

Those to Serve

Wednesday Evening March 11	Wednesday Evening March 18
Building Lock Up—Fabian	Building Lock Up—Lindelof

Morning Worship March 15	Morning Worship March 22
Opening Prayer Bobby Parker	Opening Prayer Zack Williams
Song Leader Gary Adams	Song Leader Paul Cartwright
Communion	Communion
Presiding: Charlie Layton	Presiding: James Maxcey
Craig Williams Maverick Lemus	Tom Langford Russell Genaro
Zack Williams Logan Lindelof	Phil Godwin Bobby Parker
Ike Atkins Charlie Story	Jacob Carriere Matthew Fabian
Announcements Kevin Scarsdale	Announcements Kevin Scarsdale
Closing Prayer	Closing Prayer
Nursery Attendants	Nursery Attendants
Laurie Maxcey Dallas Maxcey	Molly Godwin Nina Layton
Ushers (*indicates head usher)	Ushers (*indicates head usher)
*Nathan Scarsdale, Rick Nudelman, Paul Hamilton	*Clifford Layton, Lynn Adams, Jeremy Brown
Greeters	Greeters
Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale	Clifford & Nina Layton
Audio—Projector—Video for AM & PM	Audio—Projector—Video for AM & PM
Mauney, Banyai	Mauney, Banyai
Building Lock Up for AM & PM—Lindelof	Building Lock Up for AM & PM—Williams

Evening Worship	Evening Worship
Opening Prayer Chris Lindelof	Opening Prayer Daniel Brown
Song Leader Greg Fabian	Song Leader Paul Cartwright
Communion Logan Lindelof, Charlie Story	Communion Russell Genaro, M Fabian
Closing Prayer Kevin Scarsdale	Closing Prayer Kevin Scarsdale

Worship Times:

Sunday

Bible Study9 am

Morning Worship.....10 am

Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

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Bob Williams

MINISTERS

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Paul Cartwright Youth & Family Minister

MISSIONARIES

Benin, West Africa:
Paul Tohionon - Bohicon
Pascal Djedatin - Dassa
Blaise Atta - Bétérou
Clément Djebede - Okéwo
Boniface Yantekoua - Kaboua
Joachim Tounou - Abomey-Goho
Gaston Nda - Natitingou
Valentine Ndimonte - Natitingou
André Assogba - Savé et Kokoro
Dorotheé Tchekpo - Savé et Bessé
Paul Kouagou - N'Dali
Jonas Sambieni - Glazoué
Gabin Agbeci - Savalou
Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies
Lewis Romain

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WINTER IS OVER

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Looking back, for years to come, millions of people will remember the winter of 2014/2015. They'll speak of how long it seemed to drag on, and they'll recall the bitter cold and the ice. But perhaps the one word they utter most often will be the word SNOW.

We didn't get any here, but most of the nation lay under a blanket of snow that never seemed to go away. Newsletters from brethren laboring in so many places cross my desk each week; and in virtually all of them one can see pictures of snowdrifts, snow-covered roofs, trees, lawns, and roads. Snow everywhere and seemingly unending! Where does it all come from?

I'm reminded of the question that God put to Job: **"Have you entered the storehouses of the snow, Or have you seen the storehouses of the hail, Which I have reserved for the time of distress, for the day of war and battle?"** (Job 38:22,23).

Weather, along with other laws of nature, is not merely episodic happenings that can be explained away with no mention of Jehovah. Weather belongs to Him! He uses it as He wills. God told Job the weather can be a divine instrument of judgment. But we also know that the winter snows are a part of God's cycle of weather for this planet; for He has said, **"While the earth remains, Seed-time and harvest, And cold and heat, And summer and winter, And day and night Shall not cease"** (Gen. 8:22).

We understand that the inconveniences of a long winter, including snow, are part of God's plan for renewing the earth for another seedtime and harvest. With winter come the very things needed for fertile fields and a bountiful harvest. We often use winter in a metaphor to speak of the final years

of one's life, but it seems that the Scriptures often view it as the preparations for new life. I like the biblical metaphor better!

Are you in winter or in spring?

Again, I'm not talking about age—I'm talking about activity. The northern hemisphere is slowly warming, and the days are lengthening. All the while, nutrients and the moisture needed have been banked and ready for the needs ahead. Have you allowed God to work His winter in your heart? Have you let Him bring upon you an abundance of knowledge and plenty of experiences (though some may be painful) that prepare you for the life still before you? Trials come (James 1:2); have you taken advantage of the times God has given you to be ready for greater things ahead?

