

## Those to Serve

Wednesday Evening June 11	Wednesday Evening June 18
Building Lock Up — Scarsdale	Building Lock Up — Peters

Morning Worship June 15	Morning Worship June 22
Opening Prayer Chris Peters	Opening Prayer Kevin Scarsdale
Song Leader Gary Adams	Song Leader Gary Adams
Communion	Communion
<b>Presiding:</b> Demetris Kelly	<b>Presiding:</b> Gheath Alatrash
Russell Genaro James Maxcey	Kent Wroe Tim Nations
Charlie Story Nathan Scarsdale	Stephen Morton Tom Langford
Brandon Stafford Bobby Parker	Charlie Layton Logan Lindelof
Announcements Chris Lindelof	Announcements Chris Lindelof
Closing Prayer	Closing Prayer
Nursery Attendants	Nursery Attendants
Canova Genaro Elaine Genaro	Susan Peters Molly Godwin
Ushers (*indicates head usher)	Ushers (*indicates head usher)
*Jeremy Brown, Jacob Carriere, Tim Nations	*Daniel Brown, Warren Hudman, Rick Nudelman
Greeters	Greeters
Lynn & Lucille Adams	Clifford & Nina Layton
Audio—Projector—Video for AM & PM	Audio—Projector—Video for AM & PM
Whitmire, Riggs, Banyai	Whitmire, Riggs, Banyai
Building Lock Up for AM & PM—Peters	Building Lock Up for AM & PM—Cartwright

Evening Worship	Evening Worship
Opening Prayer Lynn Adams	Opening Prayer Paul Hamilton
Song Leader Paul Cartwright	Song Leader Bobby Parker
Communion Charlie Story, James Maxcey	Communion Charlie Layton, M Fabian
Closing Prayer Chris Lindelof	Closing Prayer Chris Lindelof

### Worship Times:

#### Sunday

Bible Study .....9 am

Morning Worship.....10 am

Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

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 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

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# The Pearland Harvester

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## FATHER

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Many of the lessons that I have preached from the pulpit this year have been focused on things that define true faith and the true church. More than that, they have also been intended to expose what isn't true faith and why, what isn't the true church and why.

Satan has attempted, often with great success, to obscure virtually everything that is true with that which is not. Sometimes the error is obvious, and sometimes it is subtle. We might even think of it as harmless or simply a different nuance and, in so doing, forget the power of language. An example of that might be what is commonly referred to as "The Lord's Prayer" (Mt. 6:9-12). The Lord uttered it and it was a part of His Sermon on the Mount, but it was never His prayer! Yet, to call it that is to think of it as that and then to come to rely on it as though it were a talisman to be uttered in a time of personal danger.

If it must be given a name, it would be better to call it a model prayer. It contained the substance of things those disciples of Christ should petition God for in prayer. It was not a formula, and reciting it by rote was never commanded or implied. Because Jesus taught this model prayer in the Sermon on the Mount, we need to see it in that context. All that it includes supports and complements others things said within that sermon to those disciples.

Jesus came to proclaim a coming kingdom, purchase a coming kingdom, establish a coming kingdom, and reign over a coming kingdom. In preaching the Sermon on the Mount, only the first of those four things was a reality. He was proclaiming a coming kingdom, and His sermon was all about that kingdom to come. It was about how to live righteously in that kingdom and about what would be markedly different in that kingdom to what was currently taught as the acceptable standard of righteousness (Mt. 5:20). The model of praying that He taught reflects a disciple's understanding of those things. In this and future articles we'll look at some of

the things expressed in the prayer and how they relate to the overall message of the Sermon on the Mount.

Matthew 6:9-13 <sup>9</sup> "Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. <sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. <sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread. <sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. <sup>13</sup> And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."



"Our Father" is an expression we are familiar with, for it is a part of the gospel message. Through the blood of Jesus, God has made us His own. We are His children. Yet in the old covenant, under which these disciples still lived, God was almost never referred to as "Father." Only six times in the Old Testament does the word refer to God. Of those, two are clearly speaking of the messianic kingdom to come. To address God as "Father" would be a part of the new relationship enjoyed in the kingdom to come. That word is found 1,360 times in the Old Testament but almost always it spoke of a human-to-human relationship. Jews prayed to the God of their fathers and gloried in the fact that they were the sons of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. They knew the Almighty as Jehovah, as God of the universe, as the God of their forefathers. Jesus taught them to address God in the intimate and loving setting of a child speaking to his father.

Jesus often referred to God as His Father; and when He came to earth, He came to give the right to become children of God to those who believe in His name (Jn. 1:11).

