



The Pearland Harvester

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

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THINK BEFORE YOU LIKE

all of us are involved. That’s going to be difficult for many. Intimidating.

When you do make that connection with someone and they agree to come to your home for Bible study, try to view yourself and your home from their eyes. They want to give you a hearing, and clearly they want something better for their life than they presently have. So, what will they see and what will they hear in your home? If your habits for entertainment and relaxation are not compatible with your invitation to call them to live a life holy to God, some things need to change. Additionally, if your postings on social media or your comments to what others have said are counterintuitive to what they would expect from a person who wants to teach them truth, it’s likely the study will be fruitless.

Let me share an article I recently read that was written by Dr. Brad Harrub and posted on January 18th of this year. – DC

Twenty-five years ago, there was a phrase that was familiar to most New Testament Christians: “bringing reproach upon the church.” A person who was caught publicly intoxicated or caught having a marital affair brought shame upon the church, as well as themselves. Christians committing a public sin were expected to go forward at their local congregation and ask for the forgiveness of the congregation. After all, that person represented all the Christians in that particular community.

Fast-forward twenty-five years and that particular phrase has been cast on top of an antiquated heap of words that are not used very often. Most young people today have probably never heard that phrase

used in the Lord’s invitation. But the situation remains: New Testament Christians can bring reproach upon the church by their very actions. And sadly, for many Christian young people, this reproach is just one click away.



Want a modern-day example? How about when a Christian “likes” or “retweets” someone’s post that contains profanity or immodesty? Sure, the Christian was not the originator of the post, but their “like” or “retweet” has now brought it before the eyes of their friends and family—and sadly, it now bears the Christian’s stamp of approval.

There are two problems with this situation. First, and probably most critical, is a heart problem. What you “like” displays a window into your heart. Why would a Christian young person today be “liking” a post or meme that contains profanity, vulgar slang, or indecent language? Or why would they retweet or like an image of someone scantily clad? These are not things that a person seeking to be more Christ-like would be doing. These are symptoms of someone who has fallen comfortable being in the world. This is someone who has not put on the new man, and has forgotten what it was that put Jesus on the cross.

Second, this individual has forgotten that they represent the church to many of their friends or coworkers. They are “Christians” in the eyes of classmates or coworkers. And so those lost in sin look at this behavior and never feel any conviction about their own sin. They look at this Christian and feel comfortable—because after all, they are not much different from one another.

Friends, it matters what you “like” or “retweet” on social media. It matters what your friends think you are putting your stamp of approval on. Christ died for His bride, the church. When you click that “like” button you are a representative for His bride. Don’t take your job too lightly. And don’t “like” something that crucifies Him afresh. – Brad Harrub, Ph.D.



I'm a married woman, greatly valued. I am industrious. I dabble in a number of things including purple garments. Who am I?

Answer to last week's question: The church at Corinth was told to receive Timothy and then send him on to Paul and to receive Apollos as a coworker with them (1 Cor. 16:10-12). Debbie Brown was the first to correctly answer last week's question.

Daily Bible chapter reading schedule, beginning Thursday, February 16, 2017:

- Thursday—Romans 3-4
- Friday—Genesis 4-7
- Saturday—Joshua 6-10
- Sunday—Psalms 3-5
- Monday—Job 3-4
- Tuesday—Isaiah 7-11
- Wednesday—Matthew 3-4

2017 sign-up sheets for communion preparation and sound/projector are on the bulletin board.

We are also in need of more volunteers for nursery duty and leading the youngsters in song before the services.

There will be a teachers' meeting Sunday, February 19, 2017, immediately following the morning services. Bob Williams needs to meet with all teachers past and present of 2-year-olds through 6th-grade. Please meet at the front of the auditorium.

For the Record—2-12-17	
Sunday AM	131
Sunday PM	49
Wednesday (2-8-17)	45
Contribution	\$3,869
Weekly Budget	\$5,800
YTD Contribution	\$30,983
YTD Budget	\$40,600

KEPT IN PRAYER

Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Charles "Huck" Huckabee**, who passed away this morning, February 15, 2017. Services are pending.

Loma and **Sandy Stone** need prayers for health problems.

Shirley McWhorter, friend of Bonnie Ney, is in need of prayers for various health issues.

Continuing Need:

Our Members: Fran Barnhill, Annette Bumpers, David & Libby Clayton, Jeff Coe, Daisy Dees, June Evans, Matthew Fabian, Bennie Sue Galindo, Ross Genaro, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Murrell Hill, Judy Indest, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Jo Knight, Wanda Knight, Clifford Layton, Jan Lemoine, Valerie McHargh, Harold & Alice Moore, Vi Price, Betty Pridgen, Chase Shelton, David Smith, Loma Stone, Sandy Stone, Doris Stuteville, Angela Terry. **Others:** Carol Addison, Leona Anderson, Catherine Bailey, Octaline Beaupierre, Jeffrey Buesch, Raquel Castillo, Debbie Cook, Evelyn Cordell, Ray Craycraft, Larry & Carla Doolen, Billie Dykes, Linda Evans, Roger Farmer, Gwen Fikes, Glenda Garner, Betty Goad, Sarah Goeman, Robert Hudman, Sharon Johns, Nelderine Johnson, Kaliya Kelly, Kerry Lemoine, Martha Locke, Austin, Celia, & Doug Matthews, Jim & Julie Maxcey, Shirley McWhorter, Mary Means, Pat Miller, Lewis Moss, James Navarro's son, Jean Nudelman, April Parker, Mark Pridgen, Cloey Pruitt, Alice Puckett, Ryan Rangel, Trenna Russell, Sandra Brown Ryan, Butch Sapp, Shirley Scarsdale, Henry Schaefer, Don Scott, Sherly Scott, Tony Smajstrla, Andrew Smith, Michael Smith, Rick Stone, Erin & Elijah Timmons, Leon Vanderveer, Bennett Vincent, Alexis Anderson Washington, Mary White, Wanda Williams, Anthony Young, Lesli (friend of Heather Brown's friend).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

