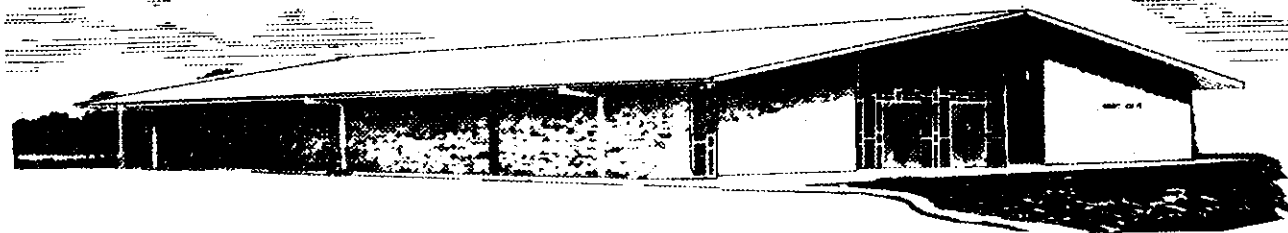


HAPPENINGS in God's Family



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ATTENTION LADIES

Ladies Bible Class will **not** meet the next two weeks (Nov. 16 & 23). I'll be in Denton this coming Wednesday and several ladies are expecting to be busy on the day before Thanksgiving.

We will resume meeting on **November 30**, and encourage all who can to join our gathering. Our study is from the Gospel of John, and we are ready to begin chapter seven.

Hard work
is an accumulation
of easy things
you didn't do
when you should have.

If all goes as planned I'll be in Denton four days next week enjoying the Second Annual Lectureship hosted by the Pearl St. congregation. If you would like the book containing the lectures, please give me your money no later than Sunday morning. I'll be leaving Sunday afternoon, and I appreciate Steve's willingness to speak in my absence Sunday evening.

The Lord wants us to sing. He has commanded true worshippers to sing. This Sunday morning the sermon will discuss **The Church And Its Singing**. Plan to be a part of Bible class and worship! Let's have another great day as we assemble together.

Turkey Day is fast approaching. The bulletin will be mailed on Wednesday of that week. Veterans Day is this Friday which involves a postal holiday which means you will receive your bulletin later than usual.

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1983

Bible Study	132
Morning Worship	184
Evening Worship	130
Contribution	\$ 1,388.97
Contribution to Date . .	\$ 57,333.59
Budget to Date	\$ 61,155.00

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1983

Bible Classes	94
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THOSE TO SERVE NOV. 13, 1983

A.M. PRAYERS: P.M. PRAYERS:
Herman Lynch Danny Johnson
R. B. Turner L. A. Wright

SCRIPTURE READING: John Inman
(Eph. 5:18-19)

BIBLE HOUR: Jerry Yates

NURSERY: Juanita Shelton
Oma Maxey

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

OUR VISITORS

Merle Holland of Vernon, TX was a guest of Janie and Valerie Martin.



"You are either going to have to start living right or else go some place where they don't preach quite so much Bible!"

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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

C.S.T. 7:00 P.M.
D.S.T. 7:30 P.M.

WHERE YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

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MARVIN L. WEIR, Editor

WHY DO YOU FOLLOW CHRIST?

"Jesus answered. . . Ye seek me, not because ye saw signs, but because ye ate of the loaves, and were filled" (JOHN 6:26).

The above question is a good one, and deserves more consideration than you may be willing to give it. My Lord knew that the majority of people were more interested in the **results** of the miracle than in the **power** or **source** of it. A great multitude were enthused about the possibility of "free meals," but not too many desired to become involved when Jesus insisted that true discipleship was costly. In fact, on more than one occasion the people would respond by saying, "These are hard saying . . . who can keep them?"

The passing of time hasn't really changed people's thinking all that much. I'm sure there are not a few individuals who would immediately become **religious** (?) if they thought it would help them accumulate material riches. These folks are like those who were not interested in the spiritual implications regarding miracles during Jesus' ministry.

Do you love the Lord with **all** your heart? Do you love your neighbor as yourself? Are you willing to turn the other cheek? Will you go the second mile? Do you practice the golden rule? Do you rejoice more in encouraging or discouraging? Are you interested in helping bear another's burden? Do you take pleasure in serving, or must you always be on the receiving end? Is it really "more blessed to give than to receive," or have you always felt that surely Christ meant to teach something other than what he taught?

Why are you a New Testament Christian? Is it **only** because of what you expect to receive, or is it also because of what you can give? The people during Jesus' day were eager to receive any blessings he might bestow, but they certainly did not want to get involved.

Selfishness is destroying our nation and our homes. The devil is also very aware that selfishness will prove to be disastrous to the church. Are you willing to be the very best servant of the church that you can possibly be?

I realize I've asked a great many questions in this brief article, but I feel they were extremely important. By the way, Why do you follow Christ?

-Marvin L. Weir
New Boston, TX



News & Notes



OUR SICK

NEW BOSTON: Vesta Cox is in room 225.

AT HOME: Julie Griffin; Oda Mae Orrison returned to Dallas; Jimmy Murphy is recovering from having a steel plate placed in his leg.

NURSING HOME DEVO

A group will gather at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 13th, for a devotional and singing at the Nursing Home. We need **YOU** to help us on this occasion.

GROCERY DRIVE SUCCESSFUL

We appreciate each one that participated in our grocery drive to re-stock our pantry. Our pantry looks much better and we also have a worthwhile load for Boles Home.

ELDERS/DEACONS MEETING

The Elders and Deacons are scheduled to meet this Sunday evening after services.

ABILENE HIGH SCHOOL WEEKEND

James and Sylvia Williams will be taking some of our teens to Abilene this weekend for this event. They will be leaving on Friday afternoon and will return on Sunday. Please remember them in your prayers as they will be on the highway for several hours.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Although it was mentioned at an assembly, we want to also use the bulletin to express appreciation for the four beautifully monogrammed cushions given to the church in memory of James Martin. These cushions will hopefully benefit those who need extra support for their back while sitting in our services.

The following people made this memorial possible:

Oda Mae Orrison
Bobby & Juanita Higginbotham
Don & Jean Jones
Mr. & Mrs. William Stewart
Janet Sullivan
Merle Holland

We also want to take this opportunity to thank the Frost/Kennington families for the rocking chair added to the Nursery in memory of Junior Curtis.



A.M. "The Church And Its Singing"
(Eph. 5:18-19)

P.M. "Blessed Assurance"
Steve McIntosh, Speaker

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