



# The Pearland Harvester

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

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# THE END

began in about 1986 and, except for the time I was in school, I have published weekly articles almost every week, year after year. Very few of them were typical articles, in that I always wrote longer articles than could be used in the format most churches use for the bulletins.

I wrote them as a form of self-discipline. Writing is a very good way to study and to grow. I'm not saying I am an expert writer—far from it—but the exercise has been a real blessing to me. I hope along the way some of those articles were a blessing to you as well. While there were some exceptions, most of those articles were like an extra sermon each week. Writing them kept my thoughts focused and kept me in the word when I otherwise would not have been.

I am thankful that I've been given the opportunity to publish them over the years. I am more thankful for all the kind expressions of encouragement that I have received from so many of you through the years.

Solomon closed out the book of Ecclesiastes with some observations about wisdom, words, writing, books, fearing God, and keeping His commandments. Solomon said of himself, **"The Preacher sought to find delightful words and to write words of truth correctly"** (Eccl. 12:10). There is very little comparison between the wise sage of Scripture

This is my last article.

My best conservative estimate is that over the years I have written about 1,500 bulletin articles. I

and me, but I do think that this verse is a rare exception. I, too, have tried to match the right words with the thoughts I wanted to convey and with the audience I wanted them conveyed to. I have always wanted to write the words of truth correctly, and that burden has been borne every time I wrote.



Solomon also wrote, **"So that your trust may be in the Lord, I have taught you today, even you. Have I not written to you excellent things of counsels and knowledge, to make you know the certainty of the words of truth That you may correctly answer him who sent you?"** (Proverbs 22:19-21). In a feeble way, and with missteps and errors on my part, I've striven to do the same thing.

So, if you read the occasional article that resonated, explained, challenged, encouraged, or corrected, then the efforts were worth it.

Remember Debbie and me in your prayers, and you will be in ours. Thanks for the experiences of a lifetime ... so far!

# TRIVIA

CHALLENGE

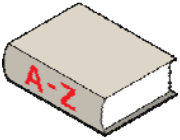
Solomon mentioned three essentials to build a house. What are they?

Answer to last week's question: Darius. He searched the official archives to find the decree issued by Cyrus, and his letter ordered the critics of the Jews to sustain them in their rebuilding of the temple upon pain of death. No one submitted the correct answer.

Daily Bible chapter reading schedule, beginning Thursday, April 27, 2017:

- Thursday—1 Corinthians 7-8
- Friday—Genesis 44-47
- Saturday—1 Samuel 6-10
- Sunday—Psalms 33-35
- Monday—Job 23-24
- Tuesday—Isaiah 62-66
- Wednesday—Mark 3-4

For the Record—4-23-17	
Sunday AM	136
Sunday PM	54
Wednesday (4-19-17)	50
Contribution	\$4,891
Weekly Budget	\$5,800
YTD Contribution	\$76,429
YTD Budget	\$98,600



It's time for a new Pocket Directory! Please review the sheets on the bulletin board and make necessary changes by May 7, 2017. Thanks.

The ladies in the May food preparation group are: Heather Brown, Judy Indest, and Ginny Lindelof. Please contact Kristin Alatrash if there are questions.

## KEPT IN PRAYER

**Dawn Bell** is hoping to be released from TIRR sometime this week.

**Angela Terry** fell and broke her left humerus recently. She is wearing an immobilizer and hopes that surgery will not be necessary.

**Jim Alford** had another graft surgery last Wednesday. Visitors are still limited to immediate family.

**Catherine Bailey**, Heather Brown's friend, had her baby recently. The baby girl's prognosis is uncertain.

**Carol Hasten's** surgery went well Tuesday. The doctors said they removed all of the cancer. Al and Carol are grateful for our prayers.

**Everett Sanderson**, Jerri Farmer's nephew, had surgery on Monday. If all continues to go well, he will be out of ICU today (Wednesday). Jerri and her family appreciate our prayers.

### Continuing Need:

**Our Members:** Fran Barnhill, Dawn Bell, Haley Biegay, Debbie Brown, Annette Bumpers, David Clayton, Jeff Coe, Daisy Dees, June Evans, Bennie Sue Galindo, Ross Genaro, Dorendia Hamilton, Charlyne Harper, Murrell Hill, Judy Indest, Wanda Kirby, Dorothy Kirkland, Jo Knight, Wanda Knight, Clifford & Nina Layton, Jan Lemoine, Valerie McHargh, Harold & Alice Moore, Becky Nicholson, Adam Parker, Vi Price, Betty Pridgen, Chase Shelton, David Smith, Loma Stone, Sandy Stone, Doris Stuteville, Angela Terry. **Others:** Carol Addison, Jim Alford, Leona Anderson, Catherine & Cecilia Bailey, Octaline Beaupierre, Erica Matte Blair, Jeffrey Buesch, Raquel Castillo, Debbie Cook, Evelyn Cordell, Ray Craycraft, Judy Dame, Larry & Carla Doolen, Billie Dykes, Linda Evans, Roger Farmer, Gwen Fikes, Glenda Garner, Betty Goad, Sarah Goeman, Carol Hasten, Robert Hudman, Sharon Johns, Kaliya Kelly, Elaine King, Jay Langley, Jason & Jenny Langley, Kerry Lemoine, Martha Locke, Austin & Celia Matthews, Jim & Julie Maxcey, Shirley McWhorter, Mary Means, Pat Miller, Lewis Moss, Jean Nudelman, April Parker, Wilma Parker, Mark Pridgen, Cloey Pruitt, Alice Puckett, Ryan Rangel, Trenna Russell, Sandra Brown Ryan, Everett Sanderson, 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, Mary White, Wanda Williams, Anthony Young, Lesli (friend of Heather Brown's friend), Dakota (baby boy of Lianne Biegay's friend).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

