

Records	Sunday Dec.17	Sunday Dec.10	Year Ago
Bible School	373	440	453
Worship/A.M.	525	509	530
Worship/P.M.	286	331	373
Wed. Eve.	270	300	301
Contributions	\$11,445.87	\$43,114.01	\$12,286.84
Bldg. Fund	500.00		
Membership 642	Weekly budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Dec.24 and Wednesday, Dec. 27 - IRA WILSON, 561-0750.

Change For Children

If you have not returned your Change For Children can, it's not too late. Please plan to bring it Sunday.

From Chimala Mission

Thank you so much for the 9 boxes you sent on August 1 and 8. Thanks so much for the blood pressure gauge, vitamins, baby gowns, and the rest. We have really needed the gauge. There were two broken ones at the hospital when we got here and Jerome worked on one to get it to work.

We have really been busy with buildings. The Palmer house has the walls up and the preacher's dorm has the foundation ready for the walls. It was quite fascinating to watch the men make the bricks, fire or burn them, and then build the houses. We don't do things that way in the states, as far as I know.

The rains have started after six months of no rain. The ground really soaks it in and the grass has already started to grow.

We went on a short safari to see animals at a game park but Jerome got sick with malaria, kidney infection, and then a kidney stone. He really lost weight and strength but is very slowly gaining his strength back. The Wilson's have gone to Nairobi and the Hipps leave tomorrow to go on their holiday. This is the only break we have gotten and it has been hard on this one car to take us everywhere. The roads are the main problem. They are terrible.

Thanks again for all you do. God bless you.
Jerome & Leah Savage

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Roger Knight
 Prayer R. V. Threadgill
 Scripture Danny Snell
 Dismiss Guy Potts

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 Cooper Goodson John Portwood

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY
 Mike and Ann McMinn
 Jack and Peggy Garner
 Harold and Shirley Denman
 Archie and Faye Kennard

Sermons For Sunday

Sermons For Sunday, December 24, 1989
 By Jay Lockhart
 10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts: Philosophers Acts 17
 6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts: Apollos Acts 18

The Sick

Harvey Grier is a patient in Medical Center Hospital. His condition is good following surgery on Tuesday afternoon.

Amanda Hunt is now at home, however, her condition has not improved.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler

Season's Greetings and Best Wishes
 --- for a Happy New Year

From
 Jay & Arlene Lockhart
 Wes & Alma Faye Price
 Danny and Lisa Snell
 Harold & Nelda Browning
 Joe & Frances McBee
 Bill and Jo Butler
 James and Frances Phillips

YOUTH NEWS

Danny Snell



This is a sentimental time of the year for me, and I always enjoy spending time with family members. The holiday season always reminds me to be thankful for what I have and for those who are special to me. I want to thank all of you in the Youth Group and your parents for the wonderful Christmas gift for us. We love and appreciate all of you and look forward to another great year together for the Lord. Have a safe and joyous holiday season.

THANKS

The Youth Christmas Party was just wonderful. A great big thanks to the Vannoys for coming through at the last moment to open their home for the party. Thanks to all who helped with the Children's Party on Saturday morning: Wes Price, Gary Aven, Lee Ann Braly, Charisse Smith, Michelle Steffee, Jason Patten, Melissa Patten, Tiffany Sublette, Andrea Usrey, and Gena Henry. You all deserve an extra round of applause for battling that bitter cold! Thanks for making it happen.

SKI TRIP

There are still several spots left for the Ski Trip. The dates are March 16-21. After January 1, the remaining spots will be available to 8th Grade and College students and families interested in going. For more information, contact me as soon as possible.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP RETREAT

All High School students are invited to this retreat. Last year Chris Starnes, Robbie Butler, and Chris Oberg went and all have said that it was really great. Make plans now to attend. January 26-28 are the dates. The cost for you will be \$15.00. Please sign the sheet on the Youth Bulletin Board if you want to go.

New Members

Randy Davis came Wednesday evening to be restored and to place membership. We are happy to welcome him. His address is 3833 Lazy Creek Dr. (75707), telephone 566-1998. Randy is a brother to Shirley Denman.



We are happy to print the picture of the Scott Family. They came to us last week.



John and Gale Scott
Robby, Julie, and Claire

Young At Heart

Young At Heart is planning a New Year's Eve party on Sunday evening, December 31, following the evening worship. Bring finger foods and games and meet in the fellowship building. Plan to stay until midnight.

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to Curt and Kim Jordan and their family in the death of Kim's father, Mr. Bill McKennon. He passed away on Monday evening. Funeral services were in Overton, Texas.

"Have You Ever Been Lonely?"

A Holiday Special
With

Jay Lockhart

Christmas Eve

Sunday Eve, Dec. 24, 1989
10:30 p.m. - KLTV, Channel 7

Watch THE SEARCH each Sunday at 8:00 a.m.
KLTV, Channel 7 - Tyler
Sponsored by West Erwin Church of Christ
420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas

Potpourri

PRESCHOOL BIBLE HOUR

The Preschool Bible Hour will not meet Sunday evenings, December 24 and December 31. The class will resume January 7.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

December (24) Shelley Miles, Henry McRuiz, Oscar Brown (25) Scott Carruth, George Hearne (26) Mike Cauthen (28) Randy Pickens, Jennifer Lemons, Wanda Weathers (29) Margaret Talley, Jay Culpepper (30) Jeff Jones, Jane Johnson, Nelda Jo Wiley (31) Vera Beard, Alex Braly, Anna Braly. JANUARY (3) Lyndsey Womack, Randi Maddox (4) Pat McCarley, Clara Haynes, Kimberly Jordan (5) Hazel Morgan (6) Jan Knight, Edna Hodnett, Jimmie Philpot.

YEAR END SINGING

The annual Year End Singing will be held at the Shiloh Road Church on Wednesday evening, December 27, at 7:00 o'clock. Everyone who desires to attend is invited. However, we will have our regular worship service here that Wednesday evening with everyone meeting in the auditorium.

LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch will cook and deliver meals on Wednesday of next week instead of Tuesday.

NO BULLETIN NEXT WEEK

In keeping with our permit regulations, we will not print The Visitor next week. It will be printed and mailed again on January 4, 1990.



SEE YOU SUNDAY
BIBLE CLASSES AT 9:30 A.M.

Here and There

By Wes Price



Our Sunday morning Adult Classes will begin a new study on Sunday morning, January 6. We have 14 Sundays in this quarter, so our lessons on Ephesians will get one extra Sunday for review before the new study begins. December 31 will be useful for that review.

We welcome Don Slaughter as the new teacher for this quarter in Stan Mallory's class.

All Sunday morning teachers of adult classes will begin a Wednesday night study class in my office on Wednesday night, January 3. We will be sharing the lesson content for the coming Sunday.

Remember that our year end schedule calls for a worship service on Wednesday night, December 27. No classes will meet and all will meet in the auditorium for a family worship. Please plan on joining us for that special time. It will be the last mid-week study for the year and for this decade. Let's make it a good ending as well as a good beginning.

All members of the Young Married Couples Class are invited to a New Year's Eve Party at Gary and Julie Ables on Sunday night following the evening worship on December 31. More about this Sunday morning in Bible class. Save that time with us.

The calendar has dealt us a difficult schedule for this coming week-end. Sunday will be Christmas Eve and many of you will be traveling to be with family for Christmas Day. We will be especially concerned that Bible class teachers be present for each class. Please let your supervisor know if you plan on being away Sunday morning so we can arrange for substitutes as soon as possible. We don't want any class to be inconvenienced for lack of an adequately prepared teacher. Thank you.



"Joy in
Heaven."
L.M.S. 17

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Bible School	440	425	400
Worship/A.M.	509	564	505
Worship/P.M.	331	372	360
Wed. Eve.	300	280	252
Contributions	\$43,114.01	\$10,564.38	\$63,615.71
Membership 639	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		
(\$230,537.45 has been given to the building fund in 1989)			

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Dec. 17 and Wednesday, Dec. 20 - TOMMY BROWN, 877-2230.

Welcome New Members

Lori Morrison came Sunday to be restored and to place membership. She is the daughter of Joyce Morrison. Her address is 14508 C.R. 2191, Apt. H, Whitehouse 75791.



Lori Morrison

We were also happy to welcome John and Gale Scott and their children as new members of the West Erwin church family. John is a dentist here in Tyler. Their children are: Robby (16), Julie (14) and Claire (10). Their address is 504 Winchester (75701), telephone 581-6552.

Congratulations

Mary Keith Hunt, a graduate of Texas A & M, received a B.S. degree in Elementary Education and her husband, Brian received a B. S. degree in Dairy Science. Brian will work in Mt. Pleasant for Glover Feed Mill. They will live in Scroggins, Texas.

SEARCH SPECIALS

By Jay Lockhart

GOD MANIFEST IN THE FLESH

KLTV - Channel 7, Tyler
Sunday, December 17, 10:30 P.M.

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN LONELY?

Sunday, December 24, 10:30 P.M.

Serving Sunday

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Announcements Phil Marts
Prayer Robert Hawkins
Scripture Bobby Perry
Dismiss Pat Patten

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From The Back Foyer

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Sermons For Sunday

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, December 17, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts: Council
(Acts 15:1-11)

6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts: Macedonia
(Acts 16:1-10)



Change For Children

A few weeks ago we took home CHANGE FOR CHILDREN cans to fill with change to benefit Christian Services of East Texas. Please return your cans on Sunday, December 17. A table will be set up in the south foyer and one in the hall outside the office. Your help in the project is very much appreciated.

The Sick

Amanda Hunt and Dorothy Brownlow have both been hospitalized in Mother Frances Hospital.

Chad Faubus, 13 year old grandson of Jack and Johnnie Stringer, has been seriously ill following a perforated appendix and surgery. He hoped to go home on Thursday.

Dave Teel is having serious health problems and is unable to be out.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Guest Editorial

Nice Palace, But No King

The legends of the Taj Mahal. They all fascinate, but there is one that haunts. The bride of the prince died. The prince was devastated. He resolved to honor her by constructing a temple that would serve as her tomb. Her coffin was placed in the center of a large parcel of land and construction began around it. No expense would be spared as her final resting place was created.

But as the weeks turned into months, his grief for the princess was eclipsed by his passion for the project. The prince no longer mourned her absence. He was consumed by the construction. One day, while walking from one side of the construction site to the other, his leg bumped against a wooden box; a coffin, now forgotten, hidden beneath layers of dust and time. Unaware of his own expired passion, the prince brushed the dust off his leg and ordered the workers to throw the box out.

The one the temple was intended to honor was forgotten. And the temple, void of anyone to remember, was erected.

Eerie, isn't it?

Could someone build a temple and forget the reason? Could someone construct a palace, yet forget the king? Could someone sculpt a tribute and forget the hero?

You answer those questions. Answer them in church. The next time you enter an assembly of worship, position yourself where you can see the people, then decide.

You can tell the ones who remember the slain one. They're wide-eyed and expectant. They're children watching a gift be unwrapped. They're servants standing still, as a king passes. You don't doze in the presence of royalty. You don't yawn while being given a gift, especially when it is the king doing the giving.

And you can tell the ones who see only the temple. Their eyes wander. Their feet shuffle. Their hands doodle and their mouths open - not to sing, but to yawn. For no matter how hard they try to stay amazed, all temples - even the Taj Mahal - lose their luster after a while.

The temple-gazers don't mean to be dry. They love the church. They can cite its programs and boast of her leaders. They don't mean to grow stale. They put on hats and hose and coats and ties and come every week. But still there is something missing. The one they once planned to honor hasn't been seen in a while.

But those that have seen him can't seem to forget him. Often, in spite of the temple rather than because of it, they find him. They brush the dust away and stand ever impressed before his tomb - the empty tomb.

The temple-builders and the Savior-seekers. You'll find them both in the same church, on the same pew, and at times, in the same suit. One sees the structure and says, "What a great church." And the other sees the Savior and says, "What a great Christ."

What do you see?

Max Lucado

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YOUTH NEWS

Danny Snell



HOLIDAY PARTY

Teens, remember our Christmas Party at our home in Whitehouse on Saturday, December 16, from 6:30 until 10:00 P.M. This will be a great evening so plan to come. Bring a friend and a wrapped gift (\$3.00 to \$5.00).

ATTENTION TEENS

We need your help with the Children's Christmas Party on Saturday morning, December 16, from 8:00 o'clock until 12:00 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Please let me know.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Sat. Dec. 16 - Children's Party
8:00 a.m. - Noon
- Sat. Dec. 16 - Teens Christmas Party
6:30 p.m.
- Sun. Dec. 17 - Carolling

License To Complain

This certifies that the bearer is properly qualified to complain about the activities and concerns of this congregation, having completed the following terms:

1. Attends all regular and special meetings.
2. Prays daily for the church and her leaders.
3. All his children take part in all activities provided for them by this congregation.
4. Always volunteers and accepts enthusiastically jobs and offices in programs of the church.
5. Visits regularly to help the saved as well as the lost.
6. Gives as God has prospered him.

This license is freely given to all who wish it, since anyone who qualifies for it will have little time to complain. -copied

See YOU Sunday!

Sympathy

Sister Mary Dawson's brother, Robert Preston, passed away on Tuesday morning. Funeral services will be held for him in San Antonio. We express our sincere sympathy to Mary and her family.

Funeral services are pending for Margaret Clarkson Jones in Odessa, Texas. She was a sister to our sister James (Mildred) Massey. We offer our sympathy to brother and sister Massey and their family.

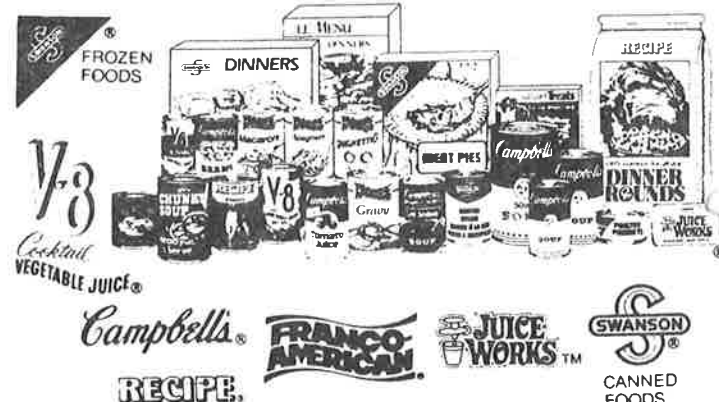
Lillian Colbert Honored

Beautiful pink poinsettias honoring sister Lillian Colbert by her grandson, Dr. C. Steven McDaniel, decorated the pulpit area of the auditorium on Sunday morning. In addition, Dale Blackstone brought the poinsettias for the stands on either side of the pulpit.

Happy Birthday

DECEMBER (17) Mary Richey, Cathy Culpepper, Norene Ingram, Adrain Scruggs (18) Marc Frick (19) James Massey, Ruth Hearne, Zona Crone (20) Rex Johnson, James Phillips, Marshall Phillips, Rex Johnson (21) Dorothy Hulsey, Barbara Williams, Billie Morgan (22) Erica Smith, Scott Rachui (23) Claude Sessions, Stephanie Maddox.

Labels For ETCA



We continue to save labels for East Texas Christian Academy. Bring your labels to the church office along with aluminum cans (such as cold drink cans) to benefit the school.

Discovery Days

Barbara Oberg tells me that we will be having over twenty children enrolled in our Discovery Days School beginning in January. You cannot imagine how happy we are for that good news. Children's lives are being blessed with this good school. We thank Barbara and Jeannie Ross for the time and energy they put into this ministry. Wes Price

Wedding Invitation

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Butler, Jr.

and

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Suggs

request the honour of your presence

at the marriage of their children

Marisa Lauren

and

Stuart Charles

on Friday, the twenty-second of December

Nineteen hundred and eighty-nine

at seven o'clock in the evening

Church of Christ

420 West Erwin

Tyler, Texas

Reception immediately following
Church Fellowship Hall

The Search



8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
KLTV - Channel 7
Jay Lockhart, Minister

Thank You

I want to express appreciation for your concern and thoughtfulness for my sister, Thelma Page, who has been hospitalized in Baylor Hospital in Dallas. She can now walk with a walker and will return this week to the Christian Care Center in Mesquite.

Marikate Davis

Our deepest appreciation for the dinner you provided last evening, December 7. Our special thanks to Odell Sessions and Roberta Tindall who cooked the delicious main course. Your years of Christian service is a continuing example for the young people here.

Tri-C Students & Staff

Here and There

By Wes Price



Parents of children three years of age through fifth grade, please don't forget our annual Children's Christmas Party this Saturday morning at 9:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Our first order of the day will be our visit to the homes of some of our shutins. We need to be ready to leave the building as soon after 9:00 as possible, so come a little early. We will return for refreshments and a visit with Santa. We plan on concluding around 11:00.

We would like to encourage parents to join us for this party if you can. We will need some help in guiding the children when we visit in the homes of our shutins.

The holiday season is certainly in full swing. Various parties have already been enjoyed and many others are anticipated. It is a joyous time of year for our families. But let's not forget that some of our folks will have few visitors for the holidays. It would be especially nice if you could find time in your busy schedule to pay a visit to one who is shutin at home or a resident in one of the nursing facilities. If you need help with a name, just call the church office and we will see that you learn of someone to visit. A small gift of fruit or flowers might be appreciated.

The church is planning on delivering gifts of flowers on Saturday, December 16, but additional visits from West Erwin members will be most appreciated.

Don't forget the urgent request that our Benevolence Center made last Sunday concerning children's clothing, especially coats, jackets, and sweaters. There will be many calls for these items as we move into colder weather. Bring the clothing with you to the building any time and we will see that it gets placed in the Benevolent Center.

HE KNOWS,
HE LOVES,
HE CARES...

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Contributions	\$10,424.38	\$9,960.52	\$12,519.21
Building Fund	130.00		
Membership 637	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, December 10 and Wednesday, December 13, 1989. JIMMIE HARRIS, 592-9780.

Welcome New Member

Dorothy Brownlow has attended worship here regularly the past several weeks, and she has indicated that she wants to be identified as a part of the West Erwin family. She formerly worshipped here several years ago and is a sister to Doris Kennedy. Her address is Rt. 19, Box 795 (75706), telephone 593-2275.

Grocery Truck

Remember the grocery truck from Boles Home will be here the week of December 11-15. The following is a list of most needed items.

- 30 gal trash bags
- Dish Washing liquid
- Bleach
- Dish Washing detergent
- Sugar
- Whole kernel corn

Attention World Bible School Teachers

In order to save approximately half on postage, we now send our World Bible School mail in a bundle to California to International Priority Airmail who operate on a special permit. We have received a notice from the Post Office that a bundle mailed in November was damaged and separated before arriving at its destination. If you, as teachers, receive return mail for lack of postage, please bring it to the church.

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 K. Max and Mary Haws
 James and Connie Sublette
 Forest and Mary McFadden

The Sick

Seth Ward will begin chemotherapy this week in Dallas at Children's Hospital. After their move to Arkansas is completed they will be able to continue treatment in Little Rock. This will be long term treatment. Remember Seth and the family when you pray. Their new address is elsewhere in the bulletin.

Sister Marikate Davis' sister, Thelma Page, continues to be hospitalized in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Dorothy Brownlow is a patient in Mother Frances Hospital. Possibly she will have surgery.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart


*"So we built the wall"
 --Nehemiah 4:6*

A Tool

When Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem following the Babylonian captivity, his task was to rebuild the wall around the city. Nehemiah's work was urgent and important, so important that he said, "I am doing a great work and I cannot come down" (6:3). Yet the wall was not what Nehemiah and the Jews were about. When the wall was completed the people did not worship the wall, bow down to the wall, or glory in the wall. Their purpose was to glorify God, to be His people, to do His work. The wall was a tool to help them to be effective as God's people. It served to protect the city--that's what the wall was for. The temple had been rebuilt and the worship according to the Law had been re-established. The wall was a means to an end. So it is with our new building. The building will be elegant, beautiful,

serviceable, something we all can be proud of. But the building is a tool--a tool to help us be more effective as God's people in the Heart of Tyler. That presentation by Paul and Associates last Wednesday was impressive and exciting. We are deeply indebted to Jim and Jeff and Mike and others for what they are doing for us at an unbelievable cost. If someone else was building this building we would have to add about 30% to the cost! God has brought everything together and now we can move forward into the 1990's with vision, faith, and optimism. Let us do all we can in that special contribution this Sunday and let us do all we can in bringing others to Jesus. Outreach is our work--our building is a tool.

**DANNY'S
DOODLES**



Danny Snell

God blesses our lives every day by sending special people into them. One such blessing has been the Ward family. We will miss you as you move, and our prayers will continue for Seth and his recovery.

Congratulations are in order for Jessica Epperson on her recent accomplishment. Jessica was chosen as First Chair Clarinet in the Middle School All Region Concert Band. Great going Jessica!

Annual Christmas Party

Teens, our Christmas Party this year will be on Saturday, December 16, from 6:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Plan to bring a wrapped gift (\$3.00 - \$5.00) and a friend. This will be a great evening, so plan to come. It will be in our home in Whitehouse and a map will be available.

Attention Teens


We will need your help on Saturday morning, December 16, from 8:00 o'clock until 12:00 noon. If you can help with the Children's Christmas Party in the Fellowship Hall, please let me know.

Important Dates

- Saturday, Dec. 16 - Children's Party (Morning)
- Saturday, Dec. 16 - Youth Christmas Party (6:30 P.M.)
- Sunday, Dec. 17 - Carolling

**THIS
IS
THE
SUNDAY!**

**Special Contribution
Sunday,
December 10**



For Building Fund

Take Time To Pray

Potpourri

AN AREA OF SERVICE

We are glad that on specific occasions our fellowship building is available for special groups. An Alzheimer Support Group occasionally meets there, AARP Tax School will be using the building again in January to train volunteers, and recently Parents Without Partners used the building for a meeting and have expressed their appreciation. We are happy to be of service from the Heart of Tyler.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

December (10) Joni Smith (11) Sue Skipper (12) Cole Bennett, Chantel Haney, Charles Seaberry (13) Fleta Butler, Harold Denman, Doris Terrell, James Mayer (15) Carolyn Paschall, Rhonda Weathers, Esther Wilson, Jerry Konczak, Linda Pickens

YOUNG AT HEART

Young At Heart will meet on Thursday evening, December 14, at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall for a "Holiday Dinner."

MOVING TO ARKANSAS

Steve and Kathie Ward and their children, Seth and Kerri will be missed by everyone at West Erwin. This week they will be moving to El Dorado, Arkansas where Steve will have a Veterinary Clinic. We wish the very best for them and pray for Seth's recovery. Their new address is, Rt. 7, Box 504 (71730).

MEN'S MEETING

All men of the West Erwin Congregation are invited to meet on Saturday morning, December 9, from 9:00 until 11:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Hall.

Sermons For Sunday



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 10, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts: Doors
(Acts 13:44-52)

6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts: Witness
(Acts 14:8-18)

The Search



8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
KLTV - Channel 7
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SUNDAY ADULT CLASSES

Scripture for Adult Classes for Sunday morning will be Ephesians 5:1-21 and Colossians 3:5-11. The subject is Imitators of God.

Welcome New Members



Lester and Nancy Warburton
Jimmy and Joshua

We welcome Lester and Nancy Warburton and their children to the West Erwin family. Nancy is the daughter of John and Ruby Cliver. Their address is 3606 Glendale (75701), telephone 5935075. They have two sons, Jimmy Farabee, 8 years, and Joshua Farabee, 5 years.

Here and There



By Wes Price

We are hearing so many beautiful and positive things about the construction of our new auditorium that are most encouraging. The special contribution this Sunday will add to that enthusiasm I am confident, and I believe the Lord will be pleased. By the time you read this we will have looked at the plans on Wednesday night. That will serve to increase our excitement. Thank God for such visionary plans. Let every member pray and give as the Lord has prospered.

Don't forget that our Wednesday night Adult Classes will rotate teachers beginning on December 13th. Don Peek will move to the auditorium with the study of the Sermon on the Mount, Robert Hawkins will move to Room 105/106 with his lessons on Christian Evidences and Stan Clark will be teaching Christian Stewardship in room 110. Jay Lockhart's class on Building Relationships will continue in the Chapel for couples who are 40 and under.

Parents, may we remind you again of our plans for children, pre-school through fifth grade, for the Children's Christmas Party on Saturday morning, December 16, from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 o'clock. We will tell you what to bring later, just don't forget to reserve that day for this annual occasion. I have already had one lady ask to be included on our singing trip that morning.

Our Ladies Class will conclude its schedule with the session on December 6 and resume its study in the gospel of Luke on Wednesday morning, January 3. This will provide time for our ladies to get involved in the preparation for holiday family get-togethers. Enjoy!

With the busy holiday schedule, it is easy to let things get in the way of our routine responsibilities like Sunday morning and Wednesday evening Bible study. Wouldn't it be a shame to be getting into the Christmas spirit by letting trivial matters keep us from these vital weekly appointments. Be a regular attendee at all classes and see that your children are present as well.



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Bible School	415	425	423
Worship/A.M.	492	584	523
Worship/P.M.	304	345	396
Wed. Eve.	166	278	252
Contributions	\$9,960.52	\$10,149.13	\$12,177.76

Membership 639 Weekly Budget \$12,050

Minibus Driver for Sunday, Dec. 3 and Wednesday evening, Dec. 6, JOHN CLIVER, 593-5075.

Scripture for the Sunday Adult Bible Classes, Dec. 3, is Ephesians 4:17-32; Col. 3: 12-17. A New Way of Thinking and Acting is the subject.

Thank You

My Dear Family at West Erwin,
Louis and I have simply been overwhelmed at the outpouring of love and concern for us. The beautiful flowers, wonderful food, cards, and phone calls have done so much to support and comfort us. I especially am grateful for the many prayers said in my behalf. The strength, courage, and peace that only comes through Him has sustained me and my family. It has made us realize how truly blessed we are. From the very depths of our hearts we thank you.

Lovingly,
Jane Jones

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Several weeks ago our infant daughter was in serious condition in a Wichita Falls Hospital. Even though you didn't know us, as a congregation you prayed for us and God listened. We are home now and doing well. Thank you for remembering us in our time of need. To those there whom we do know so well, your friendship and strength have always been and continue to be a blessing. God love you all.

Scott, Tammy, Meghan Clark
(Joe M. Clark's son & family)

The Sick

Seth Ward was scheduled to have surgery Wednesday in Children's Hospital in Dallas.

Daisy MacFall is a patient in Medical Center Hospital.

Sister Marikate Davis' sister, TheIma Page, remains in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

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Scripture Mark Waggoner
Dismiss Carl Collins

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Announcements Dannie Skipper
Prayer Kevin Womack
Scripture Dale Hickey
Dismiss David Taylor

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

Serving From The Front

Dale Blackstone Tony Adams
Scott Savell Walker Weathers

Serving From The Back Foyer

Bo Wiegreffe Harold Denman
Billy Terrell Cameron Cobb

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Archie and Juanita Lowry
K. Max and Mary Haws
James and Connie Sublette
Forest and May McFadden

Sermons For Sunday

Sermons For Sunday, December 3, 1989

By Jay Lockhart
10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts: Christians (Acts 11:19-26)
6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts: Violence (Acts 12:1-12)



Special Contribution
Sunday,
December 10

For Building Fund

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler

From The Heart of Tyler.
By Jay Lockhart

"Redeeming the time"
-Ephesians 5:16

A New Decade

It's hard to realize that in just over a month we enter a new decade -- the 1990's, and then it's a new century -- the 21st century! Most of us have lived all of our lives in the 20th century, but many of us can expect to live well into the 21st century, if Jesus tarries. There are some important events immediately before us which will launch us into the new decade and the new century, and you will want to be fully involved! First, there is the presentation on Wednesday evening, December 6, at 7:00 -- it's the actual plan for our new auditorium. You won't want to miss that! Then, on December 9 we will have a men's meeting in our fellowship building which will involve most of the morning. Our men won't want to miss that! Additionally, on Sunday morning, December 10, we will have the opportunity to have a part in our annual end of the year special contribution. On that day all of the contribution above our budget will go into our building

fund. You will want to participate in that! Next comes the presentation of the budget for 1990 with challenges for ministry, outreach, and involvement. It has been said that there are three kinds of people: those who make things happen; those who watch things happen; and those who don't know what's happening. Of course it's easy to see the kind of people we should be. Now is an excellent time for us to re-examine our dedication to Christ and to commit ourselves anew to the greatest work in the world - God's work. What will He do through us in the 1990's? He "does great things" (Job 9:10) when His people have "a willing mind" (2 Corinthians 8:12). So let us "go forward" (Exodus 14:15) into a new decade, a new century, and our second one hundred years of service from the Heart of Tyler. Then, adopting the words of a famous Prime Minister, if the church should exist for another thousand years, it may be said, "This was their finest hour!"

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Several of our young men did an outstanding job leading the Thanksgiving Devotional on Wednesday evening. It is very encouraging to know that there are young people who will lead the church today and tomorrow. Thanks to the following young men who did it all: Robbie Butler, Andy Butler, Brody Clark, Jeff Konczak, Neil Vannoy, Jeremy Wiggains, and Jim McCoy. Great Going Guys.

Combined Devotional

All teens are reminded of our combined Devotional on Sunday night, December 10. Plan to come and bring a friend.

Annual Christmas Party

Teens, our Christmas Party this year will be on Saturday, December 16, from 6:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Plan to bring a wrapped gag gift (\$3.00 - \$5.00) and a friend. This will be a great evening, so plan to come. It will be in our home in Whitehouse and a map will be available.

Attention Teens!

We need your help on Saturday, December 16, from 8:00 A.M. until 12:00 to help with the Children's Christmas Party at the Fellowship Hall. If you can help, please let me know.

Important Dates

Sunday, Dec. 10 - Combined Devo
Saturday, Dec. 16 - Children's Party (Morning)
Saturday, Dec. 16 - Youth Christmas (6:30 P.M.)



Potpourri

BOLES HOME

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BOLES HOME GROCERY TRUCK

The grocery truck from BOLES HOME will be in our area the week of December 11-15. Listed below are items needed.

30 gal trash bags	Dish washing liquid
Bleach	Dish washing detergent
Sugar	
Whole kernel corn	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DECEMBER (2) Brittany Haws (3) Bradley Smith, Jeremy McRuiz, Lisa McDuffie (6) Ann McCoy, Peggy Johnston (7) Lois Hoppers (8) Ray Johnson, Louise Santos (9) Bart Lemons, Don Weathers

EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

An Aide is needed at East Texas Christian Academy. A mature lady whose children are high school or older is preferred. Please call Glenda Hughes at the school (561-8642) for more information.

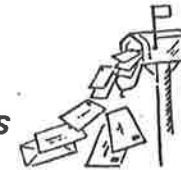
Discovery Days

DISCOVERY DAYS has been blessed and the staff is so grateful for the prayers, love and support shown to us personally and our program. Because our program is growing we will be adding a class for two and younger three year olds. These children will have the advantage of a class designed especially for them. Cynthia Johnson will teach this class with plans to expand this program in the future. If you know of any two, three, or four year old children who would enjoy Tuesdays or Thursdays with Discovery Days, please have them contact Barbara Oberg at 581-1806 or the church office. Please remember us daily in your prayers. Jeannie Ross, Cynthia Johnson, and I ask that you pray for us personally and for the DISCOVERY DAYS Program.



8:00 o'clock
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From East Texas



Please send transcripts of all brother Lockhart's lessons on James. I am a teacher of an adult class and we will be studying James shortly. I have watched most of them so far and they are good...

Mesquite, Texas

I am requesting the two books you offered. Also if it is possible I would like to have the lesson you taught on What Must I in its entirety please. I am interested in the search for truth.

Lufkin, Texas

I thoroughly enjoy listening to brother Lockhart preach. A great number of folks in Gilmer expresses the same.

Gilmer, Texas

I listen every Sunday morning to your sermons. I am very much inspired by them.

Pittsburg, Texas

If you still have copies of your message preached on TV, March 24, 1989, entitled, "The Sunset Road That Turned To Dawn," I would appreciate having a copy. Should you not want a United Methodist preacher using some or all of your sermon, perhaps you better not send it. (the material was sent)

Troup, Texas

I teach a Bible class and plan to teach the Book of James. Please send me copies of Jay Lockhart's series of lessons on James in printed form. I would like to have the complete series.

Emory, Texas

See What's Coming

Building News

Wednesday evening, December 6, is the date for a presentation to the congregation concerning plans for our new auditorium. Plan to be here.

Here and There

By Wes Price



Parents who have children three - five years and first grade - fifth grade are asked to reserve Saturday, December 16, for our annual Kids' Christmas Party. We will meet at 9:00 A.M. in our Fellowship Hall then travel by bus to visit some of the homes of our shut-ins to deliver flowers and cookies. We will conclude our activities back in the Fellowship Hall and conclude by 12:00. This is a special fun time for our children. We cannot possibly measure the results of their visits to some of our aging members. Please help them by reserving this time.

There are lots and lots of church related parties and get-togethers during this festive season. My sincerest hope is that you will be a part of these joyous occasions. I'm reminded of the line in the song, "The more we get together, the happier we'll be." Sharing our lives in worship service and fellowship can only contribute to our knowing and helping one another to greater spiritual living. Praise God for His indescribable gift.

During the past several weeks, there have been numerous occasions when our building has been used during evening or other off hours. Also, there have been occasions when lights and utilities were left on and doors unlocked. May we please ask that when you use our facilities, do the church pocket book a favor by locking every door that you unlock, and by turning off lights and air conditioners/heaters when you finish. It will also be helpful if, when you find these conditions and it appears to be unnecessary, go ahead and lock doors and turn off utilities. I don't know if it is sinful to be wasteful, but it certainly isn't good stewardship. Let's all do our part. Thank you.

Please let me know if you want on the list for the One Year Bible. We will be ordering these in the very near future. They make excellent gifts, but their best use is personal. It will be a daily reminder to every individual to spend time each day reading from God's Word.

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Building Fund	\$70.00	Weekly Budget	\$12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, November 26, and Wednesday evening, November 29, KEVIN WOMACK, 597-2726.

Adult Bible Classes

The Scripture for the Adult Sunday Morning Bible Class, November 26, is Ephesians 4:1-16. The subject is "The Oneness of the Body."

The Sick

Seth Ward, son of Steve and Kathie Ward, returned to Children's Hospital on Tuesday for additional tests. We have learned that he is to have more surgery on Thanksgiving Day.

Thelma Page, sister of Marikate Davis, suffered a fractured hip on Sunday and was scheduled to have surgery on Tuesday in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Welcome



We are always happy to have visitors at every assembly. Please come again at every opportunity.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcement Bob Bryant
 Prayer Dan Cullinan
 Scripture David Frick
 Dismiss Walter Farrer

EVENING ASSEMBLY
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 Stan Mallory Don Slaughter

"LET'S GO!"
 "AND THE PEOPLE HAD A
 MIND TO WORK"

Thank You

Thank you to all my brothers and sisters in the church. Donna and I could not have made it without the prayers, cards, and visits of our friends.

We love you all.
 Tommy and Donna Brown

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"Lift up your eyes"
 -John 4:35

Milestones Mean Growth

The West Erwin Church has reached multiple milestones in its 100 year history--exciting growth patterns, functional buildings erected, missionaries sent, significant decisions made, challenging budgets, new ministries, special contributions, et.al. Now we reach toward the 21st century with other important milestones. When our elders announced the decision to construct a new 1200 seat auditorium to provide room for future growth, we were reminded of other decisions: the decision made a few years ago to remain downtown and to endeavor to be the light shining from the "Heart of Tyler;" and the decision to put no limits upon what God will do through us and with us. I appreciate the fact that the decision has also been made that our building program will not take away from our other areas of work, but will be in addition

to what we are now doing. Our plans to expand our outreach will go right on as scheduled. Two important days need to be marked on our calendars: December 6 (Wednesday evening) will be the time for a formal presentation of what we can expect in our new building. Don't miss that! December 10 (Sunday) will be the date for our annual end of the year contribution. The contribution this year will, of course, go toward our building fund. Some have already given so generously this year (over \$200,000 in special contribution), and we commend all who have given. Now we have an additional opportunity. Do what you can on the 10th! Over 95% of our people who have expressed themselves were in favor of the decision to build and we are convinced that 100% of this church will now support this program as we surge into the 1990's.
 God bless you!

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



For the area wide High School Devotional Sunday evening, about 150 teens and sponsors assembled to hear a very inspiring message from Max Lucado at the Shiloh Road Church of Christ. Thanks to Stan and Judy Clark and Lisa Snell for going as sponsors.

Folks, let's remember in our prayers all who are traveling this week. Also, when you pray, remember Seth Ward and his family as he begins further treatment.

Teens, don't forget to mark your calendars for our annual Christmas party, Saturday, December 16. Plan to come and to invite a friend.

Families, please consider the following article from Jay Kesler's Parents & Teenagers.

WILD HORSES, WILD DONKEYS

In the early days out West, many horses and donkeys strayed from pioneer caravans and grew wild on the prairie. Their main enemies were wolves, which would attack in packs. The horses' and donkeys' differing responses to these attacks provide an interesting illustration.

When an attack would come, the horses would gather into a tight group and watch the wolves. As the wolves came closer to the group, the horses instinctively would begin to kick in self-defense; but, because they were backed together watching the wolves, they succeeded mostly in kicking each other. Donkeys had the opposite reaction. When wolves attacked, the donkeys came together, face-to-face, and presented the enemy with a circle of sharp hooves.

How does your family react when the pressure is on? How does your family react when tough problems "attack?"

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father, we thank Thee:

For peace within our favored land,
For plenty from Thy bounteous hand,
For means to give to those in need,
For grace to help in thought and deed,
For faith to walk, our hands in Thine,
For truth to know Thy law divine,
For strength to work with voice and pen,
For love to serve our fellow men,
For light the goal ahead to see,
For life to use alone for Thee,
Father, we thank Thee.

---Grenville Kleiser.

Boles Home

The grocery truck from BOLES HOME will be in our area the week of December 11 - 15. Listed below are items needed.

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Wednesday Night Classes

Our Wednesday night classes will continue on the same schedule through one more week after Thanksgiving - November 29. The teachers will rotate to a new class for the next quarter as follows:

Auditorium - Don Peek presenting a study of the Sermon on the Mount.

Room 106 - Robert Hawkins presenting a study of Christian Evidences.

Room 110 - Stan Clark presenting lessons on Christian Stewardship.

Chapel: Jay Lockhart's class will continue on Building Relationships.

These classes will begin on Wednesday night, December 6.

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Sermons For Sunday

Sermons for Sunday, November 26, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts

Saul

(Acts 9:1-12, 17-18)

6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts

Cornelius

(Acts 10:1-8)



The Search



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Sympathy

Funeral services were held in Little Rock, Arkansas on Monday for Rachel Penny, niece of Dr. Roger Knight. We extend sympathy to Roger and Jan and their family.

Happy Birthday

NOVEMBER (28) Norma Holcomb, Chloe Clark, Wade McDonald (30) Jeffrey Knight, Mary Terry.

Have You HEARD?

On Wednesday evening, December 6, we will have a presentation concerning our new auditorium. Plan to be here!

Special Contribution

Sunday,
December 10



For Building Fund

Here and There

By Wes Price



It was my privilege this past Sunday to be with the church in Edmond, Oklahoma to speak to them about the Brother's Keeper Program and to encourage them in this ministry. We enjoyed being with old friends and being uplifted by folks who love the church and make it the joy of their lives.

This great church also sponsors a television ministry called "Search" and reaches thousands via numerous cable networks. I know it has a great following, but I know too that THE SEARCH of West Erwin has an ever increasing audience and we are confident that it will continue to increase. Let's encourage Jay in this outreach ministry.

We want to extend best wishes to all for this Thanksgiving holiday season. Our prayers will be with those of you who are traveling for a wonderful and safe trip.

As we approach the close of this year we would like to put a brief reminder in your minds about our efforts this year to encourage daily Bible reading. We will again have available copies of the One Year Bible for those who would like one. I have heard from many of you about the ones purchased last year, and I believe it has proven to be an effective tool in promoting daily Bible reading. The book also makes an ideal gift. If you would like to have one, please let me know. At the present time, two translations are available: The New International Version and the King James Version. There is a possibility another will become available soon. If so, I will let you know.

Study the Bible
Be in a Bible class Sunday

Bible Classes For All Ages

Sunday 9:30 A.M.



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Bldg. Fund	70.00	175.00	
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MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, November 19 and Wednesday evening, Nov. 22 - CLINTON CULPEPPER, 877-3958.

Young Women

A home Bible study for young women will meet Monday evening, 7:00 o'clock, at the home of Charisse Smith, 2912 Medina.

Thank You

Thank you from the depth of our hearts for helping us so wonderfully with our physical and spiritual needs during a most difficult time. May God bless you abundantly as a people for caring so much.

In Christian love,
Oscar & Ethel Brown

Thank you for the prayers, flowers and cards in the death of my mother, Willie Mae Hearne. We praise God for the 95 years she had on this earth and for the Christian life she lived.

In Christian love,
George & Ruth Hearne



A happy Thanksgiving

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The Sick

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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"And they said, Let us rise up and build."
Nehemiah 2:18

West Erwin Elders Announce Bold Expansion Plan For The 1990's

Last Sunday morning, Fred Powell, speaking for the elders, announced the decision that the West Erwin church would move into the 1990's and the 21st century with a 1200 seat auditorium in the Heart of Tyler. A few years ago the decision was made to remain in downtown Tyler, where the church has met for over 100 years, in order to continue to serve all of the city. During the last three years our elders have been exploring various plans to enlarge our present facilities to provide additional room for our crowded conditions. Every possibility for expanding our auditorium has been examined with prayerful care and each one has been eliminated for one reason or another. In light of costs and our growth possibilities for the future, our elders have made the decision to construct a new auditorium on our West parking lot and,

when needed, to construct classrooms in the back half of our present auditorium. The front of the present auditorium will remain substantially as it is. This plan will provide both auditorium and classroom space for the foreseeable future and will give us opportunity to grow numerically as we plant and water and as God gives the increase. Over the next several weeks details of this ambitious plan will be presented to the congregation. In speaking for the elders, Powell thanked all those who have worked so hard in pursuing the possibilities for expansion and asking for the prayerful support of the congregation for the building project. Our annual year-end contribution will take place this year on December 10 and will be applied to the building fund. Be planning and be generous as we move into the 1990's and the 21st century!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



It is wonderful to see our classes full and the auditorium bulging. There is definitely some excitement in the air about our building plans. The West Erwin church has been here for a long time, and the plans for growing will help the Cause of Christ in Tyler. Let us forever be servants to our God and to our people.

Thanks to Steve and Kathie Ward for hosting the Middle School Devotional last Sunday. Our Middle Schoolers definitely got into a sticky situation. It was a great evening.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jeremy Epperson and the Lindale High Marching Band for a great accomplishment. Last Saturday they achieved a First Division rating at the Military Style Band State Marching Competition in College Station. Not only was that great, but they were also selected as the Best Over All Band in Class 3A.

City-Wide High School Devotional

All High School students are reminded of the Devo this Sunday night after church. Immediately after the evening assembly we will go together to eat and then to the Shiloh Road Church at 8:00 o'clock for the Devotional. Max Lucado will be the guest speaker, and I know this will be a very inspirational evening. Parents, you may pick up your kids at 9:00 at the Shiloh Road Church. Teens, you need to bring money for your supper.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov. 19 City-Wide High School Devo
Nov. 23 Thanksgiving
Dec. 3 Combined Activity
Dec. 16 Youth Christmas Party

GOSPEL MEETING

You are invited to hear Max Lucado, November 19 - 22 at the Shiloh Road Church of Christ. The time is 7:00 p.m. each evening. Brother Lucado is the minister for the Oak Hills church in San Antonio and well known author. The subject for the meeting is, "Choose Joy."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NOVEMBER (19) Tina Harris (20) Rob Hilliard, Kelly Jo Womack (21) Terry Lockhart (22) Susan Steffee, Kristy Cobb (23) Helen Faye Holland

OUR SYMPATHY

Funeral services were held in Amarillo for Georgia Malone, sister-in-law of Zona Crone.

Funeral services for Marge Reiswig, aunt of Cindy Patten, were held Thursday in Houston.

BENEVOLENT NEEDS

Children's clothing continues to be the greatest need in the benevolent work. It is very important that all clothing brought for distribution be in good repair and clean.

BOLES HOME TRUCK

The grocery truck from Boles Home will be here the week of December 11-15. The following is a list of items needed:

30 Gal. trash bags	sugar
whole kernel corn	dish washer detergent
dishwashing liquid	bleach

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TV Recommendation

Recently the preacher of a large East Texas denomination told his Sunday morning audience that his favorite Sunday morning TV program is THE SEARCH. He further said that if the congregation wanted to hear Bible-centered Gospel preaching then it should watch Channel 7 at 8:00 o'clock on Sunday mornings! What a recommendation! What an opportunity! Be prayerful and expectant. God uses our feeble efforts.

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Thank You

We offer our sincerest thanks and appreciation to the church and to you as individuals for all of the many caring deeds, special helps and remembrances that you offered so freely during Dorothy's time of illness. May God bless all of you who are our West Erwin Church family.

Dorothy and George Daugherty

Tri-C sends sincere thanks for the meal you so graciously provided, October 24, 1989. Thank you for continuing to support Tri-C, and our activities.

Dana Moore
Tri-C Correspondent

The flowers you sent for mother were beautiful. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and concern. Thank you so much.

Marijeane Endrizzi
for the
Family of Frances Billings

Sermons For Sunday

Sermons for Sunday, November 19, 1989
By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts
Stephen

(Acts 7:51-60)

6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts
Scattered

(Acts 8:1-8)



Here and There

By Wes Price



All members of the Young Married Couples Class are reminded of the class picnic this Saturday, November 18, at the Robert Stokes place on Lake Palestine. The time is 3:00 P.M. Bring a picnic lunch and the whole family for a great time together.

The announcement of the elders Sunday about our building plans is to be commended and will put this church on the march into the last decade of the twentieth century and lay a solid foundation for growth into the twenty first century. It's great! Now we can get on with growing and being everything the Lord wants us to be. Let's support their decision with prayers and service.

In recent weeks we have had a number of folks bring used clothing to be used in our clothing center. We thank you for that and ask that you continue to search out especially children's winter clothing that you may no longer need and which is serviceable. The clothing will be put to good use as the cold weather begins.

The Discovery Days School on Tuesdays and Thursdays continues to grow in enrollment. It is a joy to see these bright energetic children in our buiding twice a week. We commend Barbara Oberg and Jeannie Ross for their service in making this good work possible.

Parents of pre-school children will be glad to know that we are beginning a new toddlers class on Sunday evenings during the worship service. It will meet in the same room as the Sunday morning session, Room 111. We will be posting a volunteer list outside the door for any who would like to help us with this new class. It will complete our need for additional classes for pre-schoolers during the worship service. It will be for children ages 18 months to two years.

Wednesday Night Assembly - 7:00 O'clock.

Classes For Everyone!

Records	Sunday Nov. 5	Sunday Oct. 29	Year Ago
Bible School	418	435	444
Worship/A.M.	533	531	520
Worship/P.M.	401	388	338
Wed. Eve.	259	271	253
Contributions	\$11,510.77	\$9,579.28	\$9,630.77
Bldg. Fund	175.00	60.00	

MINIBUS DRIVER - Sunday, November 12 and Wednesday evening, November 15 - DAVID HANEY, 561-2133.

The Sick

Roy Clark entered Medical Center Wednesday for Day Surgery on Thursday.

Mrs. David (Carrie) Womack, daughter-in-law of Ray and Carolyn Womack, entered Baylor Hospital in Houston last Sunday for eight days of treatment.

Rachel Penney, niece of Dr. Roger Knight, is very seriously ill in Baptist Hospital in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Mrs. Golden Wright, mother of Mary Adams, is recovering from emergency surgery on Saturday to remove a blood clot from her brain. She is in Mother Frances and her condition is good.

Dorothy Daugherty continues to be a patient in Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas.

Daisy MacFall was hospitalized over the weekend, but was able to go home Monday.

Ruby Brem was in Medical Center Tuesday for tests as an outpatient.

Note of Thanks

Dear Members,

This is to express gratitude to all who gave of their love, time, food and especially the visits from Wes Price during my stay in the hospital. I'm looking forward to returning this love by helping in the Sewing Room again in the near future.

