

Those to Serve

Sunday 06-20-2010

Sunday Morning Worship:

Announcements..... Daniel McCary
 Song Leader..... Randy Eubanks
 Opening Prayer Glenn Parham
 Closing Prayer Wayne Charlton

Month of June 2010

Sunday Morning Lord's Table

South Side:

Jerry Freeman
 Melvin Norfleet
 Austin Neal

North Side:

Gene Campbell
 Roger Grimes
 Cody Sparks

Sunday Evening Lord's Table

Charles Kyle Ron Traugher

Sunday Evening Worship:

Announcements..... Daniel McCary
 Song Leader..... Royce Armstrong
 Opening PM Prayer..... Jim Duncan
 Closing PM Prayer..... Jody Sparks

Serving Wednesday Night—June 23—2010

Announcements Daniel McCary
 Song Leader..... Weldon Miller
 First Prayer..... Bronson Roper
 Closing Prayer..... Gene Garner

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

Attendance for the week of 06-13-2010

Bible Classes..... 105
 Morning Worship..... 137
 Evening Worship 75
 Tuesday Ladies Class(Meets again in Sept)
 Wednesday Night 101
 Regular Contribution \$ 4,141.55
 New Construction Fund Contributions.....\$ -0-

Averages To Date This Year

Bible Classes..... 95
 Morning Worship.....137
 Evening Worship 89
 Tuesday Ladies Class 08
 Wednesday Night 93
 Regular Contribution.....\$ 4,111.93
 New Construction Fund Contributions to date..... \$ 94,291.29
 (Also includes transfers and interest earned)

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)*

Today's Sermons

AM: **Phillip Patton, Preaching**

PM: "Zion's Call Ringing From Zephaniah"
Kris Groda, Preaching



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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Gene Campbell
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 Wayne Pickrel

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 Jim Duncan
 Jerry Freeman
 Hal Roper

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Kris Groda

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North Jefferson Messenger

"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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Founded on the Word—Focused on the World

June 20, 2010

Guest Preacher Today

Phillip Patton

Phillip was born and raised in Mabank, TX and was reared in the Lord's church. He has served the church as a deacon, song leader, and Bible Class teacher. He spent 5 years working for East Texas EMS and the last 7+ years for the Allen Fire Department as a firefighter/paramedic. Phillip has had an increasing desire to work in the Lord's vineyard fulltime and is currently attending the Memphis School of Preaching to help prepare he and his family for the great work of evangelism. Stephani serves the church as a Bible class teacher and camp counselor. She is a homemaker and home schools their children. She really enjoys working with teenagers. Phillip and Stephani have three children: Jacob (13yrs), Clint (10 yrs), and Zoe (5 yrs). Please give the Patton family a hearty North Jefferson welcome!



North Jefferson Summer Sermon Series

This Wednesday June 23 Sam Dilbeck will be here to deliver his lesson: "How Faith Shapes Our World View". Sam is a native of Oklahoma, having grown up in Caddo. He graduated from Caddo Public schools in 1991 and married Julie Mitchell two weeks later. The first year of their marriage they lived in Durant, Oklahoma and attended Southeastern Oklahoma State University. After three semesters, they moved to Austin in order to attend Southwest School of Biblical Studies. They have served the church in Granite, OK (2 years); Leonard, TX (11 years); now Sam currently serves the Westhill church of Christ in Corsicana, TX as their pulpit minister. Sam has received formal training in speech communication and is an outstanding graphics artist. Sam and Julie have two children: Jason (14 years) and David (11 years).



CHRISTIANS ARE INSURANCE AGENTS

By Allen Webster

GOD IS IN THE INSURANCE BUSINESS.

There is a sense in which God is in the insurance business. He promised Moses that He would 'cover' him as He passed by ([Exodus 33:22](#)), and Moses promised the tribe of Benjamin, '...the Lord shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders' ([Deuteronomy 33:12](#)). In a beautiful word picture, the Psalmist describes God's protection: 'Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler' ([Psalm 91:3-4](#)).

From His vantage point, God can see an impending disaster worse than any hurricane or earthquake. It will not destroy just one house, or even town-but the whole earth ([2 Peter 3:10](#)). It will not involve only a few hundred or thousand people, but all the people of the whole earth ([2 Corinthians 5:10](#)). God is providing coverage for those willing to 'pay the premiums' ([Luke 14:28-33](#)).

CHRISTIANS ARE INSURANCE AGENTS.

If God is in the insurance business, then we are His agents. We seek to 'cover' our friends, relatives, neighbors, co-workers, fellow citizens, and, actually, all our 'brothers come down from Adam.' Love motivates us. Gratitude sends us. When Noah was uncovered in his tent, Shem and Japheth took a garment and went backwards to cover their father's shame ([Genesis 9:23](#)). They did what love always does-cover the shame of sinners. The Bible teaches us to do just that:

- 'Hatred stirreth up strifes; but love covereth all sins' ([Proverbs 10:12](#)).
- 'A fool's wrath is presently known; but a prudent man covered shame' ([Proverbs 12:16](#)).

- 'He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends' ([Proverbs 17:9](#)).
- 'And above all things have fervent charity among your-selves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins' ([1 Peter 4:8](#)).

