

## Those to Serve

June 17		June 24	
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Opening Prayer	Demetris Kelly	Opening Prayer	Gary Adams
Song Leader	Greg Fabian	Song Leader	Paul Cartwright
Communion		Communion	
<b>Presiding:</b> Gheath Alatrash		<b>Presiding:</b> Greg Fabian	
Paul Hamilton	Clifford Layton	Clifford Layton	Logan Lindelof
Chris Peters	Chris Lindelof	Tim Nations	Charlie Layton
Charlie Layton	Bobby Parker	Larry Roberson	Paul Hamilton
Closing Prayer	Lynn Adams	Closing Prayer	Gheath Alatrash
Nursery		Nursery	
Susan Peters	Virginia Visel	Mitzi Williams	Angela Parker
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Opening Prayer	Daniel Brown	Opening Prayer	Chris Lindelof
Song Leader	Bobby Parker	Song Leader	Gary Adams
Communion	Charlie Layton, M Fabian	Communion	Chris Peters, Jeremy Brown
Closing Prayer	Nathan Scarsdale	Closing Prayer	Paul Hamilton
Nursery	Angela Parker	Nursery	Susan Peters
Both Services		Both Services	
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
*Bobby Parker, David Clayton, Russell Genaro		* Chris Peters, Shawn Feezel, Eugene Priestley	
Announcements	Chris Lindelof	Announcements	Chris Lindelof
Greeters		Greeters	
Lynn & Lucille Adams		Chris & Ginny Lindelof	
Building Lock Up	Cartwright	Building Lock Up	Gary Adams
Sound & Projector	Mauney	Sound & Projector	Mauney
Wednesday 6/13		Wednesday 6/20	
Song Leader	Bob Williams	Song Leader	Bobby Parker
Opening Prayer	Greg Fabian	Opening Prayer	Nathan Scarsdale
Closing Prayer	Lynn Adams	Closing Prayer	Chris Lindelof
Devotional	Gary Adams	Devotional	Paul Cartwright
Building Lock Up	Chris Lindelof	Building Lock Up	Cartwright

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### Worship Times:

#### Sunday

Bible Study .....9 am

Morning Worship.....10 am

Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

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David Blair  
 Demetris Kelly  
 Rick Nudelman  
 Bobby Parker  
 Chris Peters  
 Charlie Story  
 Bob Williams

### MINISTERS

D.C. Brown Pulpit Minister  
 Paul Cartwright Youth & Family Minister

### MISSIONARIES

Benin, West Africa:  
 Paul Tohionon - Bohicon  
 Rene Kouagou - Besse  
 Pascal Djedatin - Dassa  
 Jonas Sambieni - BTC and Glazoue  
 Theophilus Mpo - Beterou  
 Raoul Baya - Natitingou  
 Boniface Yentekoua - Kaboua  
 Dorothee Tchekpo and Andre Assogba - Save  
 Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies  
 Lewis Romain

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## The Pearland Harvester

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## LET A MAN REGARD US

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**servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God**" (1 Cor. 4:1). Initially, I was interested in the Greek word for *stewards*, but in the process of researching that word, I became even more interested in the word for *servants* and the symbiotic relationship those words share in the reconciliation of sinners to Christ. There are lessons worth considering in the nineteen words that form this verse.

**Regard** is from a word that means to hold a mental viewpoint. Viewpoints are important but they are also very subjective. Peer pressure, social values and other factors will always influence our point of view. Israel's first king was a young man of whom the Scriptures tell us, "there was not a more handsome person than he among the sons of Israel; from his shoulders and up he was taller than any of the people" (1 Sam. 9:2). From virtually anyone's point of view, Saul was the stuff kings are made of. When it became necessary to anoint another to take his place, it was natural for Samuel to look at Jesse's eldest son Eliab and after regarding his stature to say, "Surely the Lord's anointed is before Him" (16:6). Samuel was immediately instructed to subject his personal point of view to the Lord's viewpoint. "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for God sees not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart" (16:7).

The viewpoints among the brethren at Corinth had been a source for division (1 Cor. 1:10-17). In all things, they were to be complete by being of the same mind and have the same judgment, *i.e.*, viewpoint (1:10). The only way this could be accomplished would be to subject their viewpoints to the Spirit's direction much as Samuel had done centuries before. Thus Paul, by inspiration, gave them God's viewpoint on many things, in-

cluding the very role that Paul played in the Lord's kingdom.

**Servants of Christ** is not from the more common Greek word *doulos*, but from a word that implied a position of great trust and therefore loyalty. It also indicated a servant whose words were no less than those his master had instructed him to speak. Thus the brethren at Corinth needed to see Paul as a servant entrusted with a divine message that deserves to be heard without debate.

**Stewards of the mysteries of God** speaks of the gospel that had been hidden through the ages but is now brought to light (Eph. 3:8-10). Paul served Christ and served the eternal word of the gospel. He could not serve Christ without being a steward of the mysteries of God, nor could he be that steward and speak to the church or the world about anything other than Christ and Him crucified (1 Cor. 2:2) even if it did prove to be a stumbling block to many Jews or a foolish message to most Gentiles (1:23).

This faithful servant and steward served both His king and the message of the gospel. He also strove mightily to encourage brethren to set aside every passion and every sin that so easily besets us (Heb. 12:1). As he indicated to the church at Thessalonica, his goal was to serve his Lord in such a way and, as a steward, to be so faithful to the truth that those who heard his message would live transformed lives "... that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified ..." (2 Thess. 1:12).

