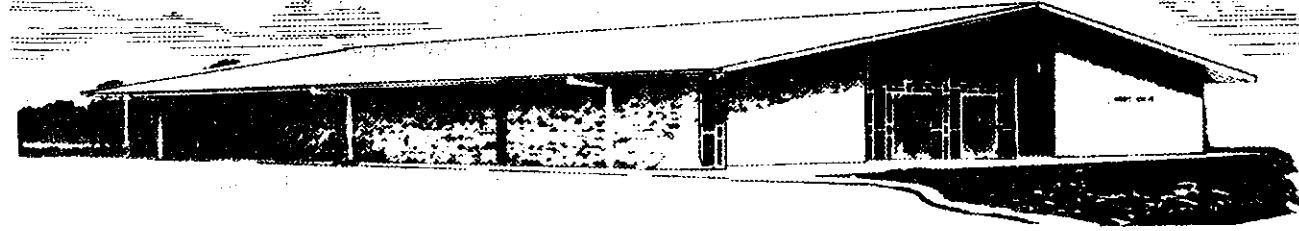


# HAPPENINGS in God's Family



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## MOMENTS WITH MARVIN

We are finally getting to publish our first bulletin using our new electronic memory typewriter. It allows us to do many more things than we previously could, and will surely improve the quality of our work. But bear with us for the time being, as we are still learning how to correctly operate its every feature.

The sermons listed on the inside page should be in reverse order. We will discuss "Respect Of Persons" in our morning service.

Our Gospel Meeting with Bro. Thomas Hooten is not far away. Please remember the dates of April 18-22, and begin planning now to attend every service.

The Area Wide Singing conducted here last Sunday was just great. We had almost 150 people present. Everyone was talking about how much they enjoyed the afternoon!

### NEW CARE GROUP LEADER

Ricky Burleson has agreed to serve as Group Leader for CARE Group 6. Pam will be assisting him in this effort. We are grateful for Ricky and Pam's willingness to assist in this effort.

Let me say that I have been especially pleased with the way our groups have been functioning. The past month or two sickness and unforeseen happenings have hurt our overall participation, but we are looking forward to warmer weather and future gatherings!

### NEW QUARTER'S MATERIAL IN

The teaching material for the new quarter is in the teacher's workroom. Please pick up your material for next quarter at your convenience.

### AREA GOSPEL MEETINGS

**March 19-21** -- At the Beverly Heights Church of Christ in Hooks with Bro. Kippy Myers doing the preaching. Services Friday & Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

**March 14-17** -- Bro. Roy Lanier, Jr. will be at Northside in Texarkana. The weekday services are at 7:30 p.m.

## OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 1982

Bible Study . . . . .	142
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Contribution . . . . .	\$ 1303.04

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1982

Bible Classes . . . . .	99
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### THOSE TO SERVE MARCH 14, 1982

A.M. PRAYERS:	P.M. PRAYERS:
Ben Dooley	D. Hardage
James Boswell	B. Higginbotham

SCRIPTURE READING: R. Burleson  
(Acts 10:34)

NURSERY: Nena Clement  
Marie Shelton

BIBLE HOUR: Lou Johnson

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

### OUR VISITORS

**George Stegall & family** of Texarkana; **Steve Wicker** of New Boston was a guest of Beth Shelton; **Keisha Burres** of New Boston was a guest of Melissa Yates; **Jack Delong** of Searcy was visiting with Jim Robertson; **Judy Hunt and Donny & Yvonne** of Douglassville were guest of Virginia Parrish; **Mrs. Vance Crawford, Jennifer & Jane Ann** of New Boston were guests of Cheryl Shelton; and **June Hart** of Texarkana was also our guest this past Lord's Day.

PANTRY ITEM  
Macaroni Dinners

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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

## WHY IS THE WORD "LOVE"

### NOT IN THE BOOK OF ACTS?

MUCH OF THE TEACHING AND PREACHING ABOUT "LOVE" IN THE CHURCH TODAY DOESN'T "RING TRUE" TO THE BIBLE: IT SOUNDS JUST LIKE DENOMINATIONAL PREACHING. IT IS SHALLOW, ARTIFICIAL, AND UNSCRIPTURAL TO THOSE MATURE IN THE FAITH AND ESTABLISHED IN THE TRUTH. THEIR EMPHASIS ON "LOVE" MOVES THEM FROM THE "TRUTH" OF THE GOSPEL (11 THESS. 2:13-15) TO THE FALSE AND EMOTIONAL LEVEL OF THE DENOMINATIONAL WORLD. SUCH FALSE CONCEPTIONS AND TEACHING WILL NEITHER GLORIFY GOD, SAVE THE LOST, OR EDIFY THE CHURCH.

WE MUST TEACH TRUE BIBLICAL LOVE AS REVEALED IN THE SCRIPTURES (1 JOHN 4:7-18); WE MUST FOLLOW IN THE EXAMPLE OF THE APOSTLES (1 COR. 11:1); BUT WE DARE NOT ABUSE THIS DOCTRINE BEFORE THE WORLD OR IN THE CHURCH.