Doris C. Brunger

Sympathy

We learned Wednesday of the death of Doyal Wayne Brown, son of Oscar and Ethel Brown. He died early Wednesday in Canton. We extend our sympathy to the family.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Faber Cauthen
 Prayer Bob Morgan
 Scripture Jerry Huff
 Dismiss Darryl Anderson

EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Faber Cauthen
 Prayer Jay Graham
 Scripture Rob Hilliard
 Dismiss Cooper Goodson

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER
 Scott Rachui Kurt Gesse
 Gary Cain Scott Baker

From The Back Foyer
 Alan Fisher Larry Henry
 Todd Hancock George Hearne

New Members

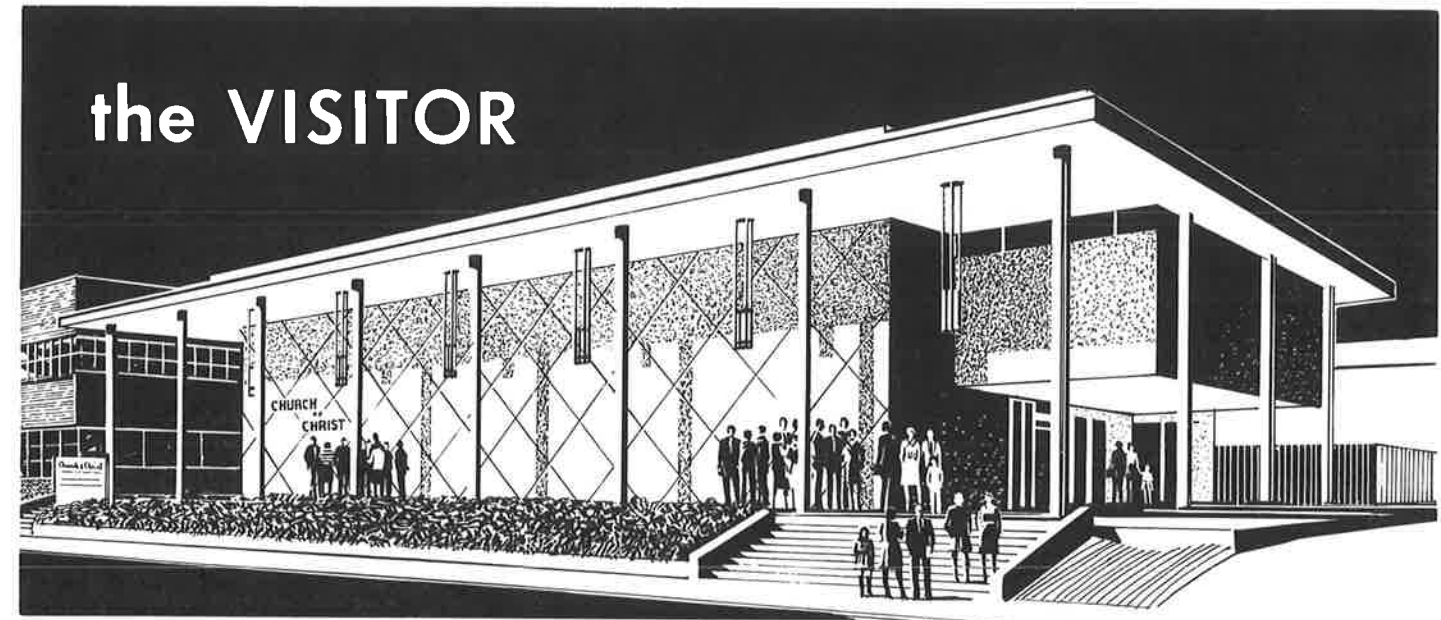
We are happy to welcome Leon and Julia Young to West Erwin. They formerly worshipped with the University Church of Christ in Lawton, Ok. Their address is 3810 Allendale Dr. 75701, telephone 581-8207.

Sunday we also welcomed Jerry Huff as a new member of the West Erwin church family. Jerry's address is 5207 Hollytree Dr., #806, telephone 581-3719.



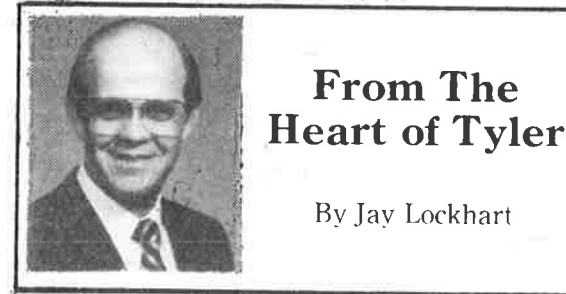
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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

The Search

THE SEARCH, which will soon complete its fifth year on KLTV, continues to expand its outreach. We have no illusions that everyone who sees the program is a regular viewer, but we do know that more and more people see the program as time goes on. Recently a man from another city came by our building to request two recent programs and to ask if I might visit the church he attends to present those messages. Such requests are not out of the ordinary but have become what we expect. In our contract with KLTV, we have five night time specials each year in addition to the Sunday morning telecasts. These specials are seen in the Spring, around the 4th of July, at Thanksgiving, and two near the end of the year. So the time is approaching for three of those Specials. This year they will all be on Sunday nights at 10:30, November 19, December 17, and December 24. As you know, our specials in the past have been during prime time, usually at 7:00 or

7:30. However, some management changes at KLTV have made it necessary to move all the programs to 10:30. How this will affect our viewing audience only time will tell. We might prefer prime time, but 10:30 is available. I remember the first time we were offered the 10:00 P.M. news time on Christmas Eve. I was a bit skeptical as to whether or not anyone would be watching TV at that time. However, to a program on Loneliness we had, I believe, the largest response ever to any one program. So let's be praying for a large audience and a significant response to these three year-end programs, the last of this decade. Beyond the end of this year we launch into a new decade and soon a new century. What does this new decade and new century hold for us? We're not sure, but we know who holds our days and years! May we have enough faith to allow God to do the best with us as we seize the decade and the century!

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



It is said that a computer is only as smart as its programmer. I guess that is true. That puts the programmer at fault when the right information does not come from the computer. Basically, all computers say, "it's the human's fault" and all humans say, "it's the computer's fault." I wish I could blame my latest blunder on the computer, but I goofed and left Fleta Butler's name off the list of people who helped in Servin' Safari. Not only did I forget the first week, but also the second. Many windows were washed and blinds cleaned by Fleta on that day. Thanks, and I apologize for getting this in late.

Congratulations to the Robert E. Lee Band for achieving a First Division rating at Marching Contest and advancing to All Region. This past Saturday they marched at All Region Contest and achieved Third Place and Alternate to go to the State Contest.

Congratulations to our Lee Band members: Matt Goodson and Chris Oberg.

Important Dates To Remember

- Nov. 10 Fifth Quarter at Glenwood
- Nov. 12 Middle School Activity
- Nov. 19 City Wide High School Devo
- Dec. 3 Combined Activity
- Dec. 16 Youth Christmas Party

We ♥ Visitors!

How To Raise Your Parents

Teenagers, finally some help on how to get along with parents. Obviously the key is understanding and, hopefully, a little peace at home. Here are the six tips:

1. DON'T BE AFRAID TO SPEAK THEIR LANGUAGE. Try to use strange sounding phrases like, "I'll help you with the dishes" and "yes."
 2. TRY TO UNDERSTAND THEIR MUSIC. Play Andy Williams' "Moon River" on the stereo until you are accustomed to the sound.
 3. BE PATIENT WITH THE UNDERACHIEVER. When you catch your dieting dad sneaking salted peanuts, don't show your disapproval. Tell him you like fat dads.
 4. ENCOURAGE YOUR PARENTS TO TALK ABOUT THEIR PROBLEMS. Try to keep in mind that to them things like earning a living and paying off the mortgage seem important.
 5. BE TOLERANT OF THEIR APPEARANCE. When your dad gets a hair cut, don't feel personally humiliated. Remember, it's important to him to look like his peers.
 6. Most of all: IF THEY DO SOMETHING WRONG, LET THEM KNOW IT'S THEIR BEHAVIOR YOU DISLIKE, NOT THEMSELVES. REMEMBER, PARENTS NEED TO FEEL THEY ARE LOVED.
- Anonymous

Sermons For Sunday

For Sunday, November 12, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts

Profession

(Acts 5:1-11)

6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts

Filled

(Acts 6:1-15)



Boles Home Truck

The grocery truck from Boles Home will be here the week of December 11-15 to collect items we have for them. Their truck comes to West Erwin in December and March. The following is a list of items needed:

30 gal. trash bags

sugar

whole kernel corn

dish washing liquid

dish washer detergent

bleach

The Century Mark

Perhaps many of you have met Floyd Mings, who has visited the assembly here with Doc Wright. Mr. Mings lives at Briarcliff Village near Doc Wright and is the grandfather of Diane Litton of the Shiloh Rd. Church. We have learned that on November 16, Mr. Mings will celebrate his birthday and will be one hundred years old. If you would like to send a card, his address is 3500 So. Vine, Apt. 210. (75701). Congratulations to Mr. Floyd Mings!

Happy Birthday

NOVEMBER (12) Sam Bailey, Donna Brown, Louise Culpepper, Paige Morris, Stan Mallory (14) Morris Hallman, Donna Epperson, Cathy Bryant (15) John Pike (16) Kim Frick, Mike McMinn (17) Cathy Hallman, (18) Moselle Cash

Area Meeting

You are invited to a gospel meeting, November 12-15, at the Lakeside Church of Christ, 155 South at 344 & 2661. Harold Baker from Brentwood, TN will speak each weeknight at 7:30.

Invitation

You Are Invited To A
Miscellaneous Wedding Shower
Honoring Marisa Butler
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Sunday Afternoon, November 12, 1989
At The Home Of
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3704 Birdwell

Hours
2:00 - 3:30

Selections:
Dillard's
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Thank You

Dear Christian Friends,

Thank you for your cards, support, and prayers in the recent death of my grandfather. It is good to know we have a loving and caring family in the church.

In Christian love,
Mimi & Gary Aven

(This note arrived about three weeks ago, and was misplaced until now.)

Thanks so much for every kindness that you have shown to me. Thank you for the cards, food, visits, and especially your prayers. The ladies who cook on Tuesday deserve a big "thank you" along with the men who deliver the meals.

Leona McElroy

Funerals

Funeral services were conducted on Thursday in Blum Church of Christ in Blum, Texas for Willie Mae Hearne, mother of brother George Hearne. We extend our sympathy to the family in their loss.

Graveside services were held on Monday morning at Restland in Dallas for Frances Billings, sister of brother Ray Womack. We express our sympathy to Ray and his family.

The Search



8:00 o'clock

Each Sunday Morning
KLTV - Channel 7

Jay Lockhart, Minister

Here and There

By Wes Price



Guest Editorial

It's a little hard, many times, to say just where it began. Things often begin without our even noticing or at least recognizing the significance of what is happening.

Take the family, for instance, which is accustomed to attending all the public assemblies for Bible study and worship. Everything on Sunday is arranged around the meetings of the church, both in the morning and in the evening. When Wednesday arrives the family knows that this is "prayer meeting night" and no event will be planned to conflict with this assembly of the saints. These times when the church comes together are prized as occasions of edification.

One Wednesday evening dad comes home just about "worn out" with the day's problems and hassle. He decides to stay home and rest telling mother and the kids to go on without him "just for tonight." However, those evenings when he is "just too worn out to go" become more numerous and pretty soon mother is tired and the kids have homework, so the whole family stays home. Sunday night, needing to rest before the next day's work, dad decides to stay home. Again, it is only a matter of time until his absence becomes habitual and, again, the whole family begins to be absent with him. Eventually they become a "Sunday morning" family with little to no real involvement in the work and worship of the church.

Once you treat lightly your attendance at any regularly scheduled gathering of the church, you have set the pattern for drifting away completely. Perhaps you will continue to come once on Sunday, but this attitude toward a divine appointment will prepare your conscience to justify more and more neglect of spiritual duties.

The writer of Hebrews who gave us the familiar exhortation on "not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together (Hebrews 10:25) also warned, "Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away," (Heb.2:1).

--Hershel Dyer

Remember, Wed. night Classes 7:00 o'clock!

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Bible School	435	420	477
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Wed. Eve.	271	244	254
Contributions	\$9,579.28	\$9,461.73	\$10,359.86
Bldg.Fund	60.00	100.00	

MINIBUS DRIVER - Sunday, November 5 and Wednesday evening, November 8-JAMES SUBLETTE, 595-3578.

The Sick

Dorothy Daugherty is a patient in Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas. She underwent knee surgery this week. Her address is Room 448, 8200 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas 75231.

George Hearne's mother, Willie Mae Hearne, is hospitalized in Regional Hospital in Cleburne, Texas. She has suffered a stroke and is very ill.

Danny Snell's stepfather, Lawton Taylor, underwent surgery this week in San Antonio. His condition is good.

Leona McElroy is much improved. She hopes to be able to be in worship soon.

Lerah Williamson is at home recovering from a light stroke.

Alan Bobbitt's brother, Rusty Bobbitt, is some improved in Medical Center Hospital.

Alice Stephenson underwent knee surgery on Wednesday in Medical Plaza Hospital in Sherman, Texas.

Pancake Breakfast

The annual Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast, Troop 354, will be Saturday, November 4, from 6:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Center of the Glenwood Church. Tickets may be purchased at the door, or you may see Ron Oberg, Tommy Konczak or a Scout.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Stan Clark
 Prayer Wayne Harrison
 Scripture Harold Denman
 Dismiss Ed Hunt

EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Stan Clark
 Prayer Jack Garner
 Scripture Glynn Starnes
 Dismiss Charles Hickman

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

From The Front

Scott Rachui Kurt Gesse
 Gary Cain Scott Baker

From The Back

Alan Fisher Larry Henry
 Todd Hancock George Hearne

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Don and Chris Drummond
 Clinton and Louise Culpepper
 Bill and Ruth Meazell
 Rob and Carmen Hilliard

Area Meetings

The EMBERS Quartet will appear Sunday, November 12, 1989, in Palestine at the Crockett Road Church of Christ at 3:00 P.M. You are invited.

Charles Hodge will be preaching, November 5 - 8, at the South Main Church of Christ in Henderson, Texas. The time for the week night sermons is 7:00 o'clock. Messages will be on "The Cross."


Bullard Church of Christ will have a meeting, November 5-9 with James LeFan. Monday through Thursday meetings will be at 7:30 p.m.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler
 By Jay Lockhart

"...my soul pants for Thee, O God" (Psalm 42:1)

Incurably Religious

Carl Jung, one of the greatest psychiatrists who ever lived, said, "During the past thirty years, people from all the civilized countries over Europe have consulted me. I have treated many hundreds of patients. Among all my patients over the age of thirty-five, there was not one whose problems in the final analysis was not that of finding a religious outlook on life. It is safe to say, then, that every one of them fell ill because they lost that which the living religions of every age had given to their followers. And I would say that not one patient in thirty years under my care was ever really healed unless he regained a healthy, religious outlook." Jung's belief reminds us that man is incurably religious. He doesn't decide to be religious; he is religious. God made him that way. Therefore, in the heart of every man, whether that heart beats in the brown-toned body of the Spaniard, the yellow-skinned body of the Oriental, the black body of an Afro-American, or the pale-skinned body

of the Caucasian, there is a longing for God. So real is this longing that there is an emptiness in man's soul when he lives without God that can never be filled with the passing things of this world. Twentieth century man is on a quest. Like Sir Galahad, the knight of King Arthur's legendary Round Table, searching for the Holy Grail, man searches, longing to be filled with things, but ever empty. He wears a business suit, works in a factory, drives a truck, teaches school, sits in a church building on Sunday, and is empty and unsatisfied because he has never surrendered his heart to the Will of God. There is no commitment, no excitement, no joy, just emptiness, though surrounded by everything. Augustine, the ancient theologian said, "Thou hast made us for Thyself and we cannot rest until we rest in Thee." How slow we are to learn. Think about it. It's not religion that fills, it is God who fills when hearts are seeking Him wholly.

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Printed below are several pictures from our Servin' Safari last week. Thanks again for a job well done. Congratulations to Rachel Nunn for being nominated as Homecoming Queen for John Tyler High School. Congratulations to Amy O'Quinn and the Robert E. Lee Cheerleaders for a Blue Ribbon in Regional Cheerleading Competition last weekend. Great going gang.

Ski Trip

Sunday was the first day for signing up for the Annual Spring Ski Retreat. There are still places available. If interested, please contact me for more information.

Important Dates

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Benevolence

Any Tuesday or Thursday morning when our Benevolent building is open to serve, usually 50 to 100 people come for assistance. During the past six weeks, individuals and families with children totaling 1,007 people have been helped with clothing valued at over Sixty four hundred dollars. Many people from the other congregations in Tyler bring clothing regularly for this effort, and we are grateful to them as well as to West Erwin members.

"He who is generous to the needy honors God." Proverbs 14:31

Attention WBS Teachers

A meeting for World Bible School Teachers has been planned by the Big Sandy Church on Saturday, November 4, at 1:30 in the afternoon at the Big Sandy church building. Allen Borden, who has just returned from a three weeks campaign in Nigeria will be there to tell about World Bible School work and encourage World Bible School Teachers. Anyone having extra Bible School supplies, song books, or communion supplies should contact brother Borden. He could put them all to good use among churches in Nigeria.

The Search



8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morn'
KLTU - Channel 10
Jay Lockhart, Minister

New Granddaughter

A baby girl, Meghan Mychael Clark, was born Saturday, October 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Clark. In the assembly Sunday morning it was announced that the baby was having difficulty and is in Wichita General Hospital in Wichita Falls. We learned today (Tuesday) that favorable reports have been received and the baby is much improved. We rejoice with brother Joe Clark, the grandfather, and his son and daughter-in-law who live in Olney, Texas.

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Thank You

Words cannot adequately express my thanks for all the thoughtfulness shown me during my surgery and hospital stay. I sincerely appreciate the many cards, visits, calls, food, gifts, and especially the prayers of the church on my behalf. I am looking forward to being back in worship as soon as I am able.

Pauline Daughtry

I want you to know that we appreciate your expressions of kindness and encouragement since my recent illness. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Lerah Williamson

Happy Birthday

NOVEMBER (5) Mary Evelyn Grier, Cheryl Johnson, Kerri Ward (7) Opal Mathews (8) Stacey Lockhart (9) Julie Wren, Vickie Cauthen (10) Alburn Cook, Jack Stringer, Kevin Harris (11) Allison Broome, Leanne Knight, Melinda O'Quinn

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Sermons For Sunday

Sermons For Sunday, November 5, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Studies In Acts

Turning
(Acts 3:1-11)

6:00 P.M. Studies In Acts

Boldness
(Acts 4:23-31)

Here and There

By Wes Price



Attendance at the final Brother's Keeper fellowship meetings was great - about the best for the year. We thank each of you for your participation in these meetings and, most of all, thanks to those gracious hosts who opened their homes to others. We look forward to the holiday season with plenty of Bible class parties and get-togethers, so no meetings will be held during the months of November and December. Enjoy!

All members of our Education Committee are asked to reserve Sunday afternoon, November 5, for a meeting at 5:00 o'clock in my office.

We had the largest attendance at Wednesday evening Bible study since early this year. The count was 271. We commend this weekly time as a source of spiritual strength. Give it some thought. Don't you need a renewal with your brothers and sisters in the middle of the week?

Medina Children's Home is expecting a big response to their request for special food items. Many of you have already been generous with your help, but more is needed. The item they have requested is packaged fruit drinks such as Kool-Aid. In addition they have also let us know that any deer hunter who has more than his share of deer meat or would like to donate his kill, they would be glad to have any and all you care to give. Just let us know.

Now that our Benevolent Center is open two days a week, you can imagine that we are also in need of a greater quantity of clothing. That's especially true with regard to children's clothing. If you have been saving those children's clothing for some special reason, here it is. Bring them to our clothing center, and they will be put to good use.

For the benefit of our Adult Classes on Sunday morning we will be putting the lesson text in the bulletin each week. The lesson text for Sunday morning, November 5, will be Ephesians 2:11-22.

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Bible School	420	422	415
Worship/A.M.	560	562	528
Worship/P.M.	363	374	354
Wed. Eve.	244	367	245
Contributions	\$9,461.73	\$11,236.69	\$11,952.47
Bldg. fund	\$100.00		
Memberships	636		
		Weekly budget	\$12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER - Sunday, October 29 and Wednesday Evening, November 1, KEITH HARRIS, 566-9216.

The Sick

We have learned that sister Alice Stephenson recently had foot surgery that was very successful. However, she will have more complicated surgery on her right knee on November 1. She will be in Medical Plaza Hospital in Sherman, Texas for about twelve days and be on a walker for six weeks following surgery. George and Alice have asked that we remember them in prayer. Their address in Collinsville is Box 43 (76233)

Sister Leona McElroy continues to have health problems. She will have tests Thursday as an outpatient in Mother Frances and will be there overnight.

Sister Homer (Lerah) Williamson suffered a light stroke on Monday.

Rusty Bobbitt, brother of Alan Bobbitt, is in critical condition in ICU in Medical Center. He was in a motorcycle wreck on Tuesday.

Remember these, and others who are having difficulties, when you pray.

Welcome

We welcome Nita Miller into the fellowship of the West Erwin church family. She was baptized Sunday evening. Her address is 219 So. Bonner (P. O. Box 596) 75710., telephone 592-4728.



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Charles Harris Jason Harris

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Rob and Carmen Hilliard
Bill and Ruth Meazell
Don and Chris Drummond
Clinton and Louise Culpepper

Note of Appreciation

Dear Friends of West Erwin:

You mean so much to us and to our family. Thank you for all the cards and calls during this most needed time. But mostly, for your love, support and prayers, we are grateful. Please stay close to our family in prayer and we will hold God's hand together.

Carrye, David, Craig & Leigh Womack
(Children of Ray and Carolyn Womack and Marikate Davis)

Pancake Breakfast

The annual Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast, Troop 354, will be Saturday, November 4, from 6:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Center of the Glenwood Church.

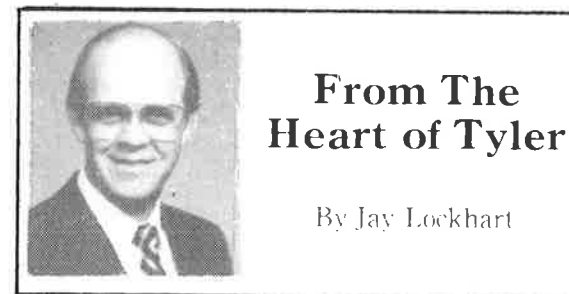
Happy Birthday

OCTOBER (30) Vonnie Hamblett, Sally Ann Pickle, Betty Sue Harris (31) Curt Johnson, Alan Hamblett, Scott Savell NOVEMBER (1) Bill Butler (4) Jeff Blackstone



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

New Sermon Series Announced

Last week I enjoyed a good visit with the West Huntsville, Alabama church for its annual Family Days. This church has about 800 members and is engaged in so many good works, including the construction of a new million dollar Bible School building. Robin Wadley, a long time friend, is the effective preacher for the church and has some impressive and talented staff people helping in the work. My assignment was to speak six times on Home and Family, and the messages were received very well. It was a delight to be with West Huntsville.

Chris White is one of those capable, faithful, and effective brothers who does really good work for the Lord. Chris preaches for the church in Frankston, where he has been working for several years. Last Monday evening I was with that church as a speaker on its Fall Lectureship and I met a good crowd with enthusiasm and open Bibles--indicative of the good work Chris is doing. Whether near or far, it's good to be with God's people, but most of all it's good to be with God's people at home!

This Sunday, October 29, we "fall back" in time as Daylight Savings time ends. With the time change we begin a new series of sermons on the Book of Acts--a book showing how the gospel came from Jerusalem to Rome. The Book of Acts is about witnesses--their commission; their power; their success. These are thrilling pages which we will study together. Chapter and titles are as follows:

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| 1. Waiting | 15. Council |
| 2. Power | 16. Macedonia |
| 3. Turning | 17. Philosophers |
| 4. Boldness | 18. Apollos |
| 5. Profession | 19. Ephesus |
| 6. Filled | 20. Farewell |
| 7. Stephen | 21. Jerusalem |
| 8. Scattered | 22. Misunderstood |
| 9. Saul | 23. Providence |
| 10. Cornelius | 24. Felix |
| 11. Christians | 25. Defense |
| 12. Violence | 26. Agrippa |
| 13. Doors | 27. Shipwrecked |
| 14. Witness | 28. Rome |

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



What a wonderful weekend this was. Over forty people from Shiloh Road and West Erwin gathered for Servin' Safari last Saturday. These folks worked really hard clearing, scraping, painting and having a great time together. Thanks to you who made it possible: Andy Butler, Jenilyn Bulter, Cindy Carruth, Scott Carruth, Jeremy Epperson, Jessica Epperson, David Haney, Jeff Konczak, Tiffany Sublette, Andrea Usrey, and her friend, Kacey, Joanna Vannoy, and Neil Vannoy. Thanks also to the sponsors for food and help: Scott Epperson, Cathy Haney, Jim and Billye Usrey, Fran Starnes, Carolyn Carruth, and Lisa Snell. Special thanks to Mike McMinn for taking pictures. We plan to print pictures of our workers in next week's VISITOR. Congratulations to everyone for a job well done.

Halloween Activity

All Middle School and High School students are invited to an evening out on Tuesday, October 31. We will meet at the building at 6:30 to begin our journey. We will be eating out and going to a couple of "Spook" houses. Dress up in costume if you like and bring a friend for this special time out. We will return at 9:30 p.m.

Ski Trip

The dates for our Ski-Trip are March 16-21. We will meet Sunday evening, October 29 at the Shiloh Road Church. Your non-refundable deposits of eighty dollars will be necessary to reserve a place on the trip. Forty six spaces are available on a "first come, first served" basis. Ask if you have questions.

Important Dates

Oct. 29 Hi School Ski Trip Meeting
Oct. 31 Middle School & Hi School
Nov. 4 ACU High School Day

Potpourri

CONGRATULATIONS

In contest held Saturday, October 21, in Lufkin, Texas, Stephanie Miles was selected to All Regional Middle School Choir and selected as 1st alternate to All Regional Combined Choir. Stephanie is a 7th grade student in Hubbard Middle School. She is the daughter of Sherryl Miles and granddaughter of Charles and Velma Lemons. Congratulations Stephanie.

SINGING

The Patton Lane Church of Christ will host the 5th Sunday Singing on Sunday, October 29, at 2:30 p.m. You are invited to attend.

CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

Change For Children cans are still available in the south foyer and in the hall of the education building. 72 cans were taken last Sunday. This project will benefit Christian Services. You are encouraged to take one and fill it with change, bills or a check. They are to be returned in December.

THANK YOU

We greatly appreciate your contribution of \$7,543.00 toward the relief of the victims of Hurricane Hugo. We assure you that we will distribute the funds to the best of our ability. A final report will be issued to you at a later time.

North Charleston Church of Christ
Charleston, S. C.
Ralph Richardson, Elder

ETCA NEWS

We are not having our Christmas Wonderland Bazaar this year. Our first fund raiser will be a Bake Sale on Saturday, November 18. The cooking will be done at Shiloh Road Church, November 15 and 16. If you are interested in helping, please contact Debby Dailey, 566-3405 or call the school, 561-8642.

BENEVOLENCE

Toys are being collected for distribution during the holiday season through our benevolent program. New toys or any toys in good repair will be appreciated.

Many families come each Tuesday and Thursday to the clothing room for assistance. On Tuesday of this week 90 people were served with approximately \$600.00 in clothing. Your help makes this assistance possible.

We ♥ Visitors!

From Chimala Mission

Dear Christians,

Thank you so much for the two boxes we received from you dated 12/6/'88 and 3/28/'89. The hospital appreciates so much all the work you do for it. The baby gowns are so cute. We have an average of 3 babies a day and we give one to each baby. One day last week we had 11 in one day. We had 3 primies last week. They had to be taken to Mbeya 50 miles away just wrapped in blankets.

We have an abundance of bandages now so if you would like to send other things we need we could use towels, wash cloths and fabric of any kind for the preacher students. We are building a dorm for them and when it is finished we will probably have 40 preachers. This semester we have 24 and they have reported 80 baptisms in the last 4 months. We will need support for some of them next semester at \$25 each a month. If you can help we would appreciate it.

Charlie Hipp and family have been here two months and just last week we heard that one half of their support they will lose soon. Lack of funds is the reason given. They have 3 small children. He is a good worker and we need him here.

Thanks again for your help. God bless you!

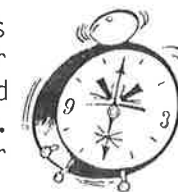
Jerome and Leah Savage
Chimala Mission Hospital
Mbeya, Tanzania East Africa

Medina Grocery Truck

We are collecting Fruit Flavored Drink Mix (such as Kool-Aid) for Medina Children's Home. The grocery truck will be here the week of November 3 to collect what we have for them. A six month supply is 1000 cans.

Time Change

Sunday, 2:00 A.M., is the time to turn your clocks back one hour and return to standard time. Be on time Sunday for Bible Classes.



Here and There

By Wes Price



BROTHER'S KEEPER UNIT MEETINGS

Unit	Leader	Host Home/10-29-1989
1	Wayne Harrison	Dale Blackstone
2	Hillard Hughes	Hillard Hughes
3	Joe McBee	Fellowship Hall (Noon)
4	Jack Stringer	Dub Mathews
5	Billy Terrell	Billy Terrell
6	Milburn Cook	To Be Announced
7	Ben Young	Ray Vannoy
8	John Cliver	David Frick
9	Bob May	Stan Clark
10	Ed Bullard	Robert Hawkins
11	James Phillips	Mary Gaiser
12	Jim Usrey	Fellowship Hall (P.M.)
13	James Sublette	Fellowship Hall (P.M.)
14	Kelly Ross	Kelly Ross
16	Jack Garner	Fellowship Hall (Noon)
17	Scott Epperson	Fellowship Hall (P.M.)

All our Brother's Keeper Units are scheduled to meet this Sunday, October 29. You will find your unit's host home in the schedule below. As usual Unit 16 will be meeting at noon in our Fellowship Hall. This month they will meet with Unit 3. We hope all of you will plan on being present at that time. Please bring a covered dish and enjoy the fellowship.

Unit meetings will not be held during the months of November and December because of the holiday schedule. This will be our final meeting of the individual units for the year of 1989. We are deeply indebted to those folks who have so graciously opened their homes to be hosts for the unit meetings. We only hope your example of hospitality will serve as an example to others in the congregation. Let's look forward to a renewed effort in the coming year.

Sunday
October 29

Brother's
Keepers



Records	Sunday Oct. 15	Sunday Oct. 8	Year Ago
Bible School	422	447	439
Worship/A.M.	562	529	570
Worship/P.M.	374	435	393
Wed. Eve.	367	267	259
Contributions	\$11,236.69	\$11,656.75	\$10,131.03
Bldg. Fund		400.00	
Membership	635		
Weekly Budget	\$12,050.00		
RECORDS FOR THE MEETING, Oct. 8 - 11			
EVENING SERVICES - Average attendance	407		
NOON MEETINGS - Average attendance	207		
RESPONSES	19		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, October 22 and Wednesday evening, Oct. 25, GEORGE HEARNE, 593-8731.

Deacon Resigned

After serving for 16 years as a deacon for the West Erwin Church, Dick Higginbotham has resigned because of a change in his work and a move in the near future. Dick now works out of Dallas. We appreciate him and his service to this congregation.



25 Years Ago

In THE VISITOR, dated October 8, 1964, congratulations were extended to Ray and Carolyn Womack on the birth of a baby daughter.

Leonard Woltman taught a class for teachers on Sunday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock. The class was planned to continue for six weeks.

On October 22, 1964, Bible school attendance was 433 and the contribution was \$1,063.91.

The radio program was mentioned in THE VISITOR. The program was aired Monday through Friday from 12:30 until 12:45 Noon over station KTBB.

Twenty three junior high and high school boys and girls attended their 5:00 o'clock class on Sunday afternoon.

Serving Sunday

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 Prayer Robert Hawkins
 Scripture John Steffee
 Dismiss Charles McCoy

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 Scripture Don Peek
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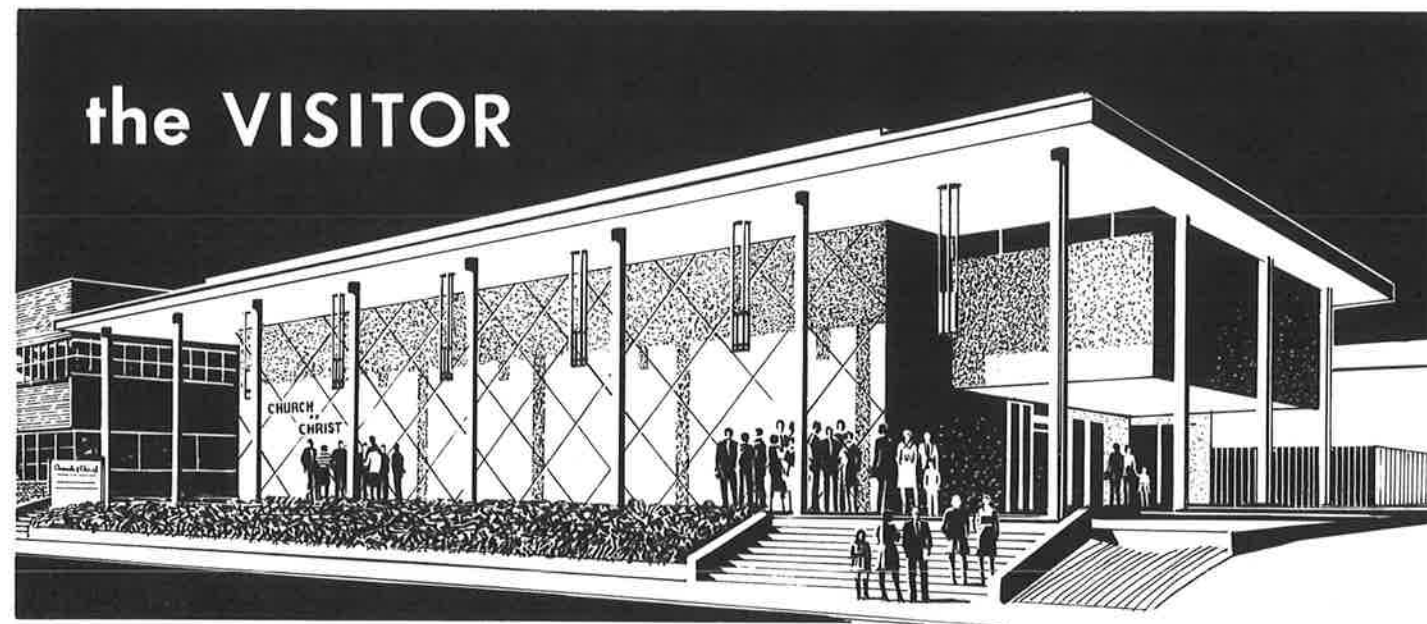
Kathy Culpepper's mother, Patsy Bullard, had surgery Monday in Mother Frances Hospital.

Buddy Metcalf, father of J. N. Metcalf, is in M. D. Anderson in Houston.

Annie McDonald is now a resident of Colonial Manor Nursing Home.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Reflections

I'm reflecting today on our meeting with Doug Parsons which came to a close October 11. A number of things come to mind as I think of those four significant days.

1. Doug Parsons is an effective communicator, an exciting and interesting speaker. His messages are well prepared and powerfully delivered. But here's the secret of the power of his message: not the communication, interesting presentation, preparation, or excitement (though all of these are important), but Doug takes God's Word, the power of God to change men, reads it, explains it, illustrates it, and applies it. Nothing can ever take the place of or serve as a substitute for God's Word. When the messenger is prepared by study, prayer, submission to God and when the people come together with the attitude of "we are all present before God, to hear all the things commanded you by God" (Acts 10:33), then lives are changed. If we lose our message we lose our power.
2. A spirit of enthusiasm and cooperation prevailed throughout the meeting. We no

doubt had more people involved in more ways during this week than at any other time. A special thanks to those who helped us have a most successful meeting in every way.

3. The noon meetings were wonderful. Large crowds attended. The messages were helpful, and the meals were delicious. Many of our friends attended the noon meetings and were our guests for the luncheons which followed. These meals would not have been possible without the cooperation of so many: those who brought the food, those who prepared the room, those who cleaned up, those who served as hostesses, and those who ate!
4. The meeting was timely for us. It was a revival...and we needed revival. We are better for it. We have climbed a little higher, we have grown a little deeper, we are prepared to go a little further. Catch the spirit and let's keep going!
5. We had some of the largest crowds ever during this meeting and there were 19 responses to the invitation of Jesus. It was a great week and we are thankful to God for it.

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Wes Price - Associate	Danny Snell - Youth
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Danny Snell



God really blessed our lives last week by sending Doug Parsons our way. Our meeting with him was absolutely fantastic. Thank you Doug for so eagerly sharing the Word of God, with us and reminding us that we can live victorious Christian lives. I hope that all of us have renewed our commitment to Jesus with excitement and eagerness to serve Him and to share this great life.

Servin' Safari

Teens, don't forget that we will be doing our service projects this Saturday. Meet at the fellowship hall at 8:15 A.M. Wear appropriate clothing for painting and working. Lunch will be served.

Middle School Devotional

October 22 is the day for the city wide Middle School Devotional. Make your plans now to be a part of this great evening. Bring a 2 liter soft drink. We will be back to the building at 9:00 o'clock.

Ski Trip

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Take Time To Pray

Thank You

Dear Brethren,

I want to thank everyone for the many kind deeds performed on my behalf. I sincerely appreciate the prayers, visits, food, and words of encouragement. I am looking forward to the time when I can attend worship again.

Annie McDonald

We appreciate the delicious food you provided for us on Sept. 21. Our devotionals and meals are being well attended. As always you are a great source of help to our ministry. Thank you for the time, effort and love you put into preparing meals for us.

Tri-C Students & Staff

Happy Birthday

OCTOBER (22) Cora Hughes, Marc Lemons, Edythe Trentham (23) Carolyn Stitt, Ember Johnson (24) Billie Ingram, Kim Lemons (25) Loyd Rutledge (26) Forest McFadden, Ed Stitt (28) Jeannie Ross, Ann Layton, Marc Philpot

Responses

The last night of the meeting there were two responses for prayer: Faye Kennard and June Chapel.

Sunday evening we welcomed John and Kathy Portwood and family to West Erwin. Their daughter, Jerri, is 17, and their son, John, is 10. Their address is 10483 F.M. Rd. 344 E, Whitehouse, Texas 75791, telephone 839-2034.

We are also printing a picture of Sandra Vaughn. Her name was listed in last week's bulletin. She plans to be here about three months.



John W. & Kathy Portwood
Jeri and John



Sandra Vaughn

Sermon Subjects

Sermons For Sunday, Oct. 22

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. "The Touch of The Master's Hand"

(Jeremiah 18:1-6)

6:00 P.M. "Let Down Your Nets"

(Luke 5:1-11)



Lectureship

The Frankston Church of Christ will have a lectureship beginning Sunday, October 22 through Thursday, Oct. 26. The theme is What The Church Needs Most. Jay Lockhart will be the speaker on Monday evening at 7:30. His subject will be "Understanding Fellowship With God." Tuesday is youth night.

Medina Home Truck

The grocery truck from Medina Home will be here sometime during the week of October 30th. We are collecting fruit flavored drink mix (such as kool-aid)

The Search



EACH SUNDAY MORNING

8:00 O'clock

KLTV, Channel 7 - Tyler, Texas

Jay Lockhart, Speaker

Benevolence

Clothing is needed in the benevolent work - especially children's clothing-(jackets, sweaters, coats). Ladies, if you have remnants from sewing and scraps of trim, please bring these. They are used to sew children's clothing (dresses, shirts, shorts, etc.) to be distributed through the benevolent work.

Additional helpers are needed to work on Thursdays.

Thank you for the good response you have already given to this announcement. Many brown grocery sacks and some materials have already been brought to the building.

Here and There

By Wes Price



It will be a long time before we forget the good meeting with Doug Parsons. The clear and challenging messages, the responses, and the excitement will continue to bring us blessings long into the future. We are grateful for the presence of so many visitors. No small part of the week's activities was the noon meetings each week day. I don't know of anything that we have done in a meeting that has met with such success. I believe we had more visitors for those meetings than for the evening meetings. The ladies did their usual good turn in food preparation and serving. Without a doubt, a new tradition has begun. Thanks to all who had a part in making the meeting a great success.

A special invitation to all members of the Young Married Couples Class is extended to join us for a party this coming Saturday night at the home of Mark and Paige Morris, 714 Hampton Hills Drive at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a salad or dessert. We hope you will join us for this festive occasion. You are encouraged to invite a guest.

While we are at it, the Young Married Couples Class is due a good round of applause for being the largest in attendance of all adult classes on Sunday morning, October 15, with 54 present. I believe that must be some kind of record. We hope it will continue to grow.

A recent check in our church library indicates that a number of our books have been checked out for an extended period of time. Will you please check your home library and see if you have any on hand. We will appreciate having them returned.

The final fellowship meeting of our Brother's Keeper units is coming up on Sunday, October 29. Homes hosting these meetings will be posted in a later bulletin, but we want to remind you of them now so that you can be planning on making these the largest attended meetings of the year. You have every thing to gain by attending and spending some quality time with brothers and sisters in Christ.

Being together at worship times is a wonderful experience and nothing in these unit meetings is designed to take away from that. However, there are experiences of sharing that can take place in these small meetings that never find a place in our worship assemblies. Think about those times when you have felt spiritually refreshed when you shared a problem with a friend in a quiet setting. What a lift!



SEE YOU SUNDAY
9:30 A.M.
BIBLE CLASSES FOR EVERYONE

Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	Oct. 8	Oct.10	Ago
Bible School	447	400	400
Worship/A.M.	529	519	509
Worship/P.M.	435	383	392
Wed. Eve.	267	255	280
Contributions	\$11,656.75	\$10,554.33	\$11,317.60
Bldg. Fund	400.00	850.00	
Special Fund			
for Charleston, So. Carolina			\$7,543.40
Membership 638		Weekly budget	\$12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, October 15 and Wednesday, Oct. 18, MELVIN MAPLES, 597-0019.

Special Contribution

The West Erwin Church gave over seventy five hundred dollars last Sunday in a special contribution for victims of Hurricane Hugo. The money was sent to the North Charleston Church of Christ in Charleston, South Carolina. You are to be commended for this generous contribution.



WELCOME ROSE FESTIVAL VISITORS

Area Meetings

Mac Lyon will be the guest speaker in a Gospel Meeting at the Eastern Hills Church of Christ in Marshall, October 15-18. Services each weekday, 7:30 P.M.

The Broad Street Church of Christ in Mineola will have Eddie Cloer in a Gospel Meeting, October 20 - 22 (Friday through Sunday). The evening service Friday and Saturday will be 7:30.

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 Announcements Freeman Morgan
 Prayer Ron Oberg
 Dismiss Jimmie Philpot
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 Dismiss Robert McLemee

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The Sick

Sister Pauline Daughtry is making good progress recovering from knee surgery. She hopes to go home Friday.

Brother J. N. Metcalf's father, Buddy Metcalf, remains in M. D. Anderson Hospital.

Sister Donna Maples' mother, Hazel Blanton, remains in Medical Center Hospital.

Jean Tigert remains in U. T. Health Center.

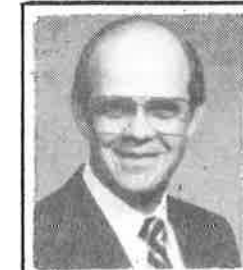
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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

October 8 - 11, 1989 will be a time remembered as a milestone for the West Erwin Church. Doug Parsons did a magnificent job in presenting the message of Christ. His messages were clear, simple, biblical, and powerful. Jim McCoy and Wes Price led inspirational singing through the week. The congregation participated in a wonderful way in preparation for the meeting, in attendance (some of the largest crowds ever), in bringing others, and in excitement. Our women outdid themselves in preparing food for the week-day noon meetings (we fed about 600 in three days). Our men were involved in the noon meetings, not only in attendance, but in helping the ladies prepare food, tables, and in the cleanup. Most importantly, many hearts were touched and lives changed (more than fifteen people responded to the invitation). It was one of those extraordinary weeks--a milestone in our work for Christ.

Next Sunday is my last Sunday away for the year as I begin a four day Marriage Seminar with my good friend Robin Wadley and the West Huntsville church in Alabama. Pray for me and hear Robert and Wes Sunday.

Hear These Men Sunday

Robert Hawkins will preach Sunday morning on the theme: "Healing The Whole Man" John 7:14-24



Robert Hawkins



Wes Price

Wes Price will preach Sunday evening on the subject: "Remembering And Forgetting" 2 Peter 1:12-15

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Occasionally the forces of nature intervene in the plans of men. This was the case this past Saturday for our planned "Servin' Safari." Due to the rain we had to postpone our projects till a later date. We have scheduled Saturday, October 21 for our "Servin' Safari." All the schedules and plans are to remain the same except the date. Make your plans now and let me know if you are going to help.

Because of the re-scheduling of our "Servin' Safari," our trip to the State Fair has been cancelled. Lisa and I and Shannon will be in Lubbock next week for the Youth Ministers Seminar. We would appreciate your prayers on our behalf for a safe trip and to bless our time together with other Youth Ministers so that our ministry here will continue to grow to the glory of God. Thanks to all of you for your continued support and encouragement.

Congratulations to Seth Ward for his decision on Sunday to become a Christian. We are very proud of you, Seth, because you have made the most important decision you will ever make. We rejoice with you today as God does also.

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The Search



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 8:00 O'clock
 KLTU, Channel 7 - Tyler, Texas
 Jay Lockhart, Speaker

And The Lord Added. . .

MEMBERSHIP AND PRAYER

Jim and Priscilla Mayer, 305 Hanks, Whitehouse, Texas, telephone 839-2209. They are the parents of John Mayer, one of our college students.

Scott D. and Jana Savell, 2414 Terilinga, Tyler 75701, telephone 595-5620. The Savells have two preschool children, Jakob, 3 years and Emily, 1 year. They formerly lived in Midland, Texas.

Alma Pitzer, 605 Zelwood, Tyler 75701, telephone, 597-9973. Sister Pitzer has been very active in the benevolent work of the church.

Nita McDuffie, formerly of Mineola, Texas, now lives at Rt. 23, Box 23, Tyler 75703, telephone 534-0246. Her daughter, Lisa, is a student at Hubbard Middle School.

Carl and Melinda Collins placed membership recently and we are happy to print their picture this week.

Don Hill, who recently came to Tyler, came Monday evening.

MEMBERSHIP

Sandra Vaughn, 907 Lindsey Lane, Tyler 75701, telephone, 593-6079, came Monday evening. She is the daughter of Pauline Daughtry, and plans to be here approximately 3 months with her mother.

FOR PRAYER

Sunday, the following came asking for prayer: Tina Harris, Lila Carroll, Doug McKee, Danny and Lisa Snell, Carolyn Blackstone, Kimberly Jordan, and Bob Bryant.

BAPTIZED

Sunday morning, Seth Ward, son of Steve and Kathie Ward, was baptized into Christ. Seth is a 6th grade student in middle school.



James and Priscilla Mayer



Nita McDuffie and Lisa

New Baby

Congratulations to Bill and Carolyn Paschall who are the happy parents of a baby boy, David Matthew, born Friday, October 6, at 5:20 p.m. in Mother Frances Hospital. The baby weighed 7 lb and 5 oz and is 20½ inches long.

Thank You

Thank you for the calls, cards, and expressions of concern while I was hospitalized recently.

Doc Wright

I want to express my appreciation to everyone for the visits, food, cards, and your prayers. My eye is wonderful.

Leona McElroy

(During the past week Leona has been suffering from acute bronchitis and is housebound.)

Happy Birthday

OCTOBER (15) John Steffee (16) Sandra Henry, Dan Cullinan (17) Charles Lemons, Dannie Skipper (18) Julie Maddox (19) John Brem, Mary Haws, Bill McCain (20) Dorothy Bell, Fred Powell, Carolyn Miller, Wanda Frick, Lila Carroll



Scott and Jana Savell
 Emily and Jakob



Carl and Melinda Collins



Alma Pitzer

Here and There

By Wes Price



We had a good beginning for our new Wednesday night classes for adults, but we hope more of you will take up the habit of Wednesday night attendance. We also commend the children's classes. We sincerely believe that they need this additional Bible study time. Let me share the following article with you from the Christian Bible Teacher of September, 1989.

Why Attend Sunday Night

And Mid-Week Services?

by TRUMAN E. SPRING

If you were to ask many of God's people why they do not come to Sunday night and Mid-week evening services of the church, you would receive various and sundry answers. Some of these we are listing are the ones that we believe are most common:

1. "I don't think it is necessary to go more than once a week."
2. "I just have too much to do to rry and go."
3. "I have to get up early for my job and I just need my rest."
4. "I was just too tired to dress myself and the children."
5. "That's the night some special friends of our get together."
6. "My favorite television show is on that night."
7. "My husband won't go so I won't leave him."

If we were to give any of the above seven excuses, which are often given, would it take a mastermind to see whether we are spiritually minded or not? Every excuse offered above is carnal and not spiritual. So, for final consideration as to whether a member of the Lord's church should attend evening services, I set forth the following scriptures: James 4:17, "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin." Then in Hebrews 13:17, "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls." In I Corinthians 15:58, we find, "Therefore my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." Colossians 1:10, "That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God."

In view of the above scriptures, we would have to ask ourselves, "Are these activities good work?" Are these services approved by the Elders in their effort to carry out their responsibility in feeding the flock? Finally, "Would you benefit from them and be a part of a good work?"

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Worship/P.M.	383	386	366
Wed. Eve.	255	266	261
Contributions	\$10,554.33	\$11,561.70	\$9,471.85
Bldg. Fund	850.00	250.00	
Membership 632	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, October 8 and Wednesday, Oct. 11 - IRA WILSON, 561-0750.

It Won't Work



...Unless
You Use It.

Welcome New Members

Sunday morning we welcomed Rick and Robin Kerner who came to place membership. They have two children, Ricky, 2 years and Crissy, 7 months. The Kerners address is 2402 Copeland Rd. (75701).



On Friday afternoon, Sept. 29, Casey Culpepper, son of Ken and Cathy Culpepper, was baptized into Christ. Casey is in the 5th Grade.



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The Sick

Pauline Daughtry is a patient in Medical Center recovering from knee surgery.

Doc Wright is in Medical Center for tests.

J. N. Metcalf's father, Buddy Metcalf, will enter M. D. Anderson in Houston this week for tests and treatment.

Jean Tigert continues to be a patient in U. T. Health Center.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"The Lord Will Do Great Things"
-Joel 2:21

Gospel Meeting Begins Sunday

October 8 - 11, Doug Parsons of Midland, Texas, will be with us for a time of revival, renewal, and outreach. All adult classes, including the college age class, will meet together in the auditorium Sunday morning for Bible Class. Remember the time for the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday assemblies is 7:00 o'clock. Sermon subjects are:

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| Sunday Bible Class | "The Victorious Christian Life" |
| Sunday Morning | "The Greatest Need of This Church" |
| Sunday Evening | "A Call To Commitment" |
| Monday 7:00 P.M. | "A Philosophy To Live By" |
| Tuesday 7:00 P.M. | "A Life That Lasts" |
| Wednesday 7:00 P.M. | "An Event You Won't Miss" |

In addition to speaking during our regular assemblies on Sunday and Monday through Wednesday evenings, brother Parsons will be speaking each weekday at 12:10. We will be dismissed promptly at 12:35 for a luncheon prepared by our ladies. Invite your co-workers to attend with you and stay for lunch. Subjects are:

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|------------------------|--|
| Monday - 12:10 Noon | "A Life That Wins" |
| Tuesday - 12:10 Noon | "Winning Over Worry" |
| Wednesday - 12:10 Noon | "How To Keep The Magic In Your Marriage" |



Doug Parsons

**DANNY'S
DOODLES**

Danny Snell



We are blessed to have such great shepherds for our flock. Last Sunday was an opportunity for the youth to say, "For all you do, we love you. Thanks elders, ministers, and your wives, for being great leaders."

