

Those to Serve

January 27		February 3	
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Opening Prayer	Chris Lindelof	Opening Prayer	Kevin Scarsdale
Song Leader	Paul Cartwright	Song Leader	Gary Adams
Communion		Communion	
Presiding: Demetris Kelly		Presiding: Bob Williams	
Kevin Scarsdale	Gary Adams	Nathan Scarsdale	Logan Lindelof
Charlie Layton	Charlie Story	Matthew Fabian	Tim Nations
Ike Atkins	David Clayton	Tom Langford	Rick Nudelman
Closing Prayer	Greg Fabian	Closing Prayer	Claude Anderson
Nursery		Nursery	
Angela Parker	Susan Peters	Molly Godwin	Gretchen Whitmire
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Opening Prayer	Paul Hamilton	Opening Prayer	Daniel White
Song Leader	Bobby Parker	Song Leader	Paul Cartwright
Communion	Charlie Layton, Charlie Story	Communion	Rick Nudelman, L Lindelof
Closing Prayer	Daniel White	Closing Prayer	Charlie Layton
Nursery	Gretchen Whitmire	Nursery	Nina Layton
Both Services		Both Services	
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
*Clifford Layton, Matthew Fabian, Logan Lindelof		*Jeremy Brown, Brandon Stafford, Daniel White	
Announcements	Greg Fabian	Announcements	Chris Lindelof
Greeters		Greeters	
Shawn & Becky Feezel		Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale	
Building Lock Up	Peters	Building Lock Up	Cartwright
Sound & Projector	Williams	Sound & Projector	Mauney
January 23		January 30	
Building Lock Up	Williams	Building Lock Up	Peters

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Worship Times:

Sunday

Bible Study9 am

Morning Worship.....10 am

Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

ELDERS

Gary Adams 281-997-3790
 Greg Fabian 713-305-1626
 Chris Lindelof 281-997-6437
 Kevin Scarsdale 713-447-1866

DEACONS

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
 Pascal Djedatin - Dassa, Soklogbo, Paouignan
 Jonas Sambieni - BTC and Glazoue
 Gaston Nda & Raul Baya- Natitingou
 Boniface Yentekoua - Kaboua
 Dorothee Tchekpo—Savé, Boubou Pompe
 Andre Assogba - Savé, Besse, Atchakpa
 Blaise Atta - Beterou, Sinaou, Wari Maro
 Elie Kouagou - N'Dali
 Joachin Tonou - Abomey
 Gabin Agbeci - Savalou
 Bienvenu Assogba - BTC student from Savé

Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies
 Lewis Romain

Prison Ministry Gene Rowe

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The Pearland Harvester

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS FOR THE WORK OF SERVICE, BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST

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WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE CHRIST?

The title is taken from the question Jesus asked of the Pharisee – “What do you think about the Christ...?” And after the Lord ascended the message of the apostles was that unwavering inspired message that Jesus is the Christ and redemption is in His name. The message from heaven has been constant; never revoked, never apologized for, never a cause for shame.

whose son is He?” They said to Him, “The son of David.”

G. Campbell Morgan, the renowned British theologian and preacher of the previous century, once delivered a sermon on this text in which he observed that the question Jesus asked of the Pharisees was one that has been answered by heaven, by hell and by man. I’ll not restate his sermon, but I will borrow his observation on these three witnesses for my own purposes in this article.

Heaven declared Jesus to be the Christ – and never relented. At the Jordan, as John witnessed, a phenomenal thing happened. **After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him, and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased”** (Matt. 3:16,17). At the Mount of Transfiguration the three disciples with the Lord heard **“...a voice out of the cloud said, ‘This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!’** (Matt. 17:5). In the temple area, in the final days before His death, Jesus said, **“Father, glorify Thy name.”** Then a voice came out of heaven: **“I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again.”** When the crowd wondered at the sound, **Jesus answered and said, “This voice has not come for My sake, but for your sakes”** (Jn. 12:28-30).

No generation of Jews since Mount Sinai heard heavenly statements like those heard when Jesus came. Not only did God declare Jesus to be the Christ in utterances, He also foretold it through the prophets. In fact, what was revealed about the Christ, through the prophets (and specifically the

prophecies of David was the reason Jesus could pose His question to the Pharisee – “What do you think about the Christ...?” And after the Lord ascended the message of the apostles was that unwavering inspired message that Jesus is the Christ and redemption is in His name. The message from heaven has been constant; never revoked, never apologized for, never a cause for shame.



