

# Teen News

The youth are attending "Praise (Singing School) Camp" this week in Arkansas. Josh is there with them, as well as several adults. We want to keep them in our prayers while they are away. They are selling watermelons again this year. If you want to purchase one, please sign the list

The Stewardship Committee's latest idea for helping to raise the annual church budget.



An Army brat was boasting about his father to a Navy brat.

"My dad is an engineer. He can do everything. Do you know the Alps?"

"Yes," said the Navy brat.

"My dad has built them."

Then the naval kid spoke: "And do you know the Dead Sea?"

"Yes."

"It's my dad who's killed it!"

## Esteeming Dad on Father's Day

Daddy always said to love the Lord and treat others just like you wanted to be treated ... to tell the truth ... to work hard.

Daddy always said, "If you write a check, be sure the money's in the bank ... and that doesn't mean you just think there's enough."

Daddy always said to display good sportsmanship. ... I'll never forget attending the obedience school graduation when my dog and I flunked our class!

The calendar has now turned to June, and once again my thoughts turn to Father's Day ... and Daddy.

... Once again, I miss him. Once again, I wish I had another chance to say, "I love you!"

You and your children may still have that chance. If there was a period in your life of estrangement from your father, or rebellion against God, give your dad the evidence of real faith. Nothing means more to Christian fathers than the contentment of seeing God work in their children's lives. Immediately after I came back to the Lord as a young man, the gulf between my father and me evaporated. Ironically, what meant the most to Dad was not a transaction between him and me, but between me and the Lord.

SELECTED

### DOOR GREETERS—

**Marlene and Jerry Thompson**  
**Mark and Linda Johnson**

### COMMUNION PREPARATION

**Sue Grubbs & Lois King**

# Gospel Worker

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**Dan D. Manuel**  
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### 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

## FATHERS Must Teach Their Children

We in the Lord's church are losing 75% of our children who fall away from the Lord and become lost when they leave home. This is a tragedy! The main reason we are losing our children to the world is a lack of teaching of God's word at home by the parents. Parents are commanded to teach their children the word of God. "And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord" (Ephesians 6:4). Can we as parents be pleasing to God if we fail to teach our children the word of God? The lack of Bible knowledge will cause our children to go off into atheism, agnosticism, denominationalism, and unfaithfulness, which will cause them to be eternally lost. One 40 minute Bible study class each week at church or two if they attend Wednesday evening Bible study does not give our children enough spiritual food to fight off the world's influence they receive at school, TV, etc. Our children spend 30 hours per week in public school preparing for life in this world, but less than 2 hours per week in trying to prepare for eternity. Which is the most important? We become upset if our children make bad grades on their report cards, but it doesn't seem to bother us if they fail to study their Bible class lessons. We closely watch their scholastic and athletic progress, but what about their spiritual progress? We have become passive about allowing our children to grow up without a soul saving knowledge of the Bible. We need to know that the greatest thing we can do for our children is to instill in them a lasting faith in God and the Bible so they can be eternally saved. There is nothing greater we can do for our children.

We should help our children with their school subjects at home, but studying the Bible with them is of **much greater importance than** their school subjects. Why do children fall away and become lost when they leave home? God's word says, "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge" (Hosea 4:6). If our children are lacking in a knowledge of God's word they will most likely be eternally lost in hell. If they are lost, we as parents will have to give an account to God for our failure to teach them (Romans 14:12).

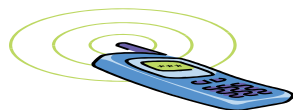
# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY V.B.S. Begins Tuesday



## From Dan's desk:

We welcome each of you to the service this morning. Today is Father's Day and we are glad that you have joined us this morning in worship. The home rises or falls because of the leadership of Fathers. We have so many great role models in this congregation. We are grateful for the leadership you are giving to your family. I hope you read the articles placed in the bulletin on Fathers. God conveys to us that Fathers have a tremendous role in the family. I hope that every father in this church will continue to be the kind of example that is worthy of following. Our Vacation Bible School begins this Tuesday. This is always a special time and many young people will be here during the week learning about the Lord Jesus. Much effort, time and tremendous work has been given to this special event. We hope and trust that you will do your part in encouraging the neighborhood kids to come and especially make the effort to have your children present each morning. The school begins on Tuesday morning at 9 A.M. and will continue to 11 A.M. each morning through Friday. It will be a great and memorable week. Thanks to all those who will be working in any way to make this a successful venture for the church here. 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 hospital recently but is better

**BILLIE BEDFORD** has been undergoing tests this last week.

Those who have been in the hospital recently are better.

Those with continuing health concerns:

Ed Furman, Maggie Larsen, Edith Lamb, Jim Davis, Charlie Hall, Maurice Higginbotham, Ted Missildine.

V.B.S.

June 22nd – 25th

Our Vacation Bible School will begin Tuesday of this week, June 22nd through 25th. Please mark this date on your calendar. We are all excited about the school this year. Please plan to be in town with your children for this special event. It will be a great effort. Bring the kids.

The Back Pew – Jeff Larson



IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE this life is over.  
Is that all there is? .. NO, it's just the beginning.  
1 Cor 2:9

## Would You Be Missed?

After completing many years as a journalist, Arthur Brisbane was offered six months of paid vacation time by William Randolph Hearst, the publisher of the San Francisco Examiner. Brisbane refused to accept the kind offer because of two reasons. He said, "If I quit writing my newspaper column for six months, it might affect the circulation of the newspaper. The second reason is that it might not affect the circulation of the newspaper." Mr. Brisbane's answer was profound. In view of his answer, let's ask ourselves, "If I dropped out of sight for six months and did absolutely nothing for the Lord, would I be missed?" Would the Lord's work suffer or would there be no difference whatsoever? As members of the Lord's church, we each have a responsibility in doing the Lord's work and building up the body of Christ ([Ephesians 4:11-16](#); cf. [1 Corinthians 14:26](#); [2 Corinthians 12:19](#); [Ephesians 4:12](#)). We cannot hire someone else to fulfill our responsibility to the Lord ([Gal. 6:4-5](#); cf. [Romans 2:6](#); [1 Corinthians 3:8](#)). We are individually accountable to God for what we do with the time He has blessed us with. Let us hear the inspired writer, Paul, as he wrote to the Ephesian brethren, "Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil" ([Ephesians 5:15-16](#) – ESV).

Brethren, let us resolve from this day forward, that we will become more involved in the Lord's work, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds" ([Hebrews 10:24](#) – NIV).