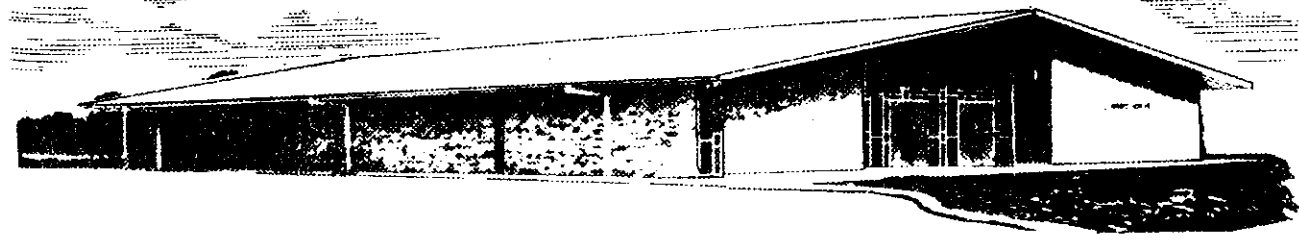


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MOMENTS WITH MARVIN

It was good to be a part of the gathering for our annual holiday party. The food was delicious, and we do appreciate the effort of so many to attend. Cathy and I are grateful for the gift and card we were presented with, and are happy to be privileged to work with you for the glory of the Master.

We will continue our study of **Church Discipline** this Sunday, but the lesson will explore the subject of **Fellowship**. I hope you will make a special effort to attend all our services.

Let's have a good crowd this Sunday afternoon at the Nursing Home. It will help our singing and will be appreciated by those at the Home.

Just a thought -- "Any man who thinks he's more intelligent than his wife is married to a smart woman!"

See you as we assemble together Sunday!

CARE GROUPS REORGANIZED

We have reorganized our CARE Group ministry, and each member will be receiving a letter soon which will inform them of their group and Group Leader.

Some changes have been made which we hope will make this an even more meaningful ministry. One thing that will be observed more carefully is the attendance of each member of this congregation.

Everyone is encouraged to participate in this ministry as the groups meet on a regular basis. You'll have a lot of fun, and it will serve to encourage not only you but many others. Let's strive to do all that we possibly can to faithfully serve our Lord and one another this coming year.



Christ has no other plan for reaching lost people except to use people already saved.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1982

Bible Study	129
Morning Worship	165
Evening Worship	128
Contribution	\$ 1341.14

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1982

Bible Classes	94
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THOSE TO SERVE DEC. 12, 1982

A.M. PRAYERS: Russell Tyndell
P.M. PRAYERS: H. L. Vance
Ben Dooley D. Hardage

SCRIPTURE READING: L. A. Wright
(I Jn. 1:3-4)

BIBLE HOUR: Suzette Tyndell

NURSERY: Betty Brown
Marie Shelton

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

OUR VISITORS

Mrs. B. V. Crawford of Pinehurst, TX.



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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

THE PURCHASE OF A BARBER SHOP

I knew a man once who bought a barber shop. He watched the shop over a number of years and observed it to be a thriving business; a money-making operation. There were two barbers, the owner and an employee, and they pruned many craniums per day. On Saturdays the shop was completely full all day. The prospective buyer of the shop thought thusly within himself: "This will I do: I will buy this barber shop for a price. For it is indeed verily a growing concern, and I will put the profits into my bank account."

And so he did. He bought the barber shop at a high price because it was so successful. And then people, beginning from the smartest to the simplest, began to go to other barber shops because the new owner was a very poor barber. When people had experienced a lop-sided, chopped-up haircut once or twice, they were wisely inspired to take their business elsewhere. The success of the first owner had not been due to the location of the shop. His success was due to the skill he applied to his art. The second owner had bought "things," a location, equipment, etc. But when he could not match the services of the first owner, he could not keep the customers coming in.

I don't want to be too heavy-handed in moralizing with the above true story, but it seems rather obvious to me that those of us who work for churches could learn from the above experience. You may have heard that you can catch more bees with honey than with vinegar, but this expression would suggest that we're only interested in pleasing people. Those of us who work full-time in the church have a much more basic responsibility toward others. We are interested in *meeting people's needs*. We are occupied in showing people how to be forgiven of sins, how to resist temptation, how to grow spiritually, how to do our duty, how to go to heaven, how to live from day to day as a Christian in the roles in which we find ourselves: students, husbands, fathers, mothers, parents, etc.

If you and I as Christians are doing a good job at meeting these needs, all the valid signs and measures of the success of a church will follow.

-Bert Mercer



News & Notes

Our Sick

NEW BOSTON: Blanche McClung is in Room 220; Vesta Cox is in Room 206.

AT HOME: Nora Harmon.

NURSING HOME DEVO

The Nursing Home Devotional will be this Sunday, December 12, from 3:00-3:30 p.m. Can you help?

ELDERS/DEACONS MEETING

All deacons and elders are encouraged to be present for the meeting this Sunday evening after services.

ONE MORE BULLETIN

That's right! Only one more bulletin to be published this year. If you have information to share with the congregation, be sure and contact the office before **December 15**. This policy is in accordance with our permit at the Post Office and benefits them during the Christmas rush. After next week, a bulletin will not be mailed until **January 6, 1983**.

IN APPRECIATION

A special thanks is in order for **Meg Shelton, Virginia Parrish and Renee Wright** for decorating the Community Center and also to **Marvin Weir, Ben Dooley and Ernest Shelton** for delivering the tables & chairs. We appreciate the efforts of all who helped make this annual occasion a success.

Thank You

We wish to express our deepest thanks to you for the prayers, cards, gifts, visits and calls on Justin's behalf. We appreciate so much being a part of the Lord's body here in New Boston, partly because of the love and warmth that you've extended toward us.

In Christian love,
Russell, Suzette, Justin
and Blake Tyndell



From time to time we feel it is necessary to update our Membership Directory. Since our last directory was in 1981, we know there are several revisions to be made before we publish a new one. It would help us greatly if you would check the list on the bulletin board and make any necessary changes on your address, phone number, etc.

AREA PREACHERS LUNCHEON

All area preachers are reminded of the Preachers Luncheon this coming Tuesday, December 14, at Bryce's Cafeteria.



A.M. "Fellowship: What Is It?"
(1 John 1:3-4)

P.M. "Remembering Jesus"
(1 Cor. 11:24)

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