A very special "Thank you" to the Parents Committee for hosting the Elders and Ministers Appreciation Dinner: Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, Wayne and Lynn Harrison, John and Susan Steffee, James and Connie Sublette, and Ray and Gail Vannoy. Thanks again for a great evening.



All teens who are helping this Saturday with Servin Safari need to meet at the fellowship hall at 8:15 A.M. We will be working all morning at three locations and return for lunch at 12:00. We will work in the afternoon until 5:00 or until all the jobs are done - whichever comes first. Please remember to bring your paint scrapers and brushes. Be sure to wear old clothes and a cap. See you Saturday.

Combined Activity

We will be going out to eat together this Sunday night after the meeting with Doug Parsons. Plan to come and enjoy the great free meal.

<u>Important Dates</u>	
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Oct. 8-11	Meeting With Doug Parsons
Oct. 14	East Texas Teachers Workshop
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Oct. 29	High School Ski Trip Meeting

Special Contribution Sunday

For South Carolina



Last Sunday morning the announcement was made by brother C. B. Hardin that the West Erwin congregation will be given the opportunity to contribute to a special collection to be sent to the North Charleston Church of Christ in South Carolina. Our elders have communicated with the church there concerning their needs following Hurricane Hugo. The greatest need at this time is money. There is much distress and hurt in Charleston and you are urged to be generous in contributing. On Sunday, October 8, following the regular contribution a second collection will be taken.

Thank You

We thank you for your prayers, food, cards, and the cards from the adult classes. We appreciate our Christian friends and your encouragement.
Foy and Edna Hodnett

Thank you all so much for the prayers, cards, calls and visits. Nettie and I feel indeed privileged to be a part of the loving West Erwin family.

Guy Potts

We are so very grateful and appreciate the wonderful love you showed to us during the illness and death of our dear loved one, Howell Kennedy. We love all of you very much.

The Kennedy Family
Thelma Brewer and Ora Moore

Sing-Song

"Dallas Sing-Song '89 with Ray Walker" will be hosted by the Prestoncrest Church of Christ in Dallas Saturday evening October 14, starting at 7:30 p.m. All are invited to attend this special singing event. For more information call (214) 233-2392.

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LADIES CLASS

Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Class will not meet next week because of the noon assembly for our Gospel Meeting with Doug Parsons.

QUILTS TO CHARLESTON CHURCH

Ladies who take part in the Benevolent Program of the church are sending fifteen new quilts to the North Charleston Church to help with the relief of needs brought about by Hurricane Hugo.

YOUNG AT HEART

The regularly scheduled meeting of Young At Heart is next Thursday evening, October 12, at 6:30 p.m. A covered dish supper is planned.

MOVING TO CALIFORNIA

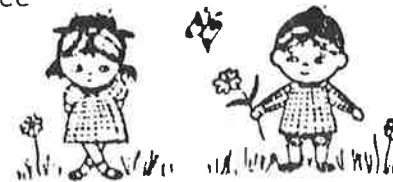
Wyndall and Carolyn Miller will soon be moving to California to the Los Angeles area. Wyndall is now in training in Denton. He will continue his work with Sherwin-Williams Co. as an auditor. They will be missed here.

THANK YOU LADIES

The menu lists for the noon meals for our meeting have been filled to overflowing. This is a wonderful expression of hospitality.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October (8) Cody Ables, Chris Ables, Pattie Tate (9) Hulen Hulsey, Miranda Smith (10) Kyle Ross, Leona Hardin (11) Amanda Broome, Brett Hone (12) Allen Bobbitt, Mary Dawson (13) Charles Bell, Cheri Bene, Brady Dawkins, Elva Lee Williams (15) John Steffee



See You In Bible School

Here and There

By Wes Price



Please don't forget that the week night meeting time will be at 7:00 o'clock instead of 7:30. This change affects our Wednesday night services. We will be meeting each Wednesday night at 7:00, beginning this week. Make sure you make a mental note.

Harold Taylor's morning sermon Sunday was certainly timely with regard to the announcement our elders made concerning the needy in Charleston, South Carolina. This coming Sunday, October 8, a special collection will be made following our regular offering. This money will be forwarded to the church in Charleston to assist our needy brothers and sisters who suffered from the devastation of Hurricane Hugo. Let's be generous and show how eager we are to help those of the household of faith.

Once again, let me remind all Bible Class workers and teachers of our trip to Longview for the East Texas Teacher Training Workshop at the Alpine church on Saturday, October 14. This will be a tremendous opportunity for us to improve our teaching skills and help our Bible School Program to reach a higher level of success.

Our Gospel Meeting with Doug Parsons begins this coming Sunday morning, October 8. All college age and adult classes will meet for a combined class in the auditorium for a special beginning lesson in Doug's series with us. I have been busy inviting friends and acquaintances to be our special guests, and I pray that you have been doing the same. Surely you know of at least one person you can invite to be your guest. I know you do.

I believe we are in for a special treat at the noon meetings that have been planned. Noon time represents an unusual time for you to invite men and women you work with to hear a brief message from Doug and share a meal together. Of course, this is not limited to members and guests who work. We want all our members to be bringing guests and be present each of the three days. COME JOIN US!

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Funeral

Funeral Services are pending at this writing for Virginia Meyer, grandmother of Earl O'Quinn. She died Tuesday evening in Lytle, Texas.



SEE YOU SUNDAY IN BIBLE SCHOOL
9:30 A.M.

CLASSES FOR EVERYONE

Welcome New Members

We are happy to have Rob and Carmen Hilliard as new members. They placed membership last Wednesday evening (Sept. 20). Their address is 3024 Horseshoe Trail, Tyler 75702, telephone 597-5007.



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The Sick

Sister Virginia Conner continues to be a patient in Mother Frances Hospital, Room 446.

Sister Pauline Daughtry will enter Medical Center on Thursday and have knee surgery Friday at noon.

Brother J. N. Metcalf's father, Buddy Metcalf, has been undergoing tests as an outpatient in U.T. Health Center.

Sister Ruby Brem had cataract surgery on Wednesday morning.

Jean Tigert, sister of Daisy and Lucille Carpenter, is a patient in U.T. Health Center.

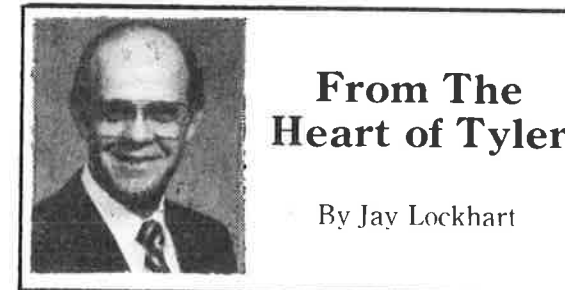
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By Jay Lockhart

GUEST EDITORIAL

By Doug Parsons, Pulpit Minister
Golf Course Road Church of Christ
Midland, Texas

Let's Do It All The Time

Daddy, why don't we do this all the time?"

The speaker was a little boy sitting directly behind me. The question was prompted by a man who was being baptized. He had walked down the aisle with a friend to confess Christ publicly and demonstrate his faith in the Lord's death, burial and resurrection.

I had just finished preaching at the North Atlanta church that Sunday morning and this man had been attending AA meetings hosted by the congregation. It was a moving testimony to the power of the cross and warmth of friendship.

But I couldn't get the little boy's question out of my mind. It haunts me still, "Daddy why don't we do this all the time?" Why don't we here at GCR and in all churches baptize "all the time," at every service? Consider a few of the answers I've come up with. We don't baptize "all the time" because:

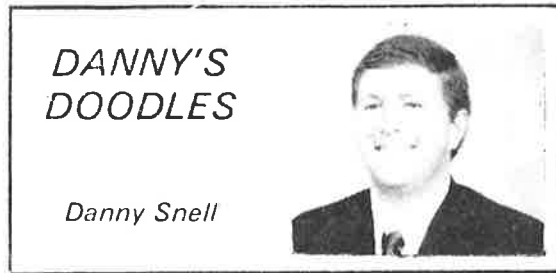
Too many of us have a selfish attitude toward the church. We think of it only in terms of how

it can meet our needs and, if it does so, we never worry that the needs of the lost go unmet.

We often take a casual attitude toward Bible Study attendance, missing if we feel tired, have visitors in our home, or just don't care to get up on a certain Sunday morning. This attitude slows growth and stifles excitement, leading to fewer conversions. Many of us who attend faithfully never invite a lost friend. Saved people cannot be saved again, so we have no candidate for baptism. Some of us steal God's tithe week by week, and we cannot expect Him to bless a congregation of thieves.

I could go on, but I can sum it all up in one statement: We don't baptize "all the time" because we simply do not intend to. Well, Christ intends for us to, if Matthew 28:19 is any indication. We need to give some attention to our intentions if we are going to claim Him as Lord.

By the way, we have baptized for five consecutive Sundays. let's keep it up, "all the time."



"Time Of Day" Performance

All teens and parents are invited to come to the "Time Of Day" performance this Saturday from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. This entertaining evening will be at the home of Dr. Bill Chambers, 501 Cumberland Rd. In case of inclement weather it will be at the Glenwood Fellowship Center. "Time Of Day" is a very talented group that plays all types of music. I know this will be a great time together.

Elders and Ministers Appreciation Dinner

All teens are reminded that this Sunday night, October 1, is the Elders and Ministers Appreciation Dinner. We will be meeting after the evening assembly in the fellowship building. This will be a great time together, so make plans to come and show honor to whom honor is due.

Servin' Safari

All teens, please remember our plans for Servin' Safari. Saturday, October 7, is the day. Let's get our Sponsor Sheets full and our excitement high for Servin' Safari.



- Important Dates**
- Sept. 30 - "Time Of Day" performance
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Sunny Glen Children's Home

A letter from Sunny Glen Children's Home is posted in the South Foyer. They have a need for houseparents that is discussed in detail in the letter. The need is for a faithful Christian couple to serve as houseparents to a cottage of eight children.

"Lunch Bunch"

During our meeting, October 8 - 11, the "Lunch Bunch" will be cooking on Thursday instead of on Tuesday.

In The U. S. Navy

Mark Adams left last week for training in the U. S. Navy. He is the son of Tony and Mary Adams.

Harold Taylor will be preaching at both assemblies on Sunday. Jay Lockhart will be in a Gospel Meeting in Calvert City, Kentucky.

Thank You

To all of those who were there with us through this very special time in our lives, thank you so very much for all the cards, gifts, meals, and prayers. Words cannot express the gratitude we have for everyone who helped. It's nice to know we have such loving and caring people in our congregation. We are very happy to be a part of this church.

Rahn and Rhonda and Brandon Harris

There are no words to express the love and gratitude we feel toward our Christian brothers and sisters. Your prayers, words of encouragement, your hugs, smiles and tears, and your great generosity have helped us so very much this last month. We love you and want to thank each one of you for the love you have shown us. Please continue to pray for us as we have some tough decisions to make.

In Christian love,
Harold and Shirley Denman

Funeral

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning in Seguin, Texas for Mimi Aven's grandfather, Manuel Castillo. We express our sympathy to Mimi and Gary and their family.



Here and There

By Wes Price

A big round of applause for the hosts of our Brother's Keeper fellowship meetings last Sunday night. We appreciate your extra effort in providing a warm and inviting place for your units to meet. We have one more fellowship meeting before the year ends on October 29. The last two months of the year are reserved for special holiday affairs.

All teachers and Bible school workers are reminded again of the scheduled trip to Longview on Saturday morning, October 14, for the annual East Texas Teacher Training Workshop. Our elders are committed to this effort and will be attending with us. Our bus will leave our building at 7:30 a.m. for the Alpine church. Coffee and donuts will be served during the registration session at the church so you won't have to prepare your own breakfast. Schedules of the classes are available in our foyers so pick up a copy and select your class. The Workshop will conclude at 3:00 p.m. and we'll be back in our parking lot at 4:00.

Now may I make a special appeal to those of you who look forward to a special day at home? I realize that this is calling for a sacrifice on your part and things you usually put off till then will still be waiting to get done, but I ask you to consider making this small sacrifice for the sake of our Bible school program and for your own personal spiritual growth. I believe you will receive the greater blessing if you put this first on your list of things to do on that day. Do it for me, for our Bible school, for your personal enrichment, and for the glory of God!

I believe you will receive the news about the change in our Wednesday night meeting time as I did, with thanksgiving. I sincerely believe that more of our folks will enjoy meeting for Wednesday night at the 7:00 p.m. hour. Beginning Wednesday night, October 4th, we will assemble at that time each week. This will include the week night meetings with Doug Parsons.

Please make every effort to get rid of any casual feeling about our meeting with Doug Parsons. We need every member of this church to feel the personal responsibility to be present for every session, not just on Sunday. We want you to invite friends to attend with you, but if you get no response we still need you here to support the preaching of the gospel. Your presence will add more to these services than you think. Take a good positive step forward for the future of this church and let it begin by making a commitment to be present for all assembly times. We look forward to a great attendance.

We ♥ Visitors!

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Thank You

I want to say thanks to my dear West Erwin Church family and loved ones for the love and concern that has been shown me during my week in the hospital and now the three weeks stay at home. Thanks for the many visits, calls, cards, flowers and, most of all, your prayers.

Christine Parsons

The prayers, cards, letters, flowers and food certainly encouraged me during my stay in the hospital and return home. Thank you for your expressions of love and concern.

Marikate Davis

Welcome To West Erwin

It was announced Sunday that Mrs. Walker (Rhonda) Weathers was baptized last Friday afternoon. We rejoice with Rhonda and Walker and welcome her as a new member of the West Erwin Church family.

We also extend our welcome to Carl and Melinda Collins who recently moved to Tyler from Searcy, Arkansas where they attended the College Church. Their address is 1600 Rice Road, #217 (75703), Telephone, 561-7943.



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Power For Today

POWER FOR TODAY for October/November/December, 1989 have arrived and are in the foyers. If you use this booklet for daily Bible reading, please pick one up.

The Sick

Sister Anita Hidalgo is a patient in Medical Center Hospital for tests.

Sister Margaret Talley is experiencing health problems and has been unable to attend worship in recent weeks.

Brother Dale Blackstone is recovering from pneumonia. He has been ill almost three weeks.

Gospel Meeting

Hardeman Nichols will preach in a Gospel Meeting, October 1 - 4, at the Pritchett Church of Christ. Evening services will be at 7:30. You are invited to attend.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Gospel Meetings Don't Work Anymore

... Unless the People Do!

I remember it well! Those days not so long ago when an announcement could be made that a church was going to have eight or ten or fifteen days of preaching... and the building would be filled, ten or twenty would be baptized, and that many more would be "restored." But this is not those days. This is now. Announcing a Gospel Meeting does not assure full houses; most of the time there are few responses, and outsiders don't come. Now granted, we cannot live in the past. Our methods of doing the Lord's work must ever be changing as we seek to present the unchanging message of Christ in the very best ways available. The special series of meetings is only one of the ways we have used through the years to advance the Lord's Cause. In the 1980's it's harder to get people out. Our own people do not attend very well so we don't expect outsiders to attend. But please do not criticize me, or the church, when we announce a Gospel Meeting and try to reach people with the gospel. A church doesn't have to have this kind of meet-

ing, but if it chooses to have it, so be it. The church is simply trying to reach out with the message. What kind of outreach do the critics have who say the day of the meeting is over? It's harder to be sure. These days are the 80's not the 50's. However, in preaching in six or eight of these meetings a year for the past thirty years, I have noticed something. When our people really get involved, when they attend every service, when they invite their friends, when they pray, something wonderful happens-- people are baptized and the church is strengthened. I remember a meeting in 1987 at West Erwin...over 500 average attendance for six services, over a dozen baptized (mostly adults), other responses, excitement, edification. And why? The people worked and prayed and cared and were involved. No plan of the church will work unless the people do. If people plan the work and work the plan, then nearly any plan will work! Think about it and HEAR DOUG PARSONS EVERY DAY, OCTOBER 8 - 11!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Teens, it's great to see so many of you attending Bible Class on Wednesdays and Sundays. Our elders have set aside this time for studying the Word of God. This is an important time, and I am grateful that so many recognize that importance. If you don't come to class, I would like to invite you. I believe that you will enjoy it and get a lot from it, if you give it a chance. The Middle School and High School classes meet every Sunday morning at 9:30. David Frick and I teach those classes. On Wednesday nights the Middle School and High School students meet in Room 301 from 7:30 until 8:30 for our devotional and class time. We are studying, "A Life That Shines" - The Message of Philipians. Kelly Ross and I are teaching. Please try to come the next opportunity that you have. You will benefit.

Servin' Safari

All teens, please remember our plans for Servin' Safari. Saturday, October 7, is the day. Let's get our Sponsor Sheets full and our excitement high for Servin' Safari.



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See YOU Sunday!

From
the Mail Bag



"THE SEARCH"

"Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ who cares for us. I am grateful to receive some copy of THE SEARCH from my teacher, Mrs. Helen L. Stripling, this week. I would also be happy if you could send me some of the cassetted ones. My class will be interested to listen to them. I am a member of the Church of Christ Rumuomosi congregation, Rivers-State, Port Harcourt. Mighty God bless you all in Jesus name." -Amen.

Nigeria, West Africa

(Sister Stripling, a member of the Glenwood congregation, is a World Bible School Teacher.)

Through correspondence with Carroll and Cherrie Magee we have learned that tapes from THE SEARCH are being taken into Angola. The tapes will be used by a few Christians there and to make contacts with the natives. Pray that the contacts may result in saving souls in Angola.

"Please send me the tape of your sermon for Sunday, Sept. 3. My husband and I are both disabled and we watch TV a lot."

Atlanta, Texas

"May I trouble you for a copy of Sunday Morning's Bible message that came on at 8:00 o'clock, Sept. 10. I thought the message and deliverance was really good! It should have been heard around the world."

Tyler, Texas

"I enjoyed the sermon last Sunday. I am asking for a tape of the lesson on hypocrisy because I need to listen and hear it over and over again."

Whitehouse, Texas

"Recently I was visiting in Quitman, Texas on Sunday morning, and I viewed your program, THE SEARCH. I don't remember the date, but you were speaking about "Saving Faith and Obedient Faith." You read a story about a teacher that did not like a little boy in class. Your message and this story has had a tremendous impact upon my life. May I have a printed copy of your message and the story. May God bless your ministry."

Houston, Texas

We continue to be grateful to the Alpine Church in Longview as they contribute each month toward the support of THE SEARCH. Although Jay Lockhart does not solicit funds for THE SEARCH, some who view the program do make contributions. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Parker of Longview, the Graceton Church of Christ, Mr. L. E. Wagstaff of Gilmer, and Reba Lytle of Abilene send contributions on a regular basis. Many people send money to help with postage. All have expressed an interest in helping to preach the Gospel of Christ throughout the East Texas area through television.

Sunday Sermons

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. All Things Are Ready

Matthew 22:1-14

6:00 P.M. Shields Of Brass

I Kings 14:25-28

New Baby

Mark and Angel Gregory are the happy parents of a baby boy, Landon Mark, born Friday morning in Mother Frances Hospital. He weighed 8 lb and 3 oz and is 21 inches long. Ferman and Lucille Carpenter are the proud grandparents.

Thank You

Dear Members of West Erwin Church,

Thanks for all the acts of kindness shown to us during my stay in the hospital, not only while in the hospital but my recuperating time at home. You've all been wonderful and it is gratifying to know you're always there for us.

Dorothy and Buddy Bell

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to James and Doris Kennedy in the death of Jim's father, Howell Kennedy. Funeral services were conducted on Sunday.

Happy Birthday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY (24) James Kennedy (25) Claudia Griffis (26) Ruby McCain (27) Nettie Potts, Jody Hawkins (28) Abby Adams, Cheryee Oberg (29) Brody Clark, Adela Scogins, Justin Metcalf, Janiece Johnson (30) Mary Butler, Gary Colston

Ladies - Please Notice

Ladies, in preparation for the noon meetings of our Gospel Meeting, October 8-11, please take time Sunday to look at the menu lists posted in the south foyer. There is a list for Monday, Oct.9, Tuesday, Oct.10, and Wednesday, Oct.11. Each list has spaces for meat, salads/vegetables, and desserts. It is important that the list for each day be filled as soon as possible. Please plan to bring something each day. Sister Arlene Lockhart is co-ordinating the meals. If you need more information, please talk with her.

Here and There

By Wes Price



If you did not sign up to be part of the noon meetings with Doug Parsons when he is here in October, may I ask you to reconsider. You will be missing a real treat. But more than just what you might miss for yourself is what someone you could bring as a guest might miss. Begin now to think about that special friend or associate with whom you work that could have their first and only opportunity to be a part of one of our worship assemblies. Be with us and bring a friend. At any rate, be with us!

Our Discovery Days preschool continues to grow each week. Two new children were added to the enrollment this week. I have opportunity to visit with the parents of these children and they all express appreciation for the good that Barbara and Jeannie do.

We are looking forward to being together with our Brother's Keeper Units this coming Sunday night after evening services. We hope you plan on being present for your unit meeting. Please note the place of meeting for your particular unit. There is one exception, so please note.

Our Wednesday evening classes got off to a good start last week and we are looking forward to the continuing series. If you have not become a part of one of these classes, we certainly recommend one to you. Why not become part of our mid-week Bible students?

Unit No.	BROTHER'S KEEPER	UNIT MEETINGS
		Meeting Place
1		Wayne Harrison
2 & 16	(Noon)	Fellowship Hall
3		Tony Adams
4		Archie Lowry
5		H. G. Potts
6	(Oct.1)	Stan Mallory
7		Dannie Skipper
8		John Cliver
9		Stan Clark
10		Charles McCoy
11		Glynn Starnes
12	(Evening)	Fellowship Hall
13	(Evening)	Fellowship Hall
14	(Evening)	Fellowship Hall
16	(Noon)	Fellowship Hall
17		Scott Epperson

Records	Sunday Sept. 10	Sunday Sept. 3	Year Ago
Bible School	446	419	540
Worship/A.M.	525	565	604
Worship/P.M.	370	377	446
Wed. Eve.	270	250	287
Contributions	\$10,217.09	10,733.06	\$11,483.48
Bldg. Fund	220.00	1,070.00	
Membership 626	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, September 17 and Wednesday Eve., September 20, JOHN CLIVER, 593-5075.

The Sick

Brother Guy Potts is a patient in Medical Center Hospital.

Sister Christine Parsons has been dismissed from the hospital and has gone to Adela and Leona's home for a time of recovery.

Sister Earnesene Shuford had cataract surgery Wednesday morning.

Sister Clara Riley is now in Colonial Manor Nursing Home.



New Members

We are happy to welcome Glenda Turner into the fellowship of the West Erwin congregation. She placed membership Wednesday evening. Her address is 14502 CR 2191, Whitehouse, Texas 75791, telephone 561-4599.



Brandon Chambless, 3136 Greg Lane (75701) was baptized Sunday morning. We commend Brandon for his decision to obey the gospel. He is a 9th grade student at Robert E. Lee.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Ray Vannoy
 Scripture Billy Terrell
 Dismiss Terry Frick

EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Forest McFadden
 Scripture Steve Ward
 Dismiss Jeff Hone

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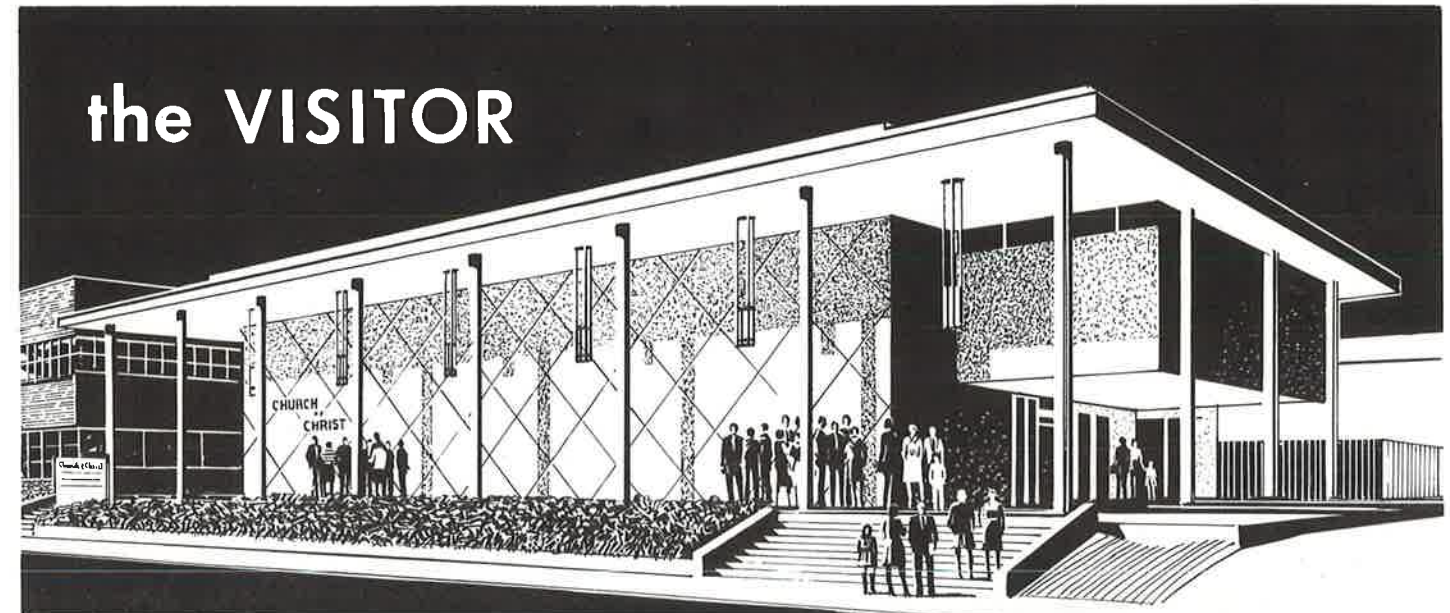
Bob and Cathy Bryant
 Charles and Louise Seaberry
 Alfred and Christine Welch
 Louis and Jane Jones



Cub Scouts

There will be a rally of Cub Scout Pack 354 on Monday, September 18, 7:00 P.M. in the new educational wing of the Shiloh Road Church of Christ. Parents of boys first through fifth grades are invited to attend.

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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"It was your right hand, your arm, and the light of your countenance."

--Psalm 44:3

Victory!

Everyone loves a winner! And everyone would like to be a winner! It is good to experience victory...

- ...a child rides a bicycle by himself for the first time;
- ...a student graduates;
- ...an athlete wins;
- ...a worker gets the promotion;
- ...a patient recovers from illness;
- ...a church reaches outward, upward, as well as inward;
- ...it's victory!

As David reflected upon the triumphant entry of his fathers into the promised land he made this observation: "For they did not gain possession of the land by their own sword, nor did their own arm save them; but it was your right hand,..." God called His people into the land of promise and, as they hearkened to His voice, He gave the victory! There is no task to which He calls that He does

not supply the strength to accomplish the task. The important thing to remember is that in order to share in the victory we must share in the battle. All who will be involved with God are victors. We have before us a special opportunity for victory. October 8 - 11 brings the call to "go into the land and possess it." Doug Parsons is coming to share the Good News of Christ in a special four day series. God will give the victory by His "right hand," but we must be involved with Him and for Him. Make the decision now to be present for every one of the nine opportunities the week will present: Sunday at 9:30, 10:30, and 6:00; Monday through Wednesday at 12:10 and 7:30. "Let us go up at once and possess the land!" Attend. Invite. Pray. The victory will be ours! And God will give it... by His "right hand."

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



We had a great parent and teen meeting this past Sunday night. I appreciate all who were able to be a part of this informative and uplifting time together. It is encouraging to know that so many of our parents are very interested in their young people. Teens, you should count it an honor that your parents are very interested in all aspects of your lives. Through prayer, caring, and commitment, we can change the American family and the family can once again be a powerful force for God. May He bless your efforts.

Servin' Safari

All teens, please remember our plans for Servin' Safari. Saturday, October 7, is the day. Let's get our Sponsor Sheets full and our excitement high for Servin' Safari.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Chris Oberg for being inducted into the Boy Scouts Order of the Arrow.

Also to Jessica Epperson for being chosen as Head Cheerleader and Allstar Cheerleader at TJC Cheerleading Camp.

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Sermons For Sunday

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Salvation: Achieved or Received?
Romans 3:19-26

6:00 P.M. The Principles of Law and Faith
Galatians 5:1-7

The only time we should "get even" with another is when they have done us a favor.
...Read Romans 12:10

Potpourri

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

September (17) Mary Farrer (18) Kathleen Carroll, Rockie Hughes, Virginia Demic, Terry Frick (19) Gary Aven, Jan McDonald, Wendell Johnston (20) Mary Adams (21) Alma Faye Price (22) Edgar Bullard, Clark Lemons, Doc Wright, Rhonda Haws, Courtney Russell, Kay Plumb (23) Martha Waggoner, Janie Farrer.

CONGRATULATIONS

Marian Rowe has completed work on her doctorate. We extend congratulations.

MOVING TO LOUISIANA

Don and Janie Farrer will be moving to Lafayette, Louisiana soon. When Janie and the new baby leave the hospital they will be with Janie's mother briefly in Longview before the move to Lafayette. We regret they will be leaving Tyler and West Erwin.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

In honor of the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry Hickman their son and daughter request the pleasure of your company at a reception Saturday, the sixteenth of September at two o'clock. Woman's Building, Tyler, Texas.

New Baby Boy

Congratulations to Don and Janie Farrer on the birth of a baby boy born Wednesday evening at Mother Frances Hospital. The baby has been named Tyler Addison Farrer. He weighed 7 lb and 12 oz and is 21½ inches long. Walter and Mary Farrer are the grandparents and H. M. and Alla Minnis are the proud great grandparents.

Thank You

Thank you for every kindness and expression of love shown to Naomi Haden. Her family is grateful for the meal provided in the fellowship building and the sweet service. Your sympathy is a comfort to us.

Mary Frances Haden

The Search



EACH SUNDAY MORNING
8:00 O'clock

KLTV, Channel 7 - Tyler, Texas
Jay Lockhart, Speaker



25 Years Ago

Sunday, September 13, 1964, the West Erwin Church of Christ had 433 in Bible Class and the contribution was \$1,137.43. Zone 5 planned a meeting for Monday evening in the Smith Memorial Building. The daily radio program over KTBB from 12:30-12:45 Noon was mentioned in THE VISITOR.

Some of the statistics from the work at the New York World's Fair were printed since West Erwin had fellowship in the work. Interesting facts were: 1,004,010 visitors in Protestant and Orthodox Center; percentage of gate entering Protestant building, 5%; total enrolling in Bible courses, 11,737; others receiving teaching materials, 12,834; answers dispensed by Electronic Bible "Teacher," 103,495; number of contacts forwarded to local congregations for follow-up visitation, 11,684.

Here and There

By Wes Price



Have you noticed the new bulletin board in the front foyer lately? It and others around our building have new messages on them prepared by Sherry Peek. We are grateful for her willingness to help us by using her artistic talent to good advantage. Help me say "thank you" to her.

Teachers and Bible School workers, please don't forget our date on Saturday, October 14, for the East Texas Teacher Training Workshop. We will be going to Longview on our bus. Time of departure will be announced later. Brochures with all the class offerings and teachers are now available on the table in the South Foyer. Please pick one up.

Our Brother's Keeper Meetings resume this month. On Sunday night, September 24, all of our units will be having a home fellowship. Homes hosting the various meetings will be printed in next week's bulletin. Make your plans to attend.

Our Wednesday Ladies' Class is off to a good beginning in our new study of the Gospel of Luke. Why don't you take time off from your busy schedule and join us for this valuable time of study?

All West Erwin ladies are invited to hear Sue Porter speak on Tuesday, September 19th at 10:00 A.M. at the Glenwood Church.

I am especially grateful for the fine response last Wednesday night to our new Adult Classes. I was especially impressed with the presentation of the teachers. If you were not present, you will want to make plans to begin one of the new studies this week. Robert Hawkins will be teaching Christian Evidences in the auditorium. Don Peek will be presenting lessons on the Sermon On The Mount, Stan Clark will be teaching on Christian Stewardship, and Jay Lockhart will teach those who are 40 and under on Marriage. Class locations will be announced on Wednesday night.

All parents of pre-school children are requested to meet at 5:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon to discuss the work of the Sunday morning pre-school worship and Bible study. Every parent is needed for valuable input. We also want to invite all other adults who have served as teachers or as speaker for the pre-school worship assembly. WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	Sept. 3	Aug. 27	Ago
Bible School	419	441	436
Worship/A.M.	565	563	500
Worship/P.M.	377	386	381
Wed. Evening	250	261	251
Contributions	\$10,733.06	\$9,181.82	\$9,459.18
Bldg. Fund	1,070.00	131.00	
Membership 628	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Sept.10, and Wednesday evening, Sept.13 - KEVIN WOMACK, 597-2726.

The Sick

Sister Annie McDonald entered Mother Frances again on Tuesday morning.

Amanda Hunt, granddaughter of Ed and Margie Hunt, is in Mother Frances.

Brother Jim McCoy entered Mother Frances on Tuesday.

We are glad to report that Dorothy Bell, Foy Hodnett, and Marikate Davis have all gone home from the hospital.



25 Years Ago

On Sunday, September 6, 1964 Bible class attendance was 419 and the contribution was \$1,153.55. New members were Mrs. George B. Meek from Pittsburg, Texas; Mrs. J. D. (Shirley) Munsell from Wichita Falls, Texas, and Howard Ellis and four children from Ennis, Texas. The children were: Teresa Ann, Mark, Sammy, and Jeff.

Sixty five ladies met Wednesday morning for Ladies' Bible Class taught by Tom Jones. Great Characters from the Old Testament was the study.

A letter of appreciation was printed from Wesley Reagan, minister in Winnipeg, for work done there by young people from this area. Linda Byrd from West Erwin was among the group.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Bob Bryant
 Prayer Phil Marts
 Dismiss Gary Aven
 EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Bob Bryant
 Prayer Tommy Konczak
 Dismiss Perry Hale

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

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 John Steffee Glynn Starnes

From The Back Foyer

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 Scott Epperson David Haney

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Bob and Mildred Morgan
 Oscar and Ethel Brown
 Billy and Lynda Terrell
 Mike and Ann McMinn

Congratulations

A baby girl was born in Hurst, Texas on Tuesday, September 5, to Mark and Janie Cauthen. She weighed 8 lb, 3 oz and is 19½ inches long. She has been named Kathryn Suzanna Cauthen. Faber and Kathryn Cauthen and Jim and Sue Paul are the happy grandparents.

The Search



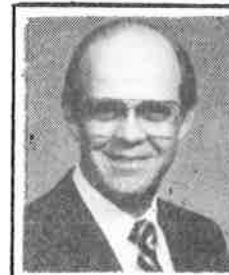
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By Jay Lockhart

"He who watches the wind will not sow and he who looks at the clouds will not reap" --Ecclesiastes 11:4

Watching The Wind And Looking At The Clouds

It is easier to wait, to delay, to put off, to do nothing than it is to act and to do what needs to be done. We can always find reasons to put it off because we can be comfortable when there is no risk, no threat, no danger. How many blessings have we, as the people of God, missed because we saw the giants and the walled cities instead of the promised land? In Ecclesiastes 11:4, the wise man pictures a tentative farmer who failed to plant because the time did not seem right. Then the time for planting was past. Then what? There could be no reaping! If there is to be blessing, victory, reaping, there must be faith, risk, sowing. As stewards of the bounty of God, we are to use our time, our talents, and our treasures to accomplish the most and the best that we can. To do less is to

be unfaithful to our stewardship. To do our best we must have vision and faith, and we must approach our work without fear.

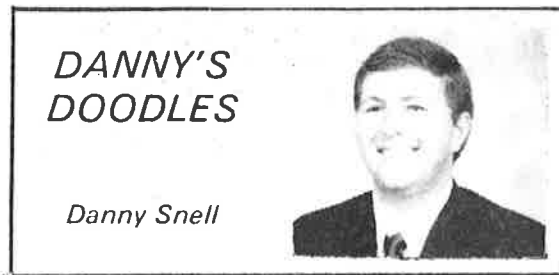
Taylor Returns

This Sunday we welcome Harold and Betty Taylor to West Erwin and Harold will be preaching at both the morning and evening assemblies. Jay Lockhart is in a meeting through Wednesday evening in Greenville, Texas.

October 8 - 11

We are excited about our upcoming meeting with Doug Parsons of Midland, October 8-11. Be making your plans to be at every service and bring someone with you. Remember the noon luncheon meetings Monday through Wednesday and invite your co-workers!

MINISTERS	
Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	
Wes Price - Associate	Danny Snell - Youth
Harold Taylor - Mission	
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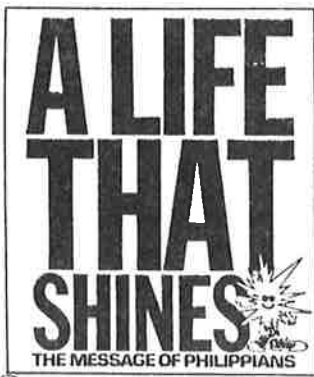
Uncommon Sounds were the focus of attention this past Sunday night. Our teens all got together for the Back To School Bash and Sound Scavenger Hunt. It was really a fun evening. A very special "thank you" to the following sponsors: Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, Stan and Judy Clark, Wayne and Lynn Harrison, James and Connie Sublette and Lisa Snell. Thanks to Dannie Skipper and McDonalds for supplying all the great prizes.

Parents and Teens

All Middle and High School students and parents are asked to come to the Parents and Teens Eating Meeting this Sunday night, September 10 in the fellowship hall. Please make plans to be there and participate in this information and planning session. All of you should have received a letter about the meeting. If not, please call me. See you Sunday.

Wednesday Night

All Teens don't forget about our special Wednesday night class on the Message of Philippians. We will be meeting the entire hour together. When you arrive at 7:30 go directly to room 301 to begin our class.



Bible classes for all ages Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

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*In honour of
the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry Hickman
their son and daughter
request the pleasure of your company
at a reception
Saturday, the sixteenth of September
at two o'clock
Woman's Building
Tyler, Texas*

Happy Birthday

SEPTEMBER (10) Gloria Thigpen, Betty Strait, Glynn Starnes, Christine Welch, Jack Garner (11) Tommie Alice Egbert, Luke Ingram (12) Lola Wright, Clyde Lane, Hunter Zeppa (13) Archie Lowry (14) Barbara Oberg (15) Melissa Patten (16) Dorris Humble, Neil Vannoy, Kimberly Sublette, Rahn Harris, John Meazell.

Toys Needed

TOYS for pre-school children (new or used, good condition, safe, educational, etc.) are needed for use in the Nursery, Discovery Days, Evening and Morning Pre-School each Sunday. All toy donations will be appreciated.

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In our lifetimes we are not given many direct opportunities to share of our material goods. Because of the loss to fire that Harold and Shirley Denman have experienced, we have an opportunity to share with them household items they will need to set up housekeeping again.

There will be "A Time To Share" on Sunday night, September 17, in the fellowship hall immediately following the assembly. There will be light refreshments and we hope every family will be represented. Please bring your unwrapped gift to the fellowship hall prior to the worship service, and they will be displayed.

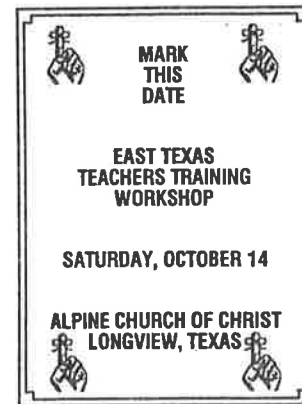
Sympathy

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at Lloyd James Funeral Home for sister Naomi Haden. She died late Saturday afternoon. We express our sincere sympathy to her family.

Graveside services were held Wednesday morning at Rose Hill Cemetery for sister Dewey Frederick, formerly a West Erwin member. We extend our sympathy to the family.

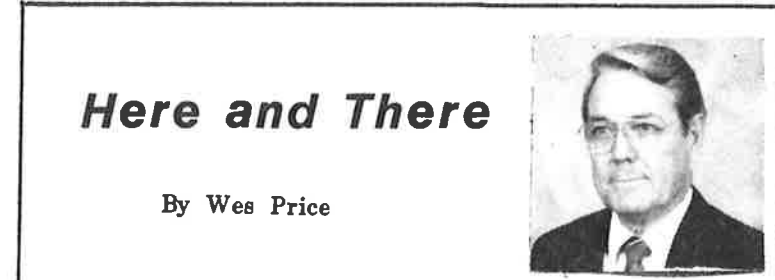
Boy Scout

The annual rally of Boy Scout Troop 354 will occur on Monday, September 11, at 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Center of the Glenwood Church of Christ. Parents and boys who are age 11 (or have completed 5th grade) through age 17 are invited to attend this information meeting.



Young At Heart

The next regularly scheduled meeting for Young At Heart is Thursday, September 14. A picnic is planned at the Brookshire lake property on Lake Palestine. Please bring desserts, chips, and other things to go with the hamburgers (onions, pickles, lettuce, tomatoes, cantaloupe, etc.). The burgers, buns, and drinks will be furnished. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 5:30 P.M.



I'm looking forward to the new series of studies for our adults on Wednesday nights. I believe you will profit by these timely studies. Robert Hawkins will be teaching a course on Christian Evidences. Don Peek will be teaching a study on the Sermon on the Mount, and Stan Clark will be presenting a series on Stewardship. Make your plans to be part of our assembly on Wednesday nights and join us in these good studies.

We look forward to a great increase in Sunday morning Bible Classes now that school has begun. We have had good attendance all summer, but we know that many have been away at various times for vacations and other reasons. Those special times away can be beneficial, but there is also the possibility that we might develop a habit of letting Sunday morning Bible study time be put aside. We hope you will not become a part of the drop out. Come, be part of that number who put their best foot forward on Sunday mornings and join us for a study of God's Word. *****

Ladies, don't forget that we will begin our regular Wednesday morning Ladies' Bible Class on Wednesday morning, September 13, at 10:00 A.M. We will be studying the Gospel of Luke. Bring your Bibles and a friend and join us for good times in the Word.

This week we see the beginning of the second year of our Discovery Days Pre-School under the direction of Barbara Oberg, assisted by Jeannie Ross. Enrollment is well ahead of last year for both days of this two day a week school. If you know of someone who could profit by this unique day school program, give Barbara a call at the church office number. The school is open for both West Erwin members and all others.

We were saddened this week at the loss of two dear friends of West Erwin. Naomi Haden passed away on Friday afternoon and Dewey Frederick on Sunday. Both of these dear saints were well known and loved by long time members of West Erwin.

We also felt the devastation of loss on Harold and Shirley Denman's part in the complete loss of their home to fire this past week. We will have an opportunity to show our love for them in a special gift shower on September 17. Look for details elsewhere in this bulletin.

If Jesus said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness," then how do YOU go about doing that? Think about it!

Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	Aug.27	Aug.20	Ago
Bible School	441	441	420
Worship/A.M.	563	561	550
Worship/P.M.	386	400	397
Wed. Evening	261	253	263
Contributions	\$9,181.82	\$11,441.00	11,128.48
Bldg. Fund	131.00	453.00	
Membership 628	Weekly Budget, \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Sept. 3, and Wednesday, Sept. 6, CLINTON CULPEPPER, 877-3958.

The Sick

Sister Naomi Haden remains critically ill in Mother Frances Hospital, Room 596.

Sister Marikate Davis continues to improve. She is in Room 464, Mother Frances.

Sister Annie McDonald was moved to Park Place Nursing Home last Saturday. Her condition continues to improve.

Brother Foy Hodnett remains in Mother Frances Hospital, Room 445.

Sister Dorothy Bell is a patient in Mother Frances, Room 380.

Sister Melba Moore hopes to go home soon. She is in Room 589 in Mother Frances.

Brother Jeff Biggs is now at home. He was in Houston at M.D.Anderson Hospital on Monday. He received good tests results.

Welcome

Recently we welcomed Mago and Betty Barajas into the fellowship of the West Erwin Church. We are happy to print their picture this week. Their address is Rt. 19, Box 232 F (75706), telephone, 595-6365.



Mago and Betty Jo Barajas

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Faber Cauthen
 Prayer Joe McBee
 Scripture Robert Stokes
 Dismiss Allen Alford

EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Faber Cauthen
 Prayer Melvin Maples
 Scripture George Daugherty
 Dismiss Jack Garner

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

From The Front

Lowell Wiggains Leon Welborn
 John Steffee Glynn Starnes

From The Back Foyer

Tommy Brown David Frick
 Scott Epperson David Haney

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Mike and Ann McMinn
 Billy and Lynda Terrell
 Oscar and Ethel Brown
 Bob and Mildred Morgan

Congratulations

Rahn and Rhonda Harris are the parents of a baby boy born Wednesday morning at 9:20 in Mother Frances Hospital. He weighed 7 lb, 12 oz and is 21½ inches long. They have named him Brandon Taylor Harris. Jimmie and Ruth Harris are the proud grandparents.

6TH ANNUAL NATIONAL SINGLES RETREAT

The 6th Annual National Singles Retreat will be held Sept. 8 - 10, 1989 at Mt. Lebanon Encampment, Cedar Hill, Texas. The speaker will be Rick Atchley. A brochure in the foyer explains what to expect, class sessions, things to bring, and cost. The program, Relationships & Responsibilities, is designed for singles of all ages and backgrounds.


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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"The Lord will do great things"
 -Joel 2:21

Four Great Days

In a very real sense the week of October 8 can be the most significant time of the year for the West Erwin family. During that week, Sunday through Wednesday, Doug Parsons of Midland, Texas will be with us for a time of revival, renewal, and outreach. We must give to this effort our very best because it will do good and it is the Lord's work. Doug Parsons will come to us prepared physically, mentally, and spiritually to do his part. It is imperative that we be prepared in scheduling, prayer, and expectancy to make this week a real highlight of 1989.

In addition to speaking during our regular assemblies on Sunday and on Monday through Wednesday evenings, Doug will be

speaking each weekday at 12:10. We will really appreciate these meetings. We will meet at 12:10 and will be dismissed promptly at 12:40 for a luncheon prepared by our ladies. This is an ideal time for you to invite your co-workers to attend the meeting with you and then to stay for lunch. In the next few weeks menu lists will be posted in the foyer for each day. We will appreciate our ladies for signing up to bring something each day. You always respond so well and we appreciate your willingness to serve in this way. So let's get ready. Let's prepare ourselves for a great week of blessing from the Lord. Everyone praying; everyone attending; everyone inviting! It will be a great week!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



A LIFE THAT SHINES

THE MESSAGE OF PHILIPPIANS

All Middle School and High School, beginning Wednesday, September 6th, will be studying from Philippians, A Life That Shines. This study will be profitable for everyone. Come!



BACK TO SCHOOL

All teens are encouraged to attend the Back To School Bash Sunday evening following the assembly. We have planned a Sound Scavenger Hunt. If you have a portable tape recorder, please bring it. Bring a friend to enjoy this fun time with you. We will be in groups for the hunt and then return to the fellowship hall for the final tally. We will be ready to go home about 10:00 p.m.

BIBLE SCHOOL PROMOTIONS

Sunday, Sept. 3
Wednesday, Sept. 6

Potpourri

BENEVOLENCE

Your response to the request for clothing has been excellent. Every item donated is appreciated very much. Numerous families have been helped, even this week. We continue to have a special need for men's shoes.

There is also a very serious need for ladies to work at the Benevolence Center on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays each week from 9:00 A.M. until 12 noon. Men are also welcome. The fellowship we enjoy each week as we work together is wonderful. Please consider joining us in this good work.

Matthew 25:31-46



DISCOVERY DAYS

"Discovery Days" is an affordable pre-school program for children, ages two through four, that provides quality experiences in intellectual, spiritual, emotional, and physical growth. This program meets either Tuesday and/or Thursday. For more information contact the church office, 592-0809 or Barbara Oberg, 581-1806.



MEN'S MEETING

All men of the church are requested to mark their calendars on September 9 for a meeting to be held in the fellowship building from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 noon.

The Search



EACH SUNDAY MORNING
8:00 O'clock
KLTU, Channel 7 - Tyler, Texas
Jay Lockhart, Speaker

LADIES WEDNESDAY MORNING CLASS

On Wednesday, September 13, we will begin our regular Wednesday Morning Ladies Class at 10:00 o'clock. Make your plans to join us!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

SEPTEMBER (3) Kenny McRuiz, Angela Eudy (4) • Leona McElroy, Modena Jones, Ashlea Zeppa (5) Frances Atkins, Chris Starnes, Homer Williamson (6) Scott Baker, Stan Clark, Jim McCoy (7) Dick Higginbotham, Moselle White, John Morris (8) Lucille Carpenter, Beverly Grage (9) Blanche Shuford, Ken Culpepper.

Sympathy

Funeral services were held on Saturday in Van for Mrs. Leo (Gladys) Prater. We express our sympathy to the family in their loss. The Praters were long time members of West Erwin.



Bible classes for all ages

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Sermon Subjects

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, Sept. 3, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. The Power of Changed Lives

James 5:16-20

6:00 P.M. Shall The Son of Man Find

Faith On The Earth?

