



UPCOMING EVENTS



03/06 Urban Air 6:15 (\$12)

Leadership Training for Christ Practices

Bible Bowl Sundays 4:00pm

Sign Language Wednesdays 5:30pm

Chorus Wednesdays 6:00pm

Drama Sundays at 3:00 & Wednesdays 7:30pm

Point 1:

For many of us, our _____ has become so much a part of ourselves that we have quit asking the important questions about what we want from our _____. We need to constantly ask where we are, what we are doing, and what do we want from our _____.

Point 2:

Many people "go to church" simply because they _____ Others consider themselves Christians because they want a place to _____. And sometimes, the reasons people seek that relationship is something they have not yet defined.

Point 3:

Like many of us, the people in Mark 10 wanted something from Jesus. They were looking for _____, for _____, for _____ and _____. Bartimaeus wanted physical mercy, physical blessing and physical healing. Like many of us, they missed the _____ in favor of the _____. When we encounter Jesus we need to keep perspective about what really matters. The one who can heal the blind can also forgive our sins.

Attendance

Bible Class (9:30)	82
Worship A.M (10:30).....	112
Small Groups (6:00)	NC
Wednesday (6:30).....	66

2016 Budget: \$3,650

Contribution: \$4,066

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Welcome

March 6, 2016

Announcements

#801 Where No One Stands Alone (all)

#162 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (1,2,4)

#508 A Wonderful Savior (1,2)

Opening Prayer

#777 Father, Hear the Prayer We Offer (1,2,4)

Communion Message

Communion

#705 A Common Love (all)

Contribution

#539 Higher Ground (1,4)

Scripture Reading

Mark 10:46-51

Sermon

#911 Bring Christ Your Broken Life (1,2)

#608 He Gave Me a Song (1,3)

Closing Prayer

Preacher's Porch



As I opened my e-mail today, I received a notice from the Fort Worth Cowtown Marathon detailing the final instructions for where to park on race day, where and when to pick up race packets, where to find the correct starting corral, the merchandise that is for sale, how to meet up with family following the race, instructions about the first aid and water stations available during the race and more. The race is this weekend but the funny thing is, I am not entered and have not run that particular event in about 9 years (since it moved from Saturday to Sunday). Still, all this information got me to thinking.

For this two-day event, there will be hundreds of people involved in making sure it goes off without a hitch. There are those who hand out water, provide first aid, put race packets together, patrol the course, close the streets, man the chutes, etc. In fact, people have been planning and organizing this event all year long just to make sure that everyone running completes the race with the best experience possible. Many; most even will complete the course. Some still won't.

The Bible often uses running a race as a metaphor for living the Christian life and as a runner; I can assure you that it is a very, very good comparison. Except when I was running marathons, I cannot tell you the number of hours I would put in preparing for a specific race. I cannot tell you the money spent on shoes, shirts, shorts, energy gels, travel, parking, entry fees and more. And I can't tell you about the travel time, the practice time, the time spent driving the course before the day of the event, etc. Okay, I could but I would embarrass myself. The point is, I was fully invested; time, money, effort, preparation.

So if living as a Christian is comparable to running a marathon, how much time, how much effort, how much planning and money and everything else that goes into successfully completing a race do we actually put in to finishing the race set before us? I assure you that if we limit ourselves to practicing one or two hours a week, we will not complete a 3 or 4 hour race. And I assure you that if you limit Christ to one or two hours a week of church time, you will have great difficulty finishing the course marked out for you as a Christian.

Invest yourself fully. Immerse yourself in God's word and His will and His purpose for your life. Develop a prayer life. Surround yourselves with others who have the same destination. And then, run the race with gusto to claim THE prize: Eternal life.
In Christ, Todd



Jerry Green has moved to Midwestern Healthcare Center, 601 Midwestern Pkwy, Apt A88, Wichita Falls, TX 76302.
Johnnie Althof will have shoulder surgery on Tuesday in Lubbock.

LTC Participants and Coaches

Continue to Remember: *Todd Davis & Family, Jennie Waggoner, Brenda Estridge, Mary Taylor, Kirby Whitley, Brownie Pickens, Bill Yearley (Mary Taylor's brother with cancer), Marsha Finley (Tera Holland's sister with cancer), Stephanie Ayola (Tina Davis' sister with cancer), Khristie Beaird, Nikki Freeze (LaNelle's daughter-in-law), Alyene Williams, Karla Brinkley, April Taylor (Mike's sister-in-law with M.S.), Tom Allen, Nils Donnell, (Selinda's father) Sue Callaway, Julie Dickenson (LeAnn Skinner's friend)*

Our Shut-Ins: *Bill Wood, Jerry Greene, Mary Hawn*

The Westview Boys Home will be here March 7th or 8th to pick up donations. Please grab a sack from the foyer table and bring it back by Monday.



SYMPATHY



We would like to extend our sympathies to Kirby Whitley and his family on the passing of Donna on Sunday. Her funeral was yesterday.

We would also like to extend condolences to the friends and family of Lillian Wines who passed away Sunday night. Her funeral and burial were Tuesday at her home.

We would like to thank you for all the cards, prayers, sweet words of comfort and the beautiful plant you gave for Bamaw's funeral. She was a wonderful Christian example to everyone who knew her. You are such a kind and generous group and we are so blessed to be a part of this loving family.
In Him, Mike, Selinda Lauren & Logan Taylor

Thank You



Upcoming Events

- 6 Special Contribution
- 7 Westview Pickup
- 9 Elders Meeting
- 13 Daylight Savings Time
- 20 VFW BBL Luncheon
- 14-18 Spring Break
- 23 Elders & Deacons Meeting
- 25-26 LTC
- 27 Small Group Fellowship
- 28 SonShine House



- 3 Lauren Taylor
- 17 Katie Butler
- 23 Jonnie Barnhill
- 23 Grace Holman
- 23 Clay Cotton
- 24 Trent Yurcho
- 25 Ed Althof
- 28 Ariel Webb
- 30 Kay Anderson



Daylight Savings Time begins on **Sunday, March 13th**. Please make sure you adjust your clocks before going to bed Saturday night. Because of the time change, our Small Group Fellowship Time will change to 6:00 instead of 5:00 beginning on March. 27th.

We will have a special contribution today for LTC, benevolence and replacing the partitions between the foyer & auditorium.

Please take a look at your budget and be prepared for this special opportunity to help in several of our local ministries.