In a sense, all the events that unfolded in the Old Testament—all the amazing things that God accomplished for His people and through His people to bring about the great plan of redemption—were like the winter season. Like the beauty of spring, the gospel brings about those **"times of refreshing"** (Acts 3:19).

And did you know that EVERY TIME you see the word "refresh" in the New Testament, it comes about from one of two sources? Either from the Lord by the power of the Gospel (Acts 3:19), or it comes about from faithful company and the encouragement of being with brethren (Rm. 15:32; 1 Cor. 16:18; 2 Cor. 7:13; 2 Tim. 1:16; Philm. 7,20). As a Christian, winter is OVER! You've already experienced the season of refreshing that comes with obeying the gospel. Are you now taking advantage of the soul-refreshing fellowship of like-minded believers? I hope you are!



Keep studying and keep serving! DC Brown ©2015

There is an announcement on our bulletin board about this event:
 March 28, 2015 - Mainland Church of Christ, Texas City, Ladies Day

March 29, 2015

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

Friends

&

Family Day



Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive, and painless health screenings at our Annex on Friday, April 17, 2015. Flyers are in the foyer. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

KEPT IN PRAYER

Dorris Honeycutt (Pat Wagoner's mother) is still in The Medical Resort and receiving IV antibiotics, as well as physical and occupational therapy.

David Smith is not doing well and may be moved to the Medical Center. No visitors are permitted at this time.

Nona Patterson's knee injury has healed, and she will be moving to San Antonio soon. Nona is Angela Parker's mother.

Shirley Wheeler (Maresha Scarsdale's mother) was hospitalized on Monday with acute abdominal pain. She is undergoing tests today to determine the source of infection.

In Continuing Need:

Our Members: Leona Anderson, Fran Barnhill, Tracy & Martha Cain, David & Libby Clayton, Evelyn Cordell, Daisy Dees, Billie Dykes, June Evans, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Minnie Harris, Murrell Hill, Dorris Honeycutt, Kaliya Kelly, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Von Knight, Wanda Knight, Brenda Langford, Evelyn Lawhon, Jan Lemoine, Mary Means, Vi Price, Betty Pridgen, David Smith, Doris Stuteville, Delores Truelove. **Others:** Mary Alford, Timothy Anderson, Marjorie Garrison, Robert Holmes, Rhonda Jones, Bartis Knight, Charles Layton, Sr., Pat Miller, Lauren Murphy, Cloey Pruitt, Sherly Scott, Rick Stone.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

March 2015

- 14 Ladies' Prayer Breakfast - 8 AM - Kelley's
- 14 Elders, Deacons, Ministers Meeting - 9 AM - Elders' Conference Room
- 25 Ladies Bible Study -10 AM - Leah Bateman's house - Proverbs 4. Please read and study chapter before class.
- 30-31; April 1-3 Meals on Wheels. Please see Leah Bateman to volunteer.

The Arms of Hope Grocery Run will be the week of April 13-17, 2015. We need to collect the following:



- 50 Liquid Laundry Detergent (large)
- 30 Body Wash (bottles)
- 10 Dish Soap (large bottles—90 oz.)

Please bring your items by Sunday, April 12. Let's have a generous donation.



The church-wide encampment is set for April 17-19, 2015, at Martin Dies, Jr. State Park. You will need to make your own reservations. As of Monday, there were still 57 campsites available for that weekend. Overnight cost per campsite is \$20. We hope we have a big turnout.

March Birthdays

- 3 Ike Atkins
- 4 DC Brown
- 12 Ashley Hundley
- 17 Pat Wagoner
- 19 Sandy Stone
- 25 Demetris Kelly II
- 29 Judy Indest
- 31 Mary Holmberg
- 3 Douglas Teague
- 6 Taylor Cuellar
- 13 Bennie Sue Galindo
- 19 Trudy Knight
- 25 Evelyn Cordell
- 27 April Cartwright
- 31 Heather Cook

March Anniversaries

- 9 DC & Debbie Brown
- 22 Greg & Linda Fabian
- 22 Larry & Delores Truelove
- 14 Jeff & Gena Coe
- 22 Gene & Stephanie Forster
- 31 Russell & Canova Genaro