Luke 18:1-6

We ♥ Visitors!



25 Years Ago

Sunday, August 30, 1964, Bible class attendance was 439 and the contribution was \$1,191.48. Prayers in the morning assembly were led by James Phillips, C. E. Caskey, and Harold Browning; evening assembly: Pat Mackey, Ben Young, and Henry Holland.

A baby boy, David Miller Thompson, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Carter moved to Gunter, Texas.

Ray and Carolyn Womack, from the Sunset Church in Dallas, placed membership with their three older children: Skipper, David, and Candy. Holly, Kevin, and Meredith were the younger children.

The following men were ordained as deacons on Sunday evening: Harold Browning, C. E. Caskey, L. G. Drennan, Louis J. Jones, Dr. Roger Knight, Gerald Montgomery, Jack Stringer, Glen Warner, Leonard Woltman, and Ben Young. This addition brought the number of deacons up to twenty-five in 1964.

Here and There

By Wes Price



Parents, don't forget that Sunday is promotion day for our pre-school and grade-school children. Please help our teachers make sure your child gets to the proper room.

We remind you of these room changes: 3 Year Olds, room 201; 5 Year Olds, room 215; 1st Grade, room 202/203; 5th Grade, room 107.

We want to thank Sue Starnes and her Ladies Class for their gracious consent to move to the church library in order to use their room for a children's class.

Construction on our building addition is just days away from beginning. It will be a welcome change, but it will bring its share of inconvenience. We will be losing several of our regular parking spaces on the west parking lot. Please consider the lots across Elm Street. This will make close-in parking available for guests and our elderly.

Monday, our Discovery Days School for the summer session ended with a fun rodeo for the children and parents. This session has been a great success. Our thanks to the director and teacher, Barbara Oberg, and to Jeannie Ross.

The fall session for Discovery Days will begin on Tuesday, September 5. A number of children have already enrolled, but there is room for others. If you would like to enroll your child, talk to Barbara. We believe your child will profit by this twice a week experience.

We realize that many of our folks will be away from us for one final summer "fling," but we look forward to getting our members back into a regular routine of worship service and Bible class. Let me encourage you to find your place among fellow members who profit by the weekly Bible study on Sunday morning and Wednesday night. We will be introducing the Wednesday night Adult Studies this next week on September 6. Come join us and make your choice for the beginning of an exciting series of studies.

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

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Worship/P.M.	400	389	396
Wed. Evening	253	240	279
Contributions	\$11,441.00	\$11,382.47	\$11,004.28
Bldg. Fund	453.00	271.00	
Membership 628	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Aug. 27 and Wednesday Eve., Aug. 30 - DAVID HANEY, 561-2133.

The Sick

Sister Naomi Haden is a patient in Mother Frances Hospital. She is suffering from a broken hip. Surgery was scheduled Wednesday, but was canceled because of her condition.

Sister Marikate Davis is in Room 464, Mother Frances Hospital, recovering from bypass surgery.

Sister Annie Lee McDonald underwent emergency surgery in Mother Frances and is making good recovery. She will recuperate in Park Place.

Brother Foy Hodnett is a patient in Mother Frances ICU suffering from heart difficulties. Following tests on Tuesday it was determined that he would have bypass surgery on Thursday morning.

Sister Melba Moore was hospitalized on Tuesday after suffering a stroke. She is in Room 589, Mother Frances Hospital.

Brother Lee O'Neal is now at home after being a patient for several days at the U.T. Health Center.

Gene Henry, father of brother Larry Henry, is in Baylor Hospital in Dallas scheduled to have open heart surgery on Wednesday.

John Jones, brother-in-law of Ruby Brem and Jonnie Steffee, remains in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

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 Dismiss Bob May

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 Scripture Wayne Harrison
 Dismiss Bill McCain

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER
 Charles Rachui Tommy Konczak
 Kelly Ross Jeff Konczak

From Back Foyer
 Curt Jordan John Mayer
 Chris Kindred Marc Philpot

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY
 Jan and Milburn Cook
 Walter and Mary Farrer
 Allen and Carolyn Alford
 Clinton and Louise Culpepper

Happy Birthday

AUGUST (27) Michelle Steffee, Wyndal Miller, Pauline Smith (28) Marikate Davis (29) Penny McDonald (30) Odell Sessions (31) Jan Cook, Bob Morgan
 SEPTEMBER (1) Duane Hendrix, Larry Carroll, Barbara Valentine (2) Denton Phillips.

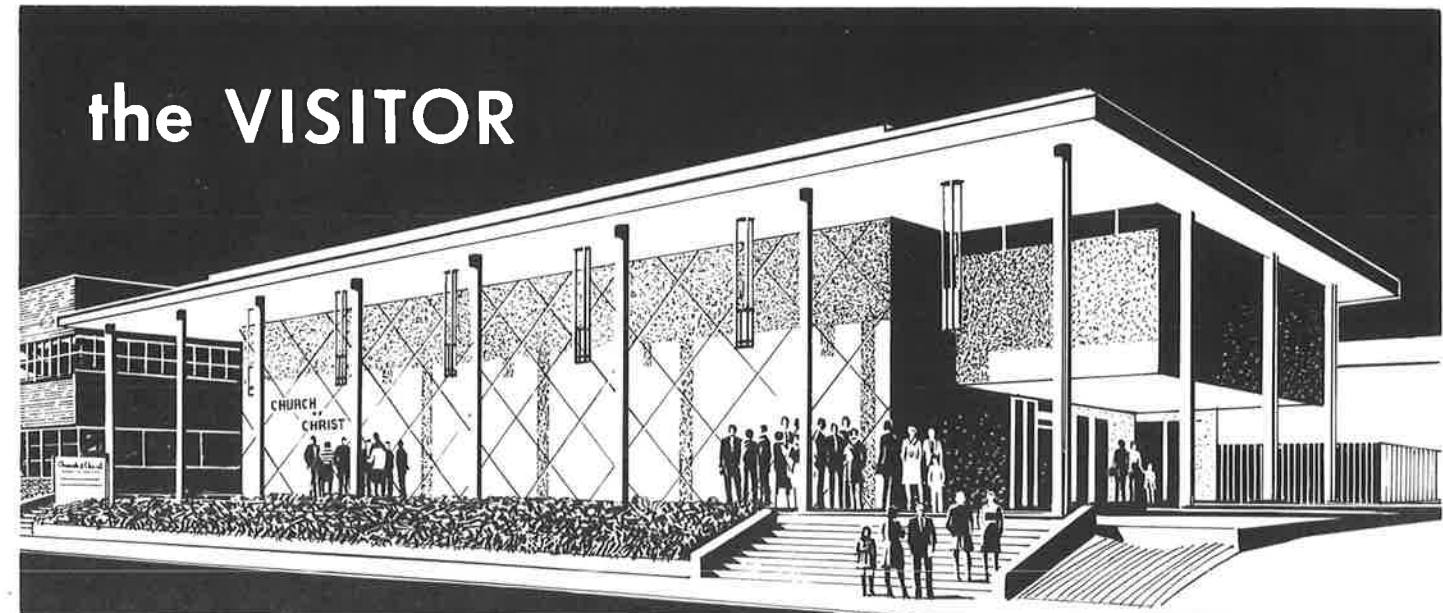
Responses

Requesting Prayer
 Two came Sunday morning requesting the prayers of the church: Debbie Graham and Ted Wright.

A Special Need


A refrigerator is needed to be used in our Benevolent Building. Do you have a good used one that you would donate for this purpose?

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"The Lord is with you when you are with Him."
 -2 Chronicles 15:2

Where Do You Place Your Trust?

When Asa became king of Judah in 912 B.C., he brought about some much needed reforms and God blessed him. His reign of forty one years overlapped seven kings of Israel. Asa led his army of nearly 600,000 against an Ethiopian onslaught of one million men saying, "Help us, O Lord our God, for we trust in Thee," (2 Chronicles 14:11) and "the Lord routed the Ethiopians before Asa," (14:12). The prophet Azariah came to Asa to inform him: "The Lord is with you when you are with Him. And if you seek Him, He will let you find Him; but if you forsake Him, He will forsake you," (15:2). Then Asa did a very foolish thing. When Judah was invaded by Israel, Asa made a treaty with the Syrians to help him instead of trusting the Lord, as he formerly had done, to deliver him. Then a prophet from the Lord came to say, "You won victories in other days because you relied upon the Lord. Now you have relied upon flesh and you will experience great trouble." What

was Asa's reaction? He "was angry with the seer (prophet) and put him in prison," (16:10). Later Asa became ill but "he did not seek the Lord, but the physician," (16:12). What a rapid change! Asa forgot that "the eyes of the Lord move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His," (16:9). Someone said, "He who does not learn from the mistakes of the past is bound to repeat them." These things recorded in the Old Testament are for our learning (Romans 15:4). So we raise the question: In what do you place your trust? David said, "Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; but we will trust in the name of the Lord," (Psalm 20:7). In our day some trust in riches, some in power, some in intellect, some in bombs. In what do you trust? If your answer differs from David's: "We will trust in the name of the Lord," ...what are you going to do when trouble comes?

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



"Hole in One" is the best way to describe our Putt Putt Golf Tournament last Sunday. Everybody had fun and quite a few got serious about trying to win the tournament. Congratulations to the following: Amy O'Quinn and Jeremy Epperson for 3rd place; Jeff Blackstone, Scott Carruth, and Lisa Snell for 2nd place; Missy Marts and guess who for first place. Just for the record, Jeff and Scott are sharing the trophy for the guys division. A special thanks to the Marts, Blackstones, Carrolls, Eppersons, and Harrisons for preparing food. Thanks to Lila Carroll and Lisa Snell for going as Sponsors. A very special thanks to Jay and Stacey Lockhart for keeping Shannon.

Thanks also to all who helped last week with TYP: Stephanie Miles, Jeff Konczak, Neil Vannoy, and David Haney.

Back To School Bash

All teens are invited to the Back To School Bash on Sunday, September 3rd after the evening assembly. We have planned a Sound Scavenger Hunt. This will be great fun, so plan to come and bring your friends. If you have a portable tape recorder, please bring it with fresh batteries. We will be in groups for the hunt, and then returning to the fellowship hall for the final tally. Drivers will be served first and then the hunt. We will be finished about 10:00 p.m.

Parents and Teens Meeting

All parents and teens are invited to an eating meeting on Sunday night, September 10th in the Fellowship Hall. You will be getting more information in the mail. Mark your calendars and plan to come.

New Babies

Mike and Norma Holcomb are the happy parents of a baby daughter, Whitney Randall Holcomb, born Tuesday in Mother Frances Hospital. She weighed 9 lbs. Loyd and Ann Nail are the proud grandparents and Dorris Humble is the great grandmother.

Whitney Christine Roberson, 7 lb, 1 oz was born Wednesday in Houston to Lee and Julie Roberson. Roy and Elaine Roberson of Abilene are the happy grandparents. A.Z. and Pauline Aven are the great grandparents. All are former members of West Erwin.



Invitation

1939 - 1989

Mom and Dad have made it!
We're all so very proud
We want to help them celebrate
By drummin' up a crowd

In honour of

the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of

They've born the pressures from without
As well as those within
And built a loving relationship
That's oh so genuine

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Henry Hickman

So please help us celebrate
Loves tender spark
That's grown into a raging fire and
Hit the half-century mark

their son and daughter

request the pleasure of your company

Please send no gifts to this occasion
Your presence is enough
Just think - after fifty years
They have gobs of stuff

at a reception

Saturday, the sixteenth of September

But a card of congratulations
With a note of memory inside
Would make our excitement
So very hard to hide

at two o'clock

Woman's Building

We'll put it on our special display
Made for this event
And cherished friends and family
Will help share this golden moment

Tyler, Texas



Thank You

To Our Family At West Erwin:

Bob and I want to thank you for the many acts of kindness, love and support that you have given us during my illness. For the beautiful flowers, delicious food, and the many lovely cards, but most of all, your prayers, we thank you. To those who have been so faithful in helping with my treatments, all has been greatly appreciated.

May God bless each of you,
Bob and Virginia Conner

To Our Christian Friends at West Erwin:

We shall long remember your kindness in the hours of our sorrow. The visits, calls, and cards meant so much. Our consolation is in the help and understanding of friends like you.

The Family of Mack Bynum

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

Discovery Days

Discovery Days

"Discovery Days" is enrolling for its fall semester. This program is designed for children ages 2 to 5. Those attending will come either Tuesday and/or Thursdays from 8:30 A.M. until 2:15 P.M. For more information please call Barbara Oberg, 581-1806 or 592-0809.

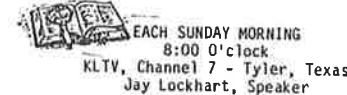
The Discovery Days School will close its Summer Session with a special program on Monday, August 28th at 1:00 P.M. in the fellowship building of the West Erwin Church of Christ. Parents, friends and family are invited to this event.

Potpourri

From The Office Crew

Let us "gladden your heart!" On Monday a couple came into the church office with the expression, "Are we in the right place?" The couple lives out of town, but while visiting in Tyler over the weekend they watched THE SEARCH on Sunday morning. They came to request a copy of the lesson. After a brief visit with the office crew they were handed - to their astonishment at no cost - a copy of the lesson. As they left, the couple - not members of the church - remarked that the sermon touched their hearts. Aren't you glad to be a part of this wonderful mission work? This experience happens regularly through the mail, telephone, and occasionally in person, and it always brings joy to our hearts.

The Search



From Chimala Mission Hospital

Mbeya, Tanzania East Africa

We just received a truck full of "care packages" from the customs office in Mbeya from you. Thank you so much for all the goodies!

Dates on the boxes we received are: one dated 1/31/'89, one dated Jan.'89, four dated 3/28/'89, two dated 7/12/'88, one dated May, '88, and two dated June, '88.

The preacher students were so happy to get the handkerchiefs, wash cloths, and some of the soap. We have 22 wonderful Christian men in training now and doing great.

The baby gowns are so darling! They will sure brighten the poor sick babies. An average of 3 are admitted each day, and 4 delivered each day. The pillows are so nice for them too. The medicines are so helpful for the hospital as well as for us missionaries.

I can't tell you how much we appreciate all the time, effort, and love you put into each bandage you wrap, and each box you get together. Thank you...

Keep us in your prayers. God bless each of you. Love, in Christ,

Merrie Hipp
Charlie, Hannah, Heidi & Eric

Cub Scouts - Pack #354

There will be a re-organization meeting on Sunday afternoon, August 27th at the Broadway Church building. Parents are urged to be present at 2:30.

Sermon Subjects

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, August 27, 1989

By Jay Lockhart
10:30 A.M. Powerful And Effective Prayer
(James 5:13-20)
6:00 P.M. Teach Us To Pray
(Luke 11:1-13)

Here and There

By Wes Price



Parents, please remember that promotion in Bible School is Sunday, Sept. 3 and Wednesday night, Sept. 6. Preschool children especially may need your help in locating their new classrooms. May we remind you that 3's will be in Room 107. The Ladies Class will move to the Library. 2nd Grade will be in Room 206 and 3rd Grade will be in Room 204.

We realize that Sunday, September 3, is the final weekend of the summer, and we will have a large number of families making one last trip out of town, but we hope that you will make a determined effort to begin a consistent habit of being present for class both on Sunday morning and Wednesday night. Our teachers are pledged to be totally prepared and ready to give their best in lessons from God's Word. You and your children need these lessons. Let's join hands with our teaching staff and make a surge forward in total attendance each week.

We hope every member will make plans to join us this coming Sunday night following the assembly for our All Church Fellowship. Bring sandwiches, chips and dips, relish trays, and desserts and we'll have a great time together.

May we remind all our teaching staff, those presently teaching and those who are on leave, of our Annual East Texas Teachers Training Workshop that is scheduled for Saturday, October 14. It will be hosted by the Alpine Church in Longview. We will be taking our buses for all who can attend. Let's reserve that date for a good time together.

So many of our elderly members have been hospitalized in recent days, and we want to remind you to keep them constantly in your prayers. In addition to the ones you know about, Naomi Haden was admitted to Mother Frances early this week because of a broken hip. On one of my last visits to see her, she told me that the one thing she missed most was not being able to be at church. This is not an unusual statement for her and for others like her. I find it most interesting that these faithful saints often reflect on that fact. Do you suppose it is because they made such a consistent habit of always being in worship when health permitted? How will you feel about that in your older years?



We're getting together..

After Worship - Sunday Evening

AUGUST 27, 1989
Bring Sandwiches, chips, Dips,
Relish Trays, Desserts

If you have borrowed tables or chairs from the fellowship building, they will be needed Sunday evening.

Records	Sunday Aug.13	Sunday Aug.6	Year Ago
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Worship/A.M.	536	564	539
Worship/P.M.	389	377	376
Wed. Evening	240	258	341
Contributions	\$11,653.47	\$10,497.57	\$14,818.15
Bldg.Fund	271.00	600.00	
Membership 628	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, August 20, and Wednesday evening, August 23, JAMES SUBLETTE, 595-3578.

The Sick

Sister Marikate Davis underwent heart bypass surgery on Monday. We are happy to report that her progress is good. She is in Mother Frances Hospital.

Sister Naomi Haden had difficulty with her heart last week-end. She continues to be a resident of the Lindale Nursing Center.

Sister Gladys Prater, former member of West Erwin, is very ill in her home at Van, Texas. Her address is Rt. 1, Box 81-H (75790).

When you pray remember Pete Wallace, Virginia Conner, Ross Walker, John Jones, Clara Riley, Ruby Brem and others who are shut-ins.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

August 28, 1989 will be one of the most significant days in the history of Abilene Christian University, and we would like to invite the members of your congregation to be a part of it. On that date, we will begin our 84th school year, and we will dedicate and open the new College of Biblical Studies building. This magnificent facility will serve as a valuable tool for the thoughtful instruction of Bible at ACU.

This will be a unique opportunity for members of the Lord's body to be on campus and experience this historic moment.

Serving Sunday

SUNDAY MORNING
 Announcements Wes Price
 Prayer Jamon Kirby
 Scripture Wendell Johnston
 Dismiss Archie Kennard

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SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER
 Charles Rachui Tommy Konczak
 Kelly Ross Jeff Konczak

Serving From Back Foyer
 Curt Jordan John Mayer
 Chris Kindred Marc Philpot

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY
 Walter and Mary Farrer
 Clinton and Louise Culpepper
 Jan and Milburn Cook
 Allen and Carolyn Alford



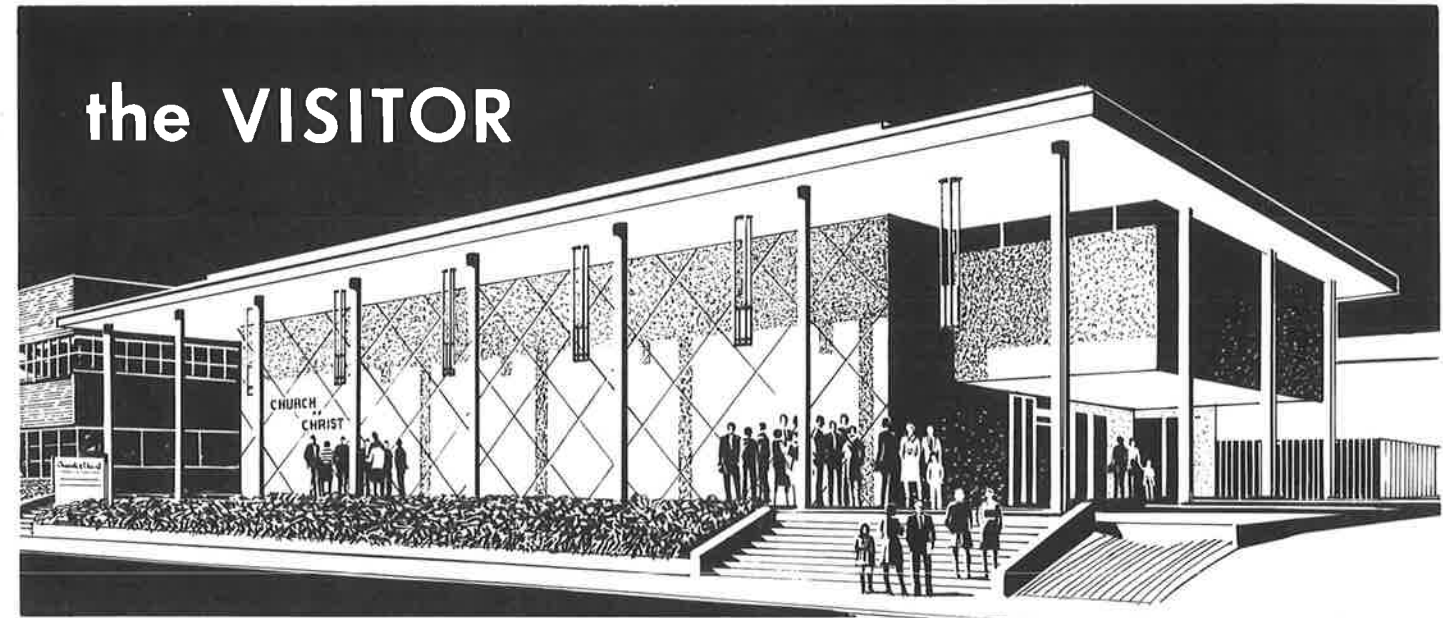
Sermon Subjects

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 1989
 By Jay Lockhart
 10:30 A.M. God Has A Better Idea
 (James 5:7-12)
 6:00 P.M. Are You Type A, B, or C?
 (Ephesians 4:31 - 5:2)



Welcome!
 Sunday we welcomed Mago and Betty Barajas into the fellowship of the West Erwin church. Their address is Rt. 19, Box 232 F (75706).

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Two Morning Worship Assemblies To Begin September 3

The elders of the West Erwin church have announced two Sunday morning worship assemblies during the construction period of the addition to our auditorium. For about five months we will be without six rows of pews at the front of our auditorium. Since we are already crowded for seating on most Sundays, and since we expect to continue growing during our construction, we will add an 8:15 service on Sunday mornings beginning September 3. Please keep the following in mind during the next few months:

1. Our bus will not run for the 8:15 assembly. It will continue the present schedule.
2. The Worship Training for children will continue as it now is--only at the 10:30 assembly.
3. The assemblies will be identical--the only change will be the addition of an early assembly. More later.

Doug Parsons At West Erwin October 8 - 11

Doug Parsons, the dynamic preacher for the Golf Course Road church in Midland, will be the speaker for our fall meeting, October 8-11. An added feature to this meeting will be noon meetings, Monday through Wednesday. We will meet at 12:10 and be dismissed promptly at 12:40 for a luncheon served by our ladies. This will give you an opportunity to bring your co-worker to the noon meetings for a brief worship assembly and lunch. Doug is no doubt one of the finest meeting preachers among us and we are fortunate to have him coming to Tyler. Mark your calendar.



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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Larry and Sandra Henry and Scott and Donna Epperson did a super job hosting the Middle School Devo last Sunday. Thanks folks for a job well done. This was the first devotional that included the ones going into the sixth grade and there was really a great turnout. This is going to be a great school year. Thanks to all who helped with TYP last week: Stephanie Miles, Amy Harrison, Jeff Konczak, and Michelle Steffee.

High School Activity

All High Schoolers are invited to play Putt Putt this Sunday night after the assembly. Bring money for golf and supper. Invite your friends and come for a grand time.

SCAVENGER HUNT



Back to School Bash

All Teens are invited to the Back To School Bash on Sunday, September 3, after the evening assembly. An innovative Scavenger Hunt is planned and I know this will be great fun. More details will be available later.



We're getting together..

AUGUST 27, 1989



Knight Resigns



After serving the West Erwin church for nearly twenty years as an elder, Dr. Roger Knight submitted his resignation to the congregation on August 13. For these many years Roger has served the church well, especially as a leader in missionary vision. The wisdom he brought to the eldership will be sorely missed. Our grateful appreciation to Roger for what he has done

in leadership and what he will do in his continued work with West Erwin.

The Search



EACH SUNDAY MORNING
8:00 O'clock
KLTU, Channel 7 - Tyler, Texas
Jay Lockhart, Speaker

Happy Birthday



AUGUST (20) Earl O'Quinn, Pete Wallace, Robert Conner (21) Walker Weathers, James Sublette, Robert Hawkins (23) Beulah Bedford, Tracy Lemons, Daryl Anderson (23) Joelle Butler, Freeman Morgan, Ron Oberg (24) Joyce Morrison (25) Sue Higginbotham, Katie Lemons, Charles Rachui, Ross Walker.



25 Years Ago

On Sunday, August 16, 1964, 416 attended Bible School and the contribution was \$1,263.44. Leading prayers for the morning and evening assemblies were: Dean Brookshire, Leonard Woltman, Faber Cauthen, K. Max Haws, E. V. Rushing, and Louis E. Jones.

Tommy Lowrance received his bachelors degree from Abilene Christian College. David Wright was stationed in San Diego, California in the Marines.

Thank You

I want to thank all of my Christian friends for the love and support during my recent hospital stay and continued confinement. Your gifts of flowers, food, cards, calls, and most of all your prayers, have meant so much to me.

Ross Walker

Funeral

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at Lloyd James Funeral Home for Mack Bynum. He passed away on Monday morning. We express sympathy to Bennie and the family in their loss.

Potpourri

Discovery Days

Children, ages two through five, are invited to attend "Discovery Days." This is an affordable Tuesday and/or Thursday program which provides valuable learning experiences which are designed with each child in mind. Drop-ins are welcome by reservation. For more information, call Barbara Oberg at 581-1806 or the West Erwin Church office, 592-0809.

Camp Deer Run Retreat

All ex-staff and ex-band members, September 8, 9, 10. RSVP - Billy Ray Dean (214) 595-1891. 913 N. Azalea, Tyler (75701) for additional information.

Benevolent Needs

Clothing for men, women, and all age children are needed in the benevolence work. There is a special need for jeans for men and children (size small for men is especially needed). Also, "T" shirts and dress shirts are needed.

New Church Directories

Directories that have not been picked up are on tables in the south foyer. If you were not here Sunday, please pick yours up as soon as possible.

Here and There

By Wes Price



New Fall Schedule

Sunday morning classes begin on September 1 and Wednesday night classes begin on September 6.

Promotion for all classes will be on Sunday morning, September 3. Parents, please be prepared to assist your child in finding the right classroom on that day. Please note the classroom number on each class.

SUNDAY MORNING

Nursery, Room 109 Jeanine Hughes/Jo Butler
Pre-School Supervisor: Barbara Oberg

Class	Room	Teacher
2 Yr.	102	Velma Lemons
3 Yr.	107	Kelly O'Neal
4 Yr.	208	Kathy Ward
5 Yr.	202/203	Ginger Metcalf

Primary Supervisor: Connie Sublette

First	215	Donna Epperson
Second	206	Wanda Weathers
Third	204	Fran Starnes Judy Clark
Junior Supervisor: Alma Faye Price		

Fourth	214	Jean Oliver Lorene Venable
Fifth	201	Billie Bob Hickman

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Class	Room	Teacher
2's/3's	102	Cynthia Johnson
4's/5's	208	Tracy Starnes

First	215	Cathy Culpepper
Second/ Third	206	Frances Phillips
Fourth/ Fifth	201	Patsy Fisher

ADULT STUDIES

New adult studies will be presented for individual choices on Wednesday night, September 6. A detailed description of each course will be given that night, but we provide this preview of options:
Class #1. Robert Hawkins

Class	Teacher	Subject	Location
1	Robert Hawkins	Christian Evidences	Auditorium
2	Don Peek	Sermon On The Mount	Room 110
3	Stan Clark	Christian Stewardship	Room 105
4	Jay Lockhart	Marriage	Chapel

Jay Lockhart will present lessons designed for married couples 40 years of age and under. This class will continue from September through May.

The other three classes will be 13 weeks. Teachers will then rotate to a new class location. Each class will receive three studies from September through May.

Come join us for an exciting series of studies this fall.



We had a great Devo this past Sunday night in the fellowship hall. Thanks to Fleta Butler and Ray and Gail Vannoy for hosting this fun evening. Young people, as we learned Sunday night, remember what you can do together when you combine your resources.

Thanks to Cheryl, Becky, Kimberly, Gena, Mitch, and Brandon for helping with TYP last week.

Middle School Activity

All Middle School students and those going into the 6th grade are invited to the activity this Sunday night after the evening assembly. Plan to bring your friends and enjoy this great time together.

Acappella Concert

The last week of the East Texas Summer Youth Series will be hosted by the Longview churches with a concert by Acappella. Tuesday, August 15, is the date for this year's concert. The cost is \$3.00 each and you must sign the list on the Youth Bulletin Board by this Sunday if you want to get tickets at that price. Tickets at the door will be \$5.00. We will leave the West Erwin lot at 5:45 p.m. and return at 10:45 p.m. This will be a great evening, so plan to come.

SCAVENGER HUNT



Back To School Bash

All teens are invited to the Back To School Bash on Sunday, September 3, after the evening assembly. An innovative Scavenger Hunt is planned and I know this will be great fun. More details will be available later.

Thursday Youth Project

All teens are reminded of the Thursday Youth Project on Thursday, August 17. Meet at the West Erwin building at 9:00 a.m. We will be finished in the afternoon. Bring money for lunch and a desire to work and have fun.

Potpourri

Prime Time Extravaganza - Shiloh Road Church
The Shiloh Road Church of Christ is planning a Prime Time Extravaganza on Tuesday, August 15, 1989 - 6:30 p.m. 'till... This is an "Area-Wide-Get-Acquainted" hosted by Shiloh Road Prime Timers.

Texas A & M University Graduate

Jeffrey Lance Cunningham will graduate from Texas A & M University on Friday, August 11. Jeffrey is the son-in-law of Dick and Sue Higginbotham.

Children's Clothing Needed

Children's clothing for all ages is needed for the Benevolent Center. Clothing for children is always in short supply, but at this time of the year there is always a special need. Please bring what you have to the building.

About Our New Directories

Several people have asked recently for information about our new church directories. The last date we had, from the company printing the books, was August 14 as the approximate shipping date. As soon as the books arrive we plan to place them, with your name on a copy, in the south foyer.

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

Thank You

Thank you for your loving concern for me while I was in the hospital. I sincerely appreciated your prayers and cards.

Wade McDonal

We would like to express our deepest appreciation for all the food, cards, visits, and most of all your prayers regarding Kyle's accident. You have made this time in our life so much easier to accept. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. We still have over five weeks to go.

Kelly, Jeannie and Kyle Ross

I appreciate all the cards, visits, calls and prayers while I was in the hospital. Thanks to all the classes and Brother's Keeper Units. We love the West Erwin church.

Foy and Edna Hodnett



Bible classes for all ages Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Shower Invitation

You Are Invited To A Baby Shower
Honoring Carolynn Paschall
Sunday Afternoon, August 13, 1989
At The Home of Mrs. Hillard Hughes
3704 Birdwell
2:00 Until 3:30 O'clock

Happy Birthday



AUGUST

- (14) Patsy Young
Ashley Leek
- (16) Betty Knight
June Walker
Angela Mallory
Marjorie Davis
Lauren Gregory
Rhonda Harris
- (18) Misty Lemons
Chad Frick
- (19) Guy Potts

The Search



8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
KLTV - Channel 7
Jay Lockhart, Minister



25 Years Ago

Sunday, August 9, 1964, our Bible class attendance was 420 and \$1,278.13 was given in contributions.

Mrs. Vera O'Brien and Donald and Yvonne Matthews were welcomed as new members.

Jamon and Clay Kirby were congratulated on the arrival of a daughter born on Thursday morning.

During the past week seven new people asked to be enrolled in the Bible Correspondence Course.

Here and There

By Wes Price



I don't know about you, but I think Jay's lessons from the book of James are among the best he has done. That's probably because so much of what he mentions needs personal application. It is such a practical book, but it strikes all of us where we live. It is not enough just to praise such practical advice. If you don't apply it to your own life, then its value for you is missed. Look at your self, evaluate carefully and rearrange your life accordingly.

The Young Married Couples Class had a great outing last Saturday at the lake home of Robert and Pat Stokes. We thank them for the generous use of their recreation area.

Hosanna, Inc. is a company dedicated to the promotion of daily Bible listening. The non-profit organization produces cassette tapes of the Bible so that the visually impaired or other handicapped folks will have the opportunity of listening to Scripture each day.

We have a supply of tape albums available for those who would like to have them. They are at the lowest cost that we possibly could find. They are available to you at cost. A set of tapes of the New Testament is \$20, and a complete set of Old and New Testament is available for \$70. If you would like to have a set for yourself or know of a friend who could use one, please let me know.

All West Erwin Bible Class teachers and Bible school workers are reminded that our annual East Texas Teachers Training Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, October 14. It will be held this year at the Alpine church in Longview. We will be taking our bus or busses. Make your plans to attend.

All West Erwin members are reminded to mark your calendars for the All-Church Fellowship to be held on Sunday, August 27, in our fellowship hall. We hope everyone will make plans to attend.

We ♥ Visitors!

Records	Sunday Aug.6	Sunday July30	Year Ago
Bible School	409	440	411
Worship/A.M.	564	555	563
Worship/P.M.	377	344	446
Wed. Evening	258	243	265
Contributions	\$10,497.57	\$10,696.79	\$12,266.66
Bldg. Fund	600.00		
Membership 625	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, August 13, and Wednesday Evening, August 16, KEITH HARRIS, 566-9216.

The Sick

Virginia Conner was moved Wednesday morning from ICU to room 451 in Mother Frances Hospital. We are thankful for her improvement.

Jeff Biggs was able to go home Wednesday from Mother Frances.

We are glad that Ross Walker is now at home and his health has improved.

Pete Wallace is ill suffering from Shingles.

Clara Riley called the office this week. We were happy to know that she is feeling much stronger now.

John Jones, brother-in-law of Ruby Brem and Jonnie Steffee remains very seriously ill in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Ruby Brem continues to be house-bound recovering from a fall recently at home.

Responses



Frances Moore

MEMBERSHIP: We welcome Frances Moore into the fellowship of the West Erwin church family. She came Sunday to be identified with this congregation. Her address is 1822 Ferdell (75701), phone 595-3357.

RESTORED: Sister Vivie Canter came Sunday asking for the prayers of the church.

*Walter May Fisher
Clinton Rainey Culpepper
Jan & Melburn Cook
Alan & Carolyn Alford*

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SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

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Bob and May Helen May

Harold and Shirley Denman

Scott Baker Kurt Gesse



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Sermon Subjects

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. How Are You Using Your Wealth?

(James 5:1-6)

6:00 P.M. Giving An Account Of Our Stewardship

(Luke 16:1-13)



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"Be an example"
-I Timothy 4:12

She Encouraged Him To Do Wrong

Deep in the Old Testament we find the story of Ahaziah, king of Judah. He came to the throne of Judah in a rather unusual way. Ahaziah's father was Jehoram. When Jehoram became king he immediately killed all of his brothers, no doubt because he felt they were a threat to his rule. The Bible says Jehoram walked in the ways of the kings of Israel and did evil in the sight of the Lord. Finally, God afflicted him with an incurable disease and he died at age forty, "to no one's regret" (2 Chronicles 21:20). Upon his father's death, Ahaziah, Jehoram's youngest son, became king because all of his brothers had been slain by Arab invaders. Ahaziah "did evil in the eyes of the Lord, as the house of Ahab had done, for after his father's death they became his advisors, to his undoing" (2 Chronicles 22:4). One of the many tragic lines in Ahaziah's story is to be found in 2 Chronicles 22:3, "His mother encouraged him in doing wrong." It is sad to read of the evil in the life of

Ahaziah's father. It is tragic to read of the advice the house of Ahab gave Ahaziah, "to his undoing." But the most tragic part of Ahaziah's story is that his mother encouraged him in doing wrong. Oh, the powerful impact of a mother's influence...for good or ill! Many of us can recall the influence for good of a loving mother. But what about your children? Are they still at home? Are they still under your influence? And what are they seeing? Are you, by your influence teaching them to love the Lord, to be diligent in Bible study and worship, to grow spiritually? What do they see? Do they see you put nearly anything and everything before your service to God? Do you influence them to do good or evil? What a tragic waste of opportunity is told in the story of Ahaziah and his mother! It could have been different if this mother had made better choices.

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen, The saddest are these, 'It might have been.'"

Records	Sunday July 30	Sunday July 23	Year Ago
Bible School	440	421	442
Worship/A.M.	555	605	621
Worship/P.M.	344	361	374
Wed. Evening	243	285	243
Contributions	\$10,696.79	\$9,832.47	\$9,539.40
Membership	625		\$12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, August 6 and Wednesday evening, August 9, GEORGE HEARNE, 593-8731.

Chimala Needs

Chimala Mission is in need of eyeglasses. If you have any old glasses, bring them to the church building or the benevolent building. Boxes of bandages, drugs and other supplies are packaged and sent regularly to help in the work of the Chimala Mission. This is another way that we can help.

Young At Heart

The Young at Heart will meet on Thursday, August 10, at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall for a covered dish supper. Make your plans to come.

Sermon Subjects

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Am I In The Place of God?
(James 4:11-17)

6:00 P.M. If The Lord Wills
(Proverbs 3:1-8)



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"Except a man be born again..."
-John 3:3

The New Birth

Jesus taught that a new birth, a birth of water and the Spirit, was necessary to entrance into the Kingdom of God (John 3:3,5). This birth reminds us of the radical change which takes place in the life of one who lives under the control of King Jesus. Paul affirmed that in Christ one becomes a new creature, or new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17). Since we understand that one enters Christ by the act of baptism (Romans 6:3), we see that one enters Christ, the Kingdom of God, becomes a new creature when he believes and is baptized (Mark 16:16) and, therefore, is saved. Nothing in one's experience can compare to this action that places him in Christ, in the Kingdom, and saves him from his sins. Here is the most important event of one's life. Right? Yes, this is right. If the foregoing is in fact true, why do we attach so little importance to it? When

we invite people to respond to the invitation of Christ as we come to the end of our assemblies, why is there so little urgency shown on the part of the church? Why do Christians leave during the song when we are pleading with people to make the decision to be born again? Why, when someone responds, are so many in such a hurry to be gone that we cannot remain to witness the new birth? And, when someone becomes a Christian, why do we fail to find the time to look them up and sincerely congratulate them upon this most significant happening? In this highly technical world where we have just about seen it all, there is little room left for wonder. On television space rockets can be seen to blast off and we hardly look up from the newspaper to watch it. It's hard to get excited, to wonder about anything...even someone being born again. Think!

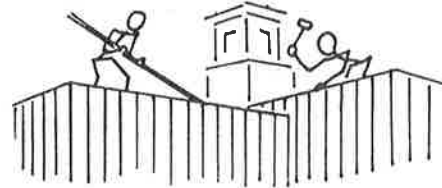
DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Discovery Days

"Discovery Days" is a program designed especially for children ages 2 to 5 years of age. Children may attend "Discovery Days" either one or two days a week beginning September 5. Children who attend "Discovery Days" enjoy chapel, music, art, cooking, circle time, and many other fun things. "Discovery Days" is on Tuesday and/or Thursday from September to May. Drop-ins are welcome by reservation. This is an affordable, loving, outreach program for children in our community. For more information contact Barbara Oberg at 581-1806.



Building Update

The contractor for our building expansion will be Denson Construction Company and bids for the subcontract work will all be submitted for our elders' approval by August 24. Construction should begin by Monday, August 28. Target date for completion is December 30. The process has been slow to this point because of countless details and the fact that our architect and building committee want everything done right. We should see "dirt flying" soon. The finished work will be beautiful. Your patience and support is appreciated.

Happy Birthday

AUGUST (8) Marian Rowe, Fran Starnes, Elizabeth Hughes (9) Angie Hendrix, Jared Metcalf (11) Daisy Old, Ferman Carpenter (12) David Graves

PRAISE FEST will be held for the fourth consecutive year at the Chandler Street Church of Christ in Kilgore, Texas. It will be held on August 16 at 7:00 p.m. There will be congregational singing and special choral arrangements.

But the salvation of the righteous is of the Lord: he is their strength in the time of trouble.

-Psalms 62:2

Shower Invitations

You Are Invited To A Baby Shower
Honoring Rhonda Harris
Sunday Afternoon, August 6, 1989
Four until Five O'clock
Fellowship Hall
West Erwin Church of Christ

You Are Invited To A Baby Shower
HonoringCarolynn Paschall
Sunday Afternoon, August 13, 1989
At The Home of Mrs. Hillard Hughes
3704 Birdwell
2:00 Until 3:30 O'clock

Thank You

My family and I want to thank the wonderful people at West Erwin.

Your expressions of sympathy, the cards, the flowers, and your prayers have sustained us in this time of sorrow.

A special thanks to Jay for his words of comfort, and to the singers. May God bless all of you.

Evelene McCarty

Dear brothers and sisters:

I want to thank everyone for all the gifts of love to Lori, Josh and myself. I love you all and am very grateful to be part of your church family.

God bless everyone and I pray He will increase our love to one another and our community and especially to Himself! "Glory to God".

All our love,

Joyce, Lori and Josh Morrison



25 Years Ago

On Sunday, August 2, 1984 Bible class attendance was 386 and the contribution was \$1,205.47.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Cherry and their four children were baptized on Tuesday following a series of Bible studies in their home.

A business meeting of the men of the church was scheduled for Sunday afternoon. The financial statement was printed in THE VISITOR. Contributions for the month of July, 1964 were \$5,439.63.

Plans were made for the Gospel Meeting to be held in August with Guy N. Woods.

Here and There

By Wes Price



Unit leaders report good attendance at our Sunday night Brothers' Keeper fellowships. We thank you for opening your homes with loving hospitality for these gatherings.

The month of August is designated for our all church fellowship on the last Sunday, August 27. Mark your calendars now for that important date and plan on being with us.

We are pleased to announce the approval of a new series of studies for adults on Wednesday nights beginning in September. Teachers and subjects will be announced later, but we want you to be anticipating a new forward look for adult studies on Wednesday evenings.

From time to time our members borrow tables and chairs from our Fellowship Hall. We would like, however, to call your attention to this not because we want to stop this practice, but we are missing several of our large folding tables. If you have not returned one you borrowed, please return it. We will be needing it especially for our end of the month fellowship. Thank you!

All members of the Sunday morning Young Married Couples' Class, listen up! We are having an all-family party and picnic this coming Saturday evening at the lake house of Robert and Pat Stokes. Follow Highway 155 outside the southwest loop to the blinking light. Turn left (east) and follow that road until you come to their house. You will see a large metal building on your right with a house just to the east of it next to the lake. Bring your children for a fun evening together.

Attendance was good in both the Bible classes and worship service last Sunday. We had a large number of visitors who helped fill the void of a number of our folks who are still enjoying vacation time. We look forward to having all our families back when school gets under way in September. Have a good time, but don't forget to worship God while vacationing.

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

July 27, 1989	THE VISITOR	Vol.19-No.29	
Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	July 23	July 16	Ago
Bible School	421	411	443
Worship/A.M.	605	578	612
Worship/P.M.	361	367	345
Wed. Eve.	285	210	322
Contributions	\$9,832.47	\$11,748.45	\$12,021.41
Bldg.Fund	51.00		
Membership 625	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, July 30 and Wednesday evening, August 2, MELVIN MAPLES, 597-0019.

New Address

Dan and Winifred Cullinan have moved from Hide-Away Lake. Their new address is 5207 Hollytree, Apt. #721, Tyler 75703, telephone 534-1492.

The Sick

Foy Hodnett was taken to Mother Frances Hospital Wednesday morning suffering from chest pain. He is in Intensive Care.

John Jones, husband of Ruby Brem's twin sister, Ruth, is very seriously ill in Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Wade McDonald has been hospitalized this week. The results of the tests have been good and he hopes to go home in a day or two.

Virginia Conner has had much discomfort since her last treatment. She is at home.

Roy and Chloe Clark were not in worship Sunday due to health problems.

Clara Riley is a patient in Medical Center, room 2513.

Randall Davis, brother of Shirley Denman is recovering from back surgery in Medical Center Hospital.

Serving Sunday

SUNDAY MORNING	
Announcements	Phil Marts
Prayer	Max Haws
Scripture	Faber Cauthen
Dismiss	Cooper Goodson
SUNDAY EVENING	
Announcements	Phil Marts
Prayer	John Steffee
Scripture	Kevin Womack
Dismiss	Jack Garner

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

From The Front

Scott Epperson Harold Denman
Don Drummond David Demic


From Back Foyer

Greg Davis Morris Hallman
Mike Fulford David Haney

Greeters For Sunday

Robert and Jody Hawkins
Randy and Linda Pickens
Jay and Debbie Graham
Bill and Carolyn Paschall

Be A Wednesday Nighter!



Brother's Keepers

Most Units plan to meet Sunday evening following the assembly. Plan to be a part of your Unit Meeting. This is one of the ways we have of knowing and assisting our brothers and sisters in Christ.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"Go, take to yourself a wife of harlotry" -Hosea 1:2

Brokenheartedness

One of the great tragedies of the Old Testament is the story of Hosea. The story begins with these words: "When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, 'Go, take to yourself a wife of harlotry, and have children of harlotry; for the land commits flagrant harlotry, forsaking the Lord.'" (Hosea 1:2). So Hosea married Gomer and there were three children born: one named Jezreel ("I will put an end to... the house of Israel"); one was named Lo-ruhamah ("I will no longer have compassion..."); and one was named Lo-ammi ("Not my people," or "not my child."). Read that last one again: "not my child." Hosea's wife was unfaithful to him; she played the harlot and Hosea was not sure the third child was his. What does he do? He sends his children to beg their mother

to come home (2:1-2). She refuses. Finally, when Gomer loses her beauty, is no longer desirable to her lovers, and is about to be sold on the slave market, Hosea goes down to the auction block and buys her back (3:2)! What a heart-rending story. Hosea's experience is God's experience. As Gomer was unfaithful to Hosea, so Israel was unfaithful to God. As Hosea kept loving Gomer, so God kept loving Israel. As Hosea was willing to buy Gomer from the slave market, so God was willing to forgive Israel. Hosea was qualified to preach powerfully to Israel because he experienced the brokenheartedness of God. So it is with us. If we are to be faithful, effective, serving Christians we must see ourselves and the world through the eyes of God. We must see our sin as God does if we are to know the joy of salvation and experience the holy fire of God in our hearts. We must see the lost world as God sees it if we are to be zealous evangelists. To see as God sees and to feel as God feels, we must have the brokenheartedness of God. Then, like Hosea, we will be used by God.

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



We had a great Devotional this past Sunday night. Thanks to the Marts and Obergs for hosting it. Young people, the things we talked about and prayed for can be achieved if we continue to pray for and encourage each other.

Thanks to Jeff, Cheryl, and Becky for helping with TYP last Friday. I know those folks really appreciate your help. Let's not forget about them and their needs and do our best to fill them.

Summer Youth Series

All teens are reminded that we will leave the church parking lot at 6:45 p.m. for the Summer Youth Series at Troup on Tuesday, August 1. We will return at 10:00 p.m. Plan to come and bring your friends.

Soul Lift Youth Rally

All who signed up for the trip to Arlington for the Soul Lift Youth Rally need to be ready to leave from the building at 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Don't forget your sleeping bag and pillow and other clothes. Also, bring enough money for meals on Sunday and Monday. If you have any questions concerning the trip, give me a call.

Thursday Youth Project

All teens are reminded of the Thursday Youth Project on Thursday, August 3. Meet at the West Erwin building at 9:00 a.m. We will be finished in the afternoon. Bring money for lunch and a desire to work and have fun.

HE KNOWS,
HE LOVES,
HE CARES...

Potpourri

You are invited to attend the 5th Sunday Singing on Sunday afternoon, July 30, at 2:30 at the Patton Lane Church of Christ.

Sister Adela Scogins is singing the praises of Gary Broome this week. Ask her!

We were happy to have so many visitors in the assembly last Sunday. Harold and Betty Taylor were here and John and Nancy Bragg and their children were visiting.

Last Saturday at the 4th Grade party Casey Culpepper made a "hole in one" four times while playing Putt Putt golf.

Congratulations to Christopher Bobbitt (8 years old) for recently placing in several stroke events in the Tyler Decathlon Sw Meet. He is a member of the NETS Jr. Varsity Swim Team. Christopher was also named to the Birdwell Elementary School Second Grade Academic Honor Roll for the 1989 school year. He is the son of Allen and Sherry Bobbitt. Proud grandparents are Roy and Chloe Clark.

We appreciate Pat and Cindy Patten and their children, Melissa and Jason, for the work they have been doing at the building each week.

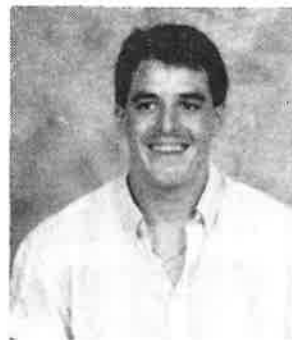
Please continue to save aluminum cans and Campbell's Soup labels. Bring them to the church and someone will pick them up. This is an easy way to help support East Texas Christian Academy.

Thanks for your help,
Debby Dailey, PTF President

PRAISE FEST will be held for the fourth consecutive year at the Chandler Street Church of Christ in Kilgore, Texas. It will be held on August 16 at 7:00 p.m. There will be congregational singing and special choral arrangements.

New Member

Bobby Perry, was baptized on Sunday, July 16, and his name appeared last week in THE VISITOR. We are happy to have his picture this week. His address is Rt. 20, Box 755 C, telephone 592-4593.



Shower Invitation

You Are Invited To A Baby Shower
Honoring Rhonda Harris
Sunday Afternoon, August 6, 1989
Four until Five O'clock
Fellowship Hall
West Erwin Church of Christ

Our Sympathy

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Church in Brownsboro for Weldon Browning, brother of sister Evelene McCarty. He passed away on Saturday in Winters, Texas. We extend our sympathy to all members of the family.

