

## Those to Serve

March 16		March 23	
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Opening Prayer	Chris Peters	Opening Prayer	Charlie Story
Song Leader	Paul Cartwright	Song Leader	Gary Adams
Communion		Communion	
<b>Presiding:</b> Demetris Kelly		<b>Presiding:</b> Bob Williams	
James Maxcey	Stephen Morton	Brandon Stafford	Tim Nations
Charlie Layton	Matthew Fabian	Russell Genaro	Daniel White
Nathan Scarsdale	Ike Atkins	Tom Langford	Daniel Brown
Closing Prayer	Kevin Scarsdale	Closing Prayer	Kevin Scarsdale
Nursery		Nursery	
Virginia Visel	Molly Godwin	Susan Peters	Nina Layton
Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Opening Prayer	Jack Chisum	Opening Prayer	Paul Hamilton
Song Leader	Paul Cartwright	Song Leader	Greg Fabian
Communion	Charlie Layton, M Fabian	Communion	James Maxcey, Russell Genaro
Closing Prayer	Kevin Scarsdale	Closing Prayer	Charlie Layton
Morning Worship		Morning Worship	
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
*Clifford Layton, Rick Nudelman, Phil Godwin		*Jeremy Brown, Jacob Carriere, Logan Lindelof	
Announcements	Kevin Scarsdale	Announcements	Kevin Scarsdale
Greeters		Greeters	
Lynn & Lucille Adams		Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale	
Building Lock Up	Cartwright	Building Lock Up	Scarsdale
Sound & Projector	Mauney	Sound & Projector	Mauney
March 12		March 19	
Building Lock Up	G Fabian	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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 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 - 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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# The Pearland Harvester

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## GUEST EDITORIAL

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“... 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?
- #2 Why is there no discussion of the risks of homosexuality?
- #3 Shouldn’t Christian preaching against homosexuality be considered loving (even if thought to be misguided)?
- #4 What’s the purpose of homosexual exhibitionism?
- #5 What is the difference between a heterosexual man being allowed to shower with fifty women and a homosexual man being allowed to shower with fifty men?
- #6 How far does the “same love” argument go? The main argument for homosexuality today is that no one has a right to say anything against two people who love each other. The secondary argument is that you don’t decide whom you’re attracted to. As for the first – we must also accept love between minors and

adults, polygamous love, etc., right? As for the second – what if you’re strongly attracted to another man’s wife? You can’t help the attraction. Do you act on it? Is that acceptable? For what reason should humans be allowed to be enslaved to their sexual appetites? When “love” is the only standard, the standard is going to shift a lot. The question requires an answer.

#7 **Must one give up their religious beliefs if they are to avoid being labeled homophobic?** Sure, a number of people in this day and age call themselves Christians while supporting homosexuality, but those who take the Bible at its word aren’t afforded that option. The Bible directly calls homosexuality sin (Leviticus 18, 20, Romans 1, 1 Corinthians 6). That doesn’t mean we discriminate against it as some kind of higher form of sin, as all sin separates you from God. But is it hateful to believe in the Bible? For example, when Russian men’s hockey captain Pavel Datsyuk was asked if he supported homosexuality, he responded “I’m an orthodox and that says it all,” appealing to his faith as a member of the Russian Orthodox church (a group who believes God is against homosexuality). The internet broke out with a number of protests, with people labeling Datsyuk hateful, bigoted, and homophobic for such a simple, benign, non-hateful statement of fact. Do culturally accepted actions take precedence over someone’s faith, though? Must faith bend itself to appease newly-developed cultural belief systems? Does it automatically imply a deep-seated hatred when I say A. I believe in the Bible. B. The Bible calls homosexuality sin. C. Therefore, I believe homosexuality is sinful?

Again, these questions are asked without hate or discrimination, but they are based on what logic demands along with a biblical worldview. Visit us at [www.facebook.com/focuspressinc](http://www.facebook.com/focuspressinc) if you have answers, feedback, or questions.

YOUTH EVENTS

Teen Devo at the Laytons' house following this Sunday evening's services.



March 30, 2014

Invite someone to be your guest and to stay for a great meal!

Friends



Family Day



Deb and I want to thank all of you for the many acts of love and concern you have shown to us and to her family. You have let the Lord's light shine brightly before so many people, and you have demonstrated the love of Christ to each of us in so many ways. Thank you.

DC & Deb Brown

I would like to thank everyone for the visits, cards, flowers, and especially the prayers. I am feeling much better and trying to comply with all of the things I'm supposed to do.

Love, Minnie Harris

We are still in need of volunteers for communion preparation and sound/projector. Please check the sign-up lists on the bulletin boards to see if you can help in the available months.

KEPT IN PRAYER

Minnie Harris is now home and doing better.

Scott Westmoreland is doing a little better and may be moved to a private hospital room soon.

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, 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

Kevin Scarsdale is our contact elder for March. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please see Kevin.

March

22 Congregational Cleaning Day - 9 AM - Excludes the Annex, which is reserved for an event.

30 Friends & Family Day



The Arms of Hope Grocery Run will be the week of April 14-18, 2014. We need to collect 50 large bottles of clothes washing liquid and 30 bottles of body wash. Please bring your items by Sunday, April 13. Let's have a generous donation.

Hoppy Easter Party

Saturday April 19th 10-Noon
Location - Annex/Outside
Please bring a friend and your basket Snacks, Egg Decorating, and Easter Egg Hunt
Ages 1 year - 3rd Grade
Church Family - Please donate plastic eggs, goodies to fill them and/or filled eggs in the tubs in the foyer by April 13th.



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.

March Birthdays

Table with 3 columns: Date, Name, Date. Lists birthdays for March: 3 Ike Atkins, 3 Claudia Martin, 3 Becky Simmons, 3 Douglas Teague, 4 DC Brown, 6 Taylor Cuellar, 8 Emma Oncken, 10 Danielle Morton, 13 Bennie Sue Galindo, 17 Pat Wagoner, 19 Trudy Knight, 19 Sandy Stone, 25 Evelyn Cordell, 25 Demetris Kelly II, 27 April Cartwright, 28 Virginia Visel, 29 Judy Indest, 31 Heather Cook, 31 Mary Holmberg.

March Anniversaries

Table with 3 columns: Date, Name, Date. Lists anniversaries for March: 1 Daniel & Kristin White, 9 DC & Debbie Brown, 12 David & Becky Simmons, 14 Jeff & Gena Coe, 17 Kent & Teresa Wroe, 22 Greg & Linda Fabian, 22 Gene & Stephanie Forster, 31 Russell & Canova Genaro.