

February 14, 2010

Sunday Bible Class 93
 A.M. Worship 187
 P.M. Worship 83
 Wednesday Evening, February 10 86
 Needed \$ 6,568.00
 Received 5,086.31
 Plus/Minus -1,481.69

MEN TO SERVE

February 21 Projector February 28

Alan Adkins Austin Stevens
 Scott McLean Walter Anderson

Scripture Reading

Bill Fry Ed Johnson

First Prayer

Harold Liddell D.D. Lindsey

Lord's Supper

Rick Arnold Joe Maywald

Vic Leon Eugene Filipp

David Eversdyk Virgil Davis

Phil Carter Kim Smith

Scott Crabtree Jim Wood

Ed McFatter Curt Gunz

Joe Davis Rob Robinson

Closing Prayer

Jeff King Larry Timaeus

Alternates

Gerry Austin Phil Carter

Walter Anderson Harold Liddell

EVENING

Scripture Reading

Virgil Davis Curtis Sanford

First Prayer

Wiley Montana Floyd Offing

Lord's Supper

James Carr Vic Leon

Bill Walker Alan Adkins

Closing Prayer

Kyle Teat Dan Talbot

SPECIAL SERVICE

Clean Communion Trays Bonnie Barker

Baptismal Garments & Rena Thompson

Nursery Sheets

Communion Preparation Jerry & Nancy Burdine

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Armando Alaniz Pasadena, Texas

Neriah LeBlanc Tortola, BVI

Leslie Rose Houston, Texas

Thaddeus Bruno St. Thomas, VI

Shelly Bryant Singapore

Roberto Piño Cuba

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POST-CHRISTIAN WORLD

This past week I read a book that focused on why the younger generation of conservative Bible churches are leaving those churches. The book, *Already Gone*, provided some excellent insight on this latest generation to turn away from churches. The Churches of Christ represented 6.9% of the respondents represented in their research. There were 14 other churches included.

The authors began with a review of religion in England where only 2.5% of the population attend Bible-based churches. Only 6.3% attend any type of church on a regular basis. In 2004, more people attended mosques than worshipped at the Church of England. The new religion of England really has become secular humanism and they are truly living in a post-Christian era.

Similar trends seem to be mounting in our country as well. Although we still enjoy a majority of people who claim to be Christian, that number has fallen from 86% to 75% since 1990. We do have cause for concern.

The authors found that 61% of their sample attended Sunday school on a regular basis as children and teens. We've always stressed the need to be together for worship and for Bible study. But, simply coming to class isn't enough.

This research showed that 38% of those who left believed the Bible to be entirely true and accurate. Yet they didn't have a connection between Christianity and the local church. And while that additional time in Bible class should improve our knowledge of facts, it must also prepare the student to know and defend doctrines, not just become acquainted with Bible characters. Beyond that, our time together should also solidify our need to belong and serve in a local body of believers.

I hope that our country will never see that day when less than 10% of our populations attends worship on a regular basis or when other religions outnumber Christianity. But even if it does, I'm more concerned that each local congregation and each Christian take up the charge to make a difference in the lives of others and share the gospel message more frequently and more personally.

Jesus said in Matthew 16:18, "I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it." I believe that. Don't you?

Friends, the post-Christian era for our country will eventually be a reality. Fewer and fewer people have a respect for the authority and truths of God's word. Are we ready to evangelize a world/community that doesn't want to follow Jesus? We'd better be!

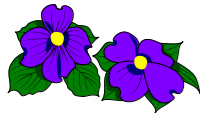
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES	9:30 A.M.
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY EVENING WORSHIP	6:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP	7:00 P.M.
WEDNESDAY LADIES' BIBLE CLASS	10:00 A.M.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT WITH THE MASTER	
MEAL	6:00 P.M.
ACTIVITIES & BIBLE STUDY	6:30, 7:00 P.M.

FAMILY

Sunday we had a good number present. It is always encouraging when most of you are in town and at worship on the same Lord's Day. I look forward to seeing you this coming Sunday to worship God together.



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On March 2, there will be a meeting at the Hilton Houston Southwest hosted by the University of Houston Campus Ministries. Individual tickets will be \$35 per person. University of Houston student ticket prices will be \$17.50 per person. Charlie Middlebrook will be the Master of Ceremonies. The guest speaker will be Case Keenum, the University of Houston quarterback. The reception will be from 6:30 to 6:55 p.m. The meal will begin at 7:00 p.m. If you are available and wish to attend, the information you need can be obtained in the church office.