The Search

EACH SUNDAY MORNING
8:00 O'clock
KLTU, Channel 7 - Tyler, Texas
Jay Lockhart, Speaker



25 Years Ago

On Sunday, July 26, 1964, Bible Class attendance was 349 and the contribution was \$1,737.80. The congregation was commended by Dean Brookshire for the increase in the contribution. Sister Jerry (Ann) Hill and the girls visited on Wednesday evening. They had been visiting in Pleasanton. Jerry did not come this time. (The Hills worked in Guatamala sponsored by West Erwin).

Brother and sister Ben Young sponsored a trip privately for our young people to Six Flags. Thirty four young people and three adults, in addition to the Youngs, enjoyed the trip on a chartered bus.

Prayers were led Sunday morning and evening by Don O'Bannon, Russell O'Bannon, Ramon Ivey, M. M. Haws, Darrell Holt, and Tommy Keith.

Sunday marked the beginning of the seventh year for the Brookshires to be with the West Erwin church.

Here and There

By Wes Price



BROTHER'S KEEP FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS
July 30, 1989

Unit	Leader	Host Home
1	Harrison	Aug.2 at Phil Marts
2	Hughes	John Steffee
3	McBee	To Be Announced
4	Stringer	Freeman Morgan
5	Terrell	Paul Stanley
6	Cook	Milburn Cook
7	Young	Ray Womack
8	Clover	Hoyt Hughes
9	May/Clark	Bob May
10	Bullard	Aug.6 / Ed Bullard
11	Phillips	Fellowship Hall
12	Usrey	Southside Park
13	Sublette	Southside Park
14	Ross	Southside park
16	Garner	Fellowship Hall
17	Epperson	Kyle McRuiz

Fellowship Hall



Bible classes for all ages

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

We ♥ Visitors!

Happy Birthday

JULY (30) Kimberly Maples (31) Julie Higginbotham AUGUST (1) Ralph Rowe (3) Dale Blackstone, Jason Harris, Michelle Colston, Jeanie Glasscock, Walter Cooper (4) Virginia Conner, Robert Stokes, Monroe Sublette, Connie Sublette, Jeffrey Konczak (5) Rebecca Blackstone.

Sermon Subjects

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 30, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. How Conflicts Are Caused And Cured
(James 4:1-10)

6:00 P.M. When We Are Away From God
(Psalm 32: 1-7)

Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	July 16	July 9	Ago
Bible School	411	354	404
Worship/A.M.	578	454	577
Worship/P.M.	367	306	380
Wed. Eve.	210	286	266
Contributions	\$11,748.45	\$11,311.35	\$10,645.42
Membership	625	Weekly Budget	12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, July 23, and Wednesday evening, Glynn Starnes - 561-0736.

New Members

Bobby Perry, who has been attending regularly, was baptized into Christ on Sunday evening. His address is Rt. 20, Box 755 C, telephone 592-4593.

Andy Butler was baptized last week in Tucumcari, New Mexico on the way home from the mission trip. He is the son of Bob and Fleta Butler, and will be in the 8th grade this fall at Bullard.

We rejoice with both of these young men.

We are happy to have a family picture of Dale and Gina Hickey this week with their two children, Jennae and Dex. Gina's picture appeared in last week's VISITOR.



Dale & Gina Hickey, Jennae & Dex



Andy Butler

Serving Sunday

SERVING SUNDAY
 Announcements C. B. Hardin
 Prayer George Daugherty
 Scripture Danny Snell
 Dismiss Walter Farrer

SUNDAY EVENING
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 Prayer Glynn Starnes
 Scripture Robert Stokes
 Dismiss Alan Fisher

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 Scott Epperson Harold Denman
 Don Drummond David Demic

Serving From The Back
 Greg Davis Morris Hallman
 Mike Fulford David Haney

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY
 Jay and Debbie Graham
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 Randy and Linda Pickens
 Robert and Jody Hawkins

The Sick

Brother Fred Strait underwent successful day surgery Monday in Medical Center. He is at home.

Carrie Stewart, grandmother of Charisse Smith, underwent surgery Monday in Medical Center.

Clara Riley has been in Medical Center, but is now at home.

Kyle Ross, son of Kelly and Jeannie Ross, fractured his thigh Tuesday evening. He was scheduled to have the bone set Wednesday afternoon and will be in a body cast. Kyle is two and a half.

Randall Davis, brother of Shirley Denman, had back surgery Wednesday in Medical Center.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"Neither cold nor hot"
 -Revelation 3:15

Neutralized

We have all seen it. Someone becomes a Christian and is filled with joy and enthusiasm over the new life in Christ. He attends all the assemblies of the church and arrives early. He sits toward the front and brings his Bible. He concentrates in worship and determines to become a mature Christian. He even tries to talk with others about Jesus. Or, a Christian moves to a new community and begins attending worship with a local church. There is a certain excitement about being in a new place and commitments to greater faithfulness and involvement are made. Back home had become rather commonplace, but the new church

family rekindled the old fires. Then it happens. Slowly but surely there are changes. Subtle at first but they are there. In the assembly he moves back; he no longer brings his Bible; he begins missing on Sunday nights and Wednesdays; he stops growing; and he is no longer happy or excited. What has happened? One thing may be that he has failed to live close to the cross, or he has neglected placing himself in situations which promote spiritual growth, or has just begun to drift. On the other hand, the excited person may lose his zeal because he observed his fellow Christians who had adopted casual Christianity and gradually became like them. Do you suppose your life style has ever contributed to someone's being neutralized in the kingdom of God? If the gospel is not true, we might as well eat, drink, and be merry. If, however, the gospel is true, let's live it with enthusiasm. For our own spiritual welfare and the edification of others, let's live it with enthusiasm.

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



This past Saturday nineteen of us returned from the Teen Mission Tour, 1989. We had a super good trip. Our teens really worked hard at the Albuquerque Christian Children's Home. There was a lot of work done that made the place look better. We also spent a lot of time with the kids from the home and this was one of the best things of the trip. Our teens made some great decisions about their lives, their parents, their church, and their youth group. The Lord truly blessed us this past week. We are eager to begin plans for next year's Teen Mission Trip. Words cannot adequately express my appreciation for those who went as sponsors, Ray and Gail Vannoy and Lisa Snell. Folks, we could not have made it without you. The absolute highlight of the trip was when Andy Butler made the decision to become a Christian and put on his Lord in baptism. This is what its all about.

Praise The Lord!

As mentioned above, we are very proud of Andy Butler's decision to become a Christian. We also have another new brother in Christ. Sunday night Bobby Perry obeyed his Lord and was baptized. We are very excited about these young men and their decision about serving God. Please remember them in prayer and encouragement.

Thursday Youth Project

The next TYP will be Thursday, July 27. Please be at the building at 9:30 A.M. We will be finished in the middle of the afternoon. Bring money for lunch.

Summer Youth Series

The Summer Youth Series for July 25th will be at the Shiloh Road Church. The bus will be leaving from West Erwin at 7:00. Plan to come and hear Steve Yates and enjoy this great time together.

Combined Devotional

All Middle School and High School are invited to the Combined Devotional at the home of Missy Marts on Sunday night. Plan to attend and bring a friend. Parents, you may pick up your kids at the Marts at 9:15 P.M.

Soul Lift Youth Rally

If you signed up for the Soul Lift Youth Rally at Six Flags, we need to meet briefly Sunday morning in the Chapel after worship. Please attend this important meeting.

Albuquerque Christian Children's Home

July 13, 1989



Dear Elders,

You should be proud of your youth minister, Danny Snell, and your kids. They worked like Trojans and really transformed the appearance of our campus. They spent three days digging out the crusher fine path, which was full of roots, so that fresh crusher fine could replace the old. They removed all of the old unattractive bark and made ready for new bark in different areas of the campus. They planted two pinon trees, which weighed about 200 or 300 pounds, with the large root balls. They trimmed the trees, edged the grass around the tennis courts, and they shampooed two cottages and the office with large commercial steam vacuums. Finally, they painted a new storage shed, which had recently been erected.

Besides the work, we enjoyed the fellowship. It was good to try and figure out how many students I knew through their parents or grandparents. I even discovered my cousin, Andy Butler!

Your students' attitudes and cooperation were remarkable. We've been having groups up for work parties for four years now, and I can't remember better attitudes.

The students seemed to have a healthy respect for Danny. He did a good job of hands-on leadership. They followed when they saw he did his part. He is also a good organizer.

Our campus looks sharper and the fellowship was splendid! Thanks for sending your youth to help. Gail and Ray were good workers also. They got along well with the kids and added a lot to the team.

Thanks for all your help.

Jim Strait

Happy Birthday

JULY (23) Mark Waggoner (24) Andy Butler, Holly Harrison, Matt Carroll, Nichole Aven (25) Pam Lemons (26) Diana Morris (27) Heather Ketchum (28) Harley Turner (29) Charles McCoy, Bryan Chambless, Wendy Culpepper.

Thank You

Thanks to all of you for thinking of me during my illness and thanks for all the cards, food, calls, and prayers. Please keep on praying for me. I love you.

Aline Beard

Thank you for loving me- and calling - and coming to see me- and bringing lunch Tuesday- and praying for me. It's great to be a Christian!

Jean Oliver

Thank you so much for your prayers, calls, cards, and visits during my illness and hospital stay. I will always remember your love and kindness to me while here.

Mary Cash

(mother of Peggy Johnston)

It seems we are always saying "thank you" to the wonderful people at West Erwin. We appreciated so much your help, love, and concern the day Bernie fainted at the close of worship. You are always there when we need you. A special "thank you" to Dr. Knight and to Dr. Rowe for assuring me that Bernie would be alright. I really needed that. We love all of you.

Bernie and Vera Beard

My heart-felt thanks for all the acts of kindness shown by so many in so many ways during my illness. Truly, you are the greatest!

Frances and Jean Walters

Sermon Subjects



For Sunday, July 23, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Two Kinds Of Wisdom

(James 3:13-16)

6:00 P.M. How Wise Are You?

(James 3:17-18)



25 Years Ago

On Sunday, July 19, 1964, we had 347 in Bible Classes and the contribution was \$1,039.33. In THE VISITOR the congregation was urged to listen to the radio program each day Monday through Friday at 12:30 Noon over station KTBB. Dean Brookshire was the speaker.

In 1964 the following young people of West Erwin were graduated from High School: Buddy Holland, Ronnie Robbins, Bob Butler, Herbert Brookshire, Ela Brett, Linda Porter, Steve Sublette, James Mangum, and Jerry Rhodes. Pamela Stringer, Jr. High graduate, received the Rotary Young Citizens Award.

Here and There

By Wes Price



We are thankful for the safe return of our teenagers from their trip to New Mexico. Parents of these teens have every reason to be proud of their youngsters for this meaningful trip. Jeff Konczak certainly represented them in a fine way Sunday evening with his report of their trip. A big round of applause to Danny for seeing this work through to a successful conclusion.

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I'm sure you will agree that Jay has preached more eloquent sermons on subjects like the Holiness of God, the sacrifice of Christ and other great subjects, but none was more practical and to the point than those two sermons on the tongue. Individually, we would do ourselves a great favor in personal growth if we would reflect on these two messages again and again. We can all use the tongue in a more positive and useful way by maintaining proper control over it.

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The attendance cards that we sign each Sunday play an important part in our permanent records. If you are present for worship on Sunday and neglect to sign one, it calls attention to you more than you realize. Our Brother's Keeper Unit leaders try to call the absentees each week to let them know they were missed. No doubt you have received a call when you were absent. You may even be one of those who were present and received a call because you forgot to sign a card. You will help us a great deal if you will make it a good habit of signing one each week. We thank you for your support.

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It was my privilege to speak to the Broad Street church in Mineola on Wednesday night on the subject of "Laying Up Treasures." It is always a special privilege for me to visit with these good Christians. They send their greetings.

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A number of us will be away from West Erwin this next week enjoying the Abilene Christian University Summer Teacher's Workshop. We will be returning on Wednesday evening.

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	9	2	Ago
Bible School	354	389	407
Worship/A.M.	454	533	504
Worship/P.M.	306	332	361
Wed. Eve.	286	207	295
Contributions	\$11,311.35	\$9,926.94	\$11,573.81
Membership	624	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00	

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, July 16, and Wednesday evening, July 19 - TOMMY BROWN, 877-2230.

The Sick

Sister Daisy MacFall has been suffering from injuries suffered in a fall recently.

Sister Jean Oliver experienced a fainting spell on Sunday morning at the beginning of the worship. She was hospitalized for a couple of days.

Brother Jeff Biggs has been undergoing tests this week.

ACU News Release

ACU Alumni Choral Reunion To Be Held Near Dallas

All former singers with any of Abilene Christian University's musical groups are invited to the Alumni Choral Reunion scheduled August 10-13 near Dallas. The singers will record a tape of favorite a cappella religious songs to be ready for sale by late September. The chorus will be conducted by Dr. Jack Boyd, former A Cappella director. Participants may arrive for the event August 10. Afternoon golf will be available and registration is from 6-8 p.m. at the Holiday Inn/DFW Airport North in Irving. The first rehearsal will be at 8 p.m. Aug.10. August 11 from 9 a.m. to noon, a mandatory rehearsal is planned at the hotel. No one will be allowed to record with the group who does not attend this rehearsal. During the afternoon of August 11, the group will move to the studio to begin the first recording session at 3 p.m. Recording sessions continue through August 12 at 10 p.m. A special church service with Dr. Carl Brecheen and Dr. Paul Faulkner as speakers will be held August 13 at 8 a.m. at the hotel. For more information, call Dewby Ray at ACU at (915) 674-2688.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY	
Announcements	Ferman Carpenter
Prayer	John Cliver
Scripture	Lowell Wiggains
Dismiss	Bob Bryant
EVENING ASSEMBLY	
Announcements	Ferman Carpenter
Prayer	Dan Cullinan
Scripture	Jay Lockhart, Jr.
Dismiss	Mike McMinn
SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER	
David Taylor	Mark Gregory
Terry Frick	Ken Culpepper
SERVING FROM THE BACK FOYER	
Walter Cooper	Brian Daughtry
Cameron Cobb	Jeremy Epperson
GREETERS FOR SUNDAY	
Guy and Nettie Potts	
Bumpy and Bobbie McCarty	
James and Connie Sublette	
Forest and Mary McFadden	

Take Time To Pray

New Grandson

Joyce Morrison is the proud grandmother of Joshua Michael Morrison born Tuesday evening, July 11, at 11:00 o'clock in Mother Frances Hospital to Laura Morrison.



Sermon Subjects

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 16, 1989
 By Jay Lockhart
 10:30 A.M. "The Terror of the Tongue" -James 3:1-
 6:00 P.M. "Life And Death Are In The Tongue"-Psalm 19:7-14

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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"Of that day and hour knows no man." -Matthew 24:36

Whisenant Writes Again

Last summer more than three million copies of a book by Edgar Whisenant, 88 Reasons Why The Rapture Will Be In 1988, were sold or distributed across the country with the prediction that Christ would return between September 11 and 13, 1988. Now Whisenant has the audacity to defend his mistake by saying he missed the Second Coming by a year and this is "the one-year warning God promised to give us." He says September 23, 1989 is the beginning of the end. Like so many others, Whisenant uses New Testament passages in Matthew 24 and Luke 21, which has Jesus answering the question his disciples asked about the destruction of Jerusalem, in an effort to "prove" his theory by applying these verses to the end of the world. He also misapplies

numerous other passages to "prove" a physical Battle of Armageddon in Israel, World War III, the "rapture," and a literal reign of Christ on earth for a millennium. It's interesting that the proceeds for the new book, The Final Shout: Rapture Report 1989, will be given to missionary organizations in the event Whisenant's predictions for 1989 do not come to pass! I wonder how many copies of the new book will be bought by a gullible public attracted to the sensational. Jesus said, "Of that day and hour knows no man." When asked for signs about the destruction of Jerusalem, Jesus gave five. When asked for signs concerning the end of the world, Jesus gave none. Instead He said, "Watch." "Be ready." (Matthew 24:42,44) Jesus said, "You know neither the day nor hour wherein the Son of man comes" (Matthew 25:13). Jesus meant to say, according to Whisenant, "No one knows ... except Mr. Whisenant." In every area of Bible study we all need to lay aside prejudices, assumptions, preconceived notions, misapplication of Scripture, and we need to seek to "be filled with a knowledge of His will (study for knowledge-JPL) in all wisdom and spiritual understanding (pray for understanding and application, James 1:5 -JPL)" (Colossians 1:9).

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Happy Birthday

JULY (16) Ginger Metcalf, Joanna Vannoy (17) Jenilyn Butler, Linda Marts, Jo Butler, Mary June Goodson (18) Delle Bullard, Mimi Aven, Tracy Starnes, Keith Harris (19) Jean Oliver, Cecille Wiggains, Roger Knight, Pauline Kennedy, Courtney McDonald (20) Jim Paul, Laurie Dawkins, Bob Bray (21) Jeanine Hughes (22) Don Drummond, Mary McFadden.

Chimala Mission

We recently received a letter from Jerome and Leah Savage from the Chimala Mission and Hospital. They expressed appreciation for the items they receive from us regularly and also told us of some of their most pressing needs. for the hospital and mission:

Sweet and Low sugar substitute
Nurses Uniforms - no slacks
Cotton Balls
Thermometer
A blood pressure machine
Men's slacks size 24 - 34
(Preachers need these)

New Members

Dale and Gina Hickey were introduced on Sunday evening, July 2 as new members of the West Erwin church family. Gina was baptized on Thursday, June 29, by Jay Lockhart. They are the parents of two young children, Dex and Jennae, and live in Whitehouse, Texas at 1104 Chad (75791). Their telephone number is 839-2309. We extend a warm welcome to this family.

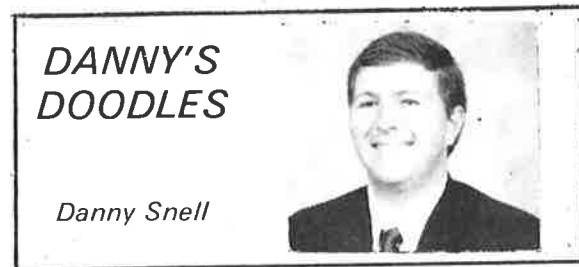
On Sunday evening, July 2, David Haney, son of David and Cathy Haney, was baptized into Christ. We rejoice with the Haney's. David will be in the 10th grade when school starts.



Mrs. Dale (Gina) Hickey



David Haney



**DANNY'S
DOODLES**

Danny Snell

Last Friday afternoon, July 7, a group of our young people along with Danny and Lisa Snell and their baby daughter, Shannon, and Ray and Gail Vannoy and their two children, Neil and Joanna, boarded the church bus and departed for a Mission Trip to Albuquerque Christian Children's Home in Albuquerque, New Mexico. They plan to assist in the work there this week and return home late Saturday afternoon. The following young people are on the trip: Scott Carruth, Cheryl Murphy, Becky Blackstone, Missy Marts, Holly Harrison, Amy Harrison, Michelle Steffee, Kimberly Sublette, Andy Butler, Amy O'Quinn, Jeff Konczak, and Matt Pickens.

IMPORTANT DATES

July 18 Summer Youth Series
(The meeting will be at
Glenwood church in Tyler.)
July 30/31 Soul Lift Youth Rally
Six Flags

"...whatever you do, do all to the
glory of God." II Cor.10:31



SEE YOU SUNDAY
BIBLE CLASSES AT 9:30 A.M.



And The Lord Added . . .

"I was baptized Sunday, June 25, 1989 at Shepherd Street Church of Christ. Thanks for helping me."

Mrs. Verner Cornelius
Mt. Pleasant Texas

Mrs. Cornelius, a viewer of THE SEARCH, requested and received tapes of the lessons and has studied the Bible Correspondence Course offered on the program by Jay Lockhart. We rejoice with Mrs. Cornelius.

The Search



8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
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"AND THE PEOPLE HAD A
MIND TO WORK"

Thank You

Thanks to all of you for your concern during my recent illness. For all cards, calls, visits, kind thoughts, and especially the prayers offered in my behalf, I am truly grateful. Please continue to pray for me.

Mary McFadden

Thank you for all of your expressions of love and concern during the loss of my sister, Claudia Dunn.

John Pike Family

Cameron Blane Ables, the new baby son of Gary and Julie Ables, was born June 28 at Mother Frances Hospital. He weighed 7 lb and 14 oz.

Ryan Gregory Gomez, new grandson of Perry and Bobbie Hale, was born July 4 in Houston to Laura and David Gomez. The baby weighed 6 lb and 2 oz.

Here and There

By Wes Price



Vacation trips are always refreshing and invigorating, but it is always good to return home. We thank you for permitting us this brief absence from you.

The beauties of Colorado cannot be adequately described by mere words. This was our first trip to the western side of the Rocky Mountains, but it by no means will be our last. We hope we can see those beautiful snow-capped peaks again.

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It would be easy to forget the week of Vacation Bible School after a trip out of town, but we dare not do so without one more big "Thank You" to all who helped. There are always some stars in any production, but it took all of you who helped to make it the marvelous success that it was. Thanks again!

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Summer has certainly taken its toll on our Sunday morning Bible class and worship attendance. We miss you when you are away from us, but we rest secure in the fact that you are meeting somewhere with God's people. We know you will be back in your normal place as your vacation time ends.

If you are in town, please don't miss meeting with your Sunday morning Bible class. Teachers work hard in preparing lessons so that you can learn from the Bible. You show your appreciation for their dedicated work by being present on a regular basis.

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Thanks to everyone who hosted Brother's Keeper fellowship meetings on the 25th of June. Some meetings I understand had to be postponed since so many were out of town, but all in all, reports indicated that good meetings were enjoyed by a lot of our folks.

Our next meeting is set for Sunday evening, July 30. A list of host homes will be provided in a later bulletin. Let's remember that we can love each other better when we get to know each other better.



We are always happy to have visitors!

Records

	June 25	June 18	Year Ago
Bible School	395	439	451
Worship/A.M.	550	631	574
Worship/P.M.	332	357	353
Wed. Eve.	258	246	308
Contributions	\$9,898.06	\$10,672.20	\$9,078.39
Bldg. Fund	200.00	561.00	
Total	\$10,098.06	\$11,233.20	\$9,078.39
Membership 624	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, July 2 and Wednesday evening, July 5 - JOHN CLIVER, 593-5075.

New Member

We are happy to welcome sister Myrtle Land into the fellowship of the West Erwin church. Her address is 423 East 6th St., Tyler 75701, telephone, 595-0457. Sister Land was a member of this congregation many years ago.



Because of The Holiday



The "Lunch Bunch" will not be cooking on Tuesday, July 4th. However, they plan to prepare meals on Thursday morning for noon delivery.

The Benevolent Building will not be open on Tuesday, July 4th, but will be open on Thursday morning, July 6.

The Sick

Brother Foy Hodnett has been hospitalized in Mother Frances with pneumonia. He hoped to go home on Wednesday.

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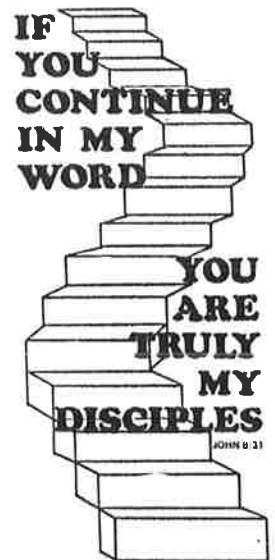
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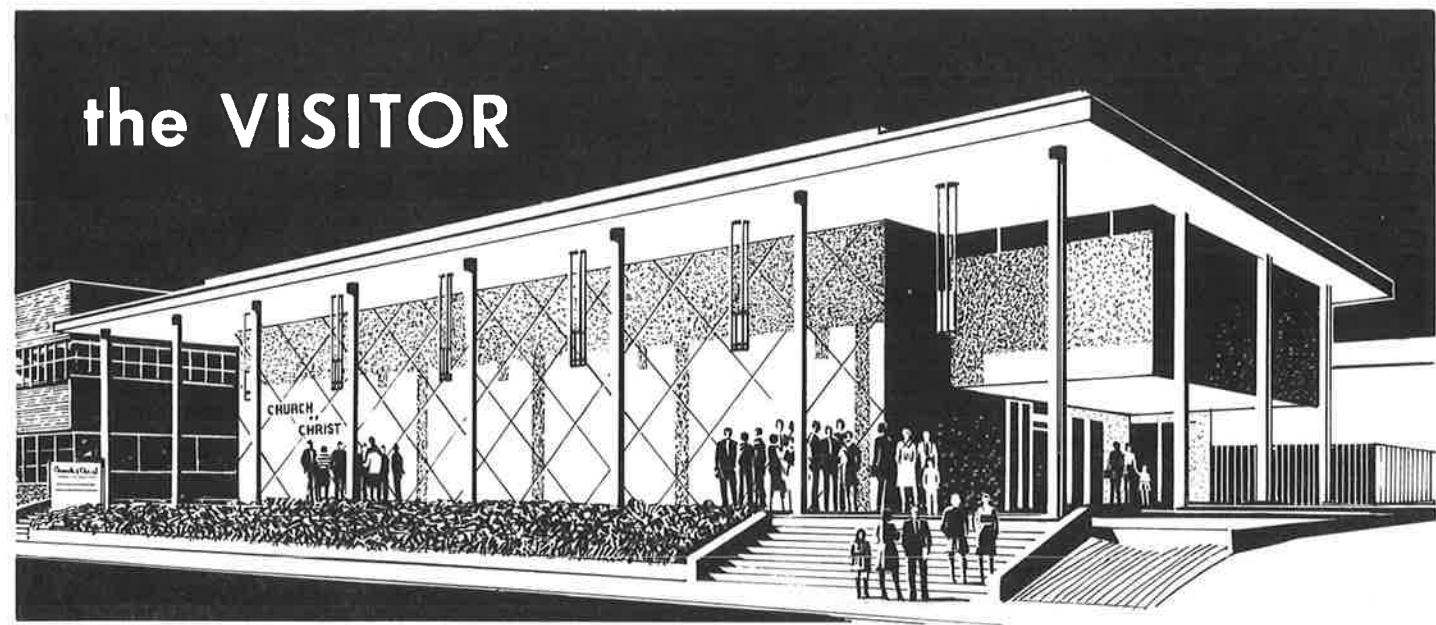
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"...for the work of the ministry..."
 -Ephesians 4:12

which is no simple assignment. She performs that task with great efficiency. Gary and Frances are among those many quiet, behind the scenes, effective West Erwin workers who are on the cutting edge of ministry and without whom we could not succeed. Thanks to a great team.



Gary and Frances Broome

One More Word About VBS

In that great Vacation Bible School which just ended there were more than 80 of our members who were directly involved in making it such a success. Without that kind of cooperation and dedication we could never have done so well. Many folks commented that our teachers have never done a better job. All who helped in any way are deserving of the honor to whom honor is due. Among those who worked so hard and contributed so much are Gary and Frances Broome. Gary is an accomplished artist of some renown and Frances is an able helper. The sets which they did for our rooms were fantastic and helped immeasurably in the presentations of the lessons. In addition to the untiring efforts given to our VBS, Frances is the coordinator of our Teacher's Supply Room,

Expansion Project

Last Sunday Jamon Kirby announced for our building committee that the architect is completing his preliminary work and the addition to our auditorium will soon be underway. We are all anxious to see the dirt fly!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



IMPORTANT DATES

- June 25-30 Middle School Camp
"Learning To Lead"
(Danny is in Abilene this week attending this camp)
- July 2 Combined Activities
July 7-15 Teen Mission Trip
July 11 Summer Youth Series
(We will leave together on the bus at 6:15 p.m. to go to Palestine.)
- July 30-31 Soul Life Youth Rally
(Six Flags)

The Summer Youth Series will not meet on Tuesday, July 4.

"... whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31).

DO YOUR BEST!

On Arturo Toscanini's 80th birthday his son was asked what he considered his famous father's greatest achievement. He answered, "For him... whatever he happens to be doing at any moment is the biggest undertaking in his life, whether it be conducting a symphony or peeling an orange."

It's refreshing to see a person who gives every effort his best. We lost something very precious when we lost pride in responsible workmanship. The skilled craftsmanship of certain Oriental families-their refusal to cheat on a single detail-produced works of exquisite beauty.

I've seen beautiful hand-carved doors which were begun by a father who spent all his life working on them. The project was continued by his son who also spent his entire life on it, and completed by the grandson near the end of his life. Three generations consumed on one project.

Whether the elegance of the workmanship could justify the expenditure of that amount of time and skill is questionable. But certainly no more questionable than our modern extreme of unconcern for quality workmanship. There is nothing commendable in shoddy performance, built-in obsolescence, and careless construction.

There is something morally wrong with an unconcern which permits four days for arrival of an airmail, special delivery package at a destination 500 miles from its point of origination; with a promise of completion of work at a certain time knowing full well that the deadline will not be honored; with showing samples of handsomely done work and then delivering obviously inferior merchandise.

Excellence in workmanship is not too much to expect. If pride in being a human doesn't produce it, pride in being a Christian should.

-Joe R. Barnett

Potpourri

Gospel Meeting

The Church of Christ in Ben Wheeler, Texas will have Johnny Ramsey for a Gospel Meeting, July 9-12. You are invited to attend. The weeknight services will be held at 7:30.

Prime Time Extravaganza

The Shiloh Road Church of Christ, here in Tyler, is planning a Prime Time Extravaganza on Tuesday, August 15, 1989 - 6:30 P.M. 'till.... This is an "Area-Wide-Get Acquainted" hosted by Shiloh Road Prime Timers. A brochure is posted in the south foyer.

Singing School

The Haskell Singing School will conduct its 24th Annual School, July 10-15, in Haskell, Texas under the oversight of the Elders of the Haskell Church of Christ. A brochure is posted in the south foyer.

Visit From Russell O'Bannon

We were happy to have brother Russell O'Bannon, a former elder of this congregation, to visit in the office on Friday afternoon of last week. He was also present Sunday morning for the worship assembly. Brother O'Bannon continues to live in their home in Pearland, Texas.

The Search Special

Remember the special, "The Truth Shall Make You Free" over KLTV, Channel 7 - 7:00 P.M. Jay Lockhart is the speaker. Friday, June 30, 1989

No VISITOR Next Week

Because of postal regulations for our 2nd class permit, we do not publish THE VISITOR the week of July 4th.

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

Happy Birthday

JULY (3) Larry Henry, Cathy Krewall, Linda Hone (4) Jeff Hone (6) Donna Maples, Les Carruth (7) Randy Wilson, Jo Northcutt (8) Spencer Braly, Virginia Canterbury, Ruby Cliver, Billie Bob Hickman (9) Cindy Patten, John Cliver, Charlie Hickman, Rebecca Center (10) Paula Hancock, Allison Farrer, Cynthia Johnson (11) Paul Stanley, Velma Lemons (12) Brad Taylor (14) Don Ingram, Grant Knight, Kevin Womack (15) Lorene Venable, Robby Bryant.

Funerals

Funeral services were held Wednesday in Kilgore for Foy Baird. He was a cousin to Jonnie Steffee, Ruby Brem, Ruth Jones and Beatrice Holland. We express our sympathy to the family.

Funeral services were held Monday in Paris, Texas for Claudia Dunn, sister of brother John Pike. We express sympathy to the Pikes and their family.

Thank You

Thank you for the calls, cards, food and most of all for the prayers on my behalf during my recent illness. You are our loving family in Christ and we love each of you dearly.

Juanita & Archie Lowry

Moved

Sister Jewell McCoy moved this week to Corpus Christi, Texas. Sister McCoy, mother of Jim McCoy, recently sold her home here. We hope she will be very happy in her new home near her sisters. Her new address is 3401 So. Alameda, Box 73, Corpus Christi, Texas 78411.

Sermon Subjects

By Jay Lockhart

A.M. The Perfect Law of Liberty

James 1:21-25

P.M. Authentic Christianity

James 1:22-21

The Search



8:00 o'clock

Each Sunday Morning

KLTV - Channel 7

Jay Lockhart, Minister

Here and There

By Wes Price



"One may pick his friends, but not to pieces." "Fault finding is one talent that needs to be buried and the grave forgotten." The chronic faultfinder is most generally one who does nothing for himself.

We can usually find what we are looking for. Look for the best and you will find the best. What a different world we would have if each searched the other as minutely and carefully for his virtues as he did for his vices. A good motto to follow is: "Search others for their virtues and thyself for vices."

There are some suggestions that will help us keep from becoming hypercritical. Love is the key to the remedy. Albert Barnes, author of a well-known Bible commentary, wrote, "True love makes us kind to another's imperfections, charitable toward his faults and often blind to their existence."

Self-examination makes us less critical of others. Usually, the keener our eyes become to the faults of others the blinder they become to our own, and the more we magnify the vices of another the more we minimize our own.

We also need to apply the principle of Ezekiel 3:15, "I sat where they sat." Put yourself in the other person's place.

Make it a habit to look for the good. The buzzard and the honey bee see different things. Each finds what it is looking for.

Let's make it a habit of helping build each other up, rather than tearing one another down.


--Max Hughes

"LET'S GO!"
"AND THE PEOPLE HAD A
MIND TO WORK"

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Worship/A.M.	631	532	550
Worship/P.M.	357	372	313
Wed. Eve.	246	204	317
Contributions	\$10,672.20	\$11,971.45	\$10,257.74
Bldg. Fund	561.00	552.00	
Total	\$11,233.20	\$11,971.45	
Membership	624	Weekly Budget	\$12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, June 25 and Wednesday evening, June 28, KEVIN WOMACK, 597-2726.



GOING SOMEWHERE THIS SUMMER?

Have A Great Vacation.

But Please . . .

remember the Lord's Work at home.

Serving Sunday

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 Prayer David Frick
 Scripture F. C. Carpenter
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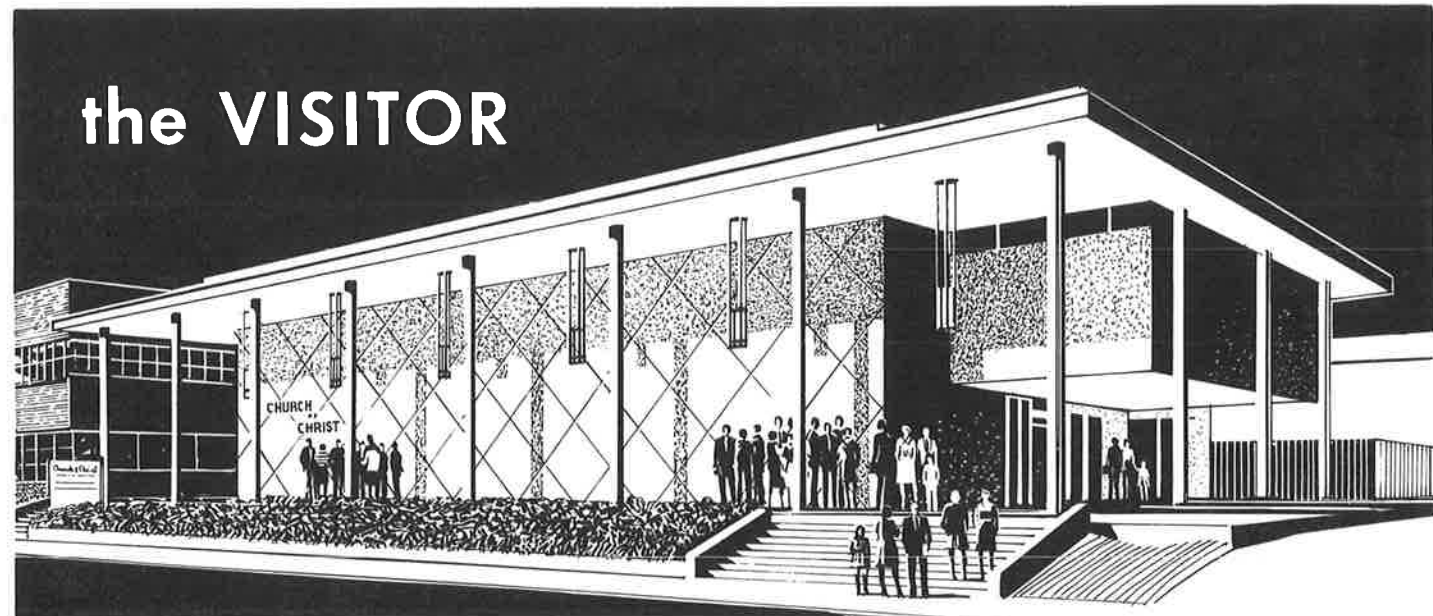
The Sick

Sister Aline Beard has been hospitalized this week in Mother Frances for tests. Brother Dave Teel has been hospitalized, but is now at home.



"He who does not enjoy Christian fellowship earth will never enjoy heaven."

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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Inasmuch as you have done unto one of the least of these...." Matthew 25:40

home...wondering. Did we do right? Yes. Was she on the level? Maybe. Had we been taken in? Perhaps. Should we have gone to the bus station? Yes. We believe it is better to help nine people who should not be helped than to miss one person who should be helped. So we went to the bus station...late at night...to answer a call of someone made in the image of God who said, "Help me." I slept well that Friday night.

Vacation Bible School

A most successful Vacation Bible School ended Friday and a great host of people made it so. However, the leader and director was Wes Price and a yeoman's job he did! And the aid given Wes by Danny Snell was superb. They would be the first to say they could not have done the job alone, but without the leadership of Wes and Danny, the school could not have succeeded so well. Thanks, again, for a job par excellent!



The Bus Station

It was 10:00 o'clock on Friday night... my night to relax. The week's work was completed, sermons were prepared, Saturday would be a time for meditation and study, and Sunday would be the day for worship. Then it happened--the phone rang and a female voice said, "I'm at the bus station...from Georgia...no money...going to Yuma, Arizona...help me." I'd heard the story so many times before. I hesitated, trying to think of some gentle way to put her off. She said it again, "Help me," and hung up. I was uncomfortable...couldn't get her off my mind. I kept thinking she was a professional, unworthy, out to get a free meal ticket. Then I was in my car, picking up a friend, and on my way to the bus station... There was no way I could have failed to recognize her, even though there were several people in the station--red bandana around her head, soiled clothes, ninety-eight pounds, needing a bath. An hour later, with her trip to Yuma secured, my friend and I were on our way

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DANNY'S DOODLES



Danny Snell

As of this writing VBS is well underway and going very well. All of the teachers and Tribal Leaders are doing a great job.

Since several of us will be going to camp next week, there will be no Thursday Youth Project on June 29. Please pray for those of us who will be away in Camp.

Thanks to all who came to Thursday Youth Project last week. We had more people than mowers or weedeaters, but everyone stayed busy and had a great time.

Combined Activity

Teens, there will be a Combined Activity on Sunday, July 2. Mark your calendars and invite your friends to be a part of this fun time.

Summer Youth Series

We will meet at the building Tuesday evening at 7:00 o'clock to go together to the Broadway Church to attend the Summer Youth Series.

Important Dates

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	Learning To Lead
June 27	Summer Youth Series
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The Search



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CAN YOU TRAIN YOUR CHILD TO BE A WINNER?

"Ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath; but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4

We hear a lot today about how to discipline our children. Yet it seems as though we live in a world without discipline. The debate rages on about negative discipline versus positive discipline. To many, it sounds like a heated argument between "spanking" and "bribing."

Too often we are guilty of doing only a half way job. We admonish, that is correct, bad behavior and point out defects all too quickly. We also forget the limitation God places on this aspect of parenting when he said, "provoke not your children to wrath." We punish our kids not to shape their behavior but to satisfy our own often childish anger. We take our anger and give it to our children without considering that it is provocation. We, as parents, have the right and the responsibility to correct our children's bad behavior not because it makes us angry but because it needs correcting.

One author defines the difference between the abuse of a child and the discipline of a child as the emotional state of the adult. A child should have a reasonable fear of discipline if it is to be effective. When an adult punishes while in a rage, reasonable fear turns to terror and discipline turns to abuse. Never spank your child while you are angry! Wait, there is time for that later. Also, make sure that your menu of possible forms of admonition has more on it than one or two items.

The job of raising winners is less than half done when we have finished admonishing them. We are also to "nurture" them. Nurturing means we create children who believe in themselves. They believe they can, that they are capable, and that they like themselves because they see us believing in them and liking them.

Self-esteem never comes from inside ourselves. It is always a gift from someone else. The three most important sources of self-esteem are mother, father, and mate. How often do we see people in counseling that are shattered, bent, and broken because their capabilities were never nurtured as children. It is not our place to break a child's spirit but to nurture it. God is also an important source of self-esteem. "I know I am somebody because God does not make junk!" I am precious in His sight. He sent His Son for me that I might be His child as well!

--Rob Gerst

From Burleson Bulletin, Burleson, TX

It's time to **GROW**
FOR **CHRIST**

Happy Birthday

JUNE (26) Amy O'Quinn (27) Judy Clark (28)
Jerry Dunn, Stephanie Miles, Christine Parsons
(29) Kyle McRuiz (30) Calvin Plumb. JULY (1)
Jay Graham, Wes Price, Earnesene Shuford.

THE SEARCH SPECIAL

The Truth Shall Make You Free

Jay Lockhart, Speaker

KLTV - Channel 7

Tyler, Texas

June 30, 1989

7:00 P.M.



The Search



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"Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

Hebrews 10:25



Sermon Subjects



By Jay Lockhart

A.M. What Difference Does It Make?

(James 1:16-27)

P.M. Can I Be Good And Angry?

(James 1:19-22)



Brother's Keepers

SUNDAY EVEING
Following Worship

Being a part of a Brother's Keeper Unit is one of the ways we have of knowing and assisting our brothers and sisters in Christ. Plan to attend your Unit meeting.

Here and There



By Wes Price

It is far too early in the week to tell, but I believe we are having the finest VBS at West Erwin we have ever had. Nearly 200 gathered for the opening day on Monday and we anticipate an increase every day in that number. But as exciting as the large numbers are, the greatest thing that we feel good about is excellence in each of the learning centers. Our teachers have literally outdone themselves in the preparation and presentation of lessons on the life of Moses. We cannot begin to say how grateful we are to the large number of workers who have given freely of their time for this excellent work.

May we make this simple request. Please help us say thank you to the teachers and workers for their great work. Their work in this special way sets us apart from the ordinary Vacation Bible School.

This Sunday night all of our Brother's Keeper Units will be meeting. We are printing a list of the host homes, and we sincerely hope you are planning on being present. We believe our members receive a great blessing by participating. If you have questions, call your unit leader.

Brother's Keeper Units

Unit	Leader	Host for June
1	Harrison	Carruth
2	Hughes	Ira Wilson
3	McBee	McBee
4	Stringer	Postponed
5	Terrell	Postponed
6	Cook	Cook
7	Young	Paschall
8	Cliver	Roberta Tindall
9	May/Clark	Weathers
10	Bullard	Oberg
11	Phillips	Leona McElroy
12		Rex Johnson
13	Sublette	Pollard Park
14	Ross	Pollard Park
16	Garner	(Noon) Fellowship Hall
17	Epperson	Johnston

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Membership	624		
Weekly Budget		\$12,050.00	

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, June 18, and Wednesday, June 21 - CLINTON CULPEPPER, 877-3956.



Sermon Subjects

By Jay Lockhart

- 9:30 Bible Class
Winning Over Trials- James 1:2-8
- 10:30 Assembly
When I Am Tempted - James 1:12-18
- 6:00 Assembly
Where All Are Equal - James 1:9-11; 2:1-13

New Members



We are happy to welcome Charles (Mike) and Ann McMinn who came Sunday to place membership. Their address is 2313 Pinkerton, telephone 595-6482. Mike is self employed and Ann is a Secretary for Boy Scouts of America.

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The Sick

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both men and women." Acts 5:14

Is The Church In Decline?

Studies in church growth confirm it...the church is in decline. The early church began with three thousand (Acts 2:41), grew to five thousand (Acts 4:44), and then multiplied (Acts 6:1). In the 1950's it is reported that the church was the fastest growing religious group in the United States. But today?...it seems that most churches are in decline and that only a few are really growing. Why? No doubt there are many factors--deterioration of a neighborhood is a real problem; an economy that forces young people to move on to other communities is another problem; a failure to dream and to envision the possible is still another. However, I want to observe that some churches decline because they lose their message, their direction, their purpose. Check it out. If a church loses its message it has nothing with which to hold people and no amount of gimmicks will ever take the place of message. I'm not advocating here a hard-line, legalistic, judgmental, heartless formalism. I am advocating the mind of Christ and a healthy respect for the authority, the power, and the distinctive message of the Word of God. I think it's time to re-examine our message...and our attitudes as we prepare for the last decade of the 20th century. Why is the church growing where you are ...or in decline?

Last week I was in a good meeting with the Highland Heights church in Lebanon, Tenn., where Clarence DeLoach, a good friend and excellent preacher, works. Clarence preached in the Ohio Valley for several years and preached for my home congregation in Parkersburg, W. Va. for almost ten years. I was with him for two meetings while he preached in Cookeville, Tenn., and the time is always profitable and enjoyable. Clarence does good work, is faithful to the Word, and is always loved by the churches with which he works. It was good to be with Clarence, his wife Eddie, and the good church in Lebanon!

A special thanks to Robert Hawkins for the excellent teaching he did in my absence and to Harold Taylor for the superb preaching. Wonderful reports have been received concerning the work of these two brethren.

I hope to see you Sunday as we continue our studies in the book of James. I will be speaking to all adults in the auditorium at 9:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M., and 6:00 P.M. Here are the subjects:

- 9:30 Winning Over Trials-James 1:2-8
- 10:30 When I Am Tempted-James 1:12-18
- 6:00 Where All Are Equal-James 1:9-11; 2:1-13

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Thanks to all who helped with hosting the Summer Youth Series last Tuesday. We had a great turnout and plenty of refreshments. Thanks to Mike McMinn for taking pictures. Job will done, Gang!

Vacation Bible School

Don't forget VBS is June 19 - 23! Many of you have signed up to help in various ways and we thank you. There will always be a need for those of you who can help in any capacity. Many times people have to cancel at the last minute and we need folks to call on to fill those needs. If you can help with the following, please let Wes or me know: Tribal Leaders, Refreshment Servers, Teachers, or general help.

Tribal Leaders, please remember we have an "Eating Meeting" and Workshop Sunday evening following the assembly.

Summer Youth Series

We will meet at the building Tuesday evening at 7:00 o'clock to go together to the Summer Youth Series.

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Happy Birthday

JUNE (18) Shelley Henry (19) Stella Buckner, Mike Holcomb (20) Sherry Bobbitt, Faye Kennard (23) Tommy Brown, Joshua Hone, Bob Threadgill, Bumpy McCarty (24) Lynn Harrison, Bob May.

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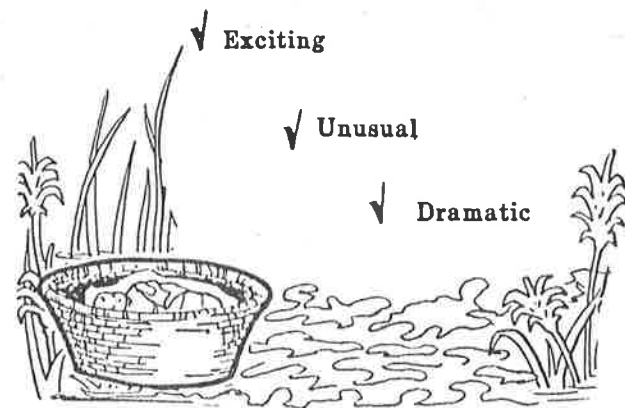


The Adventures Of Moses

June 19 - 23

Time: 9:30 until Noon

Two Years Through Fifth Grade



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We ♥ Visitors!

Granddaughter

Bill and Elizabeth Endsley are the happy grandparents of a baby girl, Gabriel Nicole. She was born to Jerry and Debbie Endsley in Durham, N.C. on June 6.

Discovery Days

Discovery Days, which meets each Monday, is having a fun summer. Sixteen children were here Monday. If you would like to help with materials for their summer projects, please save the following items for Barbara Oberg, director: coffee cans, hose, white socks, and felt scraps.

Thank You

Chloe and I would like to express our appreciation for your love and concern during my recent surgery and further treatments. It is a wonderful feeling to know that so many people care. The phone calls, visits, cards, flowers, and most of all your continued prayers have helped to keep our spirits uplifted. May God bless each of you.

In Christian love,
Roy Clark

From Cherokee Home for Children

Words can't express it enough how generous you were in meeting our needs on Cherokee Day. There is really no way to be sure what the groceries brought in would have cost us, but it was a great success. We also had around \$25,000 contributed that day. Our pantry is full and I am sure it will carry us well into next year. Your assistance in this effort has been a great blessing to Cherokee Home and you are to be commended to God and His glory for your outstanding success in this drive.

Danny Duggan, Director

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

Potpourri

Because classrooms are prepared for Vacation Bible School the following changes will be for this Sunday morning only. All adults, including college age, will meet for Bible Class in the Auditorium, Middle School and High School will meet in the Fellowship Hall, Grades 1 through 5 will meet in the Chapel and Pre-school, ages 4 and 5 will meet in Room 110. Two and three year olds will meet in their regular place, room 102 with Velma Lemons.

Also, Velma Lemons will care for 2's and 3's and 4's and 5's during the Worship Training period in room 102.

You will be interested to know that we received a notice concerning our new church directory. It has gone into production and is scheduled to be shipped to us approximately August 14.

Here and There

By Wes Price



What Are the Priorities at Your House?

What priorities will be established in our children when the following happen:

1. When we are early to the game, but late to the worship service?
2. When we see our children do their homework but never check to see if Bible lessons are complete?
3. When they cannot stay up late on school nights lest it infringe upon their school work, but they can stay up and watch the "late show" on Saturday night, though they will be attending Bible school the next morning?
4. We will not let them miss school even though they do not want to attend, but we cater to their whims and let them miss Bible school?
5. We know the names of their public school teachers but we cannot call the names of all their Bible class teachers at church?
6. We will serve as room mother or president of the P.T.A. at the public school, but what about helping with a function in the Bible class?
7. We attend their public school open house, but not open house on last day of V.B.S.?
8. We will not schedule vacations so as to make them miss public school, but what about V.B.S. and Gospel meetings?
9. They see us go to work even though we do not feel too well, but stay at home from church under the same circumstances?
10. They see us look and study their school work, but never pay any attention at all to their handwork brought home from Bible classes?

