

# Teen News

Ben and Keri Rhone will begin working with the youth next Sunday. They will do a good job. We have enjoyed working with the youth over the last two and a half years. Brandy and I appreciate your encouragement that has been give us. We know that Ben and Keri will make plans to involve all the youth including the teens in the congregation here. We will miss all of you, but we will be back from time to time. Thanks again for your love and support of our efforts. **BLAKE**

## “HITCHHIKERS”

With his thumb, the hitchhiker-says, "You furnish the car, the gas and oil, attend to repairs and upkeep, supply the insurance, and I'll ride with you. However, if you have an accident,. I'll sue you for everything you have." That's pretty one-sided it seems to me. Think of hitchhikers in the church! They seem to say, "You furnish the building, the preacher, lights, air conditioning, the insurance, all the educational material, and take care of the general building upkeep; and we'll ride along with you. If things don't suit us, we'll complain, criticize, and probably hitch-hike to another church. We'll give ten dollars to 'keep the record straight, but let others pay the BIG bills." Let's be careful that we "bear our own responsibilities" (Gal. 6:5). We are "pilgrims" not hitchhikers (1 Pet. 2:11).



## Those to Serve January 2014

### AM . Opening

5 Henry Baker  
12 David Sparks  
19 Sam Ellis  
26 Jack Thomason

### A.M. Closing

5 Jim Edge  
12 Dale Sparks  
19 Truman Tate  
26 Steve Camp

### P.M. Opening

5 Brandon Franklin  
12 James Singleterry  
19 Johnny Jenkins  
26 Bob Stech

### PM. Closing

5 Billy Lane  
12 Charles McCullough  
19 Marty Nash  
26 Jerry Thompson

## Serve Communion

Jimmy Cook  
Doug Lowe  
R.D. Prince  
Dennis Ellison

Henry Baker  
Todd Perry  
Caleb Ellison  
Fred Freeman

## Communion Preparation



5 Mike Whitley  
12 Clint Satterwhite  
19 Gregg Gurganus  
26 Pam Boyette

**DOOR GREETERS Jan. 5, 2014**

**J.B. & Joyce Matlock**

**COMMUNION PREPARATION  
Jan 5, 2014**

**Mike & Renee Whitley**

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### MINISTERS

Dan D. Manuel  
*Pulpit Minister*  
Blake Baker  
*Youth Minister*

### ELDERS

Dan D. Manuel  
Dale Sparks

### DEACONS

Henry Baker  
Sam Ellis  
Dwight Franklin  
Adam Harding  
Kyle Lock

### SECRETARY

Lorelee Reeder

### MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Brown Trail School of  
Preaching, *Bedford, TX*  
Jose Cuadras—*Mexico*  
*School of Preaching*  
Hershel Bearden  
*India 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 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

# Happy New Year

# 2014

## Best Wishes

Let's make it a great year. With God's help we can accomplish many wonderful things this year at Crockett Rd.

**Christmas is over and the New Year is on the horizon.**



*From Dan's desk:*

Like young children, we all long for the holidays. Christmas is a joyous time when families and friends come together. Last Sunday a large number of the congregation gathered at the home of David and Jennifer Sparks for a time of fellowship and association together. Everyone had a great time. We appreciate David and Jennifer for all the effort and preparation that was made for our coming together. It was a delightful evening. The New Year is just days away and it hard to believe that the year 2013 will be history. Many memorable events took place in this year. We lost several in death, but it was a good year in many respects. We had a total of 52 responses to the invitation of our Lord. We had 13 baptisms, 22 placed membership with us and 17 responded for prayer and restoration. As we continue to preach and teach the Word of God, we are confident that God will again give the increase during the coming year. I look forward to the challenges that our Lord places before us and know that with His help we will be able to serve the Lord more effectively. We must all strive for spiritual growth in our lives personally. We have made plans for the New Year. We will be sharing these with you next Sunday. Only those who plan to fail, fail to plan. May God help each of us to do more, serve more, give more, teach others more, in the coming New Year than the year previous. We look forward to having BEN & KERI RHONE working with the youth. They are excited about the challenge. We appreciate BLAKE AND BRANDY working with us over the last 2 and 1/2 years. They have done a good job and we will miss them here. See you tonight.

DAN

**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES**



**TO KEEP  
IN OUR PRAYERS**

There are no new sick to mention at the time of this writing. Please remember all those on the prayer list in the foyer and those who have been sick recently: **DAVID LAMB, NANCY MILLER, GEORGE MITCHELL, JOHNNIE SIMS, ROBERT CARPENTER and EMILY DAVIS.** All of these are members here or they are family members of those who attend here.

**PLEASE REMEMBER JASON MOTTERN** who is serving our country in **AFGHANISTAN.** Also remember all **U.S. Servicemen and women now serving in the armed forces of the good ole U.S.A.**

### Only One Addiction

People are addicted to many things, alcohol, drugs (legal & illegal), nicotine, gambling, food, pornography, etc. All of these things can ruin your life. Look what Peter says, "promising them freedom while they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by what a man is overcome, by this he is enslaved." (2 Peter 2:19). So the goal of the Christian is not to be overcome or enslaved to any particular thing.

This is a principle that not only Peter taught, but the apostle Paul said, "...I will not be mastered by anything" (1 Cor. 6:12b). But the big problem is that the alcoholic will not admit that alcohol controls him. We humans have the ability to deny the obvious.

We must continue to examine our own lives - that we have but one who has overcome us, only one who has enslaved us by His goodness - that is, Christ.

### 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." Thanks again for coming.**

## NEW YEAR'S FELLOWSHIP

This Tuesday night, December 31st, we will meet at 6 PM for a meal of soup, cornbread, and black-eyed peas. We will have a devotional service at 7 PM. Then we will go back to the activity building for games and fellowship to bring in the New Year. You can bring finger foods as well and join us for a wonderful evening.

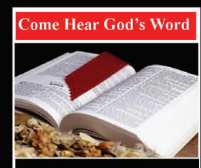
## "Give Me The Bible Annual Conference"

**"LET THE GOSPEL BE SEEN  
IN 2014"**



**Dr. Jay Lockhart**

Topic  
"Proclaiming The Gospel  
Around The World"



**Dan Manuel**

Topic  
"Proclaiming The Gospel at Home"



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**Saturday Jan. 18th 9 a.m.**

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**The Noon Meal Will Be Catered at \$7.00 per person  
Join us for a wonderful day of fellowship and encouragement**