We are planning a campaign in Angleton this summer. The dates are July 22-28. We will be knocking doors, asking people if we can pray with them. We need you to volunteer to help us. Please let Billy, Leland, or the church office know of your desire to work. We will have some days of preparation in the months of April and May. We are wanting to hear from you.



Our ladies' class continues to meet on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. You are invited to come and be present each Wednesday morning to study with us.

Wednesday Night with the Master continues to reach out to many. We have a good period of fellowship each Wednesday. Our meal is always good. Then we reach out to others through writing cards and phone calls. Our Bible classes are encouraging to those who attend. Your family and you will be encouraged each Wednesday. See you at 6:00 Wednesday evening.



The important dates to remember are:

1. Men's Retreat - Palacios April 9 & 10
2. Meeting - Jay Lockhart April 25-28
3. Vacation Bible School June 27-30
4. Mission Angleton July 22-28
5. Meeting - Mike Kouba September 19-22

Our love commitment to God and the church:

- I will pray to God each day in 2010 – I Thessalonians 5:17.
- I will be involved in the work of the church in 2010 – I Corinthians 15:58.
- I will be faithful in church attendance each week in 2010 – John 4:24.
- I will grow to give at least 10% of my resources in 2010 – Matt. 23:23; 5:20.
- I will be an encourager to others in the church in 2010 – Ephesians 4:12 .

Leland

WEDDING RECEPTION

We're having a reception honoring Mary Lou Abernathy and Vic Leon on their recent wedding in Hawaii. Please come, and let's celebrate with them on Saturday, February 27, 2-4 p.m. Your presence will be their present.



IMPACT

Items for the Impact "Garage Sale" need to be ready for pick-up by noon on Saturday, March 6th. Please notify the church office in advance if your donated item will require a large truck for transport. If you have any questions, contact Phil Carter.

BILLY

We had good food, good fellowship, and good entertainment at our annual Sweetheart Banquet this past Monday night. I would like to thank all of those who helped decorate, prepare, cook, serve, and clean. They are: Scott and Susan McLean, Ed and Lisa McFatter, Jeff and Carol King, Tammy and Curtis Sanford, Perry and Karen Stevens, and Stephanie Mack.

We will be hosting the Sunday Night Live on Sunday, February 21. If you can help prepare or serve food, please see me.

Upcoming Events/Activities:

- February 21 Sunday Night Live—Angleton Hosting
- February 28 Family Devotional

FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

The next family devotional will be on February 28. Family devotionals are a time for our youth group and their families, and our J.A.M. group and their families, to come together and spend time with God and each other. We will be meeting after Sunday evening worship in the multi-purpose room. Please bring finger foods (drinks will be provided).



J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)

There will be a J.A.M. on Sunday, March 7, following morning worship. J.A.M. is for all those who are in the 3rd-6th grades. Please bring a sack lunch and change of clothes.



SYMPATHY

We express our love and sympathy to the Griffith families in the loss of Judy's nephew, Robert Smith of Beaumont, who died Monday, February 8. Funeral services were held in Nederland last Friday.

PLEASE PRAY



Armando Alaniz is home and is scheduled to begin chemotherapy this week...Kase Alsobrook, youngest son of Sean and Stephanie Alsobrook, is in UTMB Galveston with whooping cough and viral pneumonia...Kelly Figueroa is home, but unable to return to work because of infection...Bill Fry's cancer has increased; new treatment has not yet been determined...Mary Nowlin is home following back surgery last week...Jenny Bizallion, friend of Billy and Stephanie Mack, is critically ill with pneumonia and sepsis...Francis Bilgera, son-in-law of ECC Principal Annette Jones, is stable, but seriously injured...Carol Chapman, friend of Donese Peltier, will have aneurism surgery some time in February...Gary McDaniel, son of Pearl McDaniel, is in a San Angelo Hospital with complications from his diabetes...Scott Miller, brother-in-law of Zip and Sherri Brazeal, has stage 4 colon cancer...Shirley Thompson, secretary of the church in Las Cruces where Suzanne & Monte Womble (children of Ed and Danna Johnson) attend, has advanced cancer...Carol Yates, sister of Jerry Burdine, has bone cancer...Martin Walker, father of Margy Davis, is very ill with emphysema and bronchitis.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;" Proverbs 3:5



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010

GREETERS

Bill Fry, Coordinator
 Billie Adkins
 Nita Fry
 Curtis Sanford
 Gus Figueroa
 Anna Peltier
 Jim & Joy Wood

YOUNG MEN TO PICK UP CARDS

Jonathan Gunz
 J.W. Fagan

MEN TO COUNT CONTRIBUTION

Kim Smith
 Harold Liddell

BIBLE TIME

February 21
 February 28
 Harold & Darlyn Liddell
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