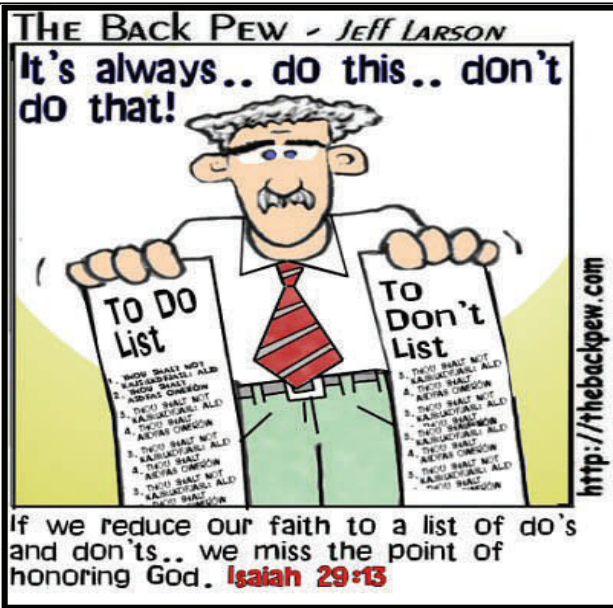


Teen News

The youth will be going on a camp out this coming Friday and Saturday, if you are planning on going please let me know so I can get a total count.

You will need to bring everything you would usually take on a camp out. Also girls need to bring drinks and guys need to bring chips.

Thanks to all those who donated blood last Saturday. We appreciate your participation very much. This account will ensure that members of this congregation will have a supply of blood to draw off of. Thanks!



“All Depends on Your Attitude”

In Africa it is said that there is a certain fruit called the "taste berry." This berry supposedly can affect one's taste for several hours. Not only is the berry itself sweet, it makes other things seem sweeter when eaten. What a wonderful fruit this must be if it really exists and works that well. In human personality there is a "taste berry," and it is one's attitude. If one's attitude is good, good can be found in the worst of tragedies. The worst of defeats can spur one on to do better the next time and to take advantage of lessons learned. With the right attitude one can see good in others in spite of their faults. A flawed effort on the part of someone whose heart is not totally pure can be viewed, not as a worthless attempt by a scoundrel, but as a step in the right direction. On the other hand, if our attitude is not right, we can find fault with the best of efforts by the sincerest of people. Even the brightest of days will be overcast with a shadow of negative judgments. Have you ever been around someone who has the wrong attitude toward the Lord's church? All they can point to are the flaws and the faults (and there are plenty of them and they are easy to spot). All they seem to do is criticize and judge. If you try to get these people to see the good side of the picture, my experience has been that many of them refuse to listen. They do not want their negative prejudice to be dismissed by the truth.

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ASSEMBLY TIMES

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

Baptism Is Immersion

By Ron Boatwright

Our word "**baptize**" is transliterated from the original Greek word "**baptizo**", which means to immerse. All Bible dictionaries define the word "**baptizo**" only as immerse, dip or plunge. "**Baptizo**" does not mean sprinkle or pour. If our Lord had wanted people to be sprinkled, he would have inspired the New Testament writers to use the Greek word "**rhantizo**". If our Lord wanted people to be poured He would have inspired New Testament writers to use the Greek word "**katacheo**". But He didn't, so "**baptizo**" was used, which can only mean to immerse. Let's look in the Bible to see how people were baptized. In John 3:23 we read, "Now John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim, **because there was much water there.**" Why was John baptizing near Salim? "Because there was much water there." Scriptural baptism requires much water. In Mark 1:5 we read, "Then all the land of Judea, and those from Jerusalem, went out to Him, and were all baptized by **him in the Jordan River.**" Why was John baptizing in the Jordan River? Could it be "because there was much water there" in a river? Romans 6:4 says, "Therefore we were **buried** with him by baptism into death." Here we see that baptism is a **burial**, which is what is done when one is immersed. Sprinkling is not a burial; it is only sprinkling. Neither is pouring a burial. Both are unlawful substitutions made by man, which will cause many people to be lost. This man made exception over the centuries became the man made accepted practice until the Catholic Church at the Council of Ravenna in 1311 AD legalized sprinkling for baptism, but without God's authority.

Sprinkling for baptism is foreign to the scriptures. God did not authorize it. There is not one instance anywhere in the Bible where anyone was sprinkled for baptism. The person who was sprinkled or poured has refused to obey God. Sprinkling is without God's authority. There is no baptism in the absence of immersion. One who was sprinkled or poured has not been scripturally baptized. He still has every sin that he has ever committed and is still lost.



One Baptized

FROM DAN'S DESK..



We were thrilled at the response of RICK SANCHEZ who came forward last Sunday to be baptized. Rick and I have been studying and I am so happy that he has made this decision. He is the owner of "CAR-QUEST" here in town. (an auto parts business on West Oak Street). Rick and Sherry have been attending for some time. Sherry is a member of the Lord's Church and we welcome them into our fellowship. It was a great day. We appreciate each of you being here this morning. It is always an exhilarating experience to come together as a church family and worship God. Thanks to Jeff Proctor for speaking last Wednesday night. I was speaking at the Eastern Hills church of Christ in Marshall last Wednesday. We hope to see each of you tonight at the 6 P.M. service. If you are not in the habit of coming, why not come?

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TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS

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

OWEN PERRY had a car accident on Wednesday and has several hair-line fractures in his shoulder. He is recovering at home.

GLENDA BASKIN had eye surgery in Houston last week. See is doing well.

JANE GRUMBLES had eye surgery on Tuesday.

DEANN CHAPMAN remains in Mother Frances hospital after a cerebral hemorrhage. She is not doing as well as the doctors hoped. She is in Room #6629.

DANNY SUMRALL, father of Jeff Sumrall, has learned he has throat cancer.

CONTINUED ILLNESSES: Elizabeth Chandler, Charles McCullough, Maurice Higginbotham, Ida Lee Parkman, Edith Lamb, Maggie Larsen, Gene

RESPONSE

Baptized

Rick Sanchez

Membership

Rick and Sherry Sanchez



Plans have been made to take a trip this Tuesday, July 20th, to Brenham to tour the Blue Bell Ice cream Factory. We will leave the church at 8:30AM, drive there, eat lunch in Brenham and then make the tour. If you would like to go, please sign the sheet on the board across from the office. Tour costs \$3.00 if you are 55+ and \$5.00 if you are younger.

WORSHIP

Some often ask, "Why is it so important to assemble and worship on a regular basis?" Worship provides us with the opportunity to tell the Lord how much we love Him. It also provides us a time to fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ. Such events are times of renewal spiritually and when neglected often leaves us weak spiritually. Worship events also give us an opportunity to learn more about the Word of God. Sometimes our lack of growth results from our neglect to be in worship.

Dan Manuel