Hell declared Jesus to be the Christ – and never relented. In the synagogue at Capernaum, the demons who possessed a man of that congregation said, **“Let us alone! What business do we have with each other, Jesus of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!”** (Lk. 4:34). The same passage reveals that many demons were saying, **“You are the Son of God!”** (4:41). Satan has not only confessed this truth, but he has demonstrated his conviction of this truth with an unceasing attack on Christ in the form of personal temptations, attacks by family and friends, and attacks by the spiritual leaders of Israel. Satan influenced men to challenge the Lord’s teachings and to use them to incite hatred. His miracles were denounced and declared to be a violation of God’s law. His prophecies were ridiculed and scorned. Not only that, but in the centuries leading up to the coming of the Messiah, every scheme imaginable was used to destroy the seed of Abraham, or so corrupt it that God would abandon it. Not only that, but since the Christ established His church, the attacks against His disciples have been unceasing. In no declaration or action of any kind, has Satan ever renounced what the demons said in Lk. 4:34.

Men have and can declare Jesus to be the Christ – ... What a sobering thought! Are we as convicted and consistent as heaven and hell?

Keep studying! D.C. Brown ©2013

YOUTH EVENTS JR. & SR. HIGH



10th-12th Graders - please fill out an application for the Leadership Retreat on February 1-3. This is mandatory for consideration as a junior counselor for Camp Thousand Oaks.

Children's Ministry Event!

The area Churches of Christ are having a joint Children's Ministry event at Camp Mohawk on Saturday, February 2! Please attend with your children from 10 AM to 4 PM. There will be a \$2 charge per person, since food will be provided. This will be a fun time for all with games, activities, and Bible lessons and! This is in conjunction with our teen leadership retreat. If you need directions, please see Paul.

Please let Paul know if you can host the Teen Devo on February 3.

Many thanks to the anonymous person(s) who cleaned the office and shampooed the carpet.

You are appreciated!

The Office Staff

KEPT IN PRAYER

Martha Cain has an inoperable blood clot in her brain.

Vi Price will be having tests on Friday.

David Smith has been ill with diverticulitis.

In Continuing Need:

Our Members: Tracy & Martha Cain, Evelyn Cordell, Daisy Dees, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Minnie Harris, Noah & Murrell Hill, Kaliya Kelly, Dorothy Kirkland, Von Knight, Evelyn Lawhon, Clifford Layton, Claudia Martin, Betty Pridgen, Brenda Riggs, Doris Stuteville.
Shut-In: Libby Clayton **Others:** Tom Althaus, Timothy Anderson, Mike Carter, Bill & Bonita Crabtree, Marjorie Garrison, Jim Godwin, Frances Grams, Dee Grigg, Willadean Hecker, Leslie Hunt, Matthew Indest, Janice Jackson, James Lewis, Lyle Martin, Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Charlie Pruitt, Cloey Pruitt, Gene Rowe, Sr., Rick Stone, Laverne Welch, Scott Westmoreland, Darlene Woods.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greg Fabian is the contact elder for January. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see Greg.

Building in Bohicon Let's not forget the work in Bohicon, Benin. Paul Tohionon in Bohicon and Joachin Tonou in Abomey are working in that region of Benin most heavily influenced by idolatry. God continues to open doors for them and the church is strong in its faith. They are meeting in rented quarters in an almost inaccessible part of Bohicon. Their desire is to have a location of their own in which to meet in the center of town. We are raising funds for that effort and so are they. Please help if you can and feel free to speak with DC or Bob Williams if you have any questions.

FEBRUARY 2013 EVENTS

- 4 Secret Sisters - 6:30 PM at Mimi's (Town Center). Hostesses are Heather Brown, April Cartwright, and Susan Peters.
- 6 Wednesday Night with the Master - Meal at 6 PM in the Annex. Main course is chicken spaghetti. Adult class meets in the library.
- 9 Valentine's Party for small children in Annex. Details to follow.
- 9 Ladies Prayer Breakfast - 8 AM at Kelley's
- 9 Elders, Deacons, Ministers meeting - 9 AM at the building.

January Birthdays

25	Ethan Brown	28	Caleb Nations
29	Dawn Bell	30	Lindsay Parker

February Birthdays

3	Irene Nations	5	Brandon Stafford
7	Leah Bateman	9	Paul Cartwright
12	Gary Adams	14	Aaron Coleman
14	Becky Feezel	15	Jo Knight
20	Bethany Atkins	21	Candice Dobson
27	Everett Brown	27	Gretchen Whitmire

February Anniversaries

1	Jack & Peggy Chisum	9	John & Joy Sloan
14	Shawn & Becky Feezel	14	Harold & Alice Moore

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.