*April 2017*

30 Friends & Family Day. We will also honor DC & Debbie Brown at the luncheon.

*May 2017*

- 1 Secret Sisters—6:30 PM—Juanito’s. Brenda Riggs & Laurie Maxcey are the hostesses.
- 3 Wednesday Night With The Master—Meal will be served at 6 PM in the Annex. Menu is pizza and salad. Please bring your favorite dessert. Areas of service begin at 7 PM.
- 4 The Scarsdales’ group will be meeting at 7 PM in their home.
- 10 Ladies’ Bible Class—10 AM—Annex
- 13 Ladies’ Prayer Breakfast—8 AM—Kelley’s
- 24 Ladies’ Bible Class—10 AM—Annex

*Friends*



April 30, 2017

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



*Family Day*

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.

**April Birthdays**

- 28 Lucille Adams
- 30 Angela Terry

**May Birthdays**

- 4 Josh Hundley
- 5 Char Bagwell
- 7 Peggy Story
- 8 Heather Brown
- 9 Jean Adams
- 9 Janice Pearson
- 10 Vivienne Evans
- 11 Irma Hawkins
- 12 Kaya Lindelof
- 13 Jeremy Cook
- 14 Daniel Brown
- 18 Audrey Nelson
- 19 Adam Parker
- 20 Fran Barnhill
- 20 David Blair
- 23 Audrey Townzen
- 26 Gena Coe
- 31 Atticus Brown
- 31 Zack Williams

**May Anniversaries**

- 5 Chris & Ginny Lindelof
- 9 Zack & Meredith Williams
- 14 Gary & Jean Adams
- 17 Derek & Tracey Mauney
- 18 Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale



The Arms of Hope Grocery Run will be the week of May 1-5, 2017. We need to collect the following:

**Coffee (please check the expiration date)**

Please bring your items by Sunday, April 30. Arms of Hope did not specify quantity, but let’s have a generous donation.

## Those to Serve

## *Pearland Church of Christ*

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of service, building up the body of Christ...

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<b>Wednesday Evening April 26</b>	<b>Wednesday Evening May 3</b>
Building Lock Up—K Scarsdale	Building Lock Up—Bob Williams <b>WNWTM</b>

Morning Worship April 30		Morning Worship May 7	
Opening Prayer	Zack Williams	Opening Prayer	Daniel Brown
Song Leader	TBD	Song Leader	TBD
Communion		Communion	
<b>Presiding:</b> Kevin Scarsdale		<b>Presiding:</b> James Maxcey	
Charlie Story	Bob Williams	Tom Langford	Phil Godwin
Jacob Carriere	Daniel Brown	Bobby Parker	Gheath Alatrash
Blake Williams	Josh Hundley	Nathan Scarsdale	Jimmy Terry
Announcements	Gary Adams	Announcements	Kevin Scarsdale
Closing Prayer		Closing Prayer	
Nursery Attendants		Nursery Attendants	
Tracey Mauney	Appeal Byers	Sarah White	Lianne Biegay
Ushers (*indicates head usher)		Ushers (*indicates head usher)	
*Lynn Adams, Jake Satterwhite, Wendell Romain		*Clifford Layton, Zack Williams, Grayson Townzen	
Greeters		Greeters	
Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale		Kevin & Maresha Scarsdale	
Audio—Projector for AM		Audio—Projector for AM	
Riggs, Whitmire		Bob & Mitzi Williams	
Building Lock Up for AM & PM—Bob Williams		Building Lock Up for AM & PM—Gary Adams	

Evening Worship		Evening Worship	
Song Leader	<b>FRIENDS &amp; FAMILY DAY NO EVENING SERVICES</b>	Song Leader	TBD
Communion		Communion	Bobby Parker, Jimmy Terry
Closing Prayer		Closing Prayer	Kevin Scarsdale

### Worship Times:

#### *Sunday*

Bible Study .....9 am  
Morning Worship.....10 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm

Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

### ELDERS

*Gary Adams* 281-797-2575  
*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*  
*Portsmouth, Dominica, West Indies*  
*Lewis Romain*