Others form viewpoints of you and me every day. While it is common to hear people say, "I don't really care what others think of me," we don't have that luxury. Instead, we should be vitally interested in how they regard us. Let's be true servants of our Lord and serve the gospel of God in word and deed.

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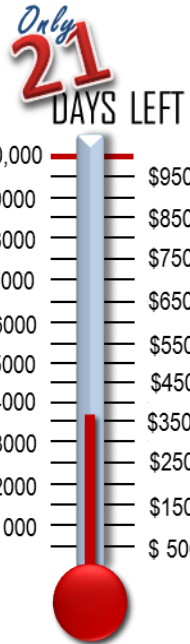
**YOUTH EVENTS JR. & SR. HIGH**



**Camp Thousand Oaks** (completed 3rd–6th grades) - July 2-6. Applications are on the bulletin board. Please turn them in to Paul by June 17.

**Bay Area Wide Devotional** - June 18 - 7 PM in the Annex

**Bay Area Wide Devotional** - June 25 - 7 PM at League City



**Our work in Benin**

In July, I will be traveling to Benin, along with Christians from several other congregations that share in the work of supporting the Benin Bible Training School in Zinvie, Benin. We will attend graduation and will be spending a lot of time on the main campus (where the full time students attend and where the Frankie Smith Ag Project is located). We will also be visiting the two satellite schools and conducting a lectureship series. After the others have returned to the states, I will be staying in Benin for another week and will be working with the preachers that we support in a number of congregations. As I've done in the past, I hope to take a financial gift to aid our preaching brethren. If you would like to contribute specifically to this gift offering, please give your cash or checks to Gretchen Whitmire, Bob Williams or myself. I will need to have the cash available to convert to new currency before leaving. You have been very generous in the past and they have been able to do a number of things with your gift. Please be praying for this trip and its opportunities and be planning to make a contribution towards that gift. - DC



**KEPT IN PRAYER**

**Evelyn Cordell** had left knee replacement surgery Tuesday and will be in the hospital for 2-3 weeks. She is currently in Room 231 at Memorial Hermann Southeast.

**John Sloan** has pneumonia and is in Memorial Hermann Southeast.

**In Continuing Need:**

**Our Members:** Tracy & Martha Cain, Daisy Dees, Paul Dillon, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Hugh & Pat Fletcher, Rossie Gilbert, Dorendia Hamilton, Noah & Murrell Hill, Kaliya Kelly, Dorothy Kirkland, Von Knight, Clifford Layton, Claudia Martin, Betty Pridgen, Brenda Riggs, Doris Stuteville, Bob Young. **Shut-In:** Katie Barnes, Libby Clayton, Wilma Koob. **Others:** Julie Searcy Anderson, Tom Althaus, Timothy Anderson, Terry Brown, Mike Carter, Ben Davis, Marjorie Garrison, Jim Godwin, Frances Grams, Dee Grigg, Rocky Harvey, Florence Henshaw, Rowan Howard, Leslie Hunt, Janice Jackson, Wanita Jones, Bartis Knight, Kerry Lemoine, James Lewis, Brent Lindelof, Lyle Martin, Pat Miller, Carmon Moon, Lauren Murphy, Cloey Pruett, Barbara Shane, Rick Stone, Colten Ullrich, Lavonne Welch, Scott Westmoreland.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Chris Lindelof** is the contact elder for June. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see **Chris**. **New Pocket Directories** are available for pick up in the foyer.



**Attention, couples who have been married 35+ years!** Please give Ginny Lindelof a picture of both husband & wife at the wedding, on the honeymoon trip, or during the 1st year of marriage. If you have any questions, contact Ginny.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jones & Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Woodruff from Benton, KY, will be in Pearland on June 18 for a **Friends of FACE** meeting at Spring Creek Barbeque. Anyone interested in the Benin work is invited to attend. We will meet at 7PM, Dutch treat.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT WITH THE MASTER**

We have suspended WNWTM for the summer. The program will be launched in the fall. The next WNWTM is scheduled for September 5<sup>th</sup>. We will observe our regular Wednesday night schedule throughout the summer.



**June Events**

- 24** Sandwich Supper for Tim Godwin in the Annex following evening services. Please bring enough sandwiches for your family and one other person. Last names A-M, please bring desserts; last names N-Z, please bring chips & dips. Drinks will be provided.
- 25-29** Meals on Wheels - Please see Leah Bateman to volunteer.

**June Birthdays**

4	Alice Moore	4	Betty Pridgen
7	Kevin Scarsdale	10	Sandra Arnold
10	Von Knight	10	Chris Peters
11	Lucy Gartrell	11	Charlyne Harper
12	Phil Godwin	15	Tracy Cain
15	Alexis Feezel	16	Dallas Maxcey
18	Dwight Bateman	18	John Gartrell
20	Jeremy Brown	21	Chris Lindelof
23	Debbie Brown	23	June Evans
26	Oleda Putman	28	Katie Barnes
28	Ben Lenamon		

**June Anniversaries**

1	Charlie & Peggy Story	6	Larry & Deborah Roberson
7	Neil & Fran Barnhill	12	Hugh & Pat Fletcher

We will not intentionally omit anyone from the birthday/anniversary list. If you have not turned in the **Members Information Update Sheets** to the office, please do so..