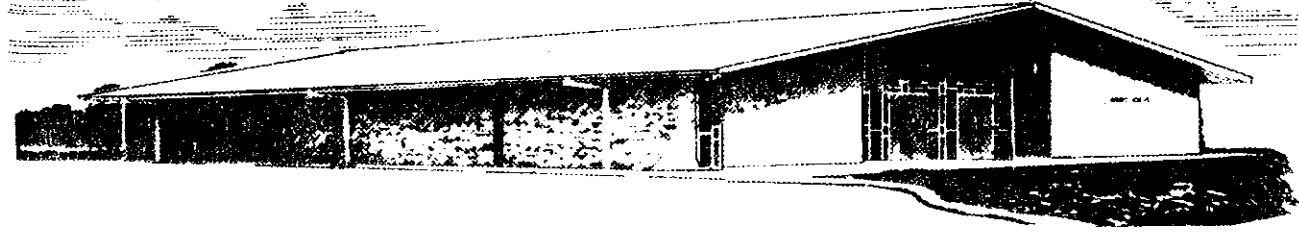


HAPPENINGS in God's Family



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MOMENTS WITH MARVIN

It has been a busy summer for me and I know the same is true for many of you. We have missed those who have not been able to assemble with us on a regular basis, and hope that the coming weeks will show an improvement in this area.

At this writing there are two nights left in the VBS at Horatio, AR. I have been teaching the adult class each evening, and have enjoyed this opportunity to be with these fine people. I was glad to be able to visit with Kelly Rodgers again, and the people seem to really appreciate the work he is doing.

My family and I will be with you this Lord's day, and then we will leave early Monday morning on our vacation. We plan on returning either on Monday or Tuesday the following week.

Steve will be preaching at both services on Sunday, August 15th.



All should be aware that the McIntosh's will be with us this Sunday. We are anticipating a great day of worship but we also have planned a special gathering for Sunday evening following services.

Each family is encouraged to bring a freezer of ice cream or cookies, and all will have an opportunity to get better acquainted with Steve and his family. This will also help them as they try to remember your names.

Let's each of us do all that we can to make **Steve, Linda, Shane, Kristen, and Blake** feel right at home in the Lord's family here in New Boston.

Inviting You

You are invited to an open house at **Sis. Lucy Higginbotham's** this Sunday afternoon from 2-4. The address is 307 N. Elm.

CONFUSED? God has only one way. It is found in the Bible!

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 1982

Bible Study	106
Morning Worship	125
Evening Worship	102
Contribution	\$ 1058.65

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1982

Bible Classes	115
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VBS ATTENDANCE

Thursday, July 29	137
Friday, July 30	136

THOSE TO SERVE AUGUST 8, 1982

A.M. PRAYERS:	P.M. PRAYERS:
John Inman	Haskel Roberts
Danny Johnson	W. Trickler

SCRIPTURE Don Bagwell
READING: (Phil. 2:5-8)

BIBLE HOUR: Robin Clark

NURSERY: Alicia Dooley
Kimberly Williams

NOTE: If you are unable to serve on this date, please call Jerry Yates at 628-2441.

OUR VISITORS

Pat & Lori Blanks of New Boston; Mark Weir of Beaumont, TX and Suzanne Tollett of Nashville, AR were guests of Marvin and Cathy Weir; also, Bro. & Sis. Turner had all their children home this past Lord's day.



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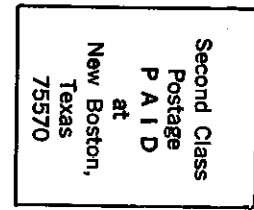
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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

GOING TO CHURCH TO WORSHIP GOD

The Bible teaches us that God expects His people to take their Christianity seriously! One must surrender to the Lord's will, and this requires dedication and commitment. The story was told of a Swedish girl who decided she wanted to be totally **dedicated** to Christ. Several years later, a bus struck her and she lost one of her legs. Commenting on her loss, she smiled and said, "You really can't lose what you've already given away, can you?" One must admire her spirit, but I'm sure there is a lesson that we can learn.

