



Sunday News

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IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY
Sunday's at 7:30 am
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(Channel 2 on Cable)

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John Lako
Paul Lyons
David Poskevich
Ray Russell
Brad Smith
Jack Sorrell
Butch Trawick

Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship Service

6:00 pm Evening Service

Tuesday Morning

Ladies' Bible Class

10:00 am (September-May)

Wednesday

Bible Classes

7:15 pm

Thursday Evening

Ladies' Bible Class

7:00 pm

Family Matters

Sheila Lynn Hunt – Larry Carroll's daughter will have a heart valve replacement.

Rex Hardy - Is home recovering from heart problems.

Annette Benefield - Is still in severe back pain.

Butch Trawick - Has bronchitis and is home recovering.

Debby Cola - Gene Maynard's sister has pneumonia.

Beryl Higgins - Gene Maynard's mother had a stroke last week.

Members:

Iris Jones, Tina Russell, Belle Graham, Scott Kelly, Becky Brown, Lynn Ward, Leonita Collins, Louise Benefield, Brendon Fields, Darren Smith, Joe Clark, Belle Graham, Lucille Amon & Frances Elder

Others:

Patti Ororke, Cathy Hogins, David Goddard, Mary Claire Blackshaw, Randy Hutcherson, Duane Benefield, Ruth Shaw, Clinton Shaw, Mary Cauthen, Edna Burdette, Lottie Wilson, Melvin & Irene Jackson, Judy Easterwood, Virginia Poskevich, Randy Brezee, Walley Johnston, Tom & Doris Gardner, Diane Rutherford, Jenny Shank, Angie Purdue, Margo & Martha Buchanan, Amy Higginbotham, Mary Martin, Christy Barkley, Billy & Mary Weaver, Julie Etheridge, Jimmy Lee Falls, Amy Alexander, Alvin Elder, Emma Jean Lyons, Angela Compton, Glenn Bailey, Joann Hendricks, Virginia Gregory, Alisa Fields, Chris & Angee Waites

Shut-ins: Dorothy McLaughline, Louis Vickery & Ruth Manuel

Members away in the Military:

Stephanie LeMarr, Shaun Warrington, Brad & Ansley Willis

New Address for Stephanie LeMarr: Sgt. LeMarr, Stephanie D., DCO.232nd Med BN, 2950 Koehler Rd, Plt 4, Suite 1350, Fort Sam Houston, Tx 78234.

Comparison and Competition

As we enter into this “gift-giving” time of year, the tendency is to compare our personal situation with that of others. Often we even go a step further and try to compete with what others have and give. I once read a sign that said, “If you compare and compete, you’ll live in defeat.” How true that statement is! So, how do we temper our urge to compare and compete during this very materialistic time of year?

First, try do-it-yourself encouragement. The fact that others may be in a much better financial situation, which enables them to give better gifts, may cause you to get discouraged. Self-encouragement may be just what the doctor ordered. Remember when the Amalekites caused great devastation to the city of Ziklag by burning it to the ground and capturing all the women and children including King David's own family? David's first reaction was to be depressed and discouraged for what he had just lost. But then he practiced some do-it-yourself encouragement. The end of 1 Samuel 30:6 says, “But David strengthened (*encouraged*) himself in the Lord his God.” The voices inside your own head will always be the greatest encouragement (or discouragement) you can have.

Secondly, change your attitude about competition. Jesus said, “.he who is least among you all will be great.” (Luke 9:48) This statement came after the Apostles argued amongst themselves as to who was greatest. Jesus used a small child to demonstrate to them (and us) that no one is any better than any one else. If Jesus' own apostles aren't any better than us, surely we have no need of competing with those around us today.

Thirdly, remind yourself of who you are really trying to please. If an athlete is going to succeed at a sport, they must learn to tune out all of the noise from the stands and focus only on the voice of the coach. In that situation the coach, and only the coach, must be pleased. We must always keep in our mind that God is really the only One that needs to be pleased. When we keep Him in our perspective, we will focus less on trying to compare ourselves with others.

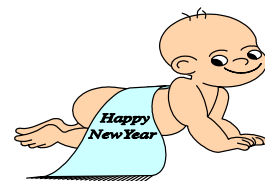
It is our human nature that causes us to want to compare and compete during this time of year. It must be our Christ-like nature that allows us to overcome these tendencies.

Merry Christmas, Greg Nash

Family New Years Eve Party

December 31th at 8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Bring games, finger foods and drinks.



Ashley Johnson Baby Shower January 6th at 3:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Service Day Rake N' Run
January 12th at 9 am meet at the Building

3RD Bible Bowl Competition

January 13th from 3 - 5:30 PM In the Fellowship Hall
Covering 2 Timothy and Titus.

February 3, 2008 "Are You Smarter Than A L2L?"

