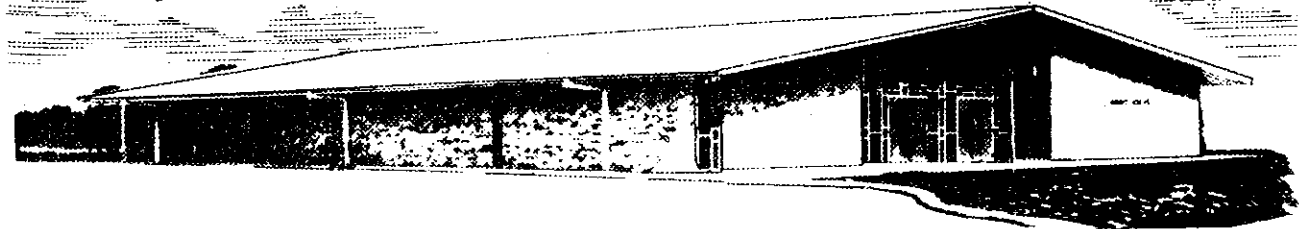


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MOMENTS WITH MARVIN

Our records indicate that our attendance on Sunday evening and Wednesday night has improved. However, our Sunday morning attendance has been down for several weeks. Perhaps vacations and the end of the summer syndrome have been primary causes, but now those two things are behind us. Every member needs to purpose within his heart to be at each service. God expects our very best, and the Bible reveals He has never been satisfied with less! Let's all try extra hard this fall to do what we can to insure spiritual growth in the Lord's kingdom.

I'm looking forward to meeting with the ladies again for Ladies Bible Class. We will begin on Sept. 9th, and will continue our study we were engaged in last Spring. I hope you are planning to meet with us!

BOYCOTT ENDS; SUCCESS CITED

The Clean Up TV boycott which has focused recently on General Foods and American Home Products has been called off because of positive response from these companies.

The records indicate "that since the beginning of the campaign General Foods has improved its rating by 70% and American Home Products by 64%."

On June 17, Proctor and Gamble, TV's biggest spender (over one million per day), announced it would not advertise on or sponsor 50 television shows which the company deemed too violent or too sexually explicit."

"We are asking the thousands of churches and individuals participating in the campaign to end the current boycotts against General Foods and American Home Products effective immediately."

During the coming months a massive new survey is planned to see if any companies choose to move back to former patterns. If so, further action may be taken.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 1981

Bible Study	121
Morning Worship	150
Evening Worship	124
Contribution	\$ 971.48

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 1981

Bible Classes	90
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THOSE TO SERVE AUGUST 30, 1981

A.M. PRAYERS:	P.M. PRAYERS:
Jerry Yates	James Boswell
W. Robertson	W. Trickler

NURSERY: Suzette Tyndell
Tanya Murray

BIBLE HOUR: Geraldine Murray
Oda Mae Orrison

NOTE: If you are unable to serve on this date, please call Haskell Roberts at 628-3954.

OUR VISITORS

Marie Jones of Garland, Texas was a guest of Don and Jean Jones.



I saw Tomorrow marching by On little children's feet.
Within their forms and faces read her prophecy complete.
I saw Tomorrow look at me from little children's eyes.
And thought how carefully we'd teach if we were truly wise.

PANTRY ITEM
Canned Fruit

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Elliott Raney

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:
Bible Classes . . . 9:30 A.M.
A.M. Worship 10:25 A.M.
P.M. Worship 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday:
Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A.M.
Bible Classes . . . 7:30 P.M.

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MARVIN L. WEIR, Editor

CONTEND FOR THE FAITH

Ron Halbrook penned some thought-provoking words, and with the liberty of making several adaptations I want to share them with you.

For the truth's sake, Christians should "earnestly contend for the faith" (Jude 3). Debate is a verbal study, defense, discussion, and answer. Paul was "set" for it, and Peter said to be "always ready" to give an answer for your hope (Phil. 1:7; 1 Pet. 3:15). But most are not prepared for such today, and many Christians even claim it's not in accord with the "meet and mild" spirit of Christ.

Paul said such a time would come! *"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned to fables"* (1 Tim. 4:3-4). A vast number of people's ears are itching for easy, soft, smooth teaching, and countless preachers (?) are willing to supply a compromised gospel for this growing group.

Just as in the days when Israel mixed human teaching with divine law, many today cry, "Peace, peace; when there is no peace," and the people love to have it so" (Jer. 6:14). A gospel preacher is no longer expected by many to challenge error! An ever increasing number would prefer he act like the possum-- grin and play dead! Brethren, we must either pretend that issues between truth and error do not exist or else that they do not matter! Ignorance of God's Word is considered bliss and silence golden in today's society.

All who are concerned for the truth and who want to obey the Word of our Lord are neither ashamed nor afraid to discuss religious issues honorably. The Lord and His chosen Apostles were not "beyond" condemning false teaching and defending true doctrine. It's a sad commentary that many today who profess Christianity have no real conviction, and others do not have the courage to "stand for" and "defend" what they really believe.

May we strive to oppose false doctrine without and within the church. If we are practicing and living Bible truths we should have no fear of being examined. One must realize the Bible is perfect, all sufficient, and unerring as the inspired Word of God, and therefore, the complete and final authority on every religious question or issue. May we never fail to live up to the name we are privileged to wear!

-Marvin L. Weir



News & Notes



Prayer Requests

WADLEY: Jim Harper is in room 555, and is scheduled to have surgery Friday morning.

Opal Davlin remains in critical condition in M-101 (ICU).

Pat Atkinson, daughter of Walter and Eva Nunn, had surgery Thursday morning.

ST. MICHAEL: Ann Davlin's stepfather is being treated for a heart condition.

DOCTOR'S HOSPITAL (Dallas): J. D. Roach, Flois Raney's brother, remains in critical condition.

DEKALB NURSING HOME: George Hillis is now at this location following his recent surgery.

AT HOME: Julie Griffin; Vesta Cox

Baptized

Betty Holden (8-25-81)
706 Anderson Phone: 628-3510
CARE Group 6

LADIES! MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Ladies Bible Class will begin Sept. 9th at 10:00 a.m. We will continue our study we were engaged in last Spring. Plan now to be with us!

Note of Thanks

Dear Brethren,

Thank you all for the flowers, food, cards, visits, and prayers during my hospital stay. I appreciate and love all of you very much.

-Bobby Higginbotham

CARE GROUPS TO MEET

CARE Group 4 meets at Weaver & Frances Mills at 7:00 p.m. on the 28th (Friday).

CARE Group 6 will meet at Ben & Alicia Dooley's home at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday (woth).

CARE Group 5 will meet this Sunday evening (30th) after the evening service at Belton & Roberta Harmon's home.

AREA-WIDE SINGING

The Church of Christ in De Queen will host this singing on Saturday, August 29, from 7-8:45 p.m. The De-Queen radio chorus will sing at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.



A.M. "Genuine Worship: Not An Easy Task"

P.M. "Though I Walk Through The Valley Of The Shadow"

"Come . . . let us reason together."
Isa. 1:18