Yes, with such situations prevailing, what priorities are being established in the hearts of our children?

—Wendell Winkler

Records

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Bible School	414	410	387
Worship/A.M.	527	505	443
Worship/P.M.	370	no count	no count
Wed. Eve.	238	241	no count
Contributions	\$10,204.70	\$9,860.76	\$13,958.89
Bldg. Fund	1,560.00	322.07	
Total	\$11,764.70	\$10,182.83	
Membership	621		
Weekly Budget	\$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, June 11 and Wednesday Evening, June 14-DAVID HANEY, 561-2133.

Potpourri

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING NEEDED

There is a great need for clothing for children (for infants through teens). Please bring what you have to the building.

MEDINA TRUCK

The truck from the Medina Children's Home arrived Wednesday morning. They picked up cooking oil and other items with an estimated value of \$180.00. Boyd and Sue Baker expressed appreciation to you from the home.

DISHES

There are many dishes in the back foyer to be picked up. Please check to see if you have one there.

FOURTH SUNDAY SINGING

You are invited to the Fourth Annual Singing at the Van Church of Christ, June 23, 1989. The time is 7:00 until 11:00 P.M. There will be groups and congregational singing. Child-care will be available. You are invited to enjoy the singing and refreshments. A brochure is on the bulletin board in the south foyer.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Freeman Morgan
 Prayer Faber Cauthen
 Scripture Scott Epperson
 Dismiss David Haney

EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Freeman Morgan
 Prayer Jeff Hone
 Scripture Charles Rachui
 Dismiss Jay Lockhart, Jr.

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 James Sublette Stan Clark
 Earl O'Quinn Melvin Maples

SERVING FROM BACK FOYER
 Don Ingram Rex Johnson
 Kyle McRuiz David Taylor

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY
 George and Ruth Hearne
 Charles and Ann McCoy
 Stan and Judy Clark
 Wayne and Lynn Harrison

The Sick

Brother Roy Clark is undergoing a series of radiation treatments. Sister Pattie Tate's sister, Ruby Pittman, remains in Mother Frances Hospital in ICU.

The Search



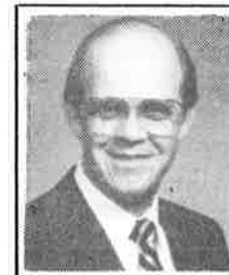
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A Study Of James

It has been said that the epistle of James in the New Testament is the most practical of books. The reason is that James presents inspired counsel as to how the Christian is to face up to life as it is. James shows us how to conform our attitudes, speech, and behavior to the will of God and thus to live wisely by faith as we practice pure religion. Over the next few weeks we are going to study this practical letter and we will see that James speaks to our hearts today!

Servants

People who work behind the scenes in church work, never seeking or expecting recognition, are the life-blood of the local church. A hired staff cannot do the work that needs to be done. Elders and deacons cannot do it. The church func-

tions when each member is doing his part (Ephesians 4:16). We have so many people who do their part and more. Among these folks are John and Ruby Cliver. They came to us in January, 1988 after being heavily involved in the church in Houston where John served as an elder. They "hit the ground running" and have been running ever since. They sacrifice and go out of their way to help people. The many ways they serve are known to those whom they serve and, most importantly, known to Him who does not "forget your works and labors of love, ...in that you have ministered to the Saints, and do minister" (Hebrews 6:10). Thanks, John and Ruby, for your work of faith and labor of love!



John and Ruby Cliver

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**DANNY'S
DOODLES**



Danny Snell

We had a great meeting of parents and teens this past Sunday. All of the summer plans were discussed and sign-up lists for the activities were started.

Thanks to all who supplied the need for cookies and drinks for the Summer Youth Series. Thanks to all the parents and teens for helping with the Youth Series.

VBS TRIBAL LEADERS

There is still a need for Tribal Leaders for our Vacation Bible School that is scheduled for June 19 - 23. If you can help in this capacity please let me know as soon as possible. We will have a meeting and workshop Sunday night, June 18, for Tribal Leaders.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

The bus will be leaving for the Summer Youth Series Tuesday evening, June 13, at 6:15 to go to Athens. Randy Gill will be the speaker and I know it will be great. We will return at 10:15 P.M.

COMBINED ACTIVITY

All Middle School and High School Teens are invited to stay after church Sunday night for our devotional. Plan to come.

THURSDAY YOUTH PROJECT

All teens are asked to be at the church building on Thursday, June 15, at 9:00 A.M. We will be mowing several yards and taking care of some of our widows. Wear clothing suitable for yard work and bring enough money to eat Pizza for lunch. We will finish in the afternoon.

IMPORTANT DATES

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Thank You

My Dear Ones In Christ,

My heart is so filled with love for all of you dear people in this church. My family and I deeply thank you for the beautiful flowers, the delicious food, cards, prayers and visits. Lynn was so happy here and dearly loved each one of you. You've made us feel so welcome and loved this past year, and he will be there with Jesus to welcome us when we get there!

Jesus loves you and I do, too,
Marilyn Ligon and Family

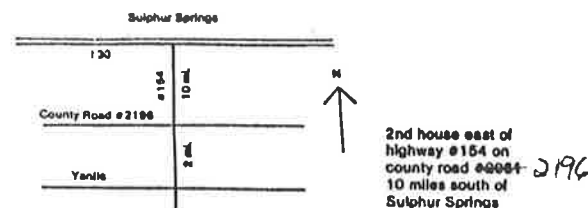
I would like to thank all of you for your cards, calls, flowers, food, and especially for your prayers during my recent illness. What a blessing it is to be a member of such a loving church family here at West Erwin.

I love all of you.
Gussie Beaty

Thank you so much for the food, visits, phone calls, baby shower, and especially your prayers during my recent confinement. Gary and I are so lucky to have such a loving and concerned family like you. The baby is doing fine now. Your prayers did help.

Gary and Mimi Aven

*Their children and grandchildren
invite you to share the
gift of your presence
in celebration of
the Golden Wedding Anniversary
of Pauline and A. L. Aven
Saturday, June 17, 1989
2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
in their home*



Invitation

You Are Invited To A
Miscellaneous Wedding Shower
Honoring Stephanie (Leek) Muller
Sunday Afternoon, June 11, 1989
Fellowship Hall
4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
Selections, Dillard's

New Grandbabies

Kyley Shannon Mabray was born Saturday, June 3, in Phoenix, Arizona to Craig and Shannon Mabray. She weighed 7 lb 3 oz and is 20 3/4 inches long. The happy grandparents (on their way to Arizona) are Glynn and Fran Starnes. Henry and Sue (Starnes and Virginia Canterbury) are the great grandparents.

Moselle White has a new great grandson born Sunday afternoon to Ronnie and Cheryl Fitzgerald in Baton Rouge, La. He weighed 8 lb and has been named Austin Fitzgerald.

Happy Birthday

JUNE (11) Tanya Wiggains, B.E. Walker, Elizabeth Endsley, Pat Patten (12) Ralph Old (13) Harold Browning (15) Kevin Braly, J.N. Metcalf, Stephanie Muller, Jason Patten (16) Ann Nail, Bobbie McCarty, Emily McDonald (17) Fred Strait, Grace Walker, Louise Leaberry.

College Student

Todd Hancock, son of Paul and Joann Hancock, graduated from U.T. Tyler, May 5, 1989, majoring in Political Science. He plans to attend South Texas School of Law in Houston this fall. Todd was Vice President of the Pre-Law Society, member of Student Foundation, University Democrats, and the Criminal Justice Association. He was a Dean's Scholarship recipient and received recognition for Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Here and There



By Wes Price

Vacation Bible School is now less than two weeks away. We sincerely hope you are planning on making it a part of your schedule if you have children ages two through fifth grade. We need your children present each day to receive the best inspiration from the Adventures With Moses.

We want to post advance notice that there will be some changes in our regular schedule of classes the Wednesday night and the Sunday morning preceding the beginning of VBS on Monday. There will be no Wednesday night classes on June 14. Everyone will meet in the auditorium. Bible Classes on Sunday morning, June 18, will be grouped as follows: Adult and High School will meet in the Auditorium; Grades 1 through 5 will meet in the Chapel; Preschool, ages 3 through 5, will meet in Room 110. Two year olds will meet in their regular classrooms.

The annual Abilene Christian University Bible Teachers Workshop is scheduled for the week of July 23. We need to send reservations for rooms as soon as possible. Please call the church office and leave your name for the reservation list.

Parents, will you join our teaching staff in a very helpful resolution? Our Sunday morning and Wednesday night teachers have agreed to give more attention to being present for their classes as early as possible. Will you join us in that agreement? Why not make the extra effort to be present for class early! You might find it to be very helpful to your day's activities.

Monday night, our men's softball team completed their regular season with the championship trophy. Let's congratulate them for a job well done. They have certainly represented West Erwin in a fine way!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THE ADVENTURES OF MOSES

Two Years Through Fifth Grade



June 19 - 23

9:30 - 12:00 Noon

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Worship/P.M.	no count	385	no count
Wed. Eve.	241	179	283
Contributions	\$9,860.76	\$10,428.32	\$10,038.63
Bldg.Fund	322.07	677.00	

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, June 4 and Wednesday Evening, June 7-JAMES SUBLETTE, 593-3578.

Response

Sister Vivie Canter came Sunday to ask for the prayers of the church (May 21). (This should have appeared in last week's Visitor.)

Meeting

The Pritchett congregation will have a Gospel Meeting, June 4 - 7. V. E. Howard, speaker for the International Gospel Hour, will be the speaker. All evening services will be at 7:30 P.M.

Serving Sunday

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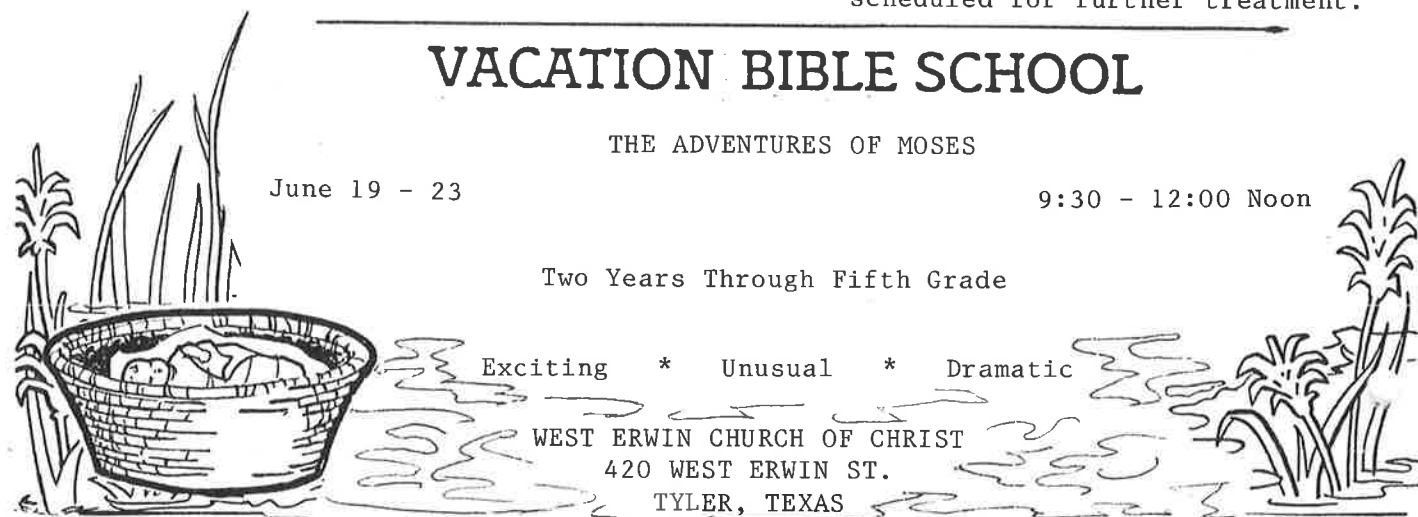
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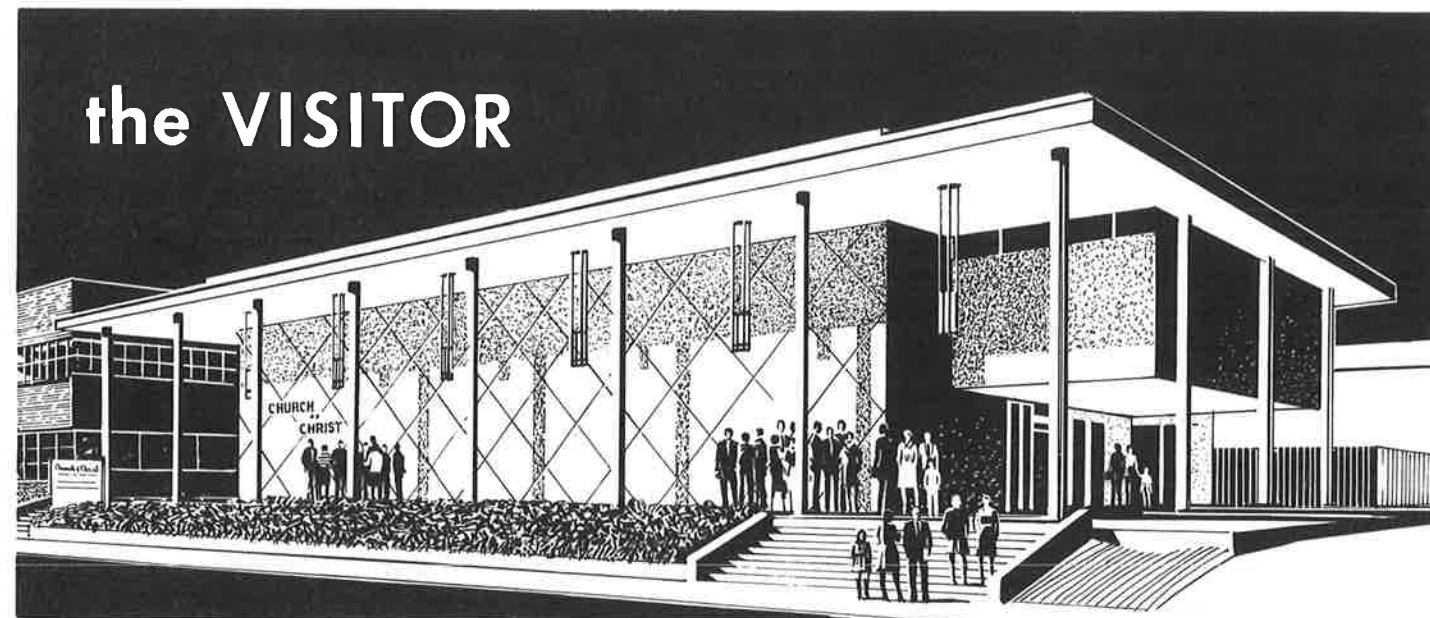
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Happenings

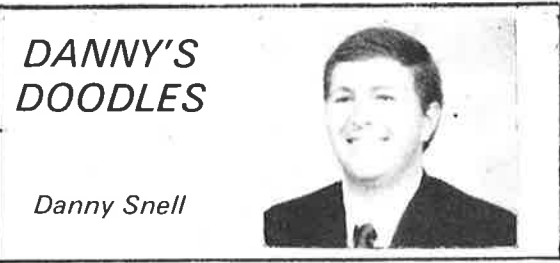
I have just closed (Friday) a five night meeting with the Shady Grove Church, northwest of Big Sandy. This is my fourth summer to travel to this quiet little community to preach for three to five nights. People in the Shady Grove area view THE SEARCH, and the church is seeking to be light for Christ in East Texas. I always enjoy my visits with them.

As you read these lines I will be on my way to Nashville, Tennessee for a meeting with my friend Clarence DeLoach and the Highland church in Lebanon. Clarence preached for my home congregation in Parkersburg, W. Va. for ten years, and I was with him for two meetings while he was with the church in Cookeville, Tennessee. Clarence is always a most gracious host and I look forward to being with him again.

Recently, in my absence, Wes Price and Hillard Hughes have taught classes for me and I appreciate their help. The most capable Robert Hawkins will teach on Wednesday while I am in Tennessee. Thanks to Robert for using his talents in so many ways for the Lord.

This Sunday Harold Taylor will be at West Erwin to fill the pulpit. Harold preached here recently and always does a great job. Give a warm West Erwin welcome to Harold and Betty.

Thought for today: "He is no fool who gives us what he cannot keep for that which he cannot lose." Jim Elliott, missionary to Equador who was murdered by the Indians he wanted to teach.



DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell

Junior/Senior Banquet

The Junior/Senior Banquet was a tremendous success. Everyone had a fun time that evening with entertainment by the OCC Summer Singers and by Dr. R. E. Bellows, a hypnotist. Everyone especially enjoyed Dr. Bellows and his show. Ask those who were there to tell you a little about it. Thanks to Stan and Judy Clark for keeping some of the singers in their home.

Thanks to all of you who made donations for the Junior/Senior Banquet. We could not have had this great evening without your help! Thank you.

Thanks to Fred Powell for assisting me to present our Seniors at the Baccalaureate Service Sunday evening.

Summer Youth Series Begins

Tuesday night, June 6th, will be the first meeting of the East Texas Summer Youth Series. West Erwin will host this first meeting and Jim Hackney will be the guest speaker. The Take 1 singing group from ACU will be singing. It all begins at 7:30 p.m. All West Erwin teens and parents are asked to be at the building at 6:45 to help set up and usher people in. We need lots of help so plan to come.

Your Help Is Needed

We need cookies and canned soft drinks to serve as refreshments Tuesday evening for the Summer Youth Series. If you can bake a batch of cookies or purchase several dozen, please bring them by Sunday along with a dozen or more (or a case) of canned soft drinks. We expect a large crowd.

Congratulations

Matt Goodson won 2nd place in State for Drafting. Congratulations Matt!

Thursday Youth Project

All teens are asked to be at the church building on Thursday, June 8, at 9:00 a.m. We will be mowing several yards and taking care of some of our widows. Bring enough money to eat Pizza for lunch. Wear clothes appropriate for yard work. We will finish in the afternoon.

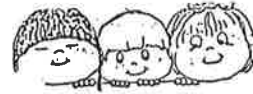
Parents and Teens Meeting Sunday

Sunday night, June 4, there will be a special meeting for all teens and their parents in the Fellowship Hall after the evening assembly. Bring your notebook to take notes of the great things we have planned for the summer.

Important Dates

- June 4 Parents/Teens Meeting
- June 6 Summer Youth Series/West Erwin
- June 8 Thursday Youth Project
- June 11 Combined Activity
- June 18 VBS Tribal Leaders/Meeting & Workshop
- June 19-23 Vacation Bible School
- June 25-30 Learning To Lead Camp/Middle School
- July 7-15 Teen Mission Trip
- July 16-21 Camp Kadesh/High School
- July 30-31 Soul Lift Youth Rally/Six Flags

Discovery Days



Monday begins the first day of "Discovery Days" Summer Program. Children, ages two through five, are invited to a fun Monday planned especially for them. Drop-ins are welcome by reservation. For further information about this program each Monday from 8:30 a.m. until 2:15 p.m., please contact Barbara Oberg, 581-1806 (home), or 592-0809 (church).

Medina Truck

Bring COOKING OIL for Medina Home. The truck will be here one day next week.

Summer Youth Series

All young people are invited to attend the first meeting of this year's SUMMER YOUTH SERIES to be held on Tuesday, June 6, 1989 at 7:30 p.m.

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An Uncommon Purpose

Lessons From Ephesians Tuesdays 7:30 p.m.

June 6 - West Erwin, Tyler
Jim Hackney

June 13 - Eastern Hills, Athens
Randy Gill

June 20 - University, Tyler
David Miller

June 27 - Broadway, Tyler
Jack Paul

July 11 - Crockett Rd., Palestine
Dal Narramore

...to bring all things in Heaven and on Earth together under one head, even Christ." Ephesians 1:10

July 18 - Glenwood, Tyler
Wally Wilkerson

July 25 - Shiloh Rd., Tyler
Steve Yates

August 1 - Troup
Robert Peek

August 8 - Glimer
Terry Fischer

August 15 - Longview, Maud Cobb
Auditorium
Acappella Concert
Advance Tickets
\$2.00 each

East Texas Summer Youth Series 89

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis B. Johnson
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Sandra Carol
to
Mr. Thomas Wade Park
on Saturday, the tenth of June
Nineteen hundred and eighty-nine
at two o'clock in the afternoon
Church of Christ
207 Cherry Street
Van, Texas

Reception following
Church Fellowship Hall

Thank You

The beautiful pink azalea was a lovely expression of your sympathy following the death of our loved one. Thanks for the cards, food and other personal expressions of concern.

The Family of Vivian Thompson
(Mother of Rebecca Center)

Invitation

You are invited to a
Miscellaneous Wedding Shower
Honoring Stephanie (Leek) Muller
Sunday Afternoon, June 11, 1989
Fellowship Hall
4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.
Selections, Dillard's

The Search 8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
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Happy Birthday

JUNE (4) Cheryl Welborn (5) Carolyn Womack (6) C. B. Hardin, Garrett Sublette, Leasa Zeppa, Dennis Stansbury (7) Sue Paul (8) Chris Ketchum (9) Mark Gregory, Gary Ables, Clinton Culpepper (10) Carolyn Carruth, David Haney, Cynthia Johnson, Sheila Taylor.

Here and There

By Wes Price



The end of the present school term is upon us. Most public schools will conclude classes on Friday and the teachers will conclude their school year on Saturday.

We have many of these fine school teachers on our Bible School staff and they add so much when they bring their years of experience to the Bible class room. However, if you look around you will find that we have teachers in the Bible School who have not taught public school but who demonstrate dedication and skill equal in every way to their work in the Bible class room. We have so much to be thankful for in such a dedicated staff of Bible school teachers. Many of these who teach year in and year out already have their children raised and so we have to remark at their willingness to continue to teach and help parents who have children at home. If you are among that category in our church family why not consider accepting a teaching assignment the next time you are asked? Your service might well be for a greater sense of belonging to this special core of workers, not to mention the example you will be setting for your own children.

We are most grateful to God for all of you.

Vacation Bible School preparation continues for this annual event for all our children. Less than a month away now, we will be seeing a remarkable transformation in our classrooms.

Why not invite the children in your neighborhood and let them enjoy the benefit of our worker's talent in teaching the Word of God.

When one of our families loses a loved one, it becomes crystal clear how valuable our Brother's Keeper Units are. They reach out and touch the grieving family not only with words of love and sympathy but also with generous food offerings so that the family will have an easier time providing for the out-of-town visitors to their home.

We can see how needful we are to each other. I know we sometimes wish we did not have to depend upon others, but in the last analysis that condition never really exists. Let's reach out and touch each other with love and concern.

Records	May 21	May 14	Year Ago
Bible School	426	425	480
Worship/A.M.	564	627	580
Worship/P.M.	385	300	446
Wed. Eve.	179	244	285
Contributions	\$10,428.32	\$9,202.34	\$10,348.92
Bldg. Fund	677.00	4,100.00	
Pledges	1,000.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 28 and Wednesday evening, May 31, KEITH HARRIS, 566-9216.

Mission Work

A letter of thanks has been received from Jeff Holland and the North Main Church of Christ in Searcy, Ark. for the support West Erwin supplied to assist Jeff in being a part of Campaigns Northwest this summer.

From St. Thomas Church of Christ U.S. Virgin Islands

We wish to express our deepest appreciation for your gift of one thousand dollars toward our building fund. ...We will keep you informed on our progress. We have raised around \$40,000 so we have a long ways to go but feel confident with the Lord's help and good brethren like you we are going to reach our goal of \$100,000.



Moved To Colorado

Last Sunday was the last time for Carroll and Cherrie Magee to be here for several months. They have moved to Pagosa Springs, Colorado, but we do have hopes that they will return to Tyler. We hope they will be very happy as they live in Colorado this summer.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY	
Announcements	Gary Ables
Prayer	Jamon Kirby
Scripture	Robert Hawkins
Dismiss	George Hearne
EVENING ASSEMBLY	
Announcements	Gary Ables
Prayer	Matt Haws
Scripture	Randy Pickens
Dismiss	Perry Hale
SERVING LORD'S SUPPER	
Ron Oberg	Bob May
Jimmie Harris	Wayne Harrison
SERVING FROM BACK FOYER	
K. Max Haws	Jack Grier
Darryl Hendrix	Wyndal Miller
GREETERS FOR SUNDAY	
Glynn and Fran Starnes	
Perry and Bobbie Hale	
Dannie and Sue Skipper	
Alfred and Christine Welch	

"Keep yourselves in the love of God..."
Jude 21

The Sick

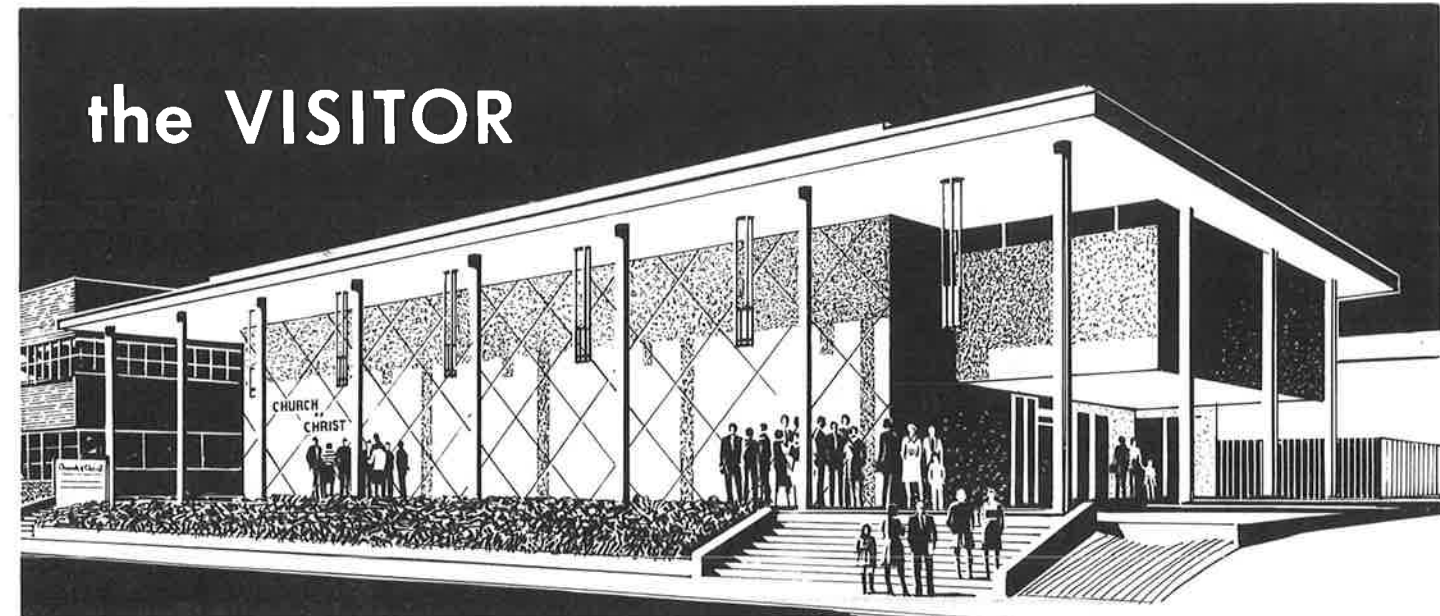
Gussie Beaty is in Medical Center Hospital. She had surgery on Monday. Roy Clark entered Medical Center on Wednesday in preparation for surgery on Thursday. His surgery was postponed from earlier in the week until Thursday.

Margaret Lucas, mother of Bobbie McCarty, has gone home from the hospital.

The infant son of Gary and Mimi Aven was brought home from the hospital last Monday.

Vonnie Hamblett's father, Willis Vincent, who lives in Fort Worth, is hospitalized for tests.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"And let all the people say amen."

Psalm 106:48

Amen

In white, middle class, city churches one seldom hears anyone say, "Amen." Oh, a few occasionally say the word at the close of a public prayer. Sometimes it is heard at the conclusion of a song and once in a great while it is heard during a sermon. However, if someone says amen during a sermon, it sometimes is muffled and startles the preacher so one is reluctant to say it again. I'm reminded of the old story of the visitor who, at the conclusion of prayer, said a hearty amen. People turned and looked at him. Then as a song was ending he said, "Hallelujah!" People looked and frowned. During the sermon he was heard to say, "Praise the Lord!" It was too much, so an usher came to him asking, "What are you doing?" The

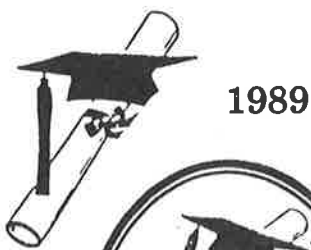
visitor answered, "Worshipping the Lord." The usher said, "Well, we don't allow that in here." Is it ever appropriate to say amen? Our black brethren would say yes. We might say no. Why do we answer as we do? Are we too sophisticated? Are we void of feelings? Is it unscriptural? Few would say it is unscriptural to say amen (see I Corinthians 14:16). Maybe we are just too uninvolved or too insensitive to say it. However, once in a while someone becomes so bold as to say amen, even during a sermon. What do we mean by our amen? Do we mean what is being said is something that is right in light of Scripture or simply, "I agree with that." If we only mean we agree, there is little meaning to an amen because we may only be affirming our prejudices. The question should not be, "Do I agree?", but "Is it right?" I would encourage amens but let our amens affirm God's truth rather than personal biases.

Flash

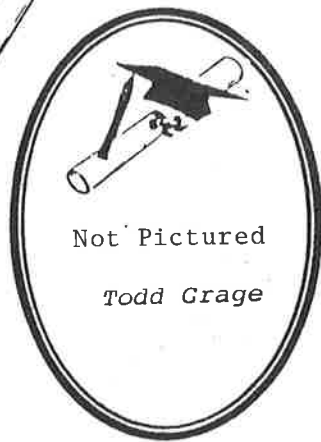
Many generous people have committed over \$200,000 to our much needed expansion program, and we are grateful. However, it should be noticed that nearly every week finds us failing to meet our weekly budget. For the first twenty-one weeks of 1989 we have missed our budget by an average of \$1,300 per week or a total of \$28,770 for the year! Let's take care of those weekly obligations.

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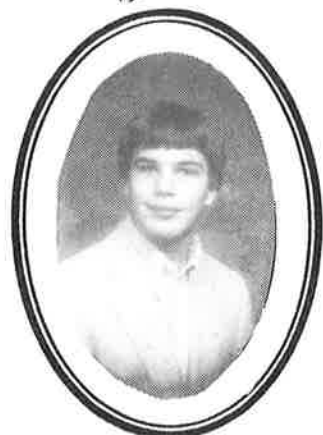
Congratulations Grads



1989



Not Pictured
Todd Grage



Mark Adams



Traci O'Quinn



Chris Kindred

Mark Adams, son of Tony and Mary Adams is a graduate of Chapel Hill High School. He plans to leave on September 19 for California and will serve in the damage control unit of the U.S.Navy for four years. Following his discharge from the Navy, Mark plans to enter college and major in Fire Protection/Damage Control. He has been an early admission student for two semesters at Tyler Junior College. Mark was a member of the National Junior Honor Society of Secondary Schools, a member for 3 years of the Chapel Hill Drafting Club, manager of the football team for 2 years and played on a city team 4 years. He was a national member of the FCA Christian Association, member of the Chapel Hill Volunteer Fire Dept. for 3 years and saved 2 lives personally. He is Assistant Manager of Captain D's and a member of CHS's HECE Program. Mark has received 3 certificates from A. & M. for firefighting; received Best in Division at State competition (1987) in drafting and architecture; Best in Division Regional competition (1989); two first place ribbons, one 2nd and two 3rd place ribbons at State (1989). Also his model house will compete in national competition next month.

FELLOWSHIP

We are getting together
SUNDAY EVENING FOLLOWING WORSHIP
Bring: Sandwiches, Chips, Dips,
and Desserts
Coffee and Tea will be furnished.



Tracy Elizabeth O'Quinn plans to enter Stephen F. Austin University in the fall and major in Music/Education. She is a graduate of Robert E. Lee High School where she has been in the Red Raider Band, the Flag Corps, and served as Flag Captain and as Drum Major. She was a member of the National Honor Society for 2 years, Vice President of the German Club and a member of Jr. Civitans. Traci plays the flute and made First Division in Solo & Ensemble. She was a member of All Region Band, Sweetheart of the German Club, and recognized for Outstanding Achievement in Band. Traci, daughter of Earl and Melinda O'Quinn, is the fourth generation of her family who are all members of the West Erwin church at the present time. Do you know of another family situation so unique? Let us know!

Youth Group

PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES

May 28	Baccalaureate Service
June 4	Parents/Teens Meeting
June 6	Summer Youth Series/W.Erwin
June 19-23	Vacation Bible School
July 7-15	Teen Mission Trip
July 30-31	Soul Lift Youth Rally Six Flags

The Search

8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
KLTV - Channel 7
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Invitation

The Staff and Children
of "Discovery Days" School invite
You To A Program In The Chapel
Entitled, A Year To Remember
Tuesday, May 30, at 2:00 O'Clock
Open House and Reception Will
Follow in The Heritage Room

Thank You

Dear Christian Friends,

The family of Mrs. W. L. (Vivian) Thompson wishes to express appreciation for your prayers and the beautiful flowers. We thank you for your kindness and love.

Mr. & Mrs. Bob Center & Family

We wish to express our thanks for the food, visits, and cards. We appreciate and love everyone in the church.

Adrain and Fern Scruggs

Medina Home

We are collecting COOKING OIL for the Medina Children's Home. The grocery truck will be here the week of June 5-9. They have special needs for SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS and TOOTH-BRUSHES FOR CHILDREN (all sizes).

Happy Birthday

MAY (29) Dorothy Davis (30) Andrea Usrey JUNE (1) Leon Welborn, Justin Wiggins, Sharon Ketchum (3) Gena Henry, Melissa Ingram.

More About College Students

Arlene Lockhart will graduate from the University of Texas at Tyler in August. She was recently inducted into Alpha Chi, a National Scholastic Honor Society. Membership, which is by invitation, is extended to students who are in the top 10% of their respective schools.

Stephen Rachui graduated from Abilene Christian University with a degree in Biology.

Abby Adams has completed Tyler Junior College with an Associate of Arts. Her major is Home Economics. She plans further education in Sherman to major as a Dental Technician.

Here and There

By Wes Price



We had a great meeting last Sunday with the staff members of our Summer Vacation Bible School. All the learning centers have been assigned and the teachers are off and running on ideas for set design and lesson preparation. We are grateful for the help of so many on this great project. I am especially thankful for Danny Snell's willingness to help with this year's effort.

We anticipate a great week of fun in learning all about Moses and how God rescued the Israelites from the Egyptians. Now we need the help and cooperation of all parents. Make your plans to be here each day with your children. And not only that, see that the children in your neighborhood are invited to come with your children to be introduced to the West Erwin church, not to mention the opportunity to have their parents in our building on Wednesday night, June 21, for our Open House.

May we remind all parents that our Bible School does not have promotion until the beginning of the fall quarter in September. Your child will remain in the same class throughout the summer quarter as well as in our Vacation Bible School.

We invite all ladies of West Erwin to be our guests for the final class session of Wednesday Ladies Bible Class on Wednesday, May 31. We will be concluding our study of Colossians. We also plan a salad luncheon following the class session, and we extend an invitation to the men who might like to join their wives for the luncheon.

The Bible has not dictated that the church have an organized Bible School program. Our forefathers saw the value of having church members and families together for additional study time and out of that wisdom the Bible School developed. While Christians are to assemble on the Lord's Day for worship by the Bible's instruction, it also is a time convenient for instruction in a Bible class. While the option remains with members whether or not to attend, it is inconceivable that a deliberate choice would be made not to. Bible study can so easily be pushed back so that scarcely any of it is done at home or anywhere else. Bible knowledge is vital to your spiritual survival. Let us help you by encouraging you to be present for every Bible study opportunity!

World Bible School

World Bible School Teachers, the May issue of Action contains two very informative articles. They are "How To Answer Your Students," and "Tips For Teachers." If you do not receive this paper, copies are in the South Foyer.

Records	May 14	May 7	Year Ago
Bible School	425	416	457
Worship/A.M.	627	548	552
Worship/P.M.	300	339	442
Wed. Eve.	244	240	290
Contributions	\$9,202.34	\$127,419.87	\$11,062.38
Bldg. Fund	4,100.00		
Total	\$13,302.34		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 21 and Wednesday evening, May 24, MELVIN MAPLES, 597-0019.

**THERE'S SPIRITUAL POWER
AT THE EVENING HOUR**

Funeral Rescheduled

We learned Wednesday morning that, because of weather conditions, the funeral service of Mrs. W. L. (Vivian) Thompson has been postponed until Saturday morning at 10:30 in Chandler. Mrs. Thompson is the mother of Rebecca Center.

The Sick

Gussie Beaty entered Medical Center on Monday afternoon for tests.

Gary Minnis, son of H. M. and Alla Minnis, has improved and is now at home in Lewisville, Texas.

The infant son of Gary and Mimi Aven continues to be a patient in Methodist Hospital in Dallas.

Serving Sunday

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 Prayer George Daugherty
 Scripture Harold Denman
 Dismiss Morris Hallman
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 Scripture Allen Alford
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 Greg Davis Cooper Goodson
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 Perry and Bobbie Hale
 Dannie and Sue Skipper
 Glynn and Fran Starnes
 Alfred and Christine Welch

Events For Ladies

The Fruitvale Church of Christ has extended an invitation to all ladies to attend Ladies' Day on Saturday, May 27, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. A nursery will be provided and luncheon will be served. Bring a sack lunch for the children. The theme is "Let Me Live."

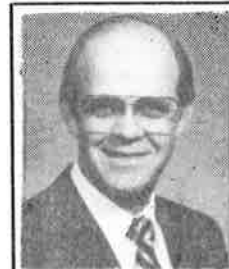
"Dare To Be Different" is the theme of a Ladies' Day program on Saturday, May 20, at the East Cotton Church of Christ in Longview. The time is 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. A nursery will be provided.

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meetings followed by a luncheon prepared by the women of the church. These meetings, as well as the evening assemblies, were well attended with good interest. I congratulate John and the church in Kilgore for being a light for Christ in East Texas. In addition to the usual local work being done in Kilgore, the church sponsors an effective campus work at Kilgore College under the capable direction of Merle Moreland, who has been at the Bible Chair for almost twenty years. It was an enjoyable visit with the church meeting on Chandler Street.

It's Always Too Soon To Quit

In his book by the above title, Lewis Timberlake quotes Shakespeare who said, "Our doubts are traitors, and make us lose the good we oft might win by fearing to attempt." Then he observes: "Hold onto your dreams, trusting God to bring you through the tough times, so you may achieve them. Strive to become all you ever dreamed of becoming by turning your adversity into your advantage. And, during your quest, remember that no aspiration is too noble to keep you from attaining it, as long as you have a dream.... Life is full of peaks and valleys. But the exciting thing is that the valleys are placed there to make us stronger, to give us rest, to make us aware of our dependency on God. The secret is to look to the mountain and not give up."

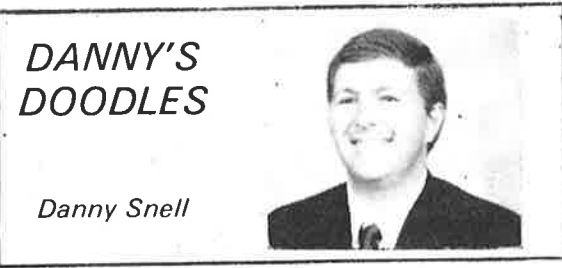
Building Fund Tops \$200,000

Following that tremendous outpouring of love with our special contribution on May 7, gifts have now exceeded \$200,000 for our building expansion and we hope to begin construction soon! Expanded facilities do not assure growth, but gives us the opportunity for growth. We are prepared to grasp the opportunity! We will keep on planting. We will keep on watering. And God will keep on giving the increase! Be expectant. Be involved. Be prayerful.

Kilgore Meeting

On Wednesday evening I closed a good meeting with the church in Kilgore where John Gardner preaches. John is a capable, a faithful, and an effective minister of the Word who is in his fifth year with the church. John, who was a gracious co-worker during the meeting, also serves as an elder in the Kilgore church. An added feature of this meeting was noon

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Time is near for the end of another school year. Many of our families will be going on vacation and traveling to far away places. Many of our teens will be involved this summer in the many activities we have planned here. Let's keep in mind about our Thursday Youth Project where we are involved in helping our widows and those in need to keep up with their yards and other difficult tasks. Also, let's remember that every Tuesday evening will be the East Texas Summer Youth Series. The first one will be June 6 at West Erwin.

HELP

We are still in need of a couple of lawn mowers for our Thursday Youth Project. If you can help by donating a mower or money to purchase one. Please contact me as soon as possible.



All teens are asked to help collect food for the Cherokee Children's Home. We will be meeting together on Saturday, May 20, at 9:00 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall. We will split up and go in groups to members' homes to pick up food that will be set out on the porch. Mark your calendar and plan to help.

PLEASE NOTE THESE EVENTS

- May 20 Jr/Sr Banquet
- May 20 Food Drive/Cherokee Home
- May 21 High School Devotional
- May 28 Baccalaureate Service
- June 6 Summer Youth Series/W.Erwin
- June 19-23 Vacation Bible School
- July 7-15 Teen Mission Trip
- July 30-31 Soul Lift Youth Rally/SixFlags

Potpourri

Food Drive For Cherokee Home

Everyone please remember about the food and supplies that are needed for the Cherokee Children's Home. Please give to this worthy cause. If you are unable to bring your items to the church building, please call and the youth group will include you in the pick-up schedule. The young people plan to pick up items on Saturday, May 20th.

Needed Items

A family is in need of a table and four chairs. If you are able to supply these needs, please call the church office.

Medina Home Grocery Truck

The MEDINA HOME GROCERY TRUCK will be here the week of June 5-9 to collect what we have for them. We are collecting COOKING OIL. They also have a special need of toothbrushes (all sizes) for the children and spiral notebooks.

Happy Birthday

MAY (21) Sherryl Miles, Chad Holcomb, W. A. Mathews, Jim McDonald (22) Hattie Epperson (23) Jonnie Steffee, Tony Adams, Jean Walters (24) Jana McRuiz, Louis E. Jones, Margie Hunt, Meagan Morris (25) Kyle Stowers (26) Brad Chambless, Lillie Knight (27) Frances Walters, Vera Boss.

News of College Young People

Among our college young people we have learned that COLE BENNETT recently graduated with a degree in Business from Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas.

CHERYEE OBERG will graduate in July from Lubbock Christian University with a degree in Homemaking and General Studies.

JOELLE BUTLER is a graduate of Tyler Junior College and plans to attend A & M in the fall.

Is Wednesday Night Important To You?

If you think of Wednesday night as "preparation time" for Sunday, it should be important to you.

If you think of Wednesday night as "a learning experience," it should be important to you.

If you think of Wednesday night as "a midweek hour of power" it should be important to you.

If you think of Wednesday night as "a time of Christian fellowship" it should be important to you.

If you think of Wednesday night as "a Bible study time" it should be important to you.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT should be important to you. YOU are important to the life of the church on Wednesday night.

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Rebecca Center in the death of her mother, Mrs. W. L. (Vivian) Thompson. Private graveside services were held Wednesday afternoon in Chandler, Texas.

Thank You

To My West Erwin Family,

My family and I thank you for your outpouring of love. Each act of kindness, whether it was a visit, a phone call, a dish of food, a prayer, or a floral tribute, is etched on our hearts and will be cherished forever. It is certainly God's blessing that surrounds us with such a wonderful Christian family here at West Erwin. May God bless each of you.

- Mary Dawson
- Sandra & Fred Wingate
- Thomas & Karen Dawson
- Tony & Mark Wingate

You know it's always hard to express to someone how you feel when you want to thank them. But I love and depend on my family at West Erwin for love and encouragement just to survive from week to week. A special thanks to all for all the acts of love, food, flowers, cards, visits, calls, and last but not most important, the prayers (that were definitely answered). I love you all and God bless you.

Joyce Morrison

LADIES BIBLE CLASS MEETS
10:00 A.M.
WEDNESDAY

The Ladies Class will have their concluding meeting for this spring on May 31. They are planning a luncheon following the class. More details later.

The Search
8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
KLTW - Channel 7
Jay Lockhart, Minister



Teaching Staff

June/July/August, 1989

PRESCHOOL

Supervisor: Barbara Oberg, 581-1806
SUNDAY MORNING

- 2/3 Year Olds Velma Lemons
- 4 Year Olds Debbie Graham
- 5 Year Olds Sheila Taylor

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

- 2/3 Year Olds Michelle Colston
- 4/5 Year olds Martha Waggoner
- Cheryl Johnson

PRIMARY

Supervisor: Connie Sublette, 593-3578
SUNDAY MORNING

- 1st Grade Cathy Bryant
- 2nd Grade Carolyn Carruth
- 3rd Grade Laurie Dawkins

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

- 1st Grade Jerry Konczak
- 2nd/3rd Grades Billie Usrey

JUNIOR

Supervisor: Alma Faye Price, 597-8034
SUNDAY MORNING

- 4th Grade Jean Oliver
- Lorene Venable
- Susan Steffee

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

- 4th & 5th Grades Mildred Morgan

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 17 - 23 9:30 - 12:00 Noon
Two Years Through Sixth Grade
Exciting • Unusual • Dramatic
"The Adventures Of Moses"
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Bible School	416	400	430
Worship/A.M.	548	525	535
Worship/P.M.	339	378	386
Wed. Eve.	240	256	286
Contributions	\$127,419.87	\$12,261.25	\$10,447.56
Pledges	31,038.00		
Total	158,557.87		
Bldg.Fund on hand	52,375.00		
Total Contributions (Sunday and Building Fund)	\$210,835.87		
Membership 625	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

THERE'S SPIRITUAL POWER AT THE EVENING HOUR

The Sick

Joyce Morrison had a successful surgical procedure last week for heart problems. Her new address is 14508 County Road 2191, Apt. H, Whitehouse (75791). This address is just off Rhones Quarter Road.

Mimi Aven is in Mother Frances Hospital. The new baby boy was moved to Methodist Hospital in Dallas on Monday evening. His condition is still guarded.

Bob and Virginia Conner made the trip to Houston on Thursday for Virginia's treatment. John and Ruby Cliver took them, and Ruby said they should be returning late Thursday.

Mary June Goodson is in Mother Frances recovering from surgery.

Gary Minnis, son of H. M. and Alla Minnis, is recovering from surgery in Dallas. He will have further treatment.

Serving Sunday

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 Prayer Milburn Cook
 Dismiss Dale Blackstone

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 Prayer John Cliver
 Dismiss Kevin Braly

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SERVING FROM BACK FOYER
 Walter Cooper Jack Garner
 Greg Davis Cooper Goodson

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 Gussie Beaty Agnes Ables
 Mike & Vickie Cauthen
 Charles and Bettye Sue Harris
 Edgar and Delle Bullard

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 14 and Wednesday evening, May 17, IRA WILSON, 561-0750.

Potpourri

A Family Lecture Series will be conducted at the Southwest Church of Christ on May 18 - 21 by B. F. Baur.

East Texas Christian Academy is enrolling for 1989-1990. For Primary grades (K-8th) please call 561-8642. For Pre-school and Summer, please call 561-9582.

Birthdays (May) (14) David Demic, Walter Farrer, Joe Zeppa (15) Jessie Smith, Jeremy Epperson (16) Max Haws, Matt Pickens (17) Chris Bobbitt, Jamon Kirby (18) Angie P. Smith (19) Bill Paschall, Billy Terrell (20) Doris Kennedy.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Harold Taylor To Preach

Harold Taylor, our Stateside Missionary, will be preaching at both services this Sunday, May 14, during Jay Lockhart's absence for a meeting in Kilgore. We welcome Harold and Betty.



Harold Taylor

"Our Stateside Missionary"

West Erwin Commits To Expansion

Last Sunday was a red letter day for the West Erwin family as a cross section of our members gave and committed enough money to bring our total contribution for our building expansion to near \$200,000.00. Many people worked very hard and really sacrificed to give and for each one we are grateful. Our present auditorium will be expanded over the next few months to seat about 200 more people and give us the needed room for growth in the coming year. Let's move on!

Envelopes Provided

Beginning next Sunday (May 21) you will find envelopes in the attendance card racks, located on the backs of our pews, to be used over the next few months for the pledges made last Sunday. When you give to our building fund, be sure to use these envelopes.

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Once a year we give special honor to a person who deserves it every day. This Sunday is Mother's Day. Moms are a special breed of people. They feed us, love us, and take care of us like nobody else can do. They work so hard and all just for love. I love my Mom and I love the Mom I'm married to. To all who are Moms, thank you for being so special.

Last weekend was our Middle School Retreat, and it was great. About 53 people from the Tyler area spent Friday and Saturday nights together at Camp Timberline. We talked about God's plan for our sexuality and how saving ourselves for marriage is so important. A very special thanks to Susan Steffee for sharing herself with us this weekend as a Sponsor. Thanks Susan! Thanks to all the kids for making it such a great time.

Thanks to Stan and Judy Clark and Wayne and Lynn Harrison for hosting our devotional this past Sunday night. It was great. Thanks!

Congratulations to Becky Blackstone for being inducted into the Junior National Honor Society at Stewart Middle School. Congratulations to Michelle Steffee who made the Southern Belles Drill Team at Robert E. Lee High School. Great going girls!

