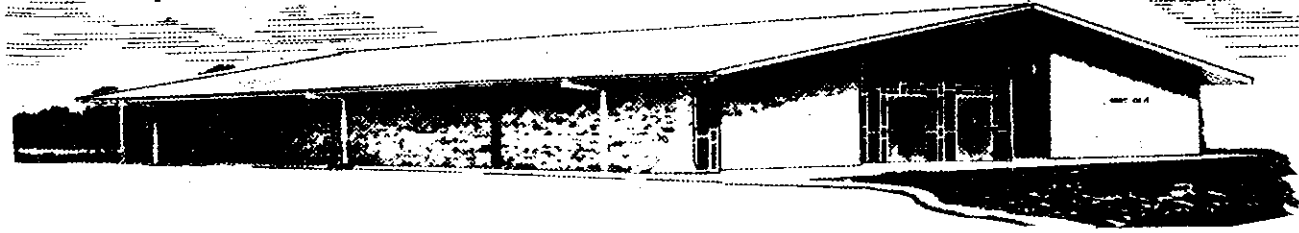


# HAPPENINGS in God's Family



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## MOMENTS WITH MARVIN

What a winter! The weather has been just delightful with several spring-like days. However, we do have several of our number who are ill, and we miss them when they are not able to be present for services.

I'll miss not being with you this Lord's Day! As most know, I'll be flying to Panama City on Sunday and will return Wednesday night. This is an effort to visit the people and preaching school we help support there. Please remember me and my family in your prayers. It's not in my plans to tour Cuba (some have mentioned this possibility) so I'm looking forward to seeing everyone again on February 8th!

We do appreciate Bro. George Montgomery of Maud for agreeing to be our guest speaker for this coming Lord's Day.

## Area Event

The area-wide singing will be at Redwater this Sunday from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to be a part of this period of worship and fellowship.

## A Need!

We need additional ladies who are willing to keep the nursery. If you can help out occasionally with this effort, please contact the office.

## Attention LADIES! MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Ladies, there will be no class this week as I will be in Panama. We'll meet again on WEDNESDAY, Feb. 11th. It was agreed to change from Tuesday to Wednesday, and hopefully we will have one or two ladies join us who could not meet on Tuesdays. I will look forward to meeting with you on February 11, at 10:00 a.m.

## OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, January 25, 1981

Bible Study . . . . .	118
Morning Worship . . . . .	146
Evening Worship . . . . .	100
Contribution . . . . .	\$ 999.12

WEDNESDAY, January 28, 1981

Bible Classes . . . . .	97
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### THOSE TO SERVE FEBRUARY 1, 1981

A.M. PRAYERS:	P.M. PRAYERS:
Bo Johnson	Danny Johnson
Theo Johnson	J.D. Johnson

NURSERY: Bettie Hammonds; G. Mills

BIBLE HOUR: Janie Boswell  
Lou Johnson

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

### ELDERS/DEACONS MEETING

The elders and deacons will meet this Sunday, Feb. 1, after the evening service.

### OUR VISITORS:

Mr. & Mrs. D.L. Black of Waldo, Ark.; Jim and Virginia Bloxham of De Soto; Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Hubbs of Clute; Ruth Calvin of DeKalb; Ricky Blackburn of New Boston; and Shawna Scott of New Boston.

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**Elders:**  
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DeWayne Hardage  
Russell Tyndell  
John Inman  
Elliott Raney

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

**Tuesday:**  
Ladies Bible  
Class . . . . . 10:00 A.M.

**Wednesday:**  
Bible Classes . . . 7:30 P.M.

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## THE LORD'S SUPPER

In I Cor. 10:16-17 Paul reminded the Corinthian brethren, "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a communion of the body of Christ? Seeing that we, who are many, are one bread, one body: for we all partake of the one bread." I believe the thought of these verses is that participants in the Lord's supper were unified and bound together in one spirit. When one partook of this supper it involved fellowship with Christ as well as with other participants.

According to I Cor. 11 this early church assembled each Lord's Day but was troubled by divisions. These Christians should have been united together in their worship but such was far from being true. Individualism was the name of the game! The church was divided into different groups of rich, poor, and unwanted. With these things happening, how could there be a communion with Christ and one another? Cliques were separating the brethren, and the Lord's supper did not come close to meaning what God had intended it to mean.

Paul continues to impress us with the fact that we are not to partake of the Lord's supper in an unworthy manner (I Cor. 11:27). Since the great majority of us today think of the communion as a totally private experience between ourselves and the Lord we see no need to look beyond our own lives in preparing for it. Paul may well mean that one who partakes unworthily eats and drinks with no sense of love or reverence that the supper stands for. I'm sure this would constitute observing the supper in a way that would not be pleasing to God.

But let me challenge your thanking in one other area. Paul said, "seeing that we, who are many, are one bread, one body: for all partake of one bread" (I Cor. 10:17). The "body" of Christ is the church! Christians cannot continue to share in the body (church) and remain insensitive and unloving. Paul has just rebuked these brethren for their divisions and class distinctions which divide. These people may have never realized that they are at variance with their brother and yet attempt to partake of an act that indicates fellowship with the body of Christ!

One's private religious action is no substitute for the true love God intended among brethren! May we truly examine our heart and motive as we partake of the Lord's supper and purpose to have fellowship with our Lord and other members of the body!

-Marvin L. Weir



## News & Notes

### In the Hospital...

WADLEY: Winifred Harper had surgery last week, and is in room 558.

M.D. ANDERSON: James Martin continues to undergo treatment, and is in and out of the hospital.

AT HOME: Frances Mills; Don Jones; Wyndell Robertson; Beth Shelton; Sis. Towery; Walter Nunn.

### VISITATION/FELLOWSHIP TEAM MEETING

Team 1 will meet on Thursday, February 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the home of Jerry and Charlene Yates.

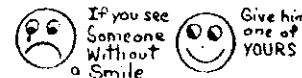
Team 111 had a great time this past Tuesday as they gathered in the home of John and Clara Inman.

### GROCERY PICK-UP A SUCCESS

Our pantry looks much better and we also have a worthwhile load for Boles Home. We do appreciate your willingness to help us in this matter. A big "thanks" also goes to those who helped pick up the groceries: Valerie Martin, Marty Watkins, Lindsey Freeman, Lana Freeman, Russell Tyndell, and Marvin Weir.

### ANNUAL VALENTINE BANQUET

It's coming! February 10 will be here soon, and grades 7-12 will gather at 6:30 at the Community Center. Plan to be a part of the fun on this occasion.



## Our Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Sister Lillie Freeman at the death of her daughter, Gwen Canfield. This was Allen Freeman's and Erma Brookshire's sister. Our prayers are with this family during this time of loss and sorrow. Services were conducted Monday at the church, and burial was at Old Salem.

### THANK YOU NOTES

Thanks for all the prayers, phone calls, visits, and food for us. We are so grateful for the love, consideration, and kindness shown toward us this past week. We love you all very much.

-Jerry, Charlene & Melissa Vates

We thank you for your many kindnesses to us during our time of sorrow. The flowers were lovely, and the prayers offered in our behalf have been felt. Please continue to remember us in your prayers.

-The Family of Gwen Canfield

### FAMILY CLASS TO BEGIN FEBRUARY 8TH

We are looking forward to sharing this period of time together each Sunday morning at 9:30. Plan to be a part of this class, and encourage anyone you can to attend with you.



**A.M.** Speaker, George Montgomery

**P.M.** Speaker, George Montgomery

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