

Teen News

The teens will be having a lock-in on Friday, August 20th. It will start at 6PM at the activity building. Please plan to attend and bring a friend. We would like everyone to bring their favorite finger food. Please plan to have a ride pick you up by 8AM the next morning. If you have any questions please feel free to ask Josh.

NEW POWERPOINT PROJECTION EQUIPMENT TO BE INSTALLED

Because of the generous contribution of an anonymous donor we now have funds to install power-point equipment that can be used in worship. Dan has used the temporary equipment recently used in sermons presented on AMERICA and last Sunday on the subject of DISCOURAGEMENT. Thanks for such generosity and love on the part of the donor.

Our sympathy is extended to Kyle Lock and family in the death of Kyle's father this last week. Services were held on Thursday morning. Continue to pray for them during this difficult time.



Those to Serve August 2010

<u>A.M. Opening</u>		<u>A.M. Closing</u>	
1	Jerry Sturgess	1	Ike Weatherly
8	Guest	8	Phillip Foreman
15	Bernie Baur	15	Arnold Shellenbarger
22	Tom Watson	22	Graham Williams
29	Mark Johnson	29	Truman Tate
<u>P.M. Opening</u>		<u>P.M. Closing</u>	
1	Kyle Lock	1	Alex Lowe
8	Ben Rhone	8	Josh Shellenbarger
15	Dale Sparks	15	Jim Ricard
22	Dwight Franklin	22	Randy Foreman
29	Owen Perry	29	Jack Thomason

Serve Communion

Clint Ellis	Robert Duzan
Jimmy Allen	Mike Whitely
Layne Vannoy	Clint Satterwhite
Josh Shellenbarger	Adam Harding

Communion Preparation



1	Marty Nash
8	Dale Sparks
15	Dennis Ellison
22	Toni Warren
29	Dwight Franklin

DOOR GREETERS— August 1, 2010

Bernie and Millie Baur
Marty Nash

COMMUNION PREPARATION

August 1, 2010
Marty Nash

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Joshua Shellenbarger
Youth Minister
Owen Perry
Personal Evangelism

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
Ken Upchurch
Tanzania Africa
Work
Central TX Children's
Home—*Buda, 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

Doing Your Best

Many years ago in a textile factory there was a sign on the wall which read: "If your threads get tangled, send for the foreman." One woman who was fairly new was a diligent worker, but her threads got tangled one day. She tried to disentangle them, but her efforts only made matters worse. Finally she gave up and called the foreman. He came and looked for a few moments and then asked: "You have been trying to untangle them yourself, haven't you?" "Yes," she replied. "Why didn't you send for me, according to the instruction?" She shrugged her shoulders and said: "I did my best." With much tact, yet, with great insight, he quietly said: "Remember that doing your best is sending for me." How often in life have we tried to straighten out our own messes, only to make things worse, and certainly not to solve things? We think that a little more human effort, a bit more human wisdom, and a touch of human ingenuity are the solution. But mankind in general and individuals in particular tend to make the same mistakes over and over again. Bad habits remain in place. Errors are repeated. We may even excuse our conduct by saying: "I did my best." Then God gently, yet firmly, reminds us: "Doing your best is calling for me." Paul did the best that he could do, but it was not good enough. He mused: "I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate....I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do....Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?" (Rom. 7:15-24). But Paul had learned that to call on the name of Jesus was the best he could do and the solution to his problem (Rom. 10:9-13).

One responds to the invitation of Christ



From Dan's desk:

Last Sunday evening Marilyn Cates responded to the invitation of Christ asking for the prayers of the church here in her behalf. Marilyn stated that she had allowed herself to drift away from the Lord in various respects and acknowledged her sin and desire to draw closer to God. We rejoice with her and commend her for taking this step that brings her closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. It is so easy for us to allow our hearts to be hardened through a number of things, yet a dangerous thing to do. We were saddened by the death of Kyle Lock's father, EARL LOCK this last week. Services were held on Thursday. We want to continue to remember this family in our prayers. Please continue to remember those on the sick list. We have a number of folks who have been ill and unable to be with us. Thanks for your positive remarks about the lessons last Sunday. It is always encouraging to know that others support the preaching of the gospel. Those who went on the trip to Brenham last Tuesday had a great time and a memorable one as well. It is always good to enjoy such times together. We have a wonderful congregation here. Love abounds among us and it is obviously seen every day. You are to be commended for all you do.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES



**TO KEEP
IN OUR PRAYERS**

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

CLAYTON COLLINS had his tonsils removed on Wednesday.

OWEN PERRY is recovering at home from an auto accident.

DEANN CHAPMAN had a set back on Wednesday and had an additional surgery.

MARTHA SIMS fell and injured her hip.

DON VAUGHN, brother-in-law of Joyce Matlock, is seriously ill in hospital in Tyler.

GENE HERGENREDER, brother-in-law of George Wooden and Rita Coates remains in critical condition.

ALL OTHER MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN ILL ARE SOME BETTER.



"We're looking for something to fix our marriage. I'm in Barnes & Noble, he's in Home Depot."

RESPONSE

For Prayer:

MARILYN CATES

FOSTER CHILDREN'S HOME CHANGE CANS need to be returned by tonight. Please bring them with you to church tonight, if you have not already done so. THANKS

"SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT"

Pat Riley, current coach of the Miami Heat, is one of the most successful basketball coaches in history. To motivate his players, Riley has certain rules and ideals to which he expects his players to adhere to in order to achieve their goals. One of these truths that Riley strives to instill within his players is to *beware of complacency*. He says, "If you stop striving to better yourself, you could find yourself never achieving again." Every Christian should heed these words and *beware of complacency*. For if the Christian stops striving to better himself, how can he expect to be pleasing to God?

The King James Version does not use the word *complacent*, but it does have the word *content* or its equivalent seventeen times. Yet none of these verses instruct the Christian to be *content* with his "current status" in relationship to God. There are at least four verses which teach the Christian to be *content* (Phil 4:11; 1 Tim. 6:6, 8; Heb. 13:5), but each of these passages is discussing economic status or material possessions, not the level of a Christian's spiritual growth. For, while we are to be "content with such things as [we] have" (Heb. 13:5), we should never be *content* with our present standing before God and stop striving to better ourselves.

Thus over and over again, the inspired writers of the New Testament exhorted their readers to *grow*. "As newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby" (1 Pet. 2:2...) (Heb. 5:13-6:1).