



November Calendars are on the foyer table. Please make sure you pick one up.

Not a Fan
Title: Which road are you on?

Matthew 7:13-14

¹³“Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. ¹⁴But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it.

Point 1: Are we on the right road to get where we want? Or are we only fooling ourselves? A _____ might include such questions as the ones that follow. We must realize, however, that we cannot rely on our _____ or how we feel. We must use the tools that God has equipped us with to measure our _____.

Point 2: Does my life _____ what I say I believe? If it does not, I may have made a wrong turn.

Point 3: Do I think I am on the right road because of what I have done? When I consider my _____, I need to realize there is a direct relationship between my _____, my _____, and my relationship with _____.

Point 4: Do I know _____ and does He know _____? Does He call me a _____? Or am I deluding myself?

Attendance

Bible Class.....	64
Worship A.M.....	93
Worship P.M.....	SG
Wednesday.....	108

2013 Budget: \$3,800
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Welcome

November 17, 2013

Announcements

- #18 Faithful Love (both)
- #533 I Am a Sheep (all)
- #3 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah (1,3)

Opening Prayer

- #449 Thy Word (2x)
- #31 That's Why We Praise Him
(paper book & CD Track 8)

Communion Message

Communion

- #474 Thank You, Lord
(paper book - 1 only-chorus 2x)

Offering

- #48 Firm Foundation (paper book-both)

Scripture Reading

Matthew 7:13-14

Sermon

- #2 We Praise Thee, O God (1,3,5)
- #881 Mansion over the Hilltop (both)



R.I.P. Church (Focus Press)

"I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead." – Revelation 3:1

We see this harsh description of a faltering spiritual state in the letter to the church at Sardis, one of the seven churches of Asia. The message goes on to say that their works were not perfect before God. They were a church who was perceived by others and even themselves, as alive and active. But the actions and the lifestyle weren't there to prove it. The church was resting on reputation rather than doing the works of the Father and excelling still more. In short, the church was dead.

Now consider the church in 21st Century America. Oh, we have our doctrine right, because we worship God in the form He commanded and we obey His explicitly stated commands in the plan of salvation. For many years we were thought of as "people of the book," and we were (and are) proud of that. And we still have the '50s and '60s, when we were one of the fastest growing faiths in America. We like those facts. We like to talk about them, to remember them fondly, and to stand on our doctrine today and say, "We have it right!" But are we patting ourselves on the back for a reputation of being alive while being dead on the inside?

Consider what the primary purposes of the church are. 1. Defend the truth 2. Keep the saved saved 3. Bring souls into the kingdom 4. Do good unto all men. Speaking in a general manner, we're hitting 1 for 4 there. As we at Focus Press discuss quite frequently, we do a miserable job of holding on to those who are brought up in the church and are baptized as young adults. Evangelism is an afterthought. If they come into our building, we think, maybe the preacher will get a chance to study with them. What we do today is a far cry from "Go into all the world." As for doing good to all men, sure we give our money and that money gets given to someone else who works with people, and that's not a bad thing, but it's clear from Jesus' teaching that He wanted us to be directly involved with helping other people, "doing unto the least of these." It's by being in their lives that we can show His love and feel the compassion He had for them. But we're busy.

We think, "Well, if I just live as a Christian, maybe my example will be enough for someone to ask about the church." First of all, example is a great starting point for evangelism, but we've failed if that's where it ends. Second, what difference do they see when we wear bad attitudes on our sleeves or talk negatively about other people? What difference do they see when there are people hurting around us and we don't have the time of day to help? What difference do they see when they know our family has time for soccer and baseball and school functions, etc., but can clearly see that the Bible isn't regularly a part of our family lives?

