

Those to Serve

March 2		March 9	
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Opening Prayer	Von Knight	Opening Prayer	Kevin Ford
Song Leader	Gary Adams	Song Leader	Kevin Odom
Communion		Communion	
Presiding:	Chris Lindelof	Presiding:	Charles Huckabee
Jeremy Brown	Gheath Alatrash	John Genaro	Brian Pack
Lynn Adams	Pete Griffith	Ron Bazzy	Bill Westmoreland
Dwight Ramsey	Ross Genaro	Phil Godwin	Josh Hamilton
Closing Prayer	Claude Anderson	Closing Prayer	Tex Greene
Nursery		Nursery	
Angela Parker	Michelle Griffith	Tracey Mauney	Stacey Sandoval
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Opening Prayer	Paul Hamilton	Opening Prayer	David Smith
Song Leader	Bob Williams	Song Leader	Dwight Ramsey
Communion	K. Odom & C. Huckabee	Communion	B. Williams & C. Anderson
Closing Prayer	Eddie Ray	Closing Prayer	Neil Barnhill
Nursery	Debbie Brown	Nursery	Jalyn Wick
Both Services		Both Services	
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
* Kevin Odom, Charles Huckabee, Eugene Priestley, Kevin Ford, Anthony Sandoval		* Bob Williams, Claude Anderson, David Blair, Kevin Scarsdale, James Taylor	
Announcements	Ryan Parsons	Announcements	Ryan Parsons
Video Camera	Josh Hamilton	Video Camera	Elijah Sandoval
Welcomers		Welcomers	
David & Brenda Blair Neil & Fran Barnhill		Clifford & Nina Layton Chris & Ginny Lindelof	
Building Lock Up	Eugene Priestley	Building Lock Up	Eddie Ray
Wednesday 2/27		Wednesday 3/5	
Song Leader	Dwight Ramsey	Song Leader	Wednesday
Opening Prayer	David Smith	Opening Prayer	Night
Closing Prayer	Tex Greene	Closing Prayer	With The
Devotional	Greg Fabian	Devotional	Master

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Worship Times:

Sunday

Bible Study9 am

Morning Worship.....10 am

Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday

Ladies Bible Class.....7 pm

Wednesday Bible Study...7 pm

ELDERS

Gary Adams 281-485-2436

Greg Fabian 281-485-2436

Von Knight 281-485-2436

Clifford Layton 281-485-2436

DEACONS

David Blair – Building & Grounds

Chuck Huckabee – Finances

Chris Lindelof—Benevolence

Kevin Odom – I.T.

Eddie Ray – Education & Missions

Mike Turner— Worship Services

MINISTERS

D.C. Brown Pulpit Minister

Ryan Parsons Youth & Family Minister

Paul Tiohanon Evangelist
Save, Benin West Africa

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OTHER TONGUES

From time to time I am asked to address the question of whether or not Christians can speak in tongues today. Usually the question is posed because someone wants to be able to give definitive proof that what we teach on the subject is biblically sound. There will always be a need to explain what the Bible teaches on speaking in tongues as long as men and women advocate its use in our time.

We'll begin with a definition of terms.

Tongues, as used in Scripture: Tongues, when used in the metaphorical sense rather than to indicate the muscular organ of the mouth that aids in speaking, tasting and digestion, was meant to be understood as synonymous with known languages (Acts 2:6, 11).

Tongues, as used to describe a modern day religious phenomenon: Tongues, according to charismatics, is the ability to speak a "heavenly language" that consists of sounds not associated with recognizable human languages and known only to God (1 Cor. 14:2).

The ability to speak in tongues was included in a promise given to the apostles by the Lord before His ascension (Mk. 16:17). There we read, "These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will cast out demons, they will speak with new tongues." The key word in this promise is "new." The word that was used meant that something was new in the sense that it was unknown to the one speaking. Thus believers would speak in languages that were new to them - not new to the ones who heard them. The context of Mark 16 requires us to understand that these new tongues were in connection to spreading and confirming the gospel (Mk. 16:15-20). The gospel spoken in a tongue unknown to its audience is contrary

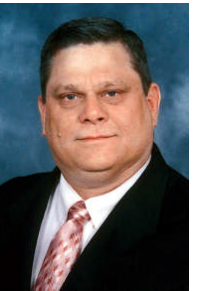
to the very definition of gospel!

The second chapter of Acts demonstrates that new tongues were spoken, at first by the apostles, and the ability to do this was amazing to those who heard it (Acts 2:7). But their amazement was not because they were suddenly hearing utterances and sounds that were unknown to them; their amazement was that Galileans could suddenly speak compelling words in their native tongues (Acts 2:8,11). The languages suggested by the nationalities listed in Acts 2:8-11 were new to the ones speaking, but not new to the ones hearing.

As promised, other believers in addition to the apostles were also blessed by the Holy Spirit to speak in tongues. Most notably, there were those brethren within the congregation of Corinth, who were given the ability to speak in tongues. Charismatics insist that the spiritual gift of tongues employed at Corinth were ecstatic utterances and known only to God. Paul wrote, "For one who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God; for no one understands, but in his spirit he speaks mysteries" (1 Cor. 14:2). However, the point that Paul was making is that their tongue speaking benefitted no one because they were employing their gift to an audience who did not know the language that was spoken. In such an instance the only one who could know what was said would be God. This wasn't an endorsement of their practice - it was a rebuke! Speaking in a tongue to God was to be done in silence and never in the assembly (1 Cor. 14:28).

They were missing the point of tongue speaking because they failed to understand that it was to be for edification (1 Cor. 14:5,11,12, 23). In fact, Paul specifically forbade the practice of speaking in tongues when addressed to an audience that did not know that language and that did not have an interpreter (1 Cor. 14:28).