Love does not 'sweep sin under the rug.' In younger days, our older brothers or buddies from school occasionally pressed us to 'cover for them' to keep them from the wrath of parents or teachers. It never worked. The truth came out and then we looked as bad as they did. Sin is like a rubber tire-it won't stay buried ([Numbers 32:23; 1 Timothy 5:24-25](#)). So, then, what does the Bible mean when it says that 'love covereth all sins?' We cover sins by assisting sinners in getting rid of them. James wrote: 'Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins' ([James 5:20](#)).

ARE YOU COVERED?

It does no good to cover one's sins so that others do not know of them. Children may hide things from their parents, husbands and wives may hide things from each other, and workers may hide things from their employers, but no one hides anything from God ([Hebrews 4:13](#)). 'He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy' ([Proverbs 28:13](#)).

The only way to cover one's sins is to have them erased from the mind of God ([Hebrews 8:12](#)). For sinners this is done through faith in His Son ([John 3:16](#)), repentance (turning from sinful behavior) ([Luke 13:3](#)), confession of faith ([Romans 10:9-10](#)), and immersion in water to have sins blotted out ([Acts 2:38](#)). For erring Christians, sins are covered by repentance, confession, and prayer ([Acts 8:22](#)).

'Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered' ([Psalm 32:1](#)).

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Please Remember These in Your Prayers:

Justin Barker, Rachel Barker, Doris Bell, James & Sue Browning, Billye Campbell, Gene Campbell, Suzanne Charlton, Randy Cooper, Jim Duncan, Barbara Duncan, Irene Duncan, Bob Hedges, Wade Miller, Wayne Pickrel, Thelma Reed, and Helen Roper,

Also: Ozroe Bush, Carolyn (Katy) Cabell, Odis Duncan, Denise Hess, Cato Jones, Margaret Laurence, Mary Jo Lee, Janice Lineberger, Mike Norfleet, Kristen Powell, Kent Stephenson, Kaitlin Taylor, and Charles Whitney

Congregational Shut-Ins:

Pleasant Springs Assisted Living: Doris Jean Bell, Annah Brown, **Home:** Irene Duncan, **Villa Assisted Living:** Georgia Lide.

HEALTH UPDATES

Sue Browning is back at home. Her doctor could not get the wire through the blockage she had so they could install a stent. She is being treated with medication and will return to Tyler in 3 weeks for more evaluation. Keep Sue in your prayers.

Barbara Duncan's doctors have told her that her latest scan shows she does not have bone cancer. That really is good news. She will see her pulmonologist Wednesday. She has some other health problems. Please remember Barbara (and Jim) in your prayers.

Wayne Pickrel has not been doing well with this latest round of treatments. He has been pretty sick. Please pray for Wayne and Ann as they struggle with his illness and other things in their lives.

Nelda Dunn returned to Dallas to her doctor on Thursday. No update on her at the printing of this bulletin.

HELP NEEDED

Please note: In the past few weeks someone has been tampering with the soap dispensers in the men's restroom. It creates a mess and is a waste of soap. Please speak to your children regarding this matter.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Wednesday Nights this Summer

Congregational Supper 5:45pm
Congregational Singing 6:45pm
Summer Sermon Series 7:00pm

Menu for Wednesday night supper on June 23, 2010:

HOME COOKING

Team No. 1: Garner, McCary and Trammell

All are welcome to join us for supper! If you are eating, monetary donations for the chefs are appreciated, but not necessary.

Contact Keely McCary at (903) 563-7895 for more information.

GOSPEL MEETING

Emory church of Christ
Highway 69 North—Emory, Texas
June 20th through June 23rd
With **Jason Rollo**, preaching
Sunday Bible Class at 9:00 AM
Morning Worship at 10:00 AM
Evening Worship at 6:00 PM
Monday through Wednesday at 7:00 PM

GOSPEL MEETING

Mt. Mitchell church of Christ
6238 FR 144 North—Omaha, Texas
July 4th—8th, 2010
With Bro. Jamal Hamilton
Of Mountain View church of Christ
Dallas, Texas, preaching
Sunday—Dinner will be served at
12:30 PM to 2:30 PM and
The meeting begins at the afternoon
fellowship starting at 2:30 PM
Then 7:30 PM nightly Monday thru Thursday

Summer Youth Series

(SYBSNET)

The Topic for the Series is **Fact or Myth.**

Will be at the Oak Grove Church of Christ on June 28 beginning at 7:00 p.m. The topic will be:

"Salvation—I am Saved by Faith and Works?"
**Pick up a SYBSNET schedule in the foyer.*

Summer Sermon Series

(each Wednesday Evening
Beginning at 7:00 PM)

CHECK THE FRONT PAGE IN TODAY'S BULLETIN FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING WEDNESDAY EVENING JUNE 23RD

18th Annual Bible Lectureship 2010

Longview church of Christ
1401 Eden Drive—Longview, Texas
Friday August 27 thru Sunday August 30
Beginning at 6:30 PM Friday Evening
"What Do The Scriptures Say"
Theme:

"Unchanging Truths for a Changing World"