February 2017

- 22 Ladies' Bible Class—10 AM—Annex
- 25 Top Golf, 21401 Gulf Fwy, Webster, TX 77598—All ages are welcome. We will meet at the location at 2:45 PM, so we can start at 3 PM. If you want to sign up, please call or text Zack Williams at 832-904-3965.

March 2017

- 1 Wednesday Night with the Master—6 PM—Annex. Menu TBD. Jo Knight and Nina Layton are coordinating the meal. Areas of service begin at 7 PM.
- 6 Secret Sisters—TBD.
- 8 Ladies' Bible Class—10 AM—Annex
- 11 Ladies' Prayer Breakfast—8 AM—Kelley's
- 22 Ladies' Bible Class—10 AM—Annex



There will be a shower for Wendell & Sarah Romain on Sunday, February 19, 2017, from 3 pm to 5 pm in the Annex. Men & women are invited. The Romains are registered at Bed Bath & Beyond (search for Sarah Adams or Wendell Romain) and at Target (search for Sarah Romain or Wendell Romain).

The ladies in the February food preparation group are: Laurie Maxcey, Bennie Sue Galindo, Betty Pridgen, and Meredith Williams. Please contact Kristin Alatrash if there are questions.

February Birthdays

- 17 Gene Forster
- 27 Gretchen Whitmire
- 27 Everett Brown

February Anniversaries

- 15 Buck & Jari Thompson

March Birthdays

- 4 DC Brown
- 6 Taylor Cuellar
- 13 Bennie Sue Galindo
- 17 Trudy Knight
- 22 Appeal Byers
- 30 Candice Townzen
- 31 Mary Holmberg
- 5 Christi Hines
- 12 Ashley Hundley
- 17 Pat Wagoner
- 19 Sandy Stone
- 29 Judy Indest
- 31 Heather Cook

March Anniversaries

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

Those to Serve

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Wednesday Evening February 15	Wednesday Evening February 22
Building Lock Up—G Adams	Building Lock Up—G Fabian

Morning Worship February 19	Morning Worship February 26
Opening Prayer Zack Williams	Opening Prayer Bobby Parker
Song Leader Gary Adams	Song Leader Greg Fabian
Communion	Communion
Presiding: Gheath Alatrash	Presiding: Daniel Brown
Jimmy Terry Russell Genaro	Bob Williams Phil Godwin
Jake Satterwhite Tom Langford	Blake Williams Derek Mauney
Chris Lindelof Bobby Parker	Gary Adams Grayson Townzen
Announcements Chris Lindelof	Announcements Chris Lindelof
Closing Prayer	Closing Prayer
Nursery Attendants	Nursery Attendants
Lianne Biegay Appeal Byers	Molly Godwin Nina Layton
Ushers (*indicates head usher)	Ushers (*indicates head usher)
*Lynn Adams, Matthew Fabian, N Scarsdale	*Clifford Layton, Paul Hamilton, Charlie Story
Greeters	Greeters
Clifford & Nina Layton	Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale
Audio—Projector for AM	Audio—Projector for AM
Maxcey	Maxcey
Building Lock Up for AM & PM—G Fabian	Building Lock Up for AM & PM—C Lindelof
Evening Worship	Evening Worship
Song Leader Greg Fabian	Song Leader Gary Adams
Communion Jimmy Terry, James Maxcey	Communion Zack Williams, Derek Mauney
Closing Prayer Chris Lindelof	Closing Prayer Chris Lindelof

Worship Times:

Sunday

Bible Study9 am
Morning Worship.....10 am
Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

ELDERS

*Gary Adams 281-797-2575
Greg Fabian 713-305-1626
Chris Lindelof 281-224-2183
Kevin Scarsdale 713-447-1866*

DEACONS

*James Maxcey
Bobby Parker
Charlie Story
Bob Williams*

MINISTERS

*D.C. Brown Pulpit Minister
Zack Williams Youth Minister*

MISSIONARIES

*Benin, West Africa:
Paul Tohionon - Bohicon
Pascal Djedatin - Dassa
Blaise Atta - Bétérou
Clément Djebede - Okéwo
Gaston Nda - Natitingou
Valentine Ndimonte - Natitingou
André Assogba - Gobé
Dorotheé Tchekpo - Savé et Bessé
Paul Kouagou - N'Dali
Jonas Sambieni - Kaboua
Gabin Agbeci - Savalou
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