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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:

SUNDAY:

Bible Classes.....9:30 AM
AM Worship10:25 AM
PM Worship6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY:

Bible Classes.....7:00 PM

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BIBLE LESSON TEXT

Sun. April 3----**Lame Man at Gate;
The Church Grows**
Acts 3:1-4:4



Wed. April 6----**Annas & Caiphas
Speak to Peter & John**
Acts 4:5-31

OUR FAITH IN ACTION
SUNDAY, March 27, 2016

Bible Class.....	45
AM Worship.....	118
PM Worship.....	51
Contribution.....	\$2,888.50
Average to Date.....	\$3,048.85
Budget to Date.....	\$3,243.00

Wednesday, March 23-----No Class

God's Salvation Plan

HEAR the Gospel – Romans 10:17
BELIEVE on the Lord & His Word – Mark 16:16;
John 8:24
REPENT of our sins – Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30
CONFESS Christ – Matthew 10:32; Luke 12:8;
Romans 10:9
BE BAPTIZED for the remission of sins – Acts 2:38;
Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; 1 Peter 3:21
LIVE a faithful, dedicated life – Revelation 2:10;
2 Peter:5-10

Happenings in God's Family

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To Whose Voice Are We Listening?

We all listen to the voice of someone. We come into this world listening to the voice of our mother and father. In adulthood the cacophony of voices that bend our ear can be staggering. Luke wrote, "For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing" (Acts 17:21). This describes our society too!

The voices to which we listen affect the decisions that we make and the actions that we take. What we believe will affect how we act. Jesus said, "A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things" (Matthew 12:35). We don't act in any way without first having thought about it, and there are only two voices in this world that truly speak: the voice of God and the voice of Satan, the voice of truth and the voice of error, the voice of righteousness and the voice of sin (Matthew 21:25). We should choose the voice of God, truth, and righteousness.

We hear God's voice through the revelation of God's mind by His Spirit sent by His Son, Jesus. Scripture says that no man knows the mind of God except the Spirit of God reveal it to him (1 Corinthians 2:11). It also says, no man has seen God; it is only the Son of God who has declared Him (John 1:18). The only way to know God's mind is if God reveals His mind through inspiration (1 Corinthians 2:12). And there is only one inspired source of truth from the mind of God, the Bible, the story of Jesus. May we hear the voice of Jesus! God bless you, and I love you.

Kevin Cauley



APRIL 3, 2016 SERVANTS

AM PRAYERS

Ben Dooley
Jerry Boston

PM PRAYERS

Scott Overstreet
DeWayne Hardage

Announcements: Blake Tyndell

LORD'S TABLE: Mike Raney; Jim Scarabrough; Austin Cauley & Jody Thomas

Sunday PM Communion: Scott Hobson

VISITOR CARDS: Sawyer Hobson

NURSERY: Janice Love

APRIL 10, 2016 SERVANTS

AM PRAYERS

Weaver Mills
Johnny Thomas

PM PRAYERS

Russell Tyndell
James Williams

Announcements: Blake Tyndell

LORD'S TABLE: Mike Raney, Jim Scarabrough, Austin Cauley & Jody Thomas

Sunday PM Communion: Scott Hobson

VISITOR CARDS: Sawyer Hobson,

NURSERY: Marie Howard

*If you are unable to serve, please call
Billy Johnson @ 903.628.5827*



Remember in Prayer

Marie McPherson; Hazel McCright (sister of Marie Roberston); Peyton Richardson;(Granddaughter of Janiece Ricardson); James Shirley; Dylan Tyndell (*Russell Tyndell's great nephew*); Ricky Champion; Daniel Hobbs; Paul Curbow; Monty Crawford and Norma Crawford; Jean Jones and Janie Martin .

Remember also our shut-in's: Hubert & Glenda May, Keith & Helen Clark, Phil Williams, Faye Anderson, & J.D. & Thelma Johnson.



"Happy Anniversary" to Mr. & Mrs. Scott Overstreet on 4/4 and to Mr. & Mrs. Keith Clark on 4/5.

Our Gospel Meeting attendance for Monday evening was 85; Tuesday evening was 71 and our Wednesday evening attendance was 85.

Calendar of Events.

April 1-3----Men's Retreat @ Beavers Bend State Park, Broken Bow, OK.

April 1----Singing Night @ Franklin Dr. Church of Christ @ 7PM, Texarkana, AR.

April 3-6----Gospel Meeting @ Franklin Dr. Texarkana, AR.

April 3----Sign Language Class @ 4:30 PM

April 10----Learning to Serve @ 3 PM

April 11----Bible Bowl

April 12----Ladies Night Out

Covetousness

Covetousness is a mindset found in the Old and New Testaments and is listed as one of the blackest sins. Just what is covetousness? There are various shades of meaning in Scripture. The general meaning is "the inordinate desire to have more things than one possesses." I usually say covetousness is when a man's desire for things outruns his desire to please God. For example, Luke 12:16-21 is the account of the man who, when abundantly blessed by God, could only think of himself. He had the ability to help others, but let material things make him selfish.

Sometimes it means, "A calculated effort to acquire gain through dishonest, unfair, and unscrupulous means." Paul was thinking of this when he penned, "For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloke of covetousness; God is witness" (1 Thessalonians 2:5). I would put gambling in this category, wherein a man would try to take another man's possessions by a game of chance. The man never hopes to lose his possessions, and gambles in hopes of acquiring another's possessions without working for them. Covetousness is behind it all.

Sometimes covetousness is just loving money too much. The Pharisees were covetous (Luke 16:14). Paul wrote that "...in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous..." and he used the word covetousness in this way when he wrote, "I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel" (Acts 20:33).

Desire is natural, but covetousness is unnatural. When my desire for money and things is stronger than my desire to be honest, charitable, or to show kindness or genuine sympathy to others, I'm guilty of the sin of covetousness. Is it serious to be guilty of this? Yes: "...Take heed, and beware of covetousness; for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of the things which he possesses" (Luke 12:15). "But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater...with such an one not to eat" (1 Corinthians 5:11). "Mortify therefore you members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness...and covetousness which is idolatry" (Colossians 3:5).

The truth about covetousness makes it so important that I attend worship services faithfully. I need to be constantly exposed to good people and to the teaching of God's word in order to keep my perspective clear. What really matters in life is not things – it's people and their relationship to God. True success can only be defined one way ultimately.

By Glenn Colley