June 22-25  
Summer Series has begun**



***From Dan's desk:***

Nest Sunday is "Father's Day. The homes of America and the church are so dependent on Fathers. One of the big problems in our world is a lack of leadership in the home. Children are not being taught the Word of God and given instruction as to how to live and govern their lives. It is good to have each of you this morning. I hope you will be present next Sunday as we discuss "FATHERS". The Bible has so much to say about the role of Dad in the home and family. "Fathers provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Eph. 6:1-4. Thanks to DON CANTER who spoke last Wednesday night during the beginning of the Summer Series. My Thanks also to Bernie Baur who spoke last Sunday night while I was in the lectureship at Hemphill. It was good to be with Brother Foy Forehand, the regular minister there. Bernie also spoke there on Thursday night, as will all the panelists on the "Give Me The Bible" program. Continue to pray for the success of our program that is televised each week. We were saddened by the death of ALMA WARD. Services were held Friday. We continue to remember that family in prayer. See you tonight.

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES  
OR PUT THEM ON VIBRATE.**



**TO KEEP  
IN OUR PRAYERS**

**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE IN  
YOUR DAILY PRAYERS:**

**EVA JEFFCOAT** has been in the Palestine Regional Hospital this last week for tests and treatment.

**NANCY MILLER** has been undergoing tests this last week.

**CARLOS KING**, father of Carolyn Jenkins, has been undergoing heart tests this last week.

**Please remember others who  
have been mentioned recently  
as ill in our prayers.**

**BABY SHOWER**

**THE LADIES ARE REMINDED  
OF THE BABY SHOWER HON-  
ORING AMY CAMP TODAY  
AT THE HOME OF HENRY  
AND SONDA BAKER FROM 2  
P.M. TO 3:30 P.M.**

**OUR SYMPATHY**

**Our sympathy is extended to  
the family of ALMA WARD who  
passed away last week. Ser-  
vices were conducted yester-  
day here at the building. Burial  
was in Blackfoot community.**

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

On Wednesday evening JUNE 23rd (during the week of Vacation Bible School) the classrooms will have been rearranged for V.B.S. and we are having a special presentation in the church auditorium that night featuring **DAVE MILLER**. The DVD is entitled.....

**"THE SILENCING OF  
GOD".**

If you are concerned about those who wish to take GOD out of our Nation, you need to see this presentation. Plan to be with us that night.

***Shhhhhhhhhhhhh  
It's A Surprise***

***Come join us to celebrate  
Jim Davis'  
80th Birthday  
Saturday, June 19, 2010  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.***

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***No gifts please***