Today, to be in the kingdom of Christ is to know Him as Savior, and God as our Father. Every epistle written by Paul begins with the statement that God is our Father. Every New Testament letters calls God our Father. To be in that kingdom that was to come, and now is, is to have the right to call God "Father." When you pray, remember that honor!

Keep studying and keep serving! DC Brown ©2014

**YOUTH EVENTS**



Camp Twin Oaks Ranch (formerly Camp Thousand Oaks Ranch) for our 3rd-6th graders is July 30-August 3. Please see Paul for more information.

**2014 Bay Area Wide Devotional (BAWD) Schedule**

- June 16 - Pearland
- June 23 - Graeber Road (Rosenberg)
- June 30 - Channelview
- July 7 - Hidden Valley
- July 14 - Angleton
- July 21 - Westside (Alvin)

**Pearland Church of Christ VBS 2014**

**THEME: MOSES - THROUGH THE WILDERNESS**

Sunday, June 22 - Wednesday, June 25 6:30-8:00 PM

Join us as we travel through the wilderness with Moses and Aaron to discover more about: Crossing the Red Sea, Bitter Water and Manna, the 10 Commandments, and God's promises.

Bring a friend and come to Vacation Bible School.

*Note - Wednesday night, kids wear something they can get wet and bring a towel!*

Volunteers are still needed for food, registration table, decorations/set-up, and clean-up.

Please contact April Cartwright or Susan Peters to volunteer.

There will be a sandwich supper in the Annex for Josh & Ashley Hundley following evening services on Sunday, June 15. The Hundleys were married on April 25 and were baptized on April 26. Ashley is the daughter of our sister Beverly Stewart. If you would like to contribute to the money tree, please give your money or gift card to Debbie Brown or Nina Layton. Last names beginning with A-M, bring sandwiches; last names beginning with N-Z, bring chips, dips, and desserts.

Christian Brothers & Sisters,  
 Thank you so much for your prayers, thoughts, cards, & visits over the last few months & days. Please continue to keep us in prayer over the next difficult months.  
 In Christian Love,  
 Huck  
 Chuck, Laurie, & Kyle  
 Mike, Sarah, & Lexie

**KEPT IN PRAYER**

**Dick Case** was released from the hospital today after receiving five stents.

**Darlene Woods'** doctors have told her that further treatment would not be beneficial.

**In Continuing Need:**  
**Our Members:** Neil & Fran Barnhill, Tracy & Martha Cain, David Clayton, Evelyn Cordell, Daisy Dees, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Lela Farmer, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Minnie Harris, 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 **Others:** Timothy Anderson, Marjorie Garrison, Jim Godwin, Rhonda Jones, Bartis Knight, Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Cloey Pruitt, Sherly Scott, Rick Stone, Darlene Woods.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**JUNE**

- 14 Ladies Prayer Breakfast - 8 AM - Kelley's
- 14 Elders, Deacons, Ministers Meeting - 9 AM - Elders' Conference Room
- 21 Mugs and Muffins - 9-11 AM - Annex. Bring your Bible and favorite mug. Breakfast will be provided. Please sign the list on the bulletin board if you plan to attend. Let Patricia Stafford or April Cartwright know if you can host a future meeting.
- 23-27 Meals on Wheels - Please see Leah Bateman to volunteer.

June 29, 2014

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



**GARAGE SALE BENEFIT** (please see flyer on the bulletin board for more information)  
**FOR:** DARLENE GRIFFIN WOODS  
**DATE:** Saturday, June 14, 2014  
**WHERE:** Pearland Church of Christ parking lot & Annex, 2217 N. Grand Blvd  
**TIME:** 8 AM TO 5 PM  
**CONTACT INFORMATION:** 281-216-1591 - SUSAN LENAMON

**June Birthdays**

- 4 Alice Moore
- 7 Kevin Scarsdale
- 10 Von Knight
- 11 Lucy Gartrell
- 12 Phil Godwin
- 16 Dallas Maxcey
- 18 John Gartrell
- 20 Jeremy Brown
- 23 Debbie Brown
- 25 Stephanie Forster

- 4 Betty Pridgen
- 10 Sandy Arnold
- 10 Chris Peters
- 11 Charlyne Harper
- 15 Tracy Cain
- 18 Dwight Bateman
- 19 Jason Holmes
- 21 Chris Lindelof
- 23 June Evans
- 28 Ben Lenamon

**June Anniversaries**

- 1 Charlie & Peggy Story
- 7 Neil & Fran Barnhill
- 9 Ike & Bethany Atkins
- 12 Jeremy & Jessica Bouillion
- 12 Hugh & Pat Fletcher



We are getting the church cookbook together and would like to give everyone a chance to add more recipes. Please place them in the envelope on the bulletin board or give them to Jean Nudelman as soon as possible or before July 1.

Brenda Blair