ALL BOOKS, ALL CHAPTERS COMPETITION

March 9, 2008 "Are You Smarter Than A L2L?" Rematch

A Blanket and Coat Drive

ABCD is collecting blankets and winter outerwear this holiday season. If you have gently used: blankets, ADULT coats, hats, scarves, or gloves, Sean O'Brien will be collecting them. Bring your items to the church office by 1/15/2008 and Sean will pick them up. All goods will be given directly to those in need. ABCD works with the "The Clothes Less Traveled Thrift Shop" to give all donors the option to receive a receipt. Every donation will make a difference and help warm those in need during the cold winter months. Thank you and Happy Holidays!!



4th Grade thur
High School Girls
Blanket Making
for Southland
Nursing Home
January 19th at 9 am

SilverWings

Chili/Soup

Dinner

January 19th at 5 PM



Church T-Shirt Contest

We would like a new T-Shirt for the 2008 Lads to Leaders Convention. Submit your ideas to the church office by January 31st.

Logo - Design - Color

1st Place Design will be used

2nd Place will be recognized



Happy Holidays From The Church Office

The church office will be closed December 24th and 25th and again on January 1st for the holidays.

2008 PROGRESSIVE MEETING

FEBRUARY 24-28, 2008

Getting to Know Our Islamic Neighbors

Speaker : Don Delukie

Sunday - McDonough Church of Christ
"Introduction to Islam"

Monday - Fayetteville Church of Christ
"The Life of Muhammad"

Tuesday - Tara Church of Christ
"The Beginnings of Islam"

Wednesday - Old National Church of Christ
"The Koran & Associated Writings"

Thursday - Forest Park Church of Christ
"Islam and Christianity"

Order of Worship for DECEMBER

Elders Suggestion: To attain a higher level of dignity, we would like to suggest that our men wear coats and ties while serving the congregation. Please consider this suggestion seriously. Your understanding and cooperation will be appreciated.

	<u>Dec 23</u>	<u>Dec 30</u>
Announcements	BRYAN ADAMS	BRYAN ADAMS
Song Leaders	STAN MITCHELL	GENE MAYNARD
Opening Prayer	RONNIE BECKWITH	ROY AMON
Scripture Reading	ZANE POSKEVICH	STEVEN KELLY
Preside LS	RON BILES	GERRY WHITACRE
Serve LS	ANDY JOHNSON	ANDY JOHNSON
Serve LS	TOMMY CHAPMAN	TOMMY CHAPMAN
Serve LS	RAY COZART	RAY COZART
Serve LS	DAVE POSKEVICH	DAVE POSKEVICH
Serve LS	CRAIG ETHERIDGE	CRAIG ETHERIDGE
Serve LS	JASON BREEDING	JASON BREEDING
Serve LS	BRAD HOPKINS	BRAD HOPKINS
Serve LS	BRAD SMITH	BRAD SMITH
Serve LS	KEITH KILLINGSWORTH	K KILLINGSWORTH
Serve LS	WADE FOSTER	WADE FOSTER
Sermon	GREG NASH	TIM SHRUM
Response Elder	RONNIE BECKWITH	DAVID LEE
Closing Prayer	MAYLON SWANN	JACK SORRELL
PM Service		
Sermon	GREG NASH	SINGING
Serve LS	BRAD SMITH	OPEN
Serve LS	WADE FOSTER	OPEN

Ushers for DECEMBER

Jim Garner & Dennis Graham

Care of Building for DECEMBER

Andy Johnson, Steve Hopkins & Dennis Graham

Nursery Attendants for DECEMBER

Morning

Evening

Dec 23
Dec 30

Melanie & Morgan Boesterli
Sandy & Shelby Garner

Chrystina Fields
Laura Breeding



December 2007

Responding Elder

David Lee

Gerry Whitacre

Curtis Hurt

Ronnie Beckwith

David Lee

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<p>2</p> <p>Elders/Deacon Meeting</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Jim & Allen Scoma</p> <p>Sally Wallace Melinda Wood Payton Edwards</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Becky Brown Jessica Breeding</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Dennis & Marlene Etheridge</p> <p>Mason Wood</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Middle School Christmas Party</p> <p>Brad & Laura Smith</p>	<p>8</p> <p>4 Year Old-5th Grade Christmas Party</p> <p>Pacesetters Holiday Party</p> <p>Mens Breakfast Maggie Mobley</p>	
<p>9</p> <p>Bible Bowl</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Hugh & Connie Kelly</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>High School Christmas Dinner</p> <p>Game Night</p> <p>Gene Maynard</p>	<p>15</p>	
<p>16</p> <p>Blood Drive</p> <p>Youth Devo Elder/Deacon Meeting Ladies Ornament Party</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Mike & Chrystine Fields</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Butch Trawick Kelly Hinely</p>	<p>19</p> <p>April Mobley</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Gerry Moss Megan Wood</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>David & Joan Poskevich</p>	
<p>23</p> <p>Kayla Neal</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Ginny Couch</p>	<p>25</p>  <p>Lee Goodman</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Chrystine Fields</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Greg & Amy Nash</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Harry & Mattie Williams</p> <p>Lauren Sorrell</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Linda Johnson</p>	
<p>30</p> <p>Randy Harp</p>	<p>31</p> <p>New Years Eve Party</p> 						