

Those to Serve

May 12		May 19	
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Opening Prayer	Paul Hamilton	Opening Prayer	Greg Fabian
Song Leader	Gary Adams	Song Leader	Paul Cartwright
Communion		Communion	
Presiding: Demetris Kelly		Presiding: Chris Lindelof	
Phil Godwin	Ike Atkins	James Maxcey	Tom Langford
Charlie Layton	Matthew Fabian	Daniel White	Matt Cheshier
David Clayton	Shawn Feezel	Tim Nations	Phil Godwin
Closing Prayer	James Maxcey	Closing Prayer	Kevin Scarsdale
Nursery		Nursery	
Dallas Maxcey	Laurie Maxcey	Susan Peters	Tracey Mauney
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Opening Prayer	Claude Anderson	Opening Prayer	Daniel Brown
Song Leader	Greg Fabian	Song Leader	Paul Cartwright
Communion	M Fabian, Clifford Layton	Communion	Charlie Layton, N Scarsdale
Closing Prayer	Brandon Stafford	Closing Prayer	Matthew Fabian
Both Services		Both Services	
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
*Rick Nudelman, Jacob Carriere, Gheath Alatrash		*Clifford Layton, Rick Nudelman, N Scarsdale	
Announcements	Greg Fabian	Announcements	Greg Fabian
Greeters		Greeters	
Greg & Linda Fabian		Chris & Ginny Lindelof	
Building Lock Up	Peters	Building Lock Up	Williams
Sound & Projector	Banyai, Whitmire	Sound & Projector	Williams
May 8		May 15	
Building Lock Up	Cartwright	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

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



MAY 8, 2013

The Pearland Harvester

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

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“they saw his pain was very great” (2:13), they began to give him their very best counsel. But the counsel offered from Eliphaz was counsel based on the faulty assumption that God was punishing Job in such severity because of some unconfessed iniquity. Job’s reply was that his friends were not treating him with kindness (6:14). He compares their counsel and companionship to a wadi that holds no water in the heat of the summer, when that water is most needed. Job says, “The caravans of Tema looked, The travelers of Sheba hoped for them. They were disappointed for they had trusted, They came there and were confounded. Indeed, you have now become such...” (Job 6:19-21).

Unfulfilled expectations always disappoint. When someone promises something but doesn’t keep their word, we are disillusioned. When we feel that we didn’t get our money’s worth, we feel cheated and are not inclined to give another opportunity.

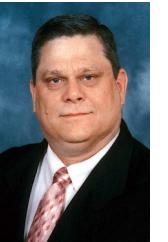
We took my truck to a carwash business that I have used several times through the years. I parked in the appropriate lane and waited until it was my turn to put my order in for a specific wash package. As there was lots of grime, I opted for the \$29.99 package that included a hand wash and wax on the outside, dressing for my tires, and a cleaning of the interior and vacuuming the carpets. We went inside, prepaid for the service and then waited, watching them as they worked on the truck. Eventually the towel was waved, the signal that the truck was ready. I placed \$2 in the hands of the woman who taken care of my truck. She took it and was immediately gone to work on the next available vehicle.

The truck sure looked nice, but when Deb came to her side of the truck she saw spots all over the side and the

DISAPPOINTED EXPECTATIONS

As Job suffered with miseries too deep to describe, his friends came “to sympathize with him and comfort him” (Job. 2:11). After seven days and seven nights of sitting with him in total silence because

hood that had not been cleaned. These weren’t miniscule specks that would only show up with a white glove inspection. These were dime-size spots of pine sap that were the main reason for taking the truck to the carwash in the first place. I went in search of the lady that took my tip; she saw me coming and before I could say anything, she pointed to a man and quickly said, “you speak my manager.” The manager came, and we showed him the dozens of spots. He looked at them very closely and said what we already knew, “This is tree sap.” We indicated that we were aware of that and wanted to know why it hadn’t been cleaned. His reply was to shake his head and say, “this is detail work and you did not order a detail package, only a wash.” He wasn’t about to budge, and so we just gave up and went to Wal-Mart to get some pine sap remover and cleaned the truck ourselves.



We were like those Job spoke of when he said, “They were disappointed for they had trusted.”

Temptations are reinforced with promises of happiness and contentment, but the sin we give into only leaves us disappointed. Worse, sin also leads to the need to get relief from the miseries that it brought. So we seek solace from another source that promises to make our troubles go away, but once again we are disappointed.

Obedience to the gospel gives us justification through faith and peace with God through Christ (Rom. 5:1). We stand in grace and our hope is in God (Rom. 5:2). “And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us” (Rom. 5:5). Peter encourages us also saying, “For this is contained in Scripture: ‘Behold, I lay in Zion a choice stone, a precious corner stone, and he who believes in Him will not be disappointed’” (1 Pet. 2:6).

Unfulfilled expectations and empty promises are like dry riverbeds, but God’s promises are worthy of our confident trust. There is no temptation for which He can’t provide an escape and no sin He can’t forgive. Trust in Him and keep studying. DC Brown ©2013

YOUTH EVENTS

Camp Bandina is June 9-15. Turn in your forms to Paul ASAP!



Family Encampment

Our next Family Encampment is set for May 10-12. **IMPORTANT CHANGES** to be aware of are: **1.) We are at Cagle Recreation Area just west of New Waverly.**

- 2.) Camp fee is \$20 per camp site per night., and there will be a day use fee. Check-in is at 2 PM, and check-out is at 12 noon.**
- 3.) If you have not indicated your intent to camp with us, you will need to make your own reservations.**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Make your plans to join us on Sunday, May 26, to meet and welcome Corey Sawyers and his family. Corey is our new Bear Valley student that we are helping to support. He will be speaking to all the adult Bible classes in the auditorium and will be bringing the lesson to us during worship. This is Corey's break between sessions, and they will be continuing on home to Tennessee after their visit with us. Please come to meet and encourage this great family as they are preparing to enter the ministry.

KEPT IN PRAYER

Neil Barnhill is at Kindred Rehabilitation Hospital Clear Lake.

In Continuing Need:

Our Members: Tracy & Martha Cain, Evelyn Cordell, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Noah & Murrell Hill, Kaliya Kelly, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Von Knight, Evelyn Lawhon, Claudia Martin, Betty Pridgen, Brenda Riggs, Doris Stuteville. **Shut-In:** Libby Clayton **Others:** Tom Althaus, Timothy Anderson, Mike Carter, Bonita Crabtree, Evelyn Fabian, Marjorie Garrison, Jim Godwin, Frances Grams, Dee Grigg, Willadean Hecker, Charles Huckabee, Leslie Hunt, Matthew Indest, Janice Jackson, James Lewis, 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 May. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see Greg.

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MAY EVENTS

- 10-12 Family Encampment - Cagle Recreation Area
- 11 Ladies Prayer Breakfast - 8 AM - Kelley's
- 13 Golden Agers Luncheon - 11:30 AM - Annex
- 18 Elders, Deacons, Ministers Meeting - 9 AM - Conference Room
- 18 Churchwide Cookout - 6 PM - Annex Parking Lot
- 19 High School Senior Sunday - Luncheon honoring our high school seniors following morning services.

REMEMBER
Ladies Bible Class
 Every Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the Annex

May Birthdays

- 3 Jonathan Peters
- 5 Char Bagwell
- 5 Michael Peters
- 7 Peggy Story
- 8 Demetris Kelly I
- 9 Murrell Hill
- 12 Kaya Lindelof
- 14 Daniel Brown
- 17 Damon McHargh
- 19 Adam Parker
- 20 David Blair
- 26 Gena Coe

- 4 Amy Coleman
- 5 Karissa Bouillion
- 6 Hailey Hopkins
- 8 Heather Brown
- 9 Jean Adams
- 9 Janice Pearson
- 13 Jeremy Cook
- 17 David Clayton
- 18 Audrey Nelson
- 20 Fran Barnhill
- 24 Morris Dyes
- 31 Atticus Brown

May Anniversaries

- 5 Chris & Ginny Lindelof
- 13 Brandon & Patricia Stafford
- 17 Derek & Tracey Mauney
- 21 Matt & Laura Cheshier
- 13 Claude & Leona Anderson
- 14 Gary & Jean Adams
- 18 Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale
- 31 Bruce & Becky Hopkins

*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.*