To justify speaking in tongues today, it must be a tongue known to its intended audience. Otherwise, it



YOUTH EVENTS

JR. & SR. HIGH

J.A.M. 3RD THRU 6TH



Jr. & Sr. High devo will be March 9th and will be hosted by the Scarsdales.

Stay tuned for details on J.A.M.

Bible Class 2 Yr Old—6th Grade

This week your Sunday morning lesson will be Nebuchadnezzar's Pride Daniel 4. Wednesday evening will be Writing on the Wall Daniel 5.



Camp Hensel applications deadline is March 2nd!!

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fails its mission to be a sign that confirms the word of truth (1 Cor. 14:22).

It must be a tongue understood by its intended audience because any tongue not understandable will only make the speaker appear to be uneducated and mad (1 Cor. 14:11,23).

To justify speaking in tongues today it must be proven that their need is still present. Tongues were to confirm the words of the gospel and they certainly did confirm it! But they were temporary in nature (1 Cor. 13:8) AND confined to edification; as were spiritual knowledge and prophesy. These too were temporary in nature and were also replaced by the "perfect" that replaced the "partial."

Since the role of all three gifts had to do with edification through revelation, it can easily be shown that their partial benefits were replaced when the faith had been once for all delivered to the saints (Jude 3). The gospel has gone forth into all the world (Col. 1:23) and it is in print in virtually all the tongues of men that have written vocabularies. Modern charismatic teaching fails to

meet the biblical standards in all three areas: it is not known to men, it does not demonstrate the credibility of the speaker (it often makes the speaker the object of ridicule), and it does not confirm revelation as there have been no such revelations since the faith has been once for all delivered.

A final observation that needs to be made is that the practice of tongue speaking at charismatic gatherings, and as seen on television broadcasts, violates what Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 14. What Paul wrote to these brethren were not expressions of his opinion, they were the commands of God (v. 37). Therefore to claim the authority and right to speak in tongues as defined by charismatics is to be disobedient to the commands of God.

I hope these points are understood and that they will prove useful to you when you are called upon to give an answer for the hope within you.

Keep studying! ✉D. C. Brown ©2008

More Church Marquee Signs

- "Life has many choices, Eternity has only two. What's yours?"
- "Seven days without prayer makes one weak"
- "No Jesus - no peace, Know Jesus - know peace!"
- "Worry is interest paid on trouble before it is due"
- "A man's character is like a fence. It cannot be strengthened by whitewash"
- "Prevent truth decay. Brush up on your Bible"
- "It's hard to stumble when you're down on your knees"

KEPT IN PRAYER

Clifford Layton is home & feeling better. He reports that Nurse Nina is taking good care of him & keeping him "in line".

Chase Shelton, grandson of Joy Sloan, remains hospitalized in Galveston in an ICU unit. He is still considered critical but doctors are encouraged by his improvement.

Elsa Glover, Stephanie Ray's mother, is awaiting surgery scheduling.

Joan Pollock, a member in Sweeny & friend to several of our members, has improved following her heart attack.

Steve Mason, Tracey Mauney's co-worker, has been quite ill for a while now & needs prayers for healing and strength.

In Continuing Need: Our Members: Betty Bazy, LaRue Case, Cooper Gartrell, Dorothy Kirkland, Ed & Wilma Koob, Janice Lemoine, Claudia Martin, Dwight & Andra Ramsey, Elaine Rawlings, Rick Stone. **Shut-In:** Varnell Allison, Katie Barnes, Leonard Dunford, Louise Farmer, Rossie Gilbert, Frances Humphries, Rebecca Morgenthaler. **Others:** Timothy Anderson, Delta Burner, Hazel & Doyal Childress, Margaret Clayton, Michael Dykes, Ainsley Garza, Mike Green, Bob & Dee Grigg, Fred & Florence Henshaw, William Kay, Margaret McKinney, Larry Wayne Martin, Shawna Martin, Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Sue Pinch, Clairette Pool, Katy Ramsey, Norma Ray, Betty Rosenberg, Bing Scherzer, Lance Smith, Brett Statham, Kay Taliaferro, Victor Trevino, Alan Walker, Adam Wilson, Elaine Wilson.

So that we might keep our Continuing Needs list current, if you asked for a name to be placed on this list, please give Laurie an update. We would like to determine if there are any changes that need to be made.

March Birthdays

3	Claudia Martin	4	D.C. Brown
6	Taylor Cuellar	18	Taylor Harder
19	Sandy Stone	24	Eddie Ray
25	Evelyn Cordell	29	Judy Indest
29	Craig Williams		

March Anniversaries

9	D.C. & Debbie Brown	17	John & Julee Genaro
22	Greg & Linda Fabian	31	Russell & Canova Genaro

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Clifford Layton** is the contact elder for March. If you would like to schedule a meeting with the elders, please see Clifford.
- **General Business Meeting** will be Sunday, March 2nd.
- **Wednesday Night With The Master** will be next week, please sign an intent card on Sunday.
- **Elders, Deacons & Ministers Meeting** will be Saturday, March 8th. Breakfast at 8:00 AM at Kelley's with meeting at 9 AM in the library.
- **Ladies Prayer Breakfast** will be Saturday, March 8th at 8:00 AM at Kelley's Restaurant.
- **Secret Sisters** will meet Monday, March 10th, at 7:00 PM.
- **Golden Agers Game Day** will be Monday, March 10th, at 11:30 AM in the Annex. Please bring a pot luck dish & your favorite game.
- **Meals on Wheels** is the week of March 10—14. If you can help, please contact Leah Bateman.
- **Family Encampment** has been postponed.