Am I generalizing? To a certain extent, yes. On the other hand, you know exactly what I'm talking about. You've seen it in the church. You see it on Facebook. Yes, the church has doctrine right but if we continue to rest on correct doctrine alone it will mean nothing. Ephesians 2:10 tells us we were created in Him for good works. Once God saves us, we're responsible to do as He would do, and that's where we're severely lacking. The worst thing about the church at Sardis? They were dead and they didn't even know it. The church in America isn't dead, but it's not exactly healthy, either. It's time to stop living off of reputation and start doing the perfect works Christ has prepared for us.

Continued Inside.....



Kirby Whitley has a tentative hip replacement surgery scheduled for November 20th!

Continue to Remember: *Mary Taylor, Jerry Greene, David & Jennie Waggoner, Landon Farmer, Bill Wood, Theo Allen, Kirby Whitley, Brenda Estridge, Krista McCarty, Rosalie Littlejohn, Brownie Pickens, Wan & Sue Callaway, Khristie Beard, Nikki Freeze, Alyene Williams, Alastair & Linda Ferrie, Coach Darin Mays, Karla Brinkley, and April Taylor*



Wednesday Supper November 20th

Menu: Turkey, Dressing & Fixings

Chef: Selinda Taylor & YOU

Dessert: Group 3

This Wednesday, Selinda will be cooking turkey and dressing. If you are able, please bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish.

This Sunday is our monthly fellowship meal, followed immediately by our second assembly. There will be a communion service at 6:00 pm for those who were unable to partake communion at the morning service.



Don't forget to cut these out and turn them in to the office!

You are invited to a **bridal shower honoring Courtney Perry, daughter of Tray and Sophie Perry & bride elect of Eric Gaza** from 2:00-3:30 Sunday, November 17th, here at the church building. Selections are at **Wal-Mart and Bed, Bath & Beyond.**

The Elders and Deacons Meeting will be this Sunday in the youth room immediately following our second service.

Chandler's Back Porch Continued

Wow! That's the best way to describe how I felt after first reading this article. A lot of different feelings, but I believe it gets down to the truth hurts. So what are we doing or going to do about it? I mean there has to be a reason why the church has not been growing as it once was. I do believe in going down fighting to the last man on what the bible says and not conforming or losing the truth. But I believe the cure is going to have to be more than just saying we got it right. It is going to have to be us going out and loving people like Jesus. I believe the studying and truth will immediately follow. Love never fails. In His Service, Chandler Walker

Upcoming Events

(items in red are this week)

- 17 Potluck & Back-to-Back Service**
- 17 Elders and Deacons Meeting**
- 17 Courtney Perry's Shower**
- 24 Area Wide Thanksgiving Service in Nocona**
- 25 Sonshine House**
- *Saturday Mornings @ 6:30* Men's Breakfast @ Bridge Street Grill**
- *Saturday Mornings @ 9:00* Women's Breakfast @ Stewart's Sweet Stop**



The Area Wide Thanksgiving Service will be in Nocona this year on November 24th. There is a sign up sheet in the blue folder for men who would like to contribute to the service. Please go and sign up if you would like to lead a prayer, read a scripture or lead a song. They ask that you pick 3 songs (1st, 2nd and 3rd choice) and list the verses you will be singing. The deadline is Monday, November 18th. So make sure you pick them out and sign up by Sunday, November 17th. They will be serving BBQ Sandwiches, chips and dessert following worship service.

****There will not be a P.M. service here that night.****

NOVEMBER



Birthday:

- 19 Cathy Talley**
- 20 Kirby Whitley**
- 25 Sophie Perry**
- 25 Aiden Nixon**
- 29 Tina Davis**

Anniversary

- 16 Clay & Michelle Cotton**

OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE IS

- 6:00-6:20 SUPPER**
- 6:30-7:15 BIBLE CLASS**
- 7:20-7:30 DEVOTIONAL**

The Ladies Bible Class is going to lunch at **Bill's Catfish** on Tuesday, November 19th. If there are any other ladies interested in going, please sign up in the blue folder on the foyer table. The bus will leave between 11:00 and 11:15.

