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<i>Bible Class Lesson Texts:</i>	
Sunday, Dec 2, 2018 Acts 18 Paul's Friends	Wednesday, Dec 5, 2018 Acts 19 Paul in Ephesus
God's Salvation Plan	
Divine Love:	John 3:16
God's Grace:	Ephesians 2:8
Christ's Blood:	Romans 5:9
The Holy Spirit's Gospel:	Romans 1:16
Sinner's Faith:	Acts 16:31
Sinner's Repentance:	Luke 13:3
Sinner's Confession:	Romans 10:10
Sinner's Baptism	1 Peter 3:21
Christian Work:	James 2:24
Christian Hope:	Romans 8:24
Christian's Endurance:	Revelation 2:10
SERVICES	
SUNDAY:	WEDNESDAY:
Bible Classes 9:30 AM	Ladies class 10:00 AM
AM Worship 10:25 AM	Bible Classes 7:00 PM
PM Worship 6:00 PM	
OUR FAITH IN ACTION SUNDAY, Nov 25 , 2018	
Bible Class	61
AM Worship	92
PM Worship	48
Wednesday, November 21	77
Contribution	\$2,620.00
Average to Date	\$2,890.39
Budget to Date	\$3,200.00

Happenings



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Take My Ball and Go Home!

When I was a child, our neighborhood would get together and play ball. For the most part, we would have a good time. However, sometimes, someone would get upset over something that he or she didn't like. When this happened, there was usually some kind of fuss. If the kid who brought the ball was involved in the fuss, and he didn't get his way, he would say, "I'm going to take my ball and go home." This was an effective strategy of revenge because the result was that this ended the game for everyone. The child was saying, "You won't let me play the way that I want, so I am going to punish you by taking away your ability to play." What childish behavior!

Unfortunately, some adults behave the same way that children do. When the church is trying to do a good work, and something happens that they don't like, instead of constructively seeking to make things better, they take their proverbial ball and go home. They would rather see a good work fail just to have their way. This attitude of "my way or the highway" is sinful. It is contrary to the attitude that Jesus had on the cross when he prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34). It is contrary to Paul's exhortation in Ephesians 5:21, "submitting to one another in the fear of God." Romans 12:17 says "Repay no one evil for evil." Romans 12:19 says, "Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather, give place to wrath." Romans 12:21 says, "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." May we all strive to be like Jesus in love for one another.

God bless you, and I love you.
 Kevin Cauley

December 2, 2018 Servants Announcements:		<u>Remember in Prayer</u>	
AM Prayers	PM Prayers	•Kimberly Smithson	•Joe Higginbotham
Ernest Shelton	Johnny Thomas	•J.L. Foster	•Lynda Braley
Blake Tyndell	Dave Conley	•Marie McPherson	•Charles Tuck
Lord's Table		•Juanita Higginbotham	•Jason Lollar
Monty Crawford	Jimmy Smith	•Helen Smithson	•Linda Johnson
Thomas McGee	Johnny Thomas	•David Forehand	•Chris McBee
PM Communion: Jimmy Smith		•Roberta Watson	• Faith Salfen is Mary Lynn Cauley's aunt. She has Leukemia
Visitors Cards: Logan Wages		•Rinalda Failoni	•Andrea Tyndell
December 9, 2018 Servants Announcements:		• Robin Upson has asked for prayers for good results from recent tests in Dallas & safe travels	•Marie Howard had surgery in Plano this week.
Am Prayers	PM Prayers	Shut-Ins: Faye Anderson; Sue Yarberr; Keith & Helen Clark; and Winnie Tucker, Melda Spencer	
Mike Raney	Scott Overstreet	Coming up soon... Scott Hobson's birthday is December 7. Holiday Dinner is December 8 at 6pm Learning to Serve is December 9 at 3pm Cookie and Ornament Exchange will be on the 13th at 6:30pm. There will be no Ladies' Night Out this month. Youth Devotional December 30 after evening worship.	
Ben Dooley	Blake Tyndell		
Lord's Table			
Monty Crawford	Jimmy Smith		
Thomas McGee	Johnny Thomas		
PM Communion: Jimmy Smith			
Visitors Cards: Gavin Cauley			
<i>If for some reason you cannot serve, please call Mike Raney-903-559-4141, or John D. Thomas-903-490-5572</i>			
<u>Pantry Items:</u> Canned pinto beans or Sweet Peas			

7 Things Our Teens [adults too] Need to Know

1. You do not have to be in a romantic relationship to enjoy your high school years. **Read Romans 8:28**
2. You are beautiful in a unique way, even if no one has ever told you that. **Read Psalm 139:14**
3. While your education is important, you are not defined by your GPA, the classes you take, where you're going to college, or what you do after high school. **Read Matthew 6:34**
4. It's okay if you don't fit in. It's okay if you're not like other teens. No matter how much pressure you feel to fit in with a certain group or be included with certain people, standing out is not always easy, but it's a good thing and it will make you stronger and braver than you've ever been. **Read Romans 12:21**
5. Don't beat yourself up over the past. In Jesus, there is forgiveness for all sins no matter what has happened. **Read Galatians 5:1**
6. Surround yourself with wise people that are older than you and believe what you believe. Don't ever feel like you're in this alone, especially if you're dealing with abuse or self-harm. God has placed people in your life to help. **Read Proverbs 19:20**
7. Never feel like you have to dress a certain way or act a certain way just to win the approval of someone else or a certain clique at school, or even your youth group. As a follower of Christ, you're not after people approval. You're after God approval! **Read Galatians 1:10.**

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