ONE OF THE MOST REVEALING FACTS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT IS THAT THE WORD "LOVE" IS NOT USED IN THE BOOK OF ACTS. THIS IS THE BOOK OF INSPIRATION AND WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE APOSTLES (JOHN 16:13); THIS IS THE BOOK OF CONVERSIONS TO CHRIST IN THE APOSTLES' PREACHING OF THE "GREAT COMMISSION" (MATT. 28:18-20; MARK 16:15-16); THIS IS THE RECORD OF GOD REVEALING THE TRUTH OF JESUS CHRIST (JOHN 8:32, 51). THIS IS THE GOSPEL OF GRACE (ACTS 20:32); THIS IS THE GOSPEL OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CHURCH (ACTS 2:28-47); THIS IS THE GOSPEL OF THE CROSS OF JESUS CHRIST (ACTS 3:13-26); THIS IS THE GOSPEL OF FAITH, REPENTANCE, CONFESSION, BAPTISM AND SALVATION. THIS IS THE TESTIMONY OF APOSTOLIC EYE-WITNESSES (INSPIRED OF GOD), AND NOT ONE TIME DOES THE RECORD SHOW THAT THEY USED THE WORD "LOVE" TO PREACH CHRIST TO A LOST WORLD!

LOVE FOR GOD, CHRIST, TRUTH, THE CHURCH, AND THE LOST, WAS THE MOTIVATING FORCE BEHIND THEIR EFFORTS (1 COR. 13:13; GAL. 5:6; ROM. 13:8; 1 PET. 2:17), BUT "LOVE" WAS NOT THE LEADING, CUTTING-EDGE OF THE APOSTOLIC MESSAGE. MEN CANNOT KNOW OF THE LOVE OF GOD SEPARATE AND APART FROM THE GOSPEL; AND ANY PREACHING THAT DENIES THE GOSPEL OF ACTS DENIES THE TRUE LOVE OF GOD!

TODAY'S EMOTIONAL CONCEPT AND TEACHING CONCERNING "LOVE" IS NOT THE FRIEND OF JESUS OR MAN; IT PROVES TO BE AN UNSCRIPTURAL AND DAMNABLE HERESY (11 JOHN 9-11; ROM. 16:17-18). MUCH OF TODAY'S PREACHING ABOUT "LOVE IS REALLY A COWARDLY EFFORT OF THOSE WHO ARE AFRAID OF PREACHING AND DEFENDING THE DOCTRINAL TRUTH OF GOD WHICH CONFLICTS WITH BOTH THE SINNERS OF THE "CARNAL" WORLD (1 JOHN 2:15-17) AND THE SINNERS OF THE "RELIGIOUS" WORLD (1 TIM. 1:18-20; 4:1-16). THE IMMORAL PREACHING OF "LOVE" IS COMPROMISING THE TRUTH OF THE BIBLE IN AN EFFORT TO MAKE THE GOSPEL MORE PALATABLE TO SINNERS AND FALSE TEACHERS. IT LEADS TO AN ATTITUDE WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY DENY DOCTRINAL AUTHORITY (11 TIM. 4:1-5), OVERLOOK BLATANT SINFULNESS (1 COR. 6:9-11; GAL. 5:19-21), AND LEAD MEN TO BELIEVE THAT LOVE REPLACES FAITH AND OBEDIENCE TO THE TRUTH OF GOD.

(ARTICLE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK)

-Dan Billingsly



## News & Notes

**Barksdale AFB:** Loran McPherson's brother, Boyce, is suffering from a heart attack.

**NE Baptist (San Antonio):** Sandra Parker's dad, Calvin Seale is again undergoing treatment. Sandra has gone to be with her dad.

**At Home:** Justin Tyndell and Jamie Oliver have had the chicken pox; Melvin Watkins hurt his back; Opal McCright, Novie Curtis, Blanche McClung have been ill; Sarah Vance is still having back problems.

### SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes to Chleodia LaRue at the death of her sister, Lillie Tucker. Services were conducted Tuesday in New Boston at Bates-Rolf Chapel with burial in Sandhill Cementary.

We extend our sympathy to Loran McPherson at death of his uncle, W.M. McPherson.

Our sympathy is extended to Nora Harmon and family at the death of her brother-in-law, Charlie Smith. Services were in Nashville, AR last week.

### GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

The men of the congregation are reminded of this meeting which is scheduled for March 28th following the Sunday evening services. An agenda is being prepared, and you are welcome to place an item for discussion on it in advance if you desire.

### CARE GROUPS TO MEET

CARE Group 6 will meet March 14th at Ricky & Pam Burleson's home after the evening worship service.

CARE Group 3 meets on March 16th (Tuesday) in the home of Lucy Higginbotham at 6:30 p.m.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**March 14** -- Elders/Deacons Meeting following the evening service.

**March 20** -- Youth Devo & Fellowship in the home of James & Sylvia Williams at 6:30 p.m.

**March 27** -- The DeQueen Teenage Spring Banquet has been planned, and we have tickets you need to purchase immediately if you want to attend. The van will be used for transportation, and the cost is \$3.50. We will leave New Boston at 5:30 p.m. and return around 2:00 a.m.

### NURSING HOME DEVO

All who can are encouraged to attend the devo and singing at the Nursing Home this Sunday afternoon at 3:00.

SIN IS NOT INHERITED ----  
BUT IT IS CONTAGIOUS.



**A.M.** "Give To Him That Asketh"  
(Matt. 5:42)

**P.M.** "Respect Of Persons"  
(Acts 10:34)

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