

Those to Serve

Sunday 06-14-2009

Sunday Morning Worship:

Announcements..... Grady Duncan
 Song Leader..... Randy Eubanks
 Opening Prayer Hal Roper
 Closing Prayer Kent Cooper

Lord's Table—Month of June 2009

Southside:	Northside:
Gene Campbell	Weldon Miller
Rodney Cook	Bob Hedges
Ronnie Stewart	Chuck Kyle

Sunday Evening Worship:

Announcements..... Grady Duncan
 Song Leader..... Randy Eubanks
 Opening PM Prayer..... Jody Sparks
 Closing PM Prayer..... Ronnie Stewart

Sunday Evening Lord's Table

Charles Kyle Ron Traugher

Serving Wednesday Night—June 17, 2009

Announcements Grady Duncan
 Song Leader Hal Roper
 First Prayer..... Gene Garner
 Closing Prayer.....Jon McCain

*If you plan to be out of town or are not physically able to serve, please call someone to take your place.

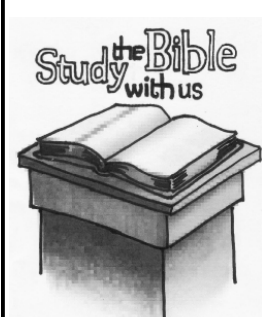
Attendance for the week of 06-07-2009

Bible Classes.....106
 Morning Worship..... 132
 Evening Worship 93
 Tuesday Ladies ClassMeets again in September
 Wednesday Night 76
 Regular Contribution \$ 4,082.75
 New Construction Fund Contributions.....\$ -0-

Averages To Date This Year

Bible Classes.....103
 Morning Worship.....141
 Evening Worship107
 Tuesday Ladies Class 12
 Wednesday Night 98
 Regular Contribution.....\$ 4,433.35
 New Construction Fund Contributions to date..... \$ 59,115.00

PLEASE NOTE: This bulletin is formatted Friday morning each week. Any news items or articles you wish included must be submitted to the Editor no later than Thursday Night. You may call Rhodney Freeman at 903-572-1181 (home) or 903-572-1136 (Office)

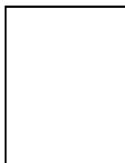


Next Sunday's Sermons

AM: The Power of Repentance and Confession
Kris Groda, Preaching

PM: Fundamentals of the Faith
The Church Jesus Built
Kris Groda, Preaching

North Jefferson Church of Christ
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Address Correction Requested

Assembly Times

Sunday

Bible Classes9:00AM
 Worship10:00AM
 6:00PM

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class ..10:00AM
 (September—May)

Wednesday

Bible Classes7:00PM

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Elders
 Gene Campbell
 Weldon Miller
 Wayne Pickrel

Deacons
 Grady Duncan
 Jim Duncan
 Jerry Freeman
 Bob Hedges
 Rance Robison
 Hal Roper

Gospel Preacher
 Kris Groda

Secretary
 Rhodney Freeman



As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him" Proverbs 25:13

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Growing Up and Taking Care of Business

By Kris Groda

It starts when we are pretty young. . . . Parents tell us: "make your bed", "take the trash out", "take your bath and brush your teeth". Admittedly most all of us have gone through this. We start out and it's "Yes Mam" or "Yes Sir". Then, in a moment of rebellion, we throw our hands up and say, "Why do you have to keep telling me these things? It's not like I'm a little child any more. This is so childish." This is when our parents either 'tan our hide', or they take us aside and say: "If you would grow up and take care of business, you would prove yourself to us and we wouldn't have to keep reminding you to do your job." Why is it that humans, at times, neglect the most basic of duties? After a while, we grow up and become tired by our child-like behavior and use it as a motivation to change and do better. Paul said, "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things" (1 Cor 13:11).