Brethren, do we believe that our bodies belong to God? I'm not convinced that nearly enough Christians do, and their habits, actions, and attitude toward worship only strengthen my suspicions. So many still are unwilling to die to self! What are you doing with your life? Jesus said, "If any man would come after me, let him **deny himself**, and take up his cross daily, and follow me" (Luke 9:23).

Do you remember the Lord teaching the multitudes from Peter's boat in Luke 5? He told Peter to put out into deeper water and let down the nets for a catch. Peter and his friends had fished all night and caught nothing, but they were willing to obey. They caught so many fish the boat was in danger of sinking. Now comes the tough part; they pulled their boats up on shore, **left everything**, and followed Jesus (5:11). Contrast this story with that of the rich young ruler in Mark 10 who Jesus told to go and sell **everything** and give to the poor. The rich man looked at his many possessions and went away sorrowing, for he could not give them up!

Barclay notes that the word "**service**" (some versions translate **worship**) in Rom. 12:1 has an interesting history. It is **latreia**, the noun of the verb **latreuein**. Originally **latreuein** meant to work for hire or pay. It denotes, not slavery, but one working voluntarily. The word then came to mean "**to serve**" or that to which one gives his whole life. Finally the word came to mean "the service of the gods." In the Bible it never means human service; it is always used of service to and worship of God. (Barclay)

Brethren, the principle involved does not mean you must give up your present business or occupation to be faithful to the Lord. The principle for us is to **surrender all** to God! We talk of going to church to worship God, and we are to assemble for this purpose. But **true worship** is the offering to God of one's body, and **all** that one does everyday with it. The world will see this type of service and dedication, and will not have to ask whether or not we are the Lord's people.

-Marvin L. Weir

"... present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service" (Rom. 12:1).



News & Notes

Our Sick

BAYLOR (Dallas): Oda Mae Orrison had a kidney removed last Tuesday, and is doing as well as can be expected following that surgery. Her address and phone number is as follows:

Baylor Hospital
3500 Gaston
Rm. 4717 (Collins)
Dallas, TX 75246
Ph. 214/820-4061

AT HOME: Blanche McClung is still trying to regain her strength; Janie Talley has been undergoing tests; Paul Talley will enter the hospital for tests soon; Hall Harmon and Charlie Cox are at home. James Martin goes to Houston for a check-up this week.

NURSING HOME DEVO

All who can are encouraged to attend this service all the Nursing Home this Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. It will last approximately 30 minutes.

ATTENTION ALL CARE GROUPS

CARE Groups will not meet during the month of August. We will resume our Group meetings during the month of September.

ADDRESS UPDATE

Sandra Parker -- Rt. 1 Box 208 A2
Linda Thurston -- 102 Hickory

Youth News

The Summer Youth Series will be at DeKalb this coming Tuesday. The speaker will be Norman Miller, and his subject is entitled "Guilty Or Not Guilty." The van will leave the building at 6:30 p.m.

SIX FLAGS TRIP A SUCCESS

A group of 14 left last Sunday afternoon for the Dallas area. After stopping to visit with Oda Mae at Baylor they drove to Grand Prairie and worshipped with the Turnpike congregation. The night was spent at the Harper residence (thanks to Tom and Pam), and the group made a day & night at Six Flags on Monday.

Our thanks goes to Russell, Suzette, and Cathy for taking the time to go with the group.

GROCERY PICK-UP

Be sure and sign the list on the bulletin board in the foyer if you have items for our pantry and Boles Home. The van will be running Saturday morning, August 7, to pick up these items. We will begin our pick-up at 10:00 a.m.

Please have your sack ready, and those who can help carry the groceries need to be at the building by 10:00.



A.M. "The Humiliation Of Christ"
(Phil. 2:5-8)

P.M. "The Greatest Verse In The Bible"
(1 John 4:8)

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