All teens are asked to help collect food for the Cherokee Childrens' Home. We will be meeting together on Saturday, May 20, at 9:00 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall. We will split up and go in groups to our members' homes to pick up food that will be set out on the porch. This will help get more food turned in for this worthy cause. Mark your calendar and plan to help.

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The Search

8:00 o'clock

Each Sunday Morning

KLTV - Channel 7

Jay Lockhart, Minister



Bible Hour



These children attend the Bible Hour classes each Sunday evening. They meet upstairs over the south foyer in two classes, Kindergarten through 2nd grade and 3rd grade through 5th grade. Both classes are in need of couples to work with the program. Contact Dale Blackstone or Ray Vannoy.

Discovery Days

Jesus...took a child and stood by his side, and said to them. "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me: and whoever receives me receives Him who sent me: for he who is least among you, this is the one who is great." Luke 9:47-48

As DISCOVERY DAYS completes its first school year we are reminded that many Christians have supported us in many ways. The words of encouragement, the prayers, and the financial support has been uplifting to this ministry. Continue to pray for us as we begin a summer program.

Barbara Oberg

FROM THE MAIL

I just felt the need to tell you that you have two very special ladies on your hands! I'm sure most of you know this already, but for those of you who don't -I'm going to tell you about them!

They are Barbara Oberg and Jeannie Ross. They are the ladies I have entrusted my daughter Kimberly to on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the past 6 months. They are the ladies that have enriched her little 3 year old life with all the things a small child finds wonderful in life. They are the ladies that allow my daughter to do the things I'm not so anxious to let her do (for obvious reasons) like... cooking, finger painting, painting on an easel, cutting and pasting, and best of all...playing in a sandbox-INSIDE. What more could a pre-schooler ask for?

I've known Barbara Oberg for a long time. My ten year old daughter attended Discovery School when Mrs. Oberg was the director. We also used to watch her on the 5:00 p.m. show and get all excited about seeing Mrs. Barbara on TV! When I found out Mrs. Oberg had started a new pre-school-I did not hesitate in enrolling Kimberly! In fact my boss would not allow me to take 30 minutes out of a 10 hour work day to take her to and from "school"-so I quit! That's how important the Discovery Days was and still is to me.

Thank you Barbara and Jeannie for caring so much about our children. We all love you for it! We look forward to seeing you this summer and next year.

Celia Parker

From The Elders

To The Congregation

We want to express our appreciation to all of you who worked so hard and gave so liberally for our building fund last Sunday. We are grateful for your dedication to the Lord and His work and the confidence you have expressed in your leaders in the commitment to provide additional room at West Erwin for growth. Thank you for caring.

Your Elders

Thank You

Dear Christian Friends, Please accept our sincere thanks for all your prayers, love, beautiful flowers, cards, calls and concern for our physical and emotional welfare during our time of grief. Your care eased our pain and lifted our spirits.

Family of Linnie Fay Killion (sister of Pauline Kennedy)

Thanks so much for your love, prayers, visits, cards, calls and all concerns.

Bob and Ila McLemee

Tom and I would like to thank everyone who helped with the meal served to us last week.

With such a large family it helped so much to have a large room where we could all be together. Thank you to those who planned the meal, prepared the food, served, and cleaned up.

Mr. Dawson was a dear, sweet man, and we will all surely miss him.

Tom and Karen Dawson

Grocery Truck

The Medina Home Grocery Truck will be here the week of JUNE 5-9. It has been suggested that we collect Cooking Oil.

New Member

We are happy to print the picture of Jeanie Outhouse. Her name was in the bulletin last week as a new member. Her address is 1007 Corey, Whitehouse, TX (75791), telephone 839-7220.



Here and There

by Wes Price



Sunday was surely a red letter day in the history of the West Erwin church.

The largest single contribution in the history of West Erwin was given Sunday, and YOU had a part in making it possible. Now we can proceed with the building project that will increase our seating capacity and enhance our opportunities for good in this community. If you have not had the opportunity to give to the building fund, then by all means do so. Mark your check for that special purpose.

Bible class students who arrive on time deserve a break, whether they be children or adults. Teachers who begin on time deserve a pat on the back. Let's give the students the break they deserve and the teachers that pat on the back in the best possible way, by being on time ourselves. Think about it!

Our Brother's Keeper Unit leaders continue to do an outstanding work in caring for their unit members. We receive frequent reports each week of needs among our family members that might go unnoticed without their leader's help. Just remember, they are your support group and when they call to check on you if you missed a Sunday worship, it is only because of their interest and concern for you. Don't hesitate to call them if you need help. If they are not able to honor your request, they can pass it on to someone who can. With their help, we can become the most caring congregation around.

Two events are before us which affect or involve the whole congregation. We have an all-church fellowship on Sunday evening, May 28, and Vacation Bible School, June 19 through 23. Make your plans to be involved in both of these.

We ♥ Visitors!

New Baby

Gary and Mimi Aven are the proud parents of a baby son born Monday evening at ten o'clock in Mother Frances Hospital. The baby is a bit early and is in guarded condition.

Records	April 30	April 23	Year Ago
Bible School	400	433	452
Worship A.M.	525	571	560
Worship P.M.	378	340	415
Wed. Eve.	256	236	278
Contributions	\$12,261.25	\$10,473.58	\$12,843.60
Membership 625	Weekly Budget		\$12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 7 and Wednesday evening, May 10, TOMMY BROWN, 877-2230.

The Sick

Nancy Kincheloe, daughter of Mary Butler, is in I.C.U. in Dallas with heart problems.

H. C. Welch, brother of Alfred Welch, is a patient in Humana Medical City in Dallas.

Bob McLemee is home following surgery.

Naomi Haden is back at Lindale Nursing Center following lip surgery.

Annie McDonald is having tests in the hospital this week.

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, MAY 7, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. *The Judgment Seat of Christ*
(2 Corinthians 5:9-15)

6:00 P.M. *Profiles In Tragedy*
(I Kings 16:29-33)



DISCOVERY DAYS SCHOOL

Our Discovery Days School under the direction of Barbara Oberg, will continue for one day a week this summer on Monday. If you are interested in your pre-school child attending, consider this opportunity. There will be more details later.

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 Dismiss Mike Cauthen

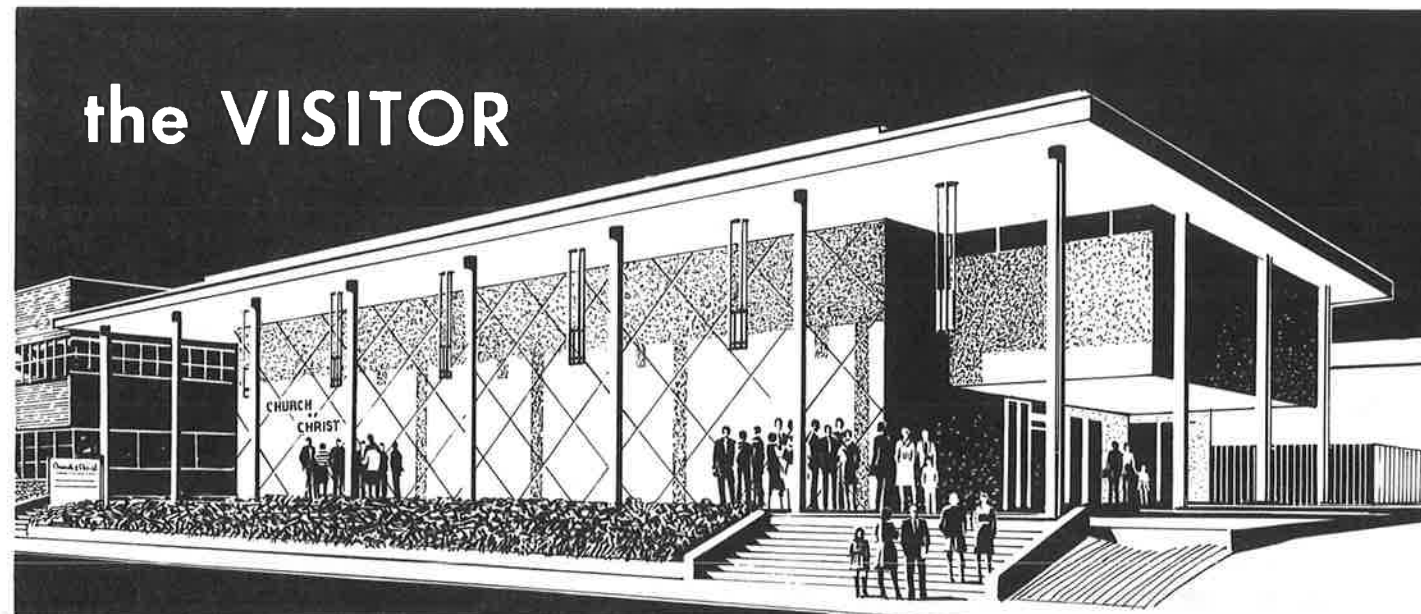
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 Announcements Faber Cauthen
 Prayer Ferman Carpenter
 Scripture Bill Paschall
 Dismiss Scott Carruth

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER
 Gary Cain Daryl Anderson
 Kurt Gesse Scott Rachui

SERVING FROM THE BACK FOYER
 Rick Higginbotham Brian Daughtry
 Scott Baker Todd Hancock

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY
 Agnes Ables Gussie Beaty
 Mike and Vickie Cauthen
 Edgar and Delle Bullard
 Charles and Bettye Sue Harris

Sunday, May 7,
Is A Great Day Of
Commitment And Faith
For The West Erwin Church.
How Will Our
Commitment And Faith
Show Themselves?



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"God loves a cheerful giver"
2 Corinthians 9:7

WHEN GOD'S PEOPLE SEE A NEED

When famine in Judea was predicted (Acts 22:27-30), Christians throughout the Roman world prepared to respond to the need arising from famine. As a matter of fact, Paul's instructions about the giving of material possessions in the New Testament spring from this need. The most lengthy portion of Scripture from Paul on giving is found in 2 Corinthians 8-9 and is the inspired answer to fulfilling a human need. This was a need that could be filled by contributing money and shows how God's people should respond to other needs which can be met by monetary contributions. The Corinthians had promised a year before that they would help and Paul encourages them to carry out their commitment. Paul's encouragement came from what others had done, i.e., the Macedonians who had given liberally although they were poor (8:1-5), his own confidence in them (9:2), their former zeal (9:2), and a visit from brethren to

stir them up (9:3-5). Also, there was a reminder of what God would do for them when they sacrificed for others (9:8-11). But the greatest motivation for giving was the proof of "the sincerity of your love" (9:8), i.e., more than mere words. How does love give? Paul says, "bountifully" (9:6), i.e., extravagantly; "cheerfully" (9:7), i.e., hilariously; personally (9:7; I Corinthians 16:1-2); with purpose (9:7); and obediently (9:13). As a church, we have a need -- a need to provide space for the additional people God is about to give us. To meet this need we are entering a building program and this Sunday the West Erwin family will have an opportunity to completely underwrite this program with a gift of over \$200,000. Do what you can; give much or little; by cash or pledge; but do what you can. The body functions properly when "each member is doing his part" (Ephesians 4:16). Come this Sunday with prayerful preparation.

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Thanks!

Thanks to Jeff Konczak, David Haney, and Neil Vannoy for helping with TYP. Thanks also to Henry McRuiz for donating a drink thermos for our TYP.

Middle School Retreat

This Friday is the day we leave for the retreat. Don't forget to bring your bedding, toiletries, towels and other needed clothing. Also, please bring your Bible and a pencil or pen. We are leaving from the West Erwin parking lot at 5:00 Friday and will return at 4:30 p.m. Saturday. Bring your \$10.00 on Friday. The phone number for Camp Timberline is (214) 882-3183.

Combined Devotional

All teens are reminded of our combined devotional Sunday, May 7, in the Fellowship Hall after the evening assembly. Plan to bring a friend to share in this special evening together. See you Sunday!

Food Drive

All teens are asked to help collect food for the Cherokee Childrens' Home. We will be meeting together on Saturday, May 20, at 9:00 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall. We will then split up and go in groups to our members' homes to pick up food that will be set out on the porch for the Childrens' Home. This will help get more food turned in for this worthy cause. Mark your calendar and plan to help.

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New Member

Placing membership with West Erwin last Sunday was Jeanie Outhouse. Her address is 1007 Corey, Whitehouse, Texas 75791, phone number 839-7220. She comes to us from the Hidden Valley congregation in Houston. We welcome Jeanie.

Grocery Truck

The Medina Home Grocery truck will be in Tyler the week of June 5-9. We have been asked to bring cooking oil. They also have a special need for spiral notebooks and toothbrushes for children. They also appreciate cash donations to be used for milk, meat, fruit and vegetables.

Thank You

Thanks so much for the sandwiches, chips and cookies you brought last Tuesday.

We appreciate your help over this past school year. We are eagerly anticipating summer vacation. We have had a good year.

Please keep the Lord's work on the TJC campus in your prayers.

In Christian love,
Tri-C

Thank you for your gift of love to the Lord through us. It is this blessed assurance that others care which encourages us to continue to share the Lord when officials would have us surrender and move on when there is so much work to do. May God always bless each family with health and prosperity in your daily service. May your community be touched and guided by your example.

Westglen Church of Christ
Doug and Trudy Treet

(The West Erwin congregation helped the Westglen church in Westglen, Arizona with a \$1000 check to help in a building for the congregation. The city had condemned their meeting place. This is a part of the mission work of the West Erwin congregation.)



YOUNG AT HEART PICNIC

The Young at Heart will have a picnic on May 11 at Brookshire's picnic area at Teaselville. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 9:30. Bring picnic foods. Drinks and eating utensils will be furnished. Come prepared for a great day!

AN INVITATION

Ladies, You Are Invited To A
Baby Shower Honoring Mimi Aven
On Sunday Afternoon, May 7, 1989
West Erwin Church of Christ
Fellowship Hall

From 4:30 P.M. Until 5:30 P.M.

Funerals

Funeral services were held Monday for Weldon Dawson. We shall all miss Weldon and his sweet spirit. We extend our sympathy to Mary and the family.

Ross DeLay, brother-in-law of Harold and Nelda Browning, was buried Wednesday in Westminster, California. Our sympathy is with the family.

Potpourri

Returned Dishes

We have several dishes in the back foyer that have been returned. Please remember to pick up your dish.

Missing Chairs

Several of our chairs have been borrowed from the Fellowship Hall. This month we will be having an all-church fellowship and will need all our chairs. We appreciate your cooperation in this.

UNIT 3 MEETING

Brothers' Keeper Unit 3 will meet this week in the home of Tony and Mary Adams.

GOLF PORCH PARTY

Those attending the Eisenhower Golf Tournament on May 8 are invited to make our porch on the green at hole #6 your "pit stop" for refreshments. We may be out on the golf course, but soft drinks, tea, ice water, chairs and shade will be plentiful. Help yourself and make yourselves at home.

Stan and Ernestine Mallory
7208 Pinetree Place

Happy Birthday

MAY (7) Wade Weathers (8) Jason O'Quinn (9) M. B. Beard, Ford Egbert, Jim Usrey (10) Don Farrer, George Daugherty (11) Amy Fisher, Clelia Elliott (13) Phil Marts, Lela Duncan

Here and There

by Wes Price



Monday was a sad day in the life of the West Erwin church. We had to say goodbye to a beloved saint and dear friend. Weldon Dawson was known and loved by all who knew him. His presence has provided strength and direction to so many of our efforts. His wisdom and advice was sought by all. We thank God for his having been a part of our lives and the value that he added to them. He was a man in whom there was no guile.

We extend our sincerest sympathy to Mary, to Sandra Wingate - her daughter, and to her son Tom. We will surround her with arms of love and bear her burden with her.

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May 7 is due to be one of those "red letter" days for the West Erwin church. There has been a growing feeling that as large a percentage of our members as ever have will be participating in this special offering for our building expansion. If you have prayed about it, then I know you will be contributing what you can with the confidence that God will multiply your seed for sowing.

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Our men's softball team sits in first place at the present time. They have played about half their season's games. Billy Terrell serves as their player-coach. He has given me a copy of their schedule and I'd like to encourage more of you to go out and watch them play. You would enjoy it and they would be encouraged by your presence. The games are all played at Lindsey Park, off of Spur 364 at Loop 323. Future games are scheduled on: Monday, May 8, at 7:25 p.m.; Monday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m.; Monday, May 22, at 9:15 p.m.; Monday, June 5, at 8:20 p.m.

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I am still in need of volunteer workers for our Vacation Bible School set for the week of June 19. If you can help, please give me a call.

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Bible School	433	382	451
Worship A.M.	571	610	566
Worship P.M.	340	413	407
Wed. Eve.	236	222	295
Contributions	\$10,473.58	\$9,703.47	\$11,501.47
Membership 625	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER For Sunday, April 30 and Wednesday evening, May 3, JIMMIE HARRIS, 592-9780

The Sick

Sam Bailey was injured by a falling tree on Tuesday afternoon while helping to clear some property. He was hospitalized overnight, but was able to go home Wednesday morning.

Stacey Lockhart was hospitalized again Tuesday afternoon in Medical Center. Stacey is suffering from a kidney stone.

Naomi Haden was scheduled for surgery on her face Wednesday morning. It should be day surgery, if her condition is good.

Sister Fern Scruggs was able to go home from the hospital on Wednesday.

The grandmother of Rache] and Carl Nunn, Mrs. Elvera Perez, underwent surgery last week in Medical Center Hospital.

H. C. Welch, brother of Alfred Welch, is a patient in Humana Medical City in Dallas. He is suffering from a heart attack. His home is in Abilene.

Thank You

Cook and I would like to express our appreciation for all the care and concern shown for me during my recent surgery. It is a wonderful feeling to know that so many people care about you. This was shown by many prayers, phone calls, visits, cards, and beautiful flowers. Our physical needs have been well taken care of by some of the great cooks of West Erwin.

Hope to be back with you soon.

In Christian love,
Jan Cook

Thank you for the many prayers on behalf of my day. God has answered your prayers, and the doctors have given my dad a good report.

Cindy Patten

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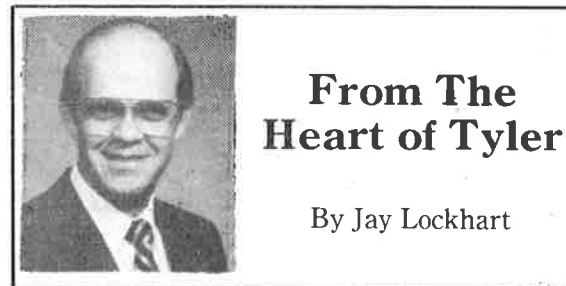
Happy Birthday

APRIL (30) Ray Vannoy, Shirley Denman, David Frick, Anthony Aven
 MAY (1) Aline Beard, (2) Mah Williamson (4) Clay McDonald (5) Dot Hardin, Nelda Browning, Henry Dunn (6) Bessie Willis.



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By Jay Lockhart

"What great things the Lord has done."
 --Mark 5:19

Revival

One of the many joys of being a Christian is the wonderful blessing of associating with the best people. God's people, with their imperfections, are the best there are. Last week I was with some of the best of the best--the Glendale Road church in Murray, Kentucky. Overseen by four men of vision and faith as elders who compliment each other, this church of nearly 1,000 is enjoying the greatest days in its long history. Murray, Kentucky, nestled between the Mississippi, Ohio, and Tennessee Rivers, is the home of Murray State University and is one of the most popular retirement centers in the nation. These facts have added to the opportunities for church growth in Western Kentucky. John Dale, who has preached for the church for fifteen years, was a wonderful host and a congenial co-worker. He is faithful to God's Word, a powerful preacher, a great church builder, and a good friend. Jerry Bolls, an excellent song leader, added much to the meeting with great song se-

lections and dynamic leading. Large crowds attended each assembly and we witnessed the power of the new birth. People I have known for thirty years were everywhere. It was a revival for me...and hopefully a revival for the Glendale Road Church.

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 Commitment And Faith
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 How Will Our
 Commitment And Faith
 Show Themselves?

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 1989
 By Jay Lockhart
 10:30 A.M. Let Us Rise Up And Build
 (Nehemiah 2:11-18)
 6:00 P.M. The Call To Commitment
 The Rewards of Obedience
 (II Kings 5:1-14)

**DANNY'S
DOODLES**



Danny Snell

The City-Wide Lock-In this past Friday and Saturday was long but fun. We had about 70 High School teens present for the "All-Nighter." A special thanks to David Haney for being the sponsor from here. Thanks also to Glynn and Fran Starnes and Fred and Sara Powell for hosting the Combined Devotional Sunday night. The food and fellowship were great!

Middle School Retreat

All Middle School students are reminded of the Retreat on May 5 and 6. The cost is \$10.00 and you need to sign the list on the bulletin board if you are going. This will be a great weekend, so don't miss out by not going. Invite your friends so they can be a part of this great time. Lots of Middle Schoolers from the area will be there and this will be a great opportunity to make new friends and to learn to deal with the sexual pressures of today and tomorrow. What to do:

1. Mark your calendar.
2. Plan to come.
3. Sign the list.
4. Invite a friend.
5. Have a great time!

Congratulations

Congratulations to Rachel Watkins for the following achievements: Made Drill Team at Chapel Hill High; Selected as "Most Friendly" in her Class; Elected as Vice President of Sophomore Class for 1989/90. Great going Rachel!

Junior/Senior Banquet

The 28th Citywide Banquet honoring our High School Juniors and Seniors will be on Saturday, May 20, at the Sheraton Inn & Towers. Guys and Gals, this is your banquet. Mark your calendars!

Help!

This summer several of our teens will be involved in our TYP (Thursday Youth Project). We will be mowing yards and helping those of the West Erwin family. We still need a couple of lawn mowers and other equipment. If you can donate one or would like to donate cash, please let me know.

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Brother's Keeper Unit Meetings

Leaders	Host Home	Guests
#1 Wayne & Lynn Harrison	Wayne Harrison	
#2 Hillard & Jeanine Hughes	Chas. Hickman	
#3 Joe & Frances McBee	Tony Adams	Cauthens
#4 Jack & Johnnie Stringer	Chas. Seaberry	Kirbys
#5 Billy & Linda Terrell	Al Welch	Knights
#6 Milburn & Jan Cook	Max Haws	Lockharts
#7 Ben & Patsy Young	Geo. Daugherty	
#8 John & Ruby Cliver	Scogins/Hardin	
#9 Bob & May Helen May	Noon/Fellowship Hall with #10	
	Stan & Judy Clark	
#10 Ed & Delle Bullard	Bullard's Ranch	Carpenters
	Bob & Virginia Conner	
#11 James & Frances Phillips	Weldon Dawson	Powells
#12	Southside Park	
#13 James & Connie Sublette	Fellowship Hall/Evening	
#14 Kelly & Jeannie Ross	Bergfeld Park	
#16 Jack & Peggy Garner	Noon/Fellowship Hall with #9	
#17 Scott & Donna Epperson	Harold Denman	Snells

Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner

Our Church of Christ sponsored Boy Scout Troop #354 is having their 2nd annual spaghetti dinner at the Fellowship Center of the Glenwood Church on April 29th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Adult tickets will cost \$2.50; children's tickets will cost \$1.00. These may be purchased at the door on the 29th or may be obtained from any scout or committee member. Plan to come and enjoy a tasty dinner and help our scouts have a successful fund-raising effort.

Watch

 **THE SEARCH**

with

JAY LOCKHART

 8:00 A.M. Each Sunday
KLTW, Channel 7
Tyler, Texas

New Member

Mrs. Elizabeth Ellman, formerly of Overton and now a resident of Clairmont Nursing Home, was baptized into Christ on Saturday evening. She has a son and daughter-in-law who are members of the So. Main Church in Henderson. She would enjoy your visits.

Special Contribution May 7

EVERYONE is reminded of the special contribution, Sunday, May 7, for the expansion program of our auditorium to meet the needs for more seating space. Pray for the success of this special effort.

Potpourri

Garage Sale

It is time again for the East Texas Christian Academy to have their annual Garage Sale. It will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6, at 3323 Teakwood.

5th Sunday Singing

You are invited to attend the 5th Sunday Singing, April 30 at 2:30 p.m. at the Patton Lane Church of Christ.

Area Workshops

Barbara Oberg, our capable director of Discovery Days Preschool at West Erwin, has held several workshops recently in the East Texas area for teachers of pre-school children in private schools.

Attention Ladies

The 13th Annual Just For Women will be held on Saturday, April 29, from 9:00 A.M. until 12:30 Noon at the Alpine Church of Christ in Longview, Texas. Lunch will be served.

Meeting in Longview

The East Cotton St. Church of Christ in Longview will host a city-wide Gospel Crusade, April 30 through May 3. Humphrey Foutz will speak. Weeknight services will be at 7:30.

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

Thank You

Thank you so much for the food, flowers, and cards sent to me during my recent illness. Jay and I truly appreciate all that was done.

Stacey Lockhart

Congratulations

Congratulations to Joe Clark who is the happy grandparent of a baby girl, Sara Kristin, born Saturday to Ron and Robin Stidham. The baby weighed 7 lbs and 13½ oz.

Here and There

by Wes Price



Gerald Lee, Director of Admissions of Southwestern Christian College, wrote this past week to thank us for our generous acceptance of the chorus and especially for the financial assistance. A total of \$3,515.00 was given the night they visited.

I had occasion to visit with Naomi Haden this week at the nursing home in Lindale. She suffered another fall, but did not have broken bones, for which we are thankful. She apologized for not having sent a "thank you" note for all the visits, cards and prayers from her fellow-members at West Erwin. I assured her we knew how thankful she was but that I would express her thanks to you.

On Wednesday of this week, if she is up to it, she will have a little surgery on her face. Please continue to remember her in your prayers.

Velma Lemon's Sunday Morning Two Year Old Class had another 100% attendance last Sunday. A big thanks to her and to the parents for seeing that your children are present each week.

Sunday is our monthly date for our Brother's Keeper Devotional Fellowship. Please find your unit in this bulletin, and make plans to attend. With such beautiful weather, we should have a record attendance at all the meetings.

The month of May is designated for an all-church fellowship in our Fellowship Hall.

Don't forget Vacation Bible School, June 19-23.

Take Time To Pray



SEE YOU SUNDAY IN BIBLE SCHOOL

Records	April 16	April 9	Year Ago
Bible School	382	426	430
Worship/A.M.	610	541	528
Worship/P.M.	413	361	347
Wed. Eve.	222	238	286
Contributions	\$9,703.47	\$11,927.66	\$11,746.05
Membership	625	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00	

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 26, and Wednesday, April 26, GLYNN STARNES, 561-0736.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mark and Paige Morris who are the parents of a girl, Ashton Paige, born Wednesday of last week. She weighed 6 lb and 9 oz and is 19 inches long.

Wyndall and Carolyn Miller are the happy grandparents of Stefani Allison, born to David and Cathy Miller in Haywood, CA. She weighed 8 lb and is 20 inches long.

The Sick

Virginia Conner was scheduled to see her doctor in Houston on Thursday. She and Robert made the trip with John and Ruby Cliver on Wednesday.

Sherrill Sessions, son of Claude and Odell Sessions, was hospitalized last week, but is now at home. His condition has improved.

Bill Endsley's sister, Myrlis Martin, in Texarkana is hospitalized in very serious condition.

Jeannie Wood's father, Herman Matysiak, is very ill at his home.

Thank You

The family of Thelma Pipkin acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Joe McBee
 Prayer Clinton Culpepper
 Scripture David Haney
 Dismiss Matt Haws

EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Joe McBee
 Prayer Morris Hallman
 Scripture Jack Garner
 Prayer Ed Hunt

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER
 Jeff Blackstone Brody Clark
 Jeff Konczak Luke Ingram

SERVING FROM BACK FOYER
 Chris Kindred Jeremy Wiggains
 Chris Starnes Cameron Cobb

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY
 Dale and Carolyn Blackstone
 Gary and Frances Broome
 Jimmie and Ruth Harris
 Dub and Opal Mathews

Baptized Sunday

Gena Henry, daughter of Larry and Sandra Henry, was baptized into Christ on Sunday morning. Gena is a middle school student. We commend her for this great decision.



The Search



8:00 o'clock
 Each Sunday Morning
 KLTU - Channel 7
 Jay Lockhart, Minister

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Preaching In An Age Of Entertainment

Doug Parsons, who preaches for the Golf Course Road Church in Midland, is scheduled to preach at West Erwin in our October meeting. He is a great preacher and a superb writer. I commend the following article from him.

Have you ever noticed how many television commercials say nothing about the products they advertise? The typical jeans commercial shows a painful drama about the woes of adolescence but never mentions jeans. A perfume ad is a collage of sensuous images with no reference to the product. Beer commercials contain some of the funniest material on television but say very little about beer.

Amusing Ourselves to Death is the name of a perceptive but disquieting book by Neil Postman, a professor at New York University. The book argues powerfully that television has crippled our ability to think and reduced our aptitude for real communication. Postman says television has not made us the best informed and most literate generation

in history. Instead, it has flooded our minds with irrelevant and meaningless information.

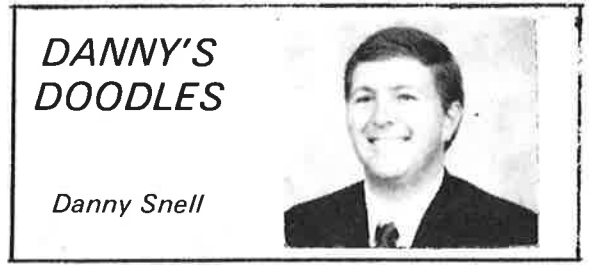
By far the book's most trenchant message is in a chapter on modern religion. Postman, not a Christian in the strictest sense of the word, nevertheless writes with piercing insight about the decline of preaching. He contrasts the ministries of Jonathan Edwards, George Whitefield, and Charles Finney with the preaching of today. Those men relied on depth of content, profundity, logic, and knowledge of Scripture. Preaching today is superficial by comparison, with the emphasis on style and emotion. "Good" preaching by the modern definition must above all be brief and amusing. It is entertainment-not exhortation, reproof, rebuke, or instruction (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16; 4:2).

Most churches typically feature a half-hour sermon with lots of amusing anecdotes but little doctrine. In fact, many preachers think of doctrine as undesirable and impractical. A major religious magazine recently published an article by a well-known preacher. He mused for a whole page about the futility of both preaching and listening to sermons that go beyond mere entertainment. His conclusion? People don't remember what you say anyway, so most preaching is a waste of time. His last statement was cutting but true: "People, I've discovered will forgive even poor theology as long as they get out by the hour."

There is an obvious parallel between that kind of preaching and those trendy jeans-perfume-beer commercials. Like the commercials, it aims to set a mood, to evoke an emotional response - to entertain - but not necessarily to communicate anything of substance. Such preaching is sheer accommodation to

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**DANNY'S
DOODLES**

Danny Snell

Our City-wide Devotional this past Sunday was really great. We had over 120 people from Glenwood, Shiloh Rd and West Erwin for a presentation by Greg Perry. Greg directs ACU's Camp Kadesh and Learning To Lead during the summer. More information is available on these camps. Thanks to the many families who brought refreshments for the evening. Thanks to David and Cathy Haney and Ray and Gail Vannoy for hosting this devotional.

What a wonderful event when a person takes the biggest step in their life as Gena Henry did Sunday when she put her Lord on in baptism. The step that Gena took leads to a life of commitment, peace, and great reward unequalled by anything the world has to offer. Way to go Gena! We're praying for you and your life of service to God.

Congratulations!

Special congratulations to several of our young people in recent accomplishments. Congratulations to Becky Blackstone, Cheryl Murphy, and Kimberly Sublette on making the Drill Team. Also to Amy O'Quinn on being selected as Varsity Cheer Leader. Congratulations also to Missy Marts for winning the District Golf Tournament and advancing to Regionals. Way to go Gang!

High School Lock-In

All High Schoolers are reminded about our Lock-In this Friday night. Meet at the Glenwood parking lot at 8:45 p.m. Friday and we will conclude at Glenwood at 7:00 a.m. Saturday. We will be going to the YMCA and to Green Acres Bowl. You need to bring \$5.00 and whatever snack foods you want. This is going to be a great night, so let's plan to have a great time.

Combined Activity

All teens are reminded of our activity Sunday night at the Starnes. We will have a Hot Dog Supper and a good time. Invite a friend and plan to come.

Middle School Retreat

All Middle School students and your friends are reminded about our Spring Retreat on May 5 & 6. The cost for you is \$10.00. Please sign the list on the Youth Bulletin Board if you are going. More details next week.

Sympathy

Funeral services were conducted in Lindale on Tuesday for Linnie Fay Killion, sister of Pauline Kennedy. We express our sympathy to sister Kennedy. Mrs. Killion was a member of the Church of Christ in Big Sandy.

We extend sympathy to Mark Gregory and his family in the death of his grandmother. Funeral services were held Tuesday at Burks/Walker.

Cherokee Home For Children

The Cherokee Home For Children, where Farrel and Michele Whitley serve as houseparents, will be having Cherokee Day on May 27. In connection with this day a drive for food and other items will be made for the home. West Erwin will serve as a collection center for all in the area who want to contribute. Special items needed are: Ketchup, Lotion, Powder, Panty-hose (small/med - nude), Cough Syrup, vicks Vapor Rub. If someone in the congregation would like to take the items to the home on May 27, please let Morris Hallman know.

Sunday Sermons

SERMONS FOR APRIL 23, by Jay Lockhart
A.M. The Call To Commitment - Jesus Is Lord
Luke 6:46 - 49
P.M. The Call To Commitment - Motivation
Daniel 1:8-21

PREACHING IN AN AGE
OF ENTERTAINMENT
(Continued from front page)

a society bred by television. It is not the kind of preaching that Scripture mandates. We are to "preach the word" (2 Tim.4:2). "speak the things which are fitting for sound doctrine" (Titus 2:1), and "teach and preach..the doctrine conforming to godliness" (I Timothy 6:2-3).

If the dilemma of modern preaching is to be changed, Christians must insist on biblical preaching and be supportive of men who are committed to it. How does a preacher of integrity reach people who may be unwilling or even unable to listen to carefully-reasoned expositions of God's truth? That may be the greatest challenge for today's Christian leaders. We cannot yield to the pressure to be superficial. We must find ways to make the truth of God known to a generation that not only doesn't want to hear, but may not even know how to listen.

Douglas F. Parsons

A "Half Party"

Bible Hour Students
And Their Parents
Will have a "Half Party"
Sunday, April 23
(After the evening services)
Fellowship Hall
Call: Gail Vannoy, 597-6447
(for what to bring)
Yes, it's true, we're half way through.
Come let us show what we know to you!

We ♥ Visitors!

Happy Birthday

APRIL (23) Amanda Lemons, Mildred Morgan, (25) Mark Morris (26) A. Z. Aven (28) Jennifer Knight

Appreciation

Sister Annie McDonald called Tuesday to express her appreciation for the meal delivered to her each Tuesday from the "Lunch Bunch."

Her words are typical of the many who call and say what a wonderful help the meal is for them. A big "thank you" is always expressed to the ladies who cook and to the men who deliver the food.

From Petersville Church of Christ
Florence, Alabama

On behalf of the Petersville congregation, may I thank you and the brethren in Tyler for sharing with us a man of such capabilities as Harold Taylor. Harold has just concluded a meeting for us and did a fantastic job! The congregation will never be the same--the majority of the congregation has indicated to our elders that drastic changes will be made in their renewed determination to do a more efficient and effective job in marching for the Master. Harold shared with us pertinent things that we desperately needed. The lessons could not have been more timely or better presented.

Derrel Davis

Numerous such letters are received from the congregations where brother Taylor visits.



Here and There

by Wes Price

It was a genuine joy to have Ed Wharton to preach for us last Sunday. His Tessons were excellent. We are grateful for his coming our way in Jay's absence.

Of course we missed having Jay last Sunday, but he will be back with us this coming Sunday, having completed his meeting with the church in Murray, KY. Remember him in your prayers for a safe return.

Stan Mallory certainly laid the challenge before us last Sunday morning with his special announcement about our building expansion. I hope you were paying close attention. I am confident that, with prayer and financial planning in each individual family, we can meet the cost of that expansion in a one-time contribution. Please don't wait until Sunday, May 7, before you give this further thought. We must be ready with our gift THAT DAY.

It is altogether possible that some might be tempted to say that those who are more affluent among us will meet the challenge. And they will, but it will be their gift and not someone else's. What is needed in this matter is an understanding that every family unit and individual has a responsible part that no one else can take. It is as if God is asking each one to do his part. No matter what anyone else gives, you need to have some part in this good work whatever the amount can be. We realize that many are on fixed incomes and have limited income, and we are not asking the impossible. You do what you can, even if you think it is small.

Is it too much to expect that every family unit of this church will make a contribution to this excellent cause. Think about it!

Don't forget Vacation Bible School! The dates are June 19 through 23. The theme is "Adventures of Moses." Make your plans to be with us.

**THERE'S SPIRITUAL POWER
AT THE EVENING HOUR**

Records

	April 9	April 2	Year Ago
Bible School	426	413	422
Worship/A.M.	541	565	531
Worship/P.M.	361	369	340
Wed. Eve.	238	270	313
Contributions	\$11,927.66	\$11,452.39	\$9,564.32
Membership 626	Weekly Budget, \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 16 and Wednesday, April 19 - KEVIN WOMACK, 597-2726.

Vacation Bible School - June 19 - 23
The Adventures Of Moses



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The Sick

Ruth Dobbs is a patient in Mother Frances Hospital but hopes to go home this week.

Amanda Hunt, granddaughter of Ed and Margie Hunt, is scheduled to be at Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas this week for tests.

Sue Paul underwent an emergency appendectomy on Tuesday in Medical Center Hospital.

Guy Potts had day surgery on Tuesday, but was able to go home in the evening.

Jan Cook had surgery on Wednesday morning in Mother Frances Hospital.

Thelma Page, sister of Marikate Davis, returned to Dallas on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. C. Maples, mother of Melvin Maples, is now out of the hospital and at her home in Sherman, Texas.

Cindi Patten's father is scheduled for tests next week. His home is in Houston.

Stacey Lockhart was hospitalized Monday for day surgery but is now at home.

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
Announcements Phil Marts
Prayer Ray Vannoy
Dismiss Lowell Wiggains

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Prayer Ray Womack
Dismiss Bill Butler

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Robert and Jody Hawkins
Harold and Nelda Browning

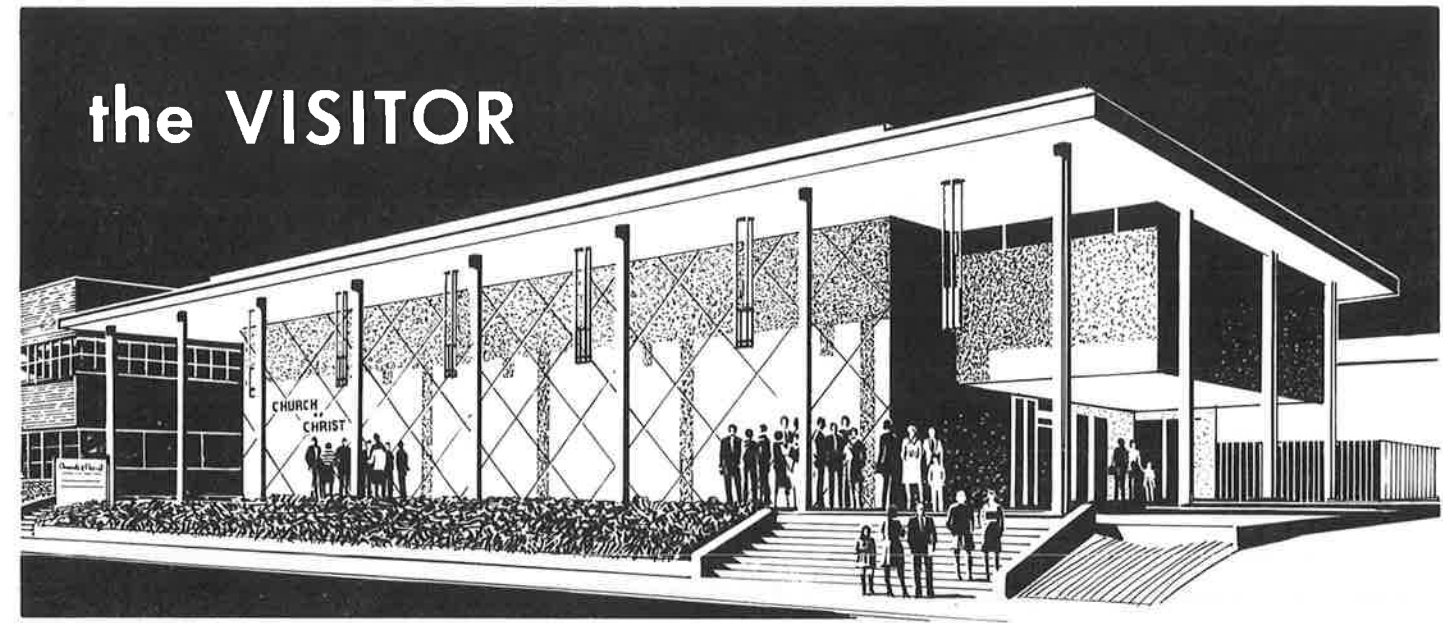
Sympathy

We express our sympathy to Charles and Billie Bob Hickman in the death of Charles' sister, Thelma Pipkin. Funeral services were held in Eastland, Texas on Thursday.

Directory News


The material for our new church directory was completed and mailed to the company on Monday (April 10). We should receive a proof book in about four weeks. After the proof is approved and returned to the company, it takes about five or six additional weeks for the printed directories to be shipped to us. We will probably receive them by late June.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler
By Jay Lockhart

Ed Wharton To Preach Sunday

Edward Wharton of Lubbock, Texas will preach for the West Erwin church three times on Sunday, April 16, at 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. For the past twenty years brother Wharton has been teaching at the Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock. He has been preaching for thirty-seven years and has appeared on Christian College Lectureships throughout the country, in gospel meetings at home and abroad, and spent ten years in local preaching. He is a teacher, a writer, and most of all a proclaimer of The Word. Wharton is "filled with the knowledge" of God's Word and you will appreciate hearing him this Sunday.

Wharton, and his wife Martha, who have three grown children, will be arriving in Tyler on Saturday and will be travelling back to Lubbock on Monday. A special

message is planned for the Bible class hour, entitled, "Christianity - Hoax or History?" All adults will be meeting in the auditorium for this presentation. Plan to be present for all assemblies this Sunday.



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Jay Lockhart-Pulpit	
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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



This past Sunday we had a great devotional for our Middle and High School students. Thanks to the Carruths and Eppersons for hosting the great meal of Pizza, Brownies, and Ice Cream. Thanks also to Chris Oberg for letting us use his Commercial Craziest Game. It was real fun.

City Wide Devotional

All Middle School and High School students and parents are invited to a City-wide Devotional this Sunday night, April 16, in the Fellowship Hall following the assembly. Greg Perry from ACU will be giving a program about their Summer Camps. Make plans to be here. Refreshments will be served. The other congregations in Tyler are also invited.

High School Lock-In

All High School students are invited to our Lock-In on Friday, April 21, and Saturday, April 22. A definite decision for the location for the Lock-In has not been made at this writing. We will leave for the Glenwood parking lot at 8:45 P.M. and return to Glenwood at 6:00 A.M. for breakfast. We will be finished by 7:00 A.M. Saturday morning. Invite your friends and plan to come. Please sign the list on the Youth Bulletin Board if you are coming.

Hot Dog Supper

All teens are invited to the Starnes on Sunday, April 23, for a Hot Dog Supper following the evening assembly. Mark your calendars and plan to come

Important Dates

Sun., April 16 City-Wide Devotional
Fri. & Sat.
April 21 & 22 High School Lock-In
Sun., April 23 Combined Group
Fri. & Sat.
May 5 & 6 Middle School Retreat

From Chimala Mission - East Africa

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We have just lately received 5 boxes from you dated 8/8/'88, 9/13/'88, 9/13/'88 and 10/13/'88. I could not find a date on one of them. They contained hospital gowns, bandages, pajamas, sheets, diaper shirts, soap, and hospital pads. We appreciate so much your work and interest in this work. Thank you so much for working so hard.

We are Jerome and Leah Savage and we know of you and your work for the past six years. We have only been here three weeks and have really been busy. The country is beautiful and the weather is warm with lots of rain right now because this is the rainy season.

With the hospital, preacher's school, carpenter shop, machine shop, and secondary school we are kept quite busy. We need more workers in this place. We are still hoping Merrie (our daughter) and Charlie Hipp from Hot Springs Village can come help us, but they are having a hard time raising their travel fund. We will keep praying and working for that.

In Christian love,
Jerome & Leah Savage

**THERE'S SPIRITUAL POWER
AT THE EVENING HOUR**

Congratulations

Congratulations is in order to several of our teens who have had some noteworthy accomplishments. Congratulations to Andy Butler for winning 3rd place in the 400 Meter Dash, 3rd place in the 1600 Meter Relay, and 6th place in the High Jump.

Congratulations also to Jessica Epperson for winning 2nd place in the 400 Meter Sprint Relay, 2nd place in the 800 Meter Relay and congratulations for being re-elected Cheer Leader. Both Andy and Jessica competed at the District Level.

Congratulations to Amy Pickens for being selected to attend the 1989 Rural Electric Youth Program at Stephen F. Austin University. Great picture in the paper, Amy! Way to go, Gang!
Danny Snell

Thank You

Dear Christian Friends,

Words are so empty when trying to say, "thank you." Please know that your cards, telephone calls, and prayers were so greatly appreciated in the loss of our brother-in-law.

Charles and Billie Bob Hickman

May I say thanks to the "Lunch Bunch." You are a wonderful group of Christians. I have enjoyed my lunches through rain, sleet, and snow all winter. I love you.

A special thanks to Danny Snell, Jeff Konczak, and David Haney for the work you did Friday. My yard looks much better. I love you.

Aline Beard

Thank you so much for the many words of love and comfort expressed to us by you when our precious Ronald was called home. He would have been happy to know of your thoughtfulness. The flowers were beautiful. God bless you always.

Lillian Colbert
June Chapel

Sympathy

We express sympathy to Chuck and Charlotte Cauthen in the death of Charlotte's mother, Mrs. Benard Seals, on Monday in Mt. Carmel, IL. Many in the congregation are acquainted with Charlotte, daughter-in-law of Faber and Kathryn Cauthen.

We ♥ Visitors!

Happy Birthday

APRIL (16) Myra Turner, Zorado Sherman, Leslee Douglas (Womack), Fern Scruggs (17) Marie Threadgill, Dorothy Daugherty (18) Debbie Graham, Tiffany Sublette (19) Amy Harrison, Laneva Russell, (20) Charisse Smith, Marie Arnold (22) Annie McDonald.

Here and There

by Wes Price



Ed Wharton of Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock will be with us this coming Sunday. Jay will be conducting a meeting in Kentucky. All adults will meet together in the auditorium for the first of Ed's three lessons on Sunday.

Ed is an outstanding Bible teacher and preacher and we are privileged to have him in Jay's absence. In addition to his teaching responsibilities at the School of Preaching, Ed preaches in numerous gospel meetings across the states and in foreign countries. Let's give him a West Erwin welcome for this week-end visit with us.

A big round of applause to those who came last Saturday for Bible Teacher's workday. A great deal was accomplished and all enjoyed being involved in helping each other with the work and ministry of the Bible School in June.

We are still in need of teachers for the Vacation Bible School. If you have not been contacted, volunteering would certainly be in order. Give me a call, I have a useful place for you.

Gary Ables and Stan Clark are in charge of selecting men to serve during worship services on Sundays. They do a great job, but I want to make an appeal in their behalf. If you have been designated to serve and receive a letter from them, please make their work easier by being available at the proper place and time on Sunday. If you cannot serve, it would help them greatly if you would give them a call as soon as you know that you cannot serve. We realize that there are unusual circumstances which sometimes may keep you from letting them know, but with just a little effort, we can get in touch with them.

In The Navy

Mark Frick, son of David and Wanda Frick, recently joined the Navy and is now in boot camp in Orlando, FL. His address is:
SR Frick, D. M.450539316
Co. C101 Div. 8
Rec. Tr. Comm
Orlando, FL 328136100

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Bible School	413	506	502
Worship/A.M.	565	682	656
Worship/P.M.	369	335	400
Wed. Eve.	270	214	292
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Membership 626	Weekly Budget, \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 5, CLINTON CULPEPPER - 877-3956.

The Sick

Thelma Page, sister of Marikate Davis, continues to be a patient in Medical Center, Room 2532. Her return to Dallas has been delayed because of tests. She may possibly be moved on Monday.

Naomi Haden is in bed following a fall. Let's help cheer her with a card. Lindale Nursing Center, Room 37, P. O. Box 188, Lindale, Texas 75771.

Charles Lemons is a patient in Scott and White Hospital in Temple, Texas.

Linnie Fay Killion, sister of Pauline Kennedy, is a patient in St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas. Her condition is very poor at this time.

Bob and Virginia Conner returned home last weekend from Houston where Virginia received treatment at M. D. Anderson Hospital. John and Ruby Cliver made the trip with them to drive and be of assistance. Virginia's treatment is continuing at home.

Sermons For Sunday

SERMONS FOR APRIL 9, by Jay Lockhart
 A.M. The Call To Commitment - "Watch With Me" (Matt.26:36-46)
 P.M. The Call To Commitment - "Holy Ground" (Exodus 3:1-10)

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer David Frick
 Scripture Stan Mallory
 Dismiss Terry Frick
 EVENING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Mark Morris
 Scripture C. H. McCarty
 Dismiss Pat Patten
 SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER
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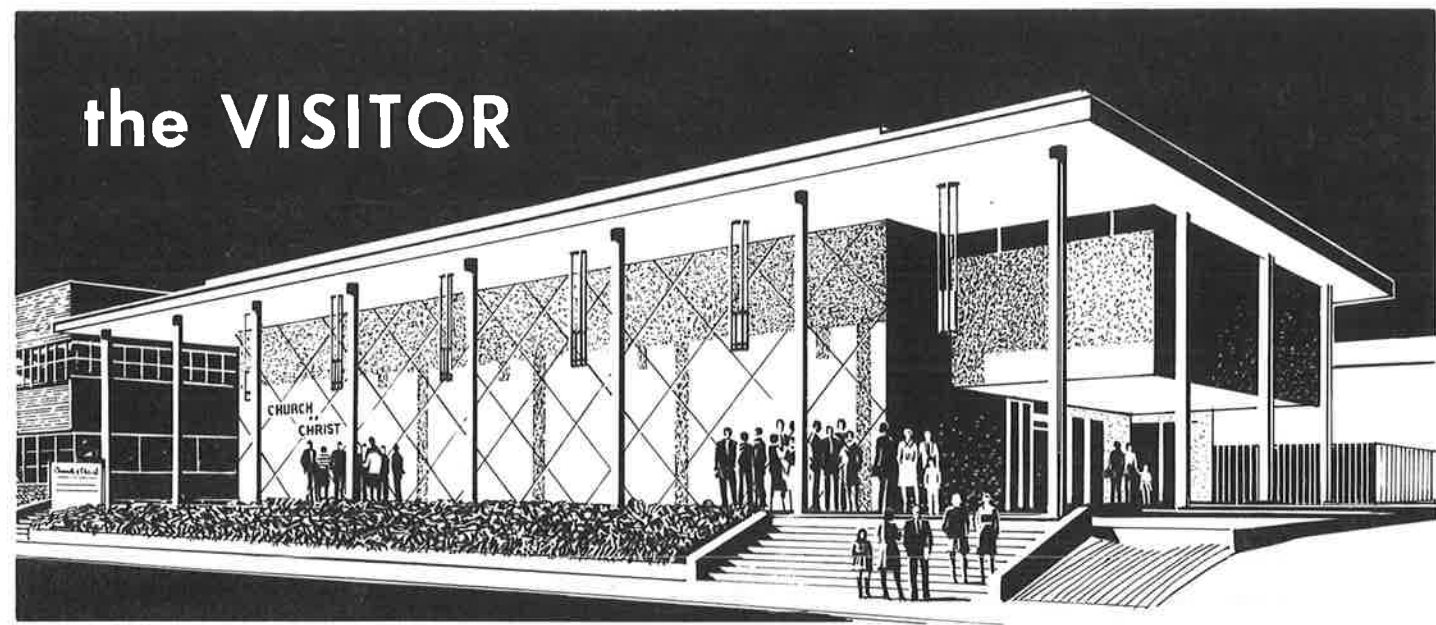
In Appreciation

Betty Strait called this week to express appreciation from she and Fred and Zorado Sherman for the help given them on Sunday morning. Sister Sherman fainted Sunday morning during the song service. She was hospitalized briefly this week, but is now back home with Fred and Betty. We are very glad that she was not seriously ill.

You Can Help


Parents, Teachers, and Friends of East Texas Christian Academy will have a Garage Sale on May 5 and 6. If you have any items to donate, please call Debbie Dailey, 566-3405.

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From The Heart of Tyler
 By Jay Lockhart

Don Drummond

A Real Professional

Don and Chris Drummond came to West Erwin from Denver, Colorado in September, 1987. Don had worked for many years for the United States Air Force in Civil Service. His expertise is professional slide presentation--putting words and music to slide presentations for various organizations to help them tell their story. He has his own "shop" on Chase Drive with all of the very latest equipment. Soon after Don and Chris came to Tyler, we wanted to take advantage of his professionalism to help us in the production of THE SEARCH. With the decision to alter the format of our television program, we began to produce the program at our building, using pulpit and class presentations. That's where Don came into the picture. He became "the voice" for the introductions and conclusions of THE SEARCH and selected appropriate musical arrangements, recordings of singing groups

from some of our Christian colleges, putting words and music together in an excellent way. Don's pleasing baritone voice, his know-how, and his technical advice has provided an added dimension to the effectiveness of our television ministry. During the first three and a half years of THE SEARCH, Wes Price worked with the program and made a great contribution as the "in-studio" right hand man, and we owe a debt of gratitude to him. When we began producing the program from the West Erwin building, Don Drummond began his work and we salute him as a real professional.



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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Each year our teens host a banquet for our Golden Age folks. This past Saturday evening, there were 120+ folks at the Golden Age Round-Up. We all had a great time and we are looking forward to next year's banquet. A very special THANKS to Tommy Konczak for cooking some great Bar-B-Que. Thanks to Judy Clark for organizing the confirmation calls, and a special thanks to the following adults for helping to organize the banquet: Carolyn Blackstone, John and Susan Steffee, Connie Sublette, and Gail Vannoy. Most all of the work was done by our teens who spent their Saturday preparing and then serving at the banquet. Thanks to these teens for a super party: Becky Blackstone, Jeff Blackstone, Andy Butler, Robbie Butler, Matt Carroll, Scott Carruth, Jeremy Epperson, Jessica Epperson, David Haney, Gena Henry, Missy Marts, Stephanie Miles, Cheryl Murphy, Rachel Nunn, Chris Oberg, Jason Patten, Melissa Patten, Amy Pickens, Kimberly Sublette, Neil Vannoy, and the rest of the teens who made their telephone calls. Great Job, Gang!

Combined Activity

ALL teens are invited to our combined activity this coming Sunday night in the Fellowship Hall. Invite a friend to come and enjoy our time together.

Please Note

Please note the correction on dates. Last week the Middle School Retreat was listed for April 21 and 22. These dates are for the High School Lock-In. The correct dates for the Middle School Retreat are May 5 and 6.

Help Needed

We need as many teens as possible to be here Saturday morning (April 8) to baby sit and help our teachers. This is a planned Teacher's Workday that begins with breakfast. Be here at 8:30.

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Wedding Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Leek
Announce the Marriage
Of their daughter
Stephanie Kay Leek

to
Chris Walton Muller
Son of

Mr. and Mrs. Deral Muller
Vows were exchanged on
March 31, 1989
Ripley, Tennessee

At Home
Rt. 1, Box 231 M
Lindale, Texas 75771
Telephone, 882-9171

Potpourri

LCU PERFORMING GROUP

A concert of acappella Christian music for everyone featuring "Best Friends," an LCU Performing Group will be held at 2:00 p.m. April 9th in the auditorium of the Crockett Road Church of Christ in Palestine, Texas.

LADIES DAY IN RUSK

Ladies, you are invited to attend the 4th annual LADIES DAY at the Rusk Church of Christ on April 22. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Babysitting will be provided and lunch will be served. Bring a sack lunch for your children. "Inner Peace and Contentment" will be the theme.

GOSPEL MEETING

The Corinth Road Church of Christ will have Johnny Ramsey in a Gospel Meeting, April 16 through 20. The evening service will be at 7:00 p.m.

SING SONG

The Fourth Annual Gospel Sing-Song will be held Friday, April 21, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Daingerfield Church of Christ building. Special singing will be provided by the Sounds of Glory, Conroe, Texas; the Southwestern Christian College Ensemble, Terrell, Texas; Devotion from Daingerfield, and the Happy Harmony Group from Texarkana.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

APRIL (9) Helen Wright (11) Stephen Pack, Stephen Rachui (13) Sledge Clinkscales

Thank You

Dear Brethren,
Thank you so much for the many kindnesses shown to me by you when my sister, Eula Steele went away. May God's favor and blessings be with you always.

Loyd N. Rutledge

Dear Brethren,

The Pizza and cookies you brought last evening (Thursday) were enjoyed by everyone. We appreciate your continuing support of our work on the campus of TJC.

Tri-C Students and Staff

Thank you for the prayers, flowers and remembrances of me at the death of my sister, Mrs. Ottie Stidham.

Clara Riley

Please express our thanks to the church for their prayers, flowers and the food during the loss of our mother, Audie Grier.

The Grier Family

Thank you so much for the quilts you donated to the auction. We appreciate your helping the school in such a generous way.

Jerry Konczak

for

East Texas Christian Academy

Sympathy

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon at the Central Church of Christ in Claremore, Oklahoma for Ronald Colbert. He was the son of sister Lillian Colbert and brother of sister June Chapel. We express our sincere sympathy to each one and their family in their loss.

Great Grandson

Great Grandmother Again

Jim and Ramona White are the parents of a baby boy born Monday, April 3, in Henderson, Texas. Baby Christopher weighed 8 lb. and 15 oz. Sister Leona McElroy is the great grandmother.

Here and There

by Wes Price



Vacation Bible School is scheduled for June 19 through 23. This is an earlier date than in previous years, but we hope it will make our effort even more successful. Please make a note of these important dates.

We had our first meeting to get started on the theme, "Adventures With Moses," this past Sunday and several signed up to do Learning Centers. I will be calling on others in the next few days to obtain volunteers for the remaining Learning Centers. Please help by saying, "Yes."

With the exception of a few, all of our Brother's Keeper Units reported good attendance at the Sunday night Devotional/Fellowship. We thank those who hosted the meetings in their homes and commend their example to others. Remember now, that this meeting was for the month of March. We will be having the April meeting on Sunday evening, April 30.

Sunday, April 9, we will be concluding the present study in the book of Hebrews. New studies will begin the following Sunday, April 16. The study will expand upon the lives of the Heroes of Faith mentioned in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews. We extend our thanks to Allen Alford for his teaching this quarter in the Auditorium Class. Brother Faber Cauthen will teach this next quarter. We are also happy to announce that Dr. Don Peek will begin teaching the College/Singles on Wednesday night-beginning, April 12.

Several of the ladies from our Wednesday morning Bible study made the journey to Athens this past week. This took the place of our regular study that day. We will be concluding our study of the book of Acts on Wednesday, April 12. We will be studying the book of Colossians for the balance of our classes prior to the summer break. Join us!

Our Discovery Days School enjoyed a special "Open House" on Tuesday and enjoyed hosting the parents of our children. It was a great opportunity to acquaint parents with the West Erwin church. Thanks to Barbara Oberg and Jeannie Ross for their good work.

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Bible School	506	452	455
Worship/A.M.	682	534	581
Worship/P.M.	335	386	347
Wed. Eve.	214	261	268
Contributions	\$9,932.22	\$12,365.61	\$10,648.48

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 2, and Wednesday, April 5 - DAVID HANEY, 561-2133.

Baptized

We are happy that Melissa Patton, daughter of Pat and Cindy Patton, was baptized by Jay Lockhart on Friday afternoon of last week. Melissa is in the sixth grade at Hubbard Middle School.

The Sick

Thelma Page, sister of Marikate Davis, became ill Sunday night while visiting here from Dallas. She suffered a stroke and is hospitalized in room 2532 in Medical Center. Her condition has improved.

It was announced Sunday that Zelda St.Clair, sister of Jody Hawkins, was scheduled to undergo heart surgery on Wednesday.

Thelma Bennett was scheduled to have cataract surgery on Wednesday afternoon.

Stacey Lockhart was hospitalized briefly this week. She went home Wednesday.

Sermons For Sunday

By Jay Lockhart

A.M. The Call To Commitment (Matt. 6:19-24)

P.M. The Call To Commitment, II (Luke 9:57-62)



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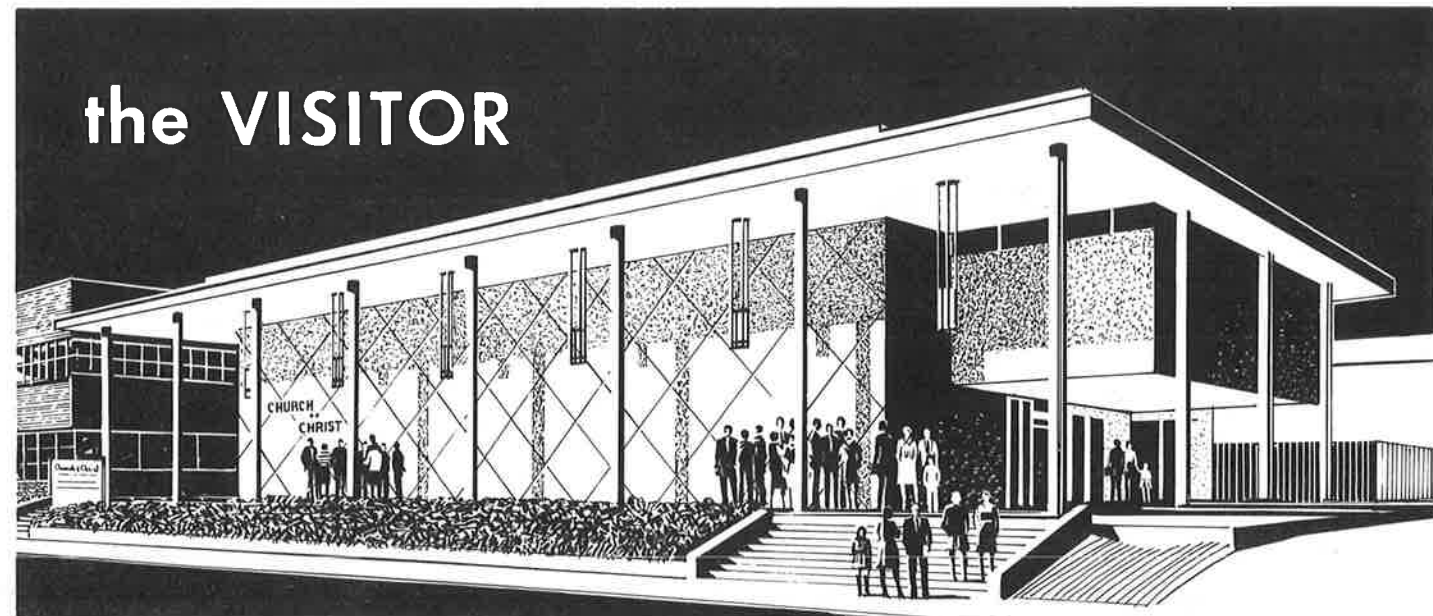


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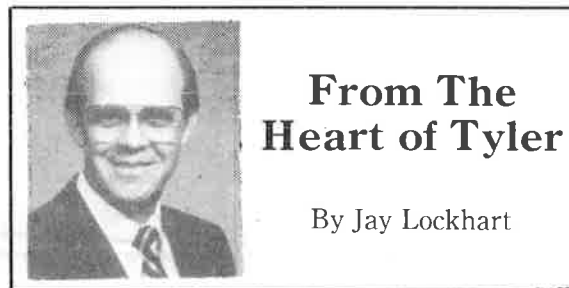
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We Are Expanding Our Facilities!

Wasn't last Sunday a marvelous day! We had the largest number of people present for worship that we have ever had without a special drive. We really had wall to wall people and it was great. The announcement of the baptism of Melissa Patten brought added joy to the day.

The West Erwin church now has 627 members with about 120 children who are too young to be members. Our absentee list shows that we average 140 of our members and about 60 children at other places each Sunday (shut-ins, out-of-town, sick, etc.). We have averaged 546 in worship since September 1, 1988, and have exceeded 600 two times. Note these facts:

1. Of 627 members and 120 children (a potential of 747) we have 200 absent each week for various causes. This absentee number which remains fairly constant each week, leaves us with a potential of 547 present on Sunday mornings.

2. Last summer, when most churches feared a slump, we surged to an average of 555 each Sunday morning and exceeded 600 four times during three months.
3. Last fall, when we normally would expect a surge, we had no surge and exceeded 600 only two times in six months.
4. Our potential attendance (see no. 1 above), compared with our current average attendance, does not leave room for very many visitors.
5. These figures show that the number of visitors in our assemblies is down, and we believe this is true, in part, because of our crowded conditions. When visitors to a congregation have a choice, they will not attend where families cannot sit together, where they have to search for seating, where crowded conditions must be endured--members might, but visitors won't (verification supplied upon request to the doubtful!).
6. So, we are building! Enlarging our facilities! Making room for continued growth! We are providing space for all whom God will give us as we keep on being the light shining from the Heart of Tyler. Let's support it, pray for it, and use it to the glory of God! The plans are being drawn by the architect and the congregation will be fully informed about the details soon!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



It's great to have our teens back safely from Colorado. Reports of the trip seem to be very good. With the exception of several bus breakdowns, all had a great time with no serious injuries. The time spent with Jeff Walling and in the devotionals with each other was also great. A great big "thank you" to Stan Clark for going as our sponsor. We are already looking forward to next year.

The High School Devo for April 2 has been cancelled due to the rescheduling of Brother's Keeper for that date.

Golden Age Round-Up

Teens, this Saturday (April 1) is the Golden Age Round-Up. You are needed Saturday morning at 9:00 for decorating and to cook. There is a lot to do, so plan to be there. You also need to be here at 5:15 Saturday evening dressed in your "Duds" and ready to go. It is going to be a great evening and you don't want to miss this one. See you Saturday.

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SEE YOU SUNDAY IN BIBLE SCHOOL

Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to brother Loyd Rutledge. Funeral services were held in Tequesta, Florida for his sister, Mrs. W. J. (Eula) Steele, who died last Saturday at age 93. Brother Rutledge is the last surviving child of 14.

Funeral services were conducted last Saturday afternoon at Burks/Walker for sister Audie Grier. We extend our sympathy to her children and grandchildren and their families.

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon at Rose Hill Cemetery for Marjorie Moffett Kepner, mother of Sherry Peek. We express our sympathy to Sherry and Don and their family.

We express our sympathy to Clara Riley in the death of her sister. Funeral services were held Monday at Pleasant Retreat Methodist Church for Mrs. Ottie Stidham.

Potpourri

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

APRIL (2) Traci O'Quinn, Randall Wilson, Doug Smith (3) Ruth Dobbs, Ira Wright, Gail Vannoy, Charles Harris, Robert McLemee, Seth Ward (4) Shirley McRuiz, June Chapel (5) Kelly Ross (6) Sharen Chambless, Melissa Marts (7) Thelma Bennett (8) Evelene McCarty, Jamie Jordan.

MEDINA HOME GROCERY TRUCK

The Medina Home Grocery Truck will be here the week of June 5-9. They have suggested that we collect Cooking Oil.

THE SINGING CLASS

The Singing Class that has been meeting on Wednesday evening will resume on Wednesday, April 5. The class meets in the Heritage Room and is directed by Jim McCoy.

GOSPEL MEETING

The Corinth Road Church of Christ in Jacksonville, Texas invite you to hear Johnny Ramsey in a Gospel Meeting, April 16-20. The weeknight services will be at 7:00 P.M.

MOVING TO DALLAS

We will miss Sharon Ware who is moving to Dallas this weekend. We hope she will be very happy with her new work and new home.

Golden Age Banquet

The Youth Group
Of The
West Erwin Church of Christ
Invite you to be present
For The
Golden Age Banquet
(Age 65 And Over)
On Saturday Evening
April 1, 1989 - 6:00 O'clock
Fellowship Hall

COME! YOU'LL LIKE IT.

Transportation
provided if needed.
Call/ 592-0809
839-7551

Thank You


Thank you for the lovely pink and white flowers that were sent for my mother's funeral. The visits, many cards, hugs and especially the prayers are a real comfort at this time.
Sherry Peek and family

Thank you for the flowers and remembrances of me at the death of my brother, A. G. Davidson.
Marikate Davis

Open House

"Discovery Days" invites you to attend an Open House Tuesday, April 4, at 2:00 P.M. in the Heritage Room. A slide presentation and reception will be given in honor of our children during "The Week of the Young Child."

The Search



8:00 o'clock
Each Sunday Morning
KLTW - Channel 7
Jay Lockhart, Minister

Here and There

by Wes Price



As we mentioned last week, most of our Brother's Keeper Units will be meeting this coming Sunday night for the monthly devotional fellowship. Here is the list of units and the homes hosting the meetings:

Unit	Leader	Meeting Place
Unit 1	Wayne Harrison	Glynn Starnes
Unit 2	Hillard Hughes	Hillard Hughes
Unit 3	Joe McBee	Archie Kennards
Unit 4	Jack Stringer	Billie Ingrams
Unit 5	Billy Terrell	Billy Terrells
Unit 6	Milburn Cook	Tommy Konczaks
Unit 9	Bob May/Stan Clark	Pat Pattons
Unit 10	Edgar Bullard	Jamon Kirbys
Unit 11	James Phillips	Bob Threadgills
Unit 12		To be announced
Unit 13	James Sublette	Fellowship Hall
Unit 14	Kelly Ross	Fred Powells

All Bible Class teachers and workers are reminded of our first planning session for this summer's Vacation Bible School. The meeting is set for this Sunday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock in the Chapel. The dates for VBS this year are June 19 through 23. The theme selected for this year is the "Adventures of Moses." Please join us for this very important meeting.

We had one of the largest crowds at Bible study and worship this past Sunday that we have had in many a Sunday. Of course, it was due largely to a great host of visitors who came because of the holiday. Conversely, a large number of our regulars were out of town doing some visiting of their own. We look forward to having these back next week for Bible class and worship.

Our young folks are hosting the annual Golden Age Banquet this coming Saturday and I hear tell it is to be a grand affair. If you are among this very select group, I hope you are planning on coming. Danny tells me it will be something to remember. We appreciate the young people at West Erwin and the fine way they honor our senior citizens.

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Contributions	\$12,365.61	\$12,477.30	\$11,562.82
Membership 622	Weekly Budget, \$12,050.00		

Minibus Driver

MINIBUS DRIVER FOR SUNDAY, March 26, and Wednesday evening, March 29, JAMES SUBLETTE, 593-3578.

Sympathy

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in Loop, Texas for R. L. Hunt, brother-in-law of sister Billie Bob Hickman. Brother Hunt was an elder in the church at Loop.

Graveside services were conducted Thursday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. at Rose Hill Cemetery for Marjorie Moffett Kepner, the mother of Anita Peek. We extend our sympathy to Don, Anita and the family.

The Sick

Sister Audie Grier continues to be a patient in Mother Frances Hospital.

Mrs. J. C. Maples, mother of Melvin Maples, is a patient in a Sherman Hospital. She is in ICU suffering from heart problems.

Cathy Haney's father, Jack Young, is undergoing radiation treatments in Austin for the next five weeks. Prayers are requested for him during this time.

We ♥ Visitors!

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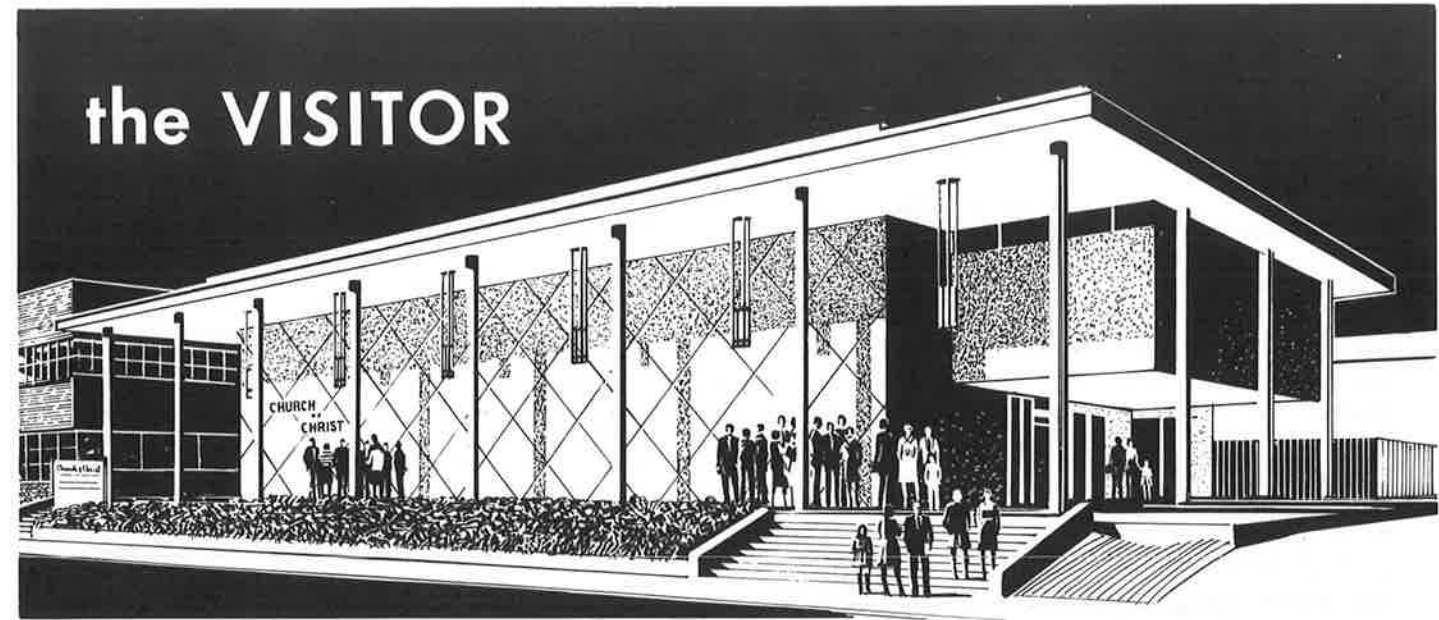
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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Elders Announce Bold New Plan

On Sunday, March 19, Jamon Kirby, speaking for the elders, announced at our morning assembly a bold new plan for providing 156 additional seats in our crowded auditorium. Kirby, who stated that various plans had been studied, including a possible balcony and opening up the chapel which joins the auditorium, said that the most feasible plan seems to be adding twenty-one feet to the front of our present auditorium, which would provide fourteen additional pews. The front of the auditorium would remain basically as it is, just moved back twenty-one feet. The project, which will be completed in about six months at a cost of about \$200,000, will provide needed relief from our crowded conditions and give opportunity for additional growth. The capacity of the auditorium will be increased from 550 to over 700. A building committee, appointed by our elders two years ago and

consisting of Matt Haws, Leon Welborn, and Stan Mallory, has presented several plans for expansion, but this plan seems to be the most feasible. Work on the addition will begin almost immediately. Fifty-two thousand dollars are already in a building fund, and our elders have designated May 7 as a day for a special contribution which, hopefully will pay for the entire project. The West Erwin church has enjoyed steady growth over the past five years, but the growth has slowed since last Summer due in part to our limited space. It is hoped that over the next thirty days each West Erwin family will prayerfully consider what it can give toward our building program on May 7, and that through the giving of cash and pledges for the year we can exceed the goal of \$200,000. The entire project is our commitment to keep shining as the light from the heart of Tyler.

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Thanks to Larry and Sandra Henry for hosting the Middle School Devo last Sunday night. The Chili Dogs were great. We all had a really great time. Some of our young people and Stan Clark will be on their way home from Colorado when you get this bulletin. They got fresh snow on Tuesday, so the skiing should be great. Please pray for their safe return.

Golden Age Round-Up

Teens, don't forget that Saturday, April 1, is the Golden Age Round-Up. Mark your calendars so you can help on that day. Get your "Duds" ready for a real good time.

High School Devotional

High Schoolers, mark your calendars for Sunday night, April 2, for our next High School activity.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Missy Marts for being inducted into the National Honor Society at Whitehouse and for winning First Place Medalist honors at the Whitehouse High School Invitational Golf Tournament at Briarwood Country Club last Friday. Great Going Missy!

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Augsburg News

For February, 1989

Throughout the years I was always so proud of myself to be able to say that I have never missed going to my office because of illness. ...But last week the flu got me - and it got me well! For three days I had to go to bed because of fever and pain of every little bone of my body. I am thankful to God for the experience of being ill, but I am even more thankful for having overcome the illness so fast.

In my last letter to you I mentioned Monika Reitschuster, one of our young sisters in the church, who was expecting a baby. While I was writing the letter, the baby was born. It is a girl and her name is Lena. This is the second baby which was born into our congregation within the last several weeks, and we are expecting another one to be born in March. This is a special blessing to us, because we are lacking children in our church - as Germany is lacking children altogether.

During February we had a number of visitors to stay in our home. Among them were also Andreas, Heike and Julia of Heidelberg, as well as Thomas from Graz. It was so good to have the children and the grandbaby to stay with us again for a weekend.

Since last November we did not have any snow at all here in Germany. In other words, nature skipped the winter season altogether. This is unusual for our country, and the meteorologists cannot remember when something like this has happened the last time. For most people - including myself - this is a positive situation because too much snow in town is a burden and a danger. But on the other hand the lack of snow and cold weather causes a lot of illnesses among the population. And this, we have experienced even among our church members. Never before was I called to make as many visits to sick members as in the past months.

During February we were supposed to have our first Gospel Meeting for this year. Ludwig Klinker from Wiesbaden was to be the speaker. Two weeks before the meeting was to start, he called and informed me that he could not come at that time and that we would have to postpone the meeting until March. We are now preparing for the meeting and looking forward to great success. Please pray with us.

Last weekend I was in Karlsruhe to preach for the church there. This congregation of about 30 members does not have a full-time preacher and invited me several months ago to come and preach for them, which I gladly did. It was an encouraging visit.

Heartiest greetings to each one of you!

Yours In Christ Jesus,

Rudolf Rischer

Happy Birthday

MARCH (26) Art Rowland, Virginia Pike (28) Joe McBee, Rhonda Hendrix, Jessica Epperson, Phyllis Rachui, Brooke Cauthen (29) Bill Endsley, Amy Pickens, Earle Arnold (30) Henry Starnes (31) Mark Adams, Matt Haws APRIL (1) Cameron Cobb, Allen Alford.

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Sermons For Sunday

Mar. 26, '89



By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. The Heart of The Matter

I Cor. 15:1-11

6:00 P.M. If The Dead Rise Not

I Cor. 15:12-22

Potpourri

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

We have received a "thank you" from the Manuelito Navajo Children's Home for the shipment of used clothing and other items. They appreciate the concern shown for their work.

ATTENTION LADIES

We have received announcements of Ladies Day Programs at several locations in the coming weeks:

April 1, 1989

Shannon Oaks Church of Christ

1113 Shannon Drive

Sulphur Springs, Texas

9:00 a.m. - Lunch

April 5, 1989

Eastern Hills Church of Christ

1200 E. Corsicana

Athens, Texas

10:00 a.m. through Noon

April 8, 1989

Pittsburg Church of Christ

Hwy 271 N. and Macadonia Rd.

9:30 a.m. through 12:00 (Luncheon)

Here and There

by Wes Price



I have mentioned the good work that the ladies, who prepare meals every Tuesday, do for our sick and shutins, but until last week I could not speak of it personally. I can now! It is like a good dose of medicine to have one of the men knock on your door and deliver that plate of food. I had the misfortune of being down a couple of days with one of those notorious viruses, and it was wonderful to be on the receiving end of that ministry. I now can sing their praises from a personal view. They do a tremendous amount of good every week. But you don't have to get sick to help me compliment them for their work's sake.

Our Brother's Keeper Units will be meeting for their monthly Devotional Fellowship on Sunday, April 2, because the usual time, March 26, is a holiday. We will be publishing a list of the host homes in the bulletin next week. However, there are some exceptions and we want you to be aware of them. Unit 17, directed by Scott and Donna Epperson, had their meeting last Sunday night. Unit 16, directed by Jack and Peggy Garner, will go ahead and meet for their noon meeting this coming Sunday. They will be joined by Unit 8, directed by John and Ruby Cliver. All members of these units are encouraged to bring food and enjoy being together for lunch after services on Sunday. The unit leaders have also stressed that members of these units, who have out-of-town guests are encouraged to have them join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Unit 9, directed by Bob and May Helen May and Stan and Judy Clark had its March meeting earlier as well. Unit 7, directed by Ben and Patsy Young will host their unit fellowship for the young singles and college age this coming Sunday night at the home of Forest and Mary McFadden. If you are unsure of when your unit is to meet, please contact your unit leader.

Congratulations to East Texas Christian Academy on the success of its annual Victory Dinner this past week. Over \$10,000 was raised to help the school. The West Erwin family has a great involvement in this good work, both on the faculty and on the board of directors. Many of our Bible class teachers and workers are on the staff of the academy. We commend them in their efforts to provide excellence in education and a Christian environment.

Records	Mar. 12	Mar. 5	Year Ago
Bible School	452	258(snow)	470
Worship/A.M.	524	320	580
Worship/P.M.	336	181	430
Wed. Eve.	240	211	268
Contributions	\$12,477.30	\$6,973.60	\$10,810.81
Membership 622	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

Responses

Sunday morning Sherryl Miles came to be restored.

Two weeks ago we welcomed Don and Sherry Peek. This week we are happy to have their picture in THE VISITOR.

Also, on Sunday evening Lisa Peek, daughter of Don and Sherry, placed membership. Lisa is a college student. We welcome her.



Don and Sherry Peek



The Search Special

"The Sunset Road That Turned To Dawn"
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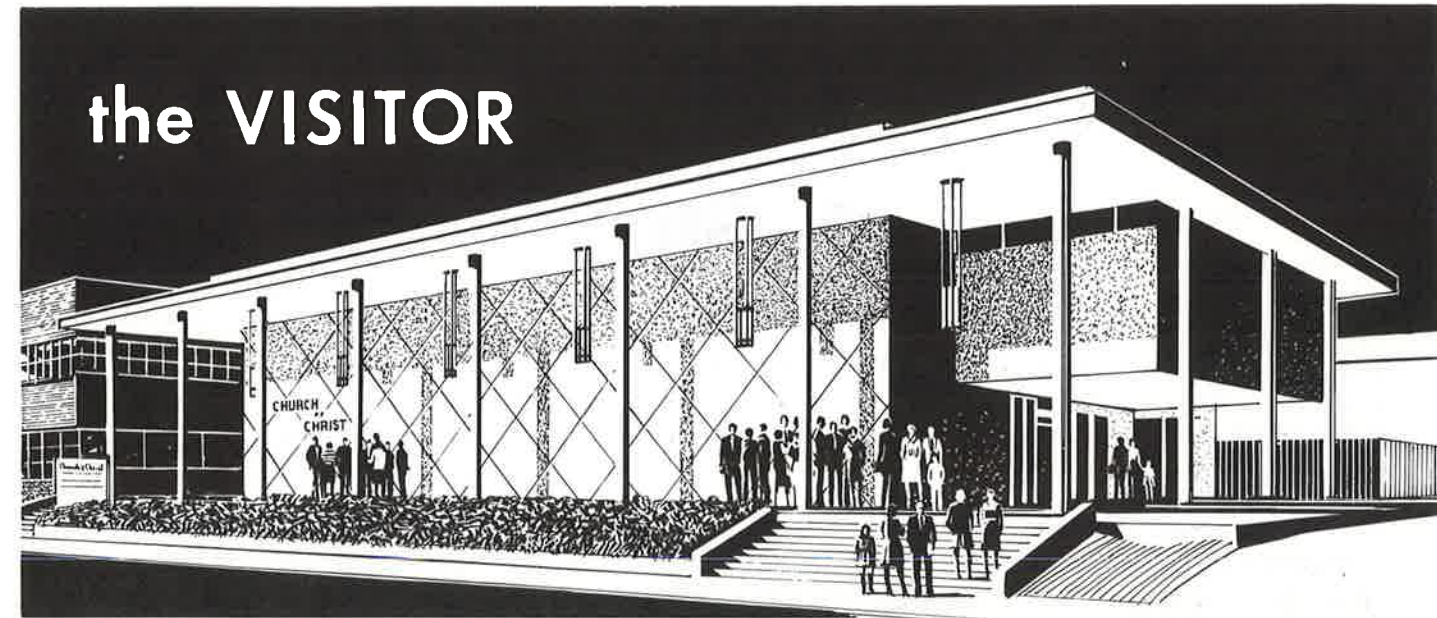
Roberta Tindall Patti Tate

The Sick

Linnie Faye Killion, sister of Pauline Kennedy, is now in a nursing home in Dallas.
Sybil Brem remains in Medical Center Hospital.
Amanda Hunt, granddaughter of Ed and Margie Hunt, is in Mother Frances.
Audie Grier is in Mother Frances.
Luke Ingram is now at home.

New Baby Girl

Danny and Lisa Snell are the proud parents of a daughter, Shannon Breyann, born on March 14 at Mother Frances Hospital. She weighed 8 lb. ½ oz.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Hank Tankersley

Hank Tankersley is one of those gracious, gentle men who quietly go about the work of faithful ministry. Last week it was my privilege to be with Hank and the church in Henderson for four days. This was my fourth meeting in Henderson, but this must have been the most gratifying. The Henderson church has been through some troubled waters in recent years and have been without elders for some time. However, the coming of Hank Tankersley two years ago has served as a calming effect and the church is in the process of selecting seven elders which will further help the unity, the work, and the growth of the church. There are some wonderful people in the Henderson church and they supported the meeting and the preaching well. There were some good contacts made during the meeting with viewers of THE SEARCH and twelve responded to the invitation of Jesus. Incidentally, we had noon meetings, as well as evening assemblies, with good interest.

Inclement Weather

During four weeks in February-March we had icy roads on two Sundays with only a few able to get to our assembly on February 5 and attendance way off March 5. This also meant that we were far under our weekly financial obligations on these two Sundays. There is a definite need for us to make up our personal contributions when we are away or cannot attend assemblies on Sunday.

This Sunday

You will want to be present this Sunday as we worship together and study the Lord's Word. On Sunday morning we will study The Cost of Discipleship in our continuing series on By Invitation of Jesus and in the evening we will look at The Ethics of Jesus. Also, an important announcement will be made this Sunday by our elders in their attempt to make the best decision possible in fulfilling our needs for expanded facilities. See you Sunday!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Thanks to the Oberg's and O'Quinn's for hosting the High School Devotional this past Sunday night. The Submarine Sandwiches were great. I appreciate the help of parents in organizing and carrying out our youth activities. You make it a success.

Middle School Devotional

Middle Schoolers, don't forget about our evening together this Sunday. Invite your friends and plan to come and enjoy this grand time!

Skiers

When you read this, it will be only two days until we leave to go to Colorado. Remember, you must have turned in your notarized Medical Release forms and your contract to be able to go. If you have questions or needs, please ask. We will be leaving the Glenwood Church lot Sunday evening, March 19, at 8:30 P.M.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Cheryl Murphy, daughter of Dale and Carolyn Blackstone. Cheryl has been inducted into the National Honor Society. She is a John Tyler student.

Important Dates

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By Jay Lockhart

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(Matt.10:32-39)

6:00 P.M. How Can I Develop The Ethics
Of Jesus?
(Matt.4:1-11)



Thank You

Our sorrow in the loss of our dear husband, father and grandfather is somewhat easier to bear because of your kindness. Your sympathy at this time is a comfort to us.

Mrs. Tom Williams
Kristy Suzanne Cobb
Cameron Cobb

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to sister Marikate Davis in the death of her brother. Funeral services were held Monday in Fredericksburg, Texas for A. G. (Jinx) Davidson.

Be A Wednesday Nighter!

Potpourri

DEACON'S MEETING

A Deacon's Meeting is scheduled for Monday evening, March 20, at 6:30 P.M. Meet at The Black-Eyed Pea Restaurant.

CONGRATULATIONS

Clay Kirby was nominated for "Teacher Of The Year" from Andy Woods School and Virginia Demic was nominated from Birdwell School. We congratulate both of these ladies.

LADIES DAY IN ATHENS

There will be a Ladies Day, April 5, 1989, at the Eastern Hills Church of Christ in Athens. Registration will be from 9:30 A.M. until 10:00 A.M. Mikal Frazier from Minden, La. will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be "A Woman After God's Own Heart." Lunch will be provided, and special classes will be provided for preschool children. You will need to bring a sack lunch for your child.

FROM PABLO MOLINA International Mission

May I offer a very grateful thank you for the privilege of speaking to the combined adult class on Sunday February 19. I always feel so welcome when I am with my brethren at West Erwin... I always look for the opportunity to speak about International Mission. To me it is the work of the century and then some. We have had over 3,000 students. That in itself is remarkable. But just think of the thousands of other lives that were touched because they were here. ...Almost daily, we have a former student visit or call us and thank us for what the school has done for them. They aren't just thanking us for teaching them English, but for the difference in their lives because of the gospel. You are to be commended for your part in this vital mission.



SEE YOU SUNDAY IN BIBLE SCHOOL

Here and There

by Wes Price



A "Don't Care" attitude, a "What's the use?" spirit, a "Why bother?" feeling of unconcern is the exact opposite of our caring, giving, dying Lord.

The history of the children of Israel from Moses to Christ shows many periods of laxness and indifference which brought them all kinds of problems and the suffering of dreadful consequences. Jeremiah said "cursed be he that doeth the work of Jehovah negligently."

I know of no greater problem today than that of spiritual apathy. It is a disease that spreads so gradually it goes unnoticed until it becomes extremely difficult to cure. As with all sickness, if the cause can be found the battle is more than half won.

The cause of spiritual apathy is preoccupation with worldly things, leaving little or no time for things that are truly worthwhile and lasting. The cure is concentration of time, talent, and love of Christ and His Kingdom. You'll get excited when you give your heart. Does anyone care enough to give "the last full measure of devotion today?" Speak up, stand up, and be counted, for the Lord needs people who are alive, awake and ready to do until they die. May God help us this day, through prayers and study of His Word, to overcome our indifference.

...Selected



We are happy to have visitors each week. Please come back often.

Happy Birthday

MARCH (19) Norene Ingram, Denise Wilson, Benjamin Taylor (20) Janie Hicks, Martha Jo Rowland, David Taylor (21) Harvey Grier, Ernestine Mallory, Bobbie Hale (22) Ruth Harris (23) Ben Young (24) Michael Anslem (25) Betty Bray, Mary Gaiser.

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Membership 622	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, March 12 and Wednesday Evening, March 15, MELVIN MAPLES, 597-0019.

The Sick

Allie Wren is a patient in Mother Frances Hospital, room 492.

Edythe Trentham is a patient in Mother Frances Hospital, room 495.

Audie Grier continues to be a patient in Mother Frances Hospital, room 442.

Jewell McCoy is in room 497 in Mother Frances Hospital.

Sybil Brem remains in Medical Center, room 3304.

Linnie Faye Killion, sister of Pauline Kennedy continues to be a patient in St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas.

Correction

The Sermon Subjects listed on the inside of this bulletin are for Sunday, March 19th. The correct Sermon Subjects for next Sunday, March 12, are listed below.

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, March 12, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Two Ways, Two Teachers.
Two Followers, Two Builders
(Matthew 7:13-27)

6:00 P.M. How Can I Do Right When Things Go Wrong?
(Psalm 11:1-7)

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
Announcements Roger Knight
Prayer Paul Stanley
Scripture Robert Stokes
Dismiss Steve Ward

EVENING ASSEMBLY
Announcements Roger Knight
Prayer Henry McRuiz
Scripture Billy Terrell
Dismiss John Pike

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
From The Front

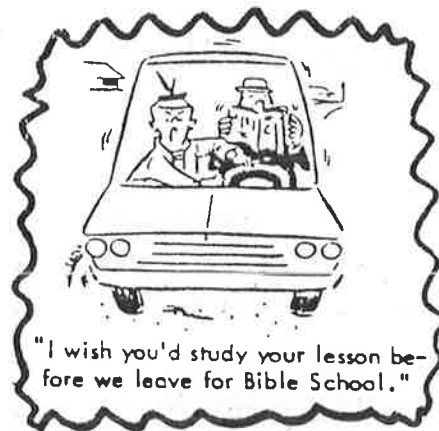
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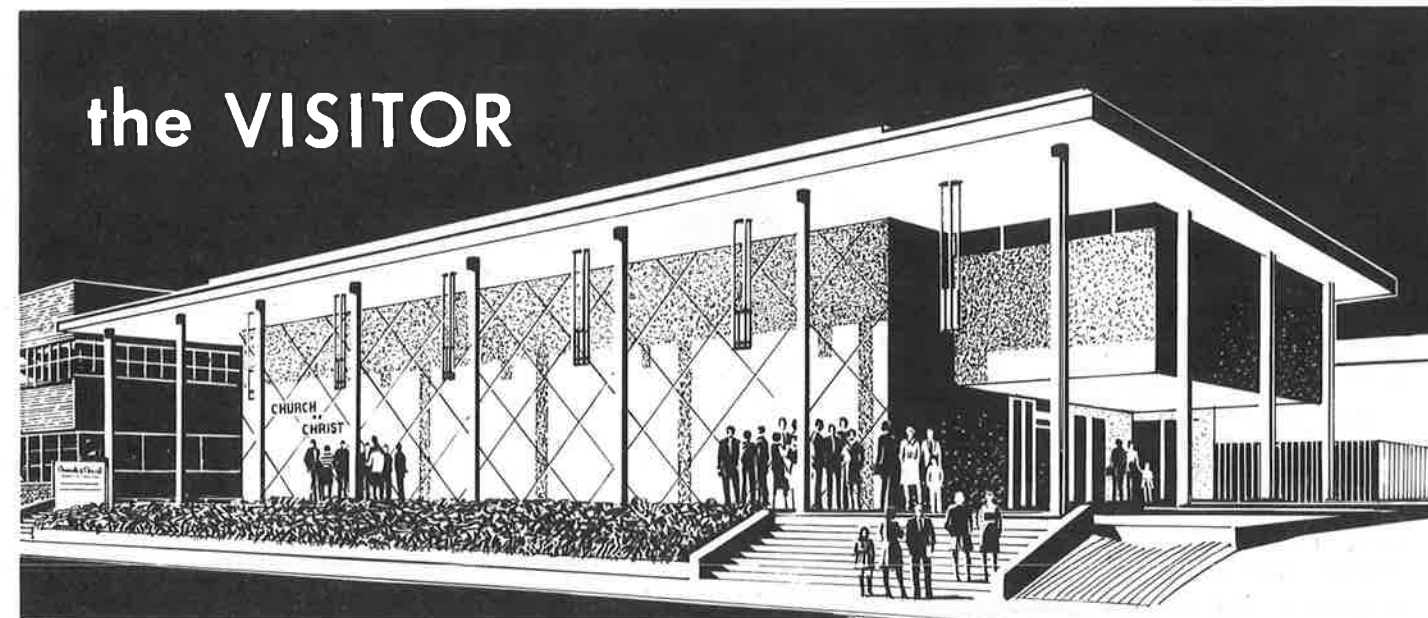
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By Jay Lockhart

"For God has not given us the spirit of fear." -- 2 Timothy 1:7

Fear - Faith - Foolishness

Near the time of the late Ira North's death he was asked about the greatest need in the church today. His reply: "Balance." Maybe he was right. It seems that we have always had a problem with balance--avoiding extremes.

When Martin Luther recoiled from the meritorious works system of Roman Catholicism, he jumped right by the Biblical truth of "faith that works by love" (Galatians 5:6) to the doctrine of justification by faith only. Balance is so difficult, not only in doctrine, but in practice as well. A recent article in the Christian Chronicle told of churches which had spent millions on building complexes and which now are in trouble because of the downturn in our economy. Some would call it faith, others foolishness. On the other side of the issue is neither faith or foolishness, but fear. Because of fear there are those who will not be foolish (that's good), but who will neither manifest faith (that's bad). God is not under obligation to bless our

foolishness. God will not bless our fear. The one talent man of Jesus' story said, "I was afraid," and was called a "wicked and slothful servant" (Matthew 25:25-26). Faith will either defeat fear or fear will defeat faith. Both fear and foolishness can be overcome by biblical faith. Our faith must be visionary, courageous, and even daring as we plan beyond what we can see and beyond what we can do. On the other hand, faith is not jumping off a tall building believing God will save or driving 100 m.p.h. on a crooked road believing God will protect or getting head over heels in debt believing God will pay it--that's foolishness.

What we need is balance--a faith that will give room for God to bless (which will overcome fear) and a faith that will not tempt or mock God (which will overcome foolishness).

"For God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."--2 Timothy 1:7

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**DANNY'S
DOODLES**

Danny Snell



It is interesting how some things never seem to happen. Our rescheduled Roller Skating night fell through again, but not by our choice this time. It seems the Roller Rink acted upon some bad information and didn't open up for us. Maybe sometime in the next ten years we'll try to have another City-Wide Roller Skating Night. It might snow then too! Even though we did not get to skate, we did enjoy some very good Pizza and actually had a very fun evening. Thanks to those who went and who are able to "roll with the punches."

HIGH SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

All High School Students are invited to the Devotional this Sunday night. Plan to come. Bring a friend.



SKIERS

There is a mandatory meeting for you on Saturday, March 11, at the Glenwood church at 7:00 p.m. The trip is less than two weeks away. Do your exercises.

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Saturday, March 11 | Ski Meeting |
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We ♥ Visitors!

Potpourri

Please make every effort to keep your appointment for viewing your pictures. If you have difficulty, please call the church office. You must come in to pick out the pose for the church directory to receive your free picture. Pictures will be shown this week and on Tuesday through Friday of next week.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MARCH (12) Darryl Hendrix, Pamela Wiggains (14) Chris Kindred, Rodney Knight, Melba Moore (15) Melvin Maples, Kevin Maples (17) Carla Lemons (18) Rose Teel.

ANNUAL SONGFEST

The Annual SONGFEST at the Eastern Hills Church of Christ in Athens, Texas will be held Friday, March 10. The time is 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. The program will include The Gospelaires, Sounds of Glory, Jubilee Boys, North Tenneha Gospel Hour Chorus and Eastern Hills Singers. Also, there will be plenty of congregational singing.

TABLECLOTH

The tablecloth for the large serving table is not in the Fellowship Hall. Perhaps someone took it home to launder it. Please return it as soon as possible.

Response

We are happy to welcome Susan Swadley, 413 Windomere, 75701, Telephone 534-1324. Susan is a student at Tyler Jr. College.



WELCOME
TJC STUDENT

Sympathy

Funeral services were held on Saturday of last week for brother Tom Williams. He passed away late Thursday after suffering a severe heart attack early Tuesday. We share in the sorrow of sister Williams (Barbara) and Kristy Cobb and Cameron, their daughter and grandson.

Thank You

Thank you for the food you provided us this past Tuesday. It was enjoyed by everyone. We are having a great year and much of our success is a result of the help and support we receive from Christians such as you.
Campus Christian Center

Sermons For Sunday

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, March 12

