

# Teen News

Keri & I want to thank each of you for participating this last year in the activities we planned. We have some exciting plans for the New Year 2016. Thank you to all the teens who came to the fellowship at the Sparks home last Sunday night. Everyone had a wonderful time together. Thanks to the Sparks for inviting us over. Many of you know that we will have devotional services this Tuesday night as we did last week. We hope you will want to be here with us. Keri and I have been busy this last week moving out of our house to another house. Our house sold and we had to be out soon. Thank you for coming today.

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## WHO ARE WE?

“Inquisitive minds want to know,” so we are told. In a world with a huge variety of religions and in a “church” world that offers a huge variety of denominational churches, inquisitive minds that do actually want to know may become minds that are confused. In the hope of shedding some light, we offer a bit of information designed to let you know what we, the church of Christ (at this congregation.) are all about. There are things we share in common with other churches, but there are also things that clearly distinguish us from any other religion on earth. One distinguishing mark is our allegiance to the Bible as the word of the Living God. First and foremost, this congregation is committed to practicing and preaching only those things we find authorized in the New Testament. We believe having authority is essential (Col. 3:17; Rom. 15:18; Matt. 28:18-19). Second, our worship is, to the best of our ability, a replica of that which the New Testament teaches. As we assemble to take the Lord’s Supper (Acts 2:42; 20:7) we also pray together (1 Cor. 14:15-16), we give of our means to support the work of the church (1 Cor. 16:1-4), we teach the sacred word (1 Thess. 5:27) and sing praises to God (Eph. 5:19). Third, our work consists of causing the gospel to be preached (Phil. 1:5), relief of the needy for whom the church is responsible (Acts 6:1-6; 1 Tim. 5:16), and edification (Eph. 4:12,16). We reject radicalism as well as liberalism. We seek to deviate neither to the left nor to the right, “from any of the words (God) commands.” DAN



## Those To Serve Jan 2016

### A.M. Opening

3 Jerry Sturgess  
10 Kyle Lock  
17 Charles Steen  
24 James Singleterry  
31 Wayne Cartwright

### A.M. Closing

Don Norwood  
Dwight Franklin  
Mike Howell  
Truman Tate  
David Akins

### P.M. Opening

3 George Wooden  
10 Clint Ellis  
17 Tom Watson  
24 Jack Thomason  
31 Jerry Thompson

### P.M. Closing

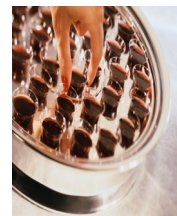
Ike Weatherly  
Jim Ricard  
Cory Camp  
Billy Lane  
Robert Duzan

## Serve Communion

Johnny Jenkins  
John Mottern  
Luke Lane  
Jerry Thompson

Daniel Plummer  
R.D. Prince  
Doug Lowe  
Jeff Sparks

## Communion Preparation



3 Ben Rhone  
10 Steve Camp  
17 Lorelee Reeder  
24 Billy Lane  
31 Toni Warren

## DOOR GREETERS –Jan. 3, 2016

J.B. & Joyce Matlock

## COMMUNION PREPARATION

Jan 3, 2016  
Ben Rhone

# Gospel Worker

## Crockett Road Church of Christ

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### MINISTERS

Dan D. Manuel  
*Pulpit Minister*  
Ben Rhone  
*Youth Minister*

### ELDERS

Dan D. Manuel  
Dale Sparks

### DEACONS

Henry Baker  
Sam Ellis  
Dwight Franklin  
Adam Harding  
Kyle Lock

### SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

### MISSIONS

Brown Trail School of  
Preaching, Bedford, TX  
Jose Cuadras– Mexico  
*School of Preaching*  
Hershel Bearden  
*India Mission*  
Ron Brown  
*China Mission*  
Central TX Children's  
Home—Buda, TX  
Tipton Children's Home  
Tipton, OK  
GBN T.V. NETWORK  
GIVE ME THE BIBLE  
T.V. Program  
KETK-56 Tyler, TX.  
FOX 44– Waco, TX.  
FOX 33 Shreveport, LA.  
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  
Wed: 7:00 PM



Next Sunday as we begin the  
New Year Together

2016  
HAPPY

NEW YEAR

# ONE BAPTIZED God's Blessings continue



*From Dan's desk:*

The Blessings of God continue upon this great congregation. Last week on Wednesday, I had the privilege of studying with DONNIE WELLS. Following the study, he was baptized into Christ for the remission of sins. We rejoice in his decision and welcome him into the fellowship of the Crockett Rd. Church of Christ. He is a wonderful person. I hope you will take time to meet him and make him feel welcome among us. All those who attended the fellowship at David and Jennifer Sparks home last Sunday night following the evening worship service had a great time. We had 91 present. A big thank you to Clint for driving the big bus. We had some 32 who went on the bus. It was a great and memorable evening. We are grateful to David and Jennifer and their hospitality. They open their home to us each year and we always enjoy the time together. Thanks also to those who attended the service last Tuesday night. The service was great and thanks also to the men who led us in worship. It is good to see each of you this morning. Many will be out over the next couple of weeks because of holidays. We hope you will stay safe and return to us soon. Continue to pray for those of our members who are traveling. Remember that we will meet on Tuesday evening of next week also and not on Wednesday night as usual. If you are visiting with us today, we hope you will come again real soon. We also hope that you will stay for a few minutes and give us the opportunity to meet you and make you feel welcome to our congregation. See each of you tonight at 6 P.M.

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



## TO KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS

**GARY CHAMBLESS** continues to recover from his back surgery at his home.

**SAM AMYAPOUR** remains in ICU at Palestine Regional.

**DENISE CARROLL** is undergoing tests. All others who have been ill are improving. Continue to pray for those with ongoing illnesses.

## CONGRATULATIONS

To Shane & Jodi Bainum on the birth of a baby boy, NATHAN REID. He was born on Dec. 19th and weighed 7 lbs. and was 19 ins. long.

Also congratulations to Mitchel & Amanda Herbrough on the birth of a baby girl. NANCY LOREBETH was born on Dec. 21st. & weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz., 19 in. long.

## SCHEDULE CHANGE

Remember that the midweek services will be held on Tuesday night this week instead of Wednesday night. The service begins at 7 P.M. Plan to join us for Songs, prayers and Reading of the Word of God.

## RESPONSES BAPTIZED & MEMBERSHIP

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## 6.8 Hours A Day

A while back I read that children of school age view television approximately 6.8 hours a day, every day! That doesn't include TV they watch at school. Home time is divided between TV viewing and video games. You may be saying, "My children don't spend that much time watching the tube." But check some time.

The degree of time watching TV is not as much a problem as what we watch and hear on TV. Legislators, philosophers, Hollywood moguls, and educators have been debating the adverse (or good) effect television has on, not just youngsters, but all of us. "*Evil begets evil; good begets good.*"

Television is with us all the time. Any time you turn it on you see programs produced by the movie, news and entertainment industry. What we see is a lot of violence, murder, sexual perversion, crime, sin, war and maybe (seldom) a good story of human interest and good entertainment. Why? The television industry knows what sells, what people want to see, and they provide plenty of it. To them, what sells is more important than content.

Watch television and you see advertisements that often are questionable in content. Some TV ads should be rated. Have you ever watched your children during a cartoon? At a very early age, they will lose some attention to the cartoon itself, but as soon as an advertisement comes on, their attention instantly perks up.

This is not to say all television programs are sinful, but parents must be careful that too much TV doesn't occupy the attention of our children and ourselves. Study this good resolve: "*I will set before my eyes no vile thing*" (Ps 101:3) NIV

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