Here are a few areas that always need our attention:

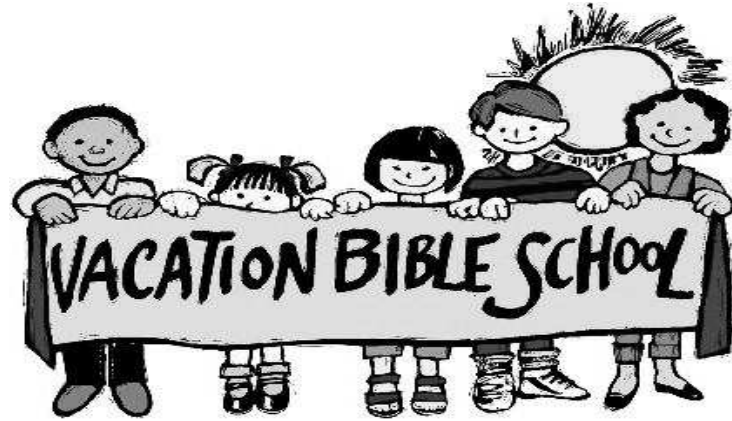
- Attendance and participation at Bible classes and worship assemblies **on time** ☺(Heb. 10:24-25).
- Caring for and visiting the sick, shut-ins, fatherless and windows (Mt. 25:36; Gal 6:10; Jas. 1:27).
- Dedicating ourselves to learning the Bible so we can effectively teach others , give an answer to those who ask, and convict the gainsayer (Heb. 5:12; 2 Tim. 2:2; Matt. 28:18-20; 2 Tim 2:15; Jude 3; Titus 1:9).
- Praying always to our Heavenly Father (2 Tim. 2:1; Jas. 5:16; 1 Thes. 5:17).
- Husbands and Fathers being the spiritual leaders in the home (Eph. 5:23, 25, 29; 6:4; Deut. 6:4).
- Wives and mothers fulfilling their role (Eph. 5:22, 24; 1 Pet. 3:1-6; 1 Tim. 5:14).
- Children obeying their parents (Eph 6:1). Parents should not have to "count to three". Obedience should be swift.
- Loving neighbor as thyself (Mt. 22:39).
- Bear ye one another's burdens (Gal. 6:2).
- Provide things honest in the sight of all men (Rom. 12:17).

Still, as adults, we have certain basic responsibilities that go undone either because we don't realize the importance or we are in rebellion mode. Christianity is a way of life. Interwoven within the 'New Covenant Way' are the doctrines of **accountability** and **responsibility**. There is work to do and we can either do it, or occupy our time playing. Either way, we will give an account for all that we have done (Rom. 14:12).

Many people obey the Gospel and enter Christ with no concept of the dedication needed to please the Lord. Many people begin a relationship with the Lord, with a prenuptial mindset. Jesus taught **total commitment** in Christianity. Many never count the cost of being a committed disciple of Christ. Jesus said, ". . . *whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my* disciple" (Luke 14:29). Christians are responsible for their actions and choices. We may reasonably conclude that if we neglect what God says, then we need to grow up and take care of business. God wants us to grow up and take care of business. Even the young Jesus said. ". . . *wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?*" (Lk. 2:49). Let's be committed as dear children of God (Eph. 5.1). who have an inheritance that is undefiled and incorruptible. One that "fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you" (1 Pet. 1:4).



“give attention to reading.....” 1 Tim. 4:13



June 15 – June 19, 2009
9am-11am

Infants to 6th grade

Theme:
“Great Men of the Bible”

NOAH JOSHUA
DAVID DANIEL
JONAH

North Jefferson members are encouraged to pray for, invite people, and personally help any way they can. Your presence and team work is valued and appreciated!

VBS Daily Schedule

Topic/Teacher Room #	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Noah Stephanie Sparks Room 5	2&3 Yr old	4&5 Yr old	K-1 st	2 nd -3 rd	4 th -6 th
Joshua Amy Jones Room 4	2 nd -3 rd	4 th -6 th	2&3 Yr old	4&5 Yr old	K-1 st
Jonah Ginger Jones Room 1	4 th -6 th	2&3 Yr old Cathy Robison Substitute	4&5 Yr old	K-1 st	2 nd -3 rd
David Lena Groda Room 3	K-1 st	2 nd -3 rd	4 th -6 th	2&3 Yr old	4&5 Yr old
Daniel Armstrong/Kimbrough Room 2	4&5 Yr old	K-1 st	2 nd -3 rd	4 th -6 th	2&3 Yr old

Prayer List: Justin Barker, Rachel Barker, Doris Bell, Suzanne Charlton, Jim Duncan, Irene Duncan, Linda Jones, Dorothy Kyle, Wade Miller, Wayne Pickrel, Thelma Reed.
Also: Starlyn Black, Carolyn (Katy) Cabell, Jennifer Freeman, Janice Lineberger, Wayne Lineberger, Brenda Riley, Kyle Stephenson, Charles Whitney

Congregational Shut-Ins:

Home: Doris Bell, **Pleasant Springs Assisted Living:** Annah Brown, **Home:** Irene Duncan, **Home:** Joyce Lee, **Villa Assisted Living:** Georgia Lide, **Mt. Vernon:** Alice Lovelady, **Home:** Marie Plemmons

Health Updates:

Wayne Pickrel has scheduled his surgery for next Tuesday morning (7:15 a.m.) at ETMC.

Linda Jones was taken to ETMC in Tyler Friday to see specialists for tests. If it is developed she has a heart blockage, then they will implant a stent. She may be there a couple of days. Hallie and Brenda went to be with her as well.

Brenda Riley is still not feeling well. Please keep her in your prayers.

Suzanne Charlton is home but we should still await an OK from either her or Wayne before any visits. She continues to improve but the prognosis for her toe doesn't look so well. She was scheduled to get her stitches out Thursday. She is still in pain.

Kenlee Jagers (infant baby of Jeannie Pat and Todd Jagers) has been experiencing acid reflux. They have been conferring with their doctors for help needed for treatment of the condition.

Colista Johnson (Hallie Lang's great granddaughter) is still in the hospital in Shreveport following surgery to repair her broken leg and shattered ankle. She is expected to remain in the hospital several more days before she can go to her mom's home for continued recovery.

Keely McCary has been ill for the past couple of weeks, although she was able to be at services last Wednesday evening. Her doctors have diagnosed her with the *Epstein-Barr virus*. She is not contagious but is having many complications. She has had several good days and feels somewhat strengthened. Thank you so much for your continued prayers. — Karen

Starlyn Black is very ill. She has cancer in her lungs, liver and head and possibly in her bones. She is having chemo and radiation treatments here in Mount Pleasant. Please be sure to pray for her. And pray for her husband, Doyle.

Shirley Wright's (John David's wife) surgery appears to have been successful.

John David mentioned that he had receive word that his great nephew **Kyle Stephenson** (son of his sister Camillia Stephenson) was in a bad motor bike accident last Tuesday at the

race track in Canton. He is in Parkland Hospital. The initial report is that he may be paralyzed for life.

Myrtice Grissom has been experiencing stomach problems.

Ola Mae Simpson has been having blood pressure problems.

Ron Traugher has a case of poison ivy.

Jeanette Parham has bronchial problems. **Glenn** has an ongoing nose bleed.

Mary Jo Lee (Sara Neal's mother) is in Pittsburg hospital with pneumonia.

Randy Cooper has been experiencing neck and shoulder pain and has been taking pain medications to help.

Johnny Ann Wacaster had hand surgery last week. Her mother has been diagnosed with cancer.

Janice Lineberger continues to struggle following her heart surgery several weeks ago.

In Sympathy:

Louis W. Bell, age 93
Passed away on Thursday June 11 in Tyler.
Visitation was from 12:30-2:30PM Saturday and the service was at 3:pm in the Chapel at Bates-Cooper-Sloan Funeral Home, with burial at Masonic Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant.

A meal for the family was provided here at the building following the burial service. Thanks to all who assisted in this effort.

THANK YOU.... “Dearest North Jefferson Family ...Thank you so much for your kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated. Thank you for the beautiful combination plant basket sent to Dad's funeral. Your thoughtfulness means so very much.

—In Love
The family of Wesley DuBose
Judy & Rhodney and
Dana Morton”

UPCOMING EVENTS:

TODAY at 2:00PM— Wedding Shower for April Miller, Bride-elect of Jon McCain in the fellowship hall.

SYBSNET began June 08 here at North Jefferson. Doug Martin spoke on “Conquering the Enemy of Fear.” There were 158 in attendance.

SYBSNET this Monday, June 15, will be at Pittsburg at 7PM. Kevin Ruiz will be speaking on “Conquering the Enemy of Worry and Pessimism”.