

Those to Serve

February 16		February 23	
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Opening Prayer	Jack Chisum	Opening Prayer	Chris Peters
Song Leader	Paul Cartwright	Song Leader	Gary Adams
Communion		Communion	
Presiding: Ike Atkins		Presiding: Greg Fabian	
Charlie Layton	Matthew Fabian	Bob Williams	Charlie Story
Greg Fabian	Tom Langford	Daniel White	Bobby Parker
Nathan Scarsdale	Demetris Kelly	Logan Lindelof	Brandon Stafford
Closing Prayer	Chris Lindelof	Closing Prayer	Chris Lindelof
Nursery		Nursery	
Angela Parker	Virginia Visel	Nina Layton	Susan Peters
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Opening Prayer	James Maxcey	Opening Prayer	
Song Leader	Paul Cartwright	Song Leader	TBD
Communion	Charlie Layton, M Fabian	Communion	
Closing Prayer	Chris Lindelof	Closing Prayer	Chris Lindelof
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
*Kent Wroe, Tim Nations, Warren Hudman		*Daniel Brown, Rick Nudelman, Clifford Layton	
Announcements	Chris Lindelof	Announcements	Chris Lindelof
Greeters Clifford & Nina Layton		Greeters Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale	
Building Lock Up	Williams	Building Lock Up	Scarsdale
Sound & Projector	Mauney	Sound & Projector	Mauney
February 12		February 19	
Building Lock Up	Cartwright	Building Lock Up	Williams

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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 281-224-2183
 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 - 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

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GUEST EDITORIAL

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The following article, by Brad Harrub, Ph.D., Director, Focus Press, Inc., is being reprinted with permission in its entirety. Because of its length, it will be printed in several parts. It offers some very good points of logic to use in discussing this sin with our family members and with others.

"Questions for Homosexuals" Part One

We've talked and written about homosexuality, the LGBT rights movement, and the fight going on between church and culture in this area. It's one of the defining issues of our day; but in the past week, we've seen the discussion vaulted into the spotlight to an extent we've never seen before. Because Russia has taken an anti-homosexuality stance in their recent laws, the pro-gay world has taken it upon themselves to protest in every way possible. NBC has taken a major role in bringing the discussion to the forefront repeatedly in their broadcasts; and countries like Canada, Germany, and the USA have gone out of their way to make statements against Russia's laws. Then the U.S. Department of Justice expanded its recognition of same-sex marriage to unprecedented levels, completely circumventing the law-making process by declaring what laws they will enforce. Finally, on Sunday night, NFL draft prospect, Michael Sam, announced his homosexuality, making him potentially the first gay athlete active in the major American sports. (Jason Collins, the NBA player who came out last year, was unemployed at the time and has remained so through today.)

Naturally, we want to address this, but from a bit of a different angle than Christians might usually look at it.

Without any hate, fear, or dislike of homosexuals, we simply want to begin a discussion by asking some questions about the logic of homosexuality. Christians, we hope you'll share these questions with homosexuals and pro-LGBT heterosexuals in order to start a discussion. Homosexuals, realize that we don't hate you or wish ill on you. Please don't dismiss the questions, as we aim to be fair by picking questions that naturally arise from the cultural discussion of homosexuality.

#1 Is any person who doesn't expressly support homosexuality automatically a homophobe? Properly defined, homophobia means "irrational fear of, aversion to, or discrimination against homosexuality" (merriam-webster.com). If a person shows no hatred, but simply expresses a belief that heterosexuality is what man was intended for, does it make them homophobic, or heteronormative? Yes, homophobia exists; and all Christians are ashamed of those like the Westboro Baptists who treat homosexuals with hatred rather than the love of Jesus Christ. That doesn't mean everyone is a homophobe, though.

#2 Why is there no discussion of the risks of homosexuality? Science shows that homosexuality puts men at greater risk of disease and even a dramatically shortened life expectancy. In an age when schools teach against alcoholism, drugs, and smoking on the grounds of health, why is homosexuality celebrated? (<http://www.frc.org/get.cfm?i=IS01B1> - warning: graphic discussion of homosexual risks)

Again, these questions are asked without hate or discrimination; but they are based on what logic demands along with a biblical world view. Visit us at www.facebook.com/focuspressinc if you have answers, feedback, or questions.

The Happenings 2/11/14 - "Questions for Homosexuals"

DC & Congregation,

On behalf of both Libby and me, "thank you" very much for the visit and notes of support and concern to us. Our belief in the Lord and prayers from our church fellowship are what keep us going.

We hope all is well for each of you, and we send our regards to all.

In Christian Love,
 David & Libby Clayton

YOUTH EVENTS

February 23 - Youth-Led PM service

February 23 - Devo following PM service



MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



RANDY & TRUDY KNIGHT
4007 CEDARWOOD DR
PEARLAND TX 77584
281-489-3928 (Home)

Family Encampment

Our next Family Encampment is April 11-13, 2014

1. We are at Cagle Recreation Area just west of New Waverly.
2. You will need to make your own reservations; call Peggy Story if there are questions.

KEPT IN PRAYER

Evelyn Cordell had left hip replacement surgery yesterday in New Braunfels TX.

Our sympathy to the family of **Brenda Isbell Morris** (Judy Indest's cousin); funeral services were held 02/09/14 in Austin TX.

Hugh Johns, Teresa Wroe's father, has been hospitalized at St. Luke's with pneumonia.

Dale Fisher, Molly Carriere's friend, is battling cancer.

Bill Charles, Tom Langford's friend, is in the final stages of brain cancer and going into hospice.

Scott Stavinoha, Tom Langford's friend, was just diagnosed with brain cancer; initial surgery scheduled for end of February 2014.

In Continuing Need:

Our Members: Neil & Fran Barnhill, Tracy & Martha Cain, David Clayton, Evelyn Cordell, Daisy Dees, Morris Dyes, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Noah & Murrell Hill, Kaliya Kelly, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Von Knight, Brenda Langford, Evelyn Lawhon, Chris Lindelof, Claudia Martin, Betty Pridgen, Brenda Riggs, Doris Stuteville.

Shut-In: Libby Clayton, Eugene Priestley **Others:** Timothy Anderson, Marjorie Garrison, Jim Godwin, Dee Grigg, Bartis Knight, Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Cloey Pruitt, Sherly Scott, Rick Stone, Scott Westmoreland, Darlene Woods, Wayne Wyatt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Lindelof is our contact elder for **February**. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see **Chris**.

February

22 Congregational Cleaning Day - 9 AM

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Words cannot express how grateful we are for your love, prayers, cards, visits, calls, and words of encouragement before and during Rick's surgery. Please continue your prayers for his continued recovery. Thank you does not come close to our beloved Christian family here at Pearland. We love all of you so much, and we know how very blessed we are.

In Christian Love,

Loma, Sandy, and Rick

NEW ADDRESSES

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2000 HOLLY HALL ST AL-216
HOUSTON TX 77054-4032



Kid's Valentine Party
Saturday, February 15

10AM-Noon in the Annex

Kids will make a valentine box. (They will be in the lobby Sunday; adults and kids, please be ready to fill them up with love notes!)

We will be making something to hand out to all the ladies on Sunday Morning! :)

Snacks will be provided!

Ages 1 year through 3rd grade



February Birthdays

3	Irene Nations	5
6	Sibyl Simmons	7
9	Paul Cartwright	12
15	Jo Knight	17
20	Bethany Atkins	21
27	Everett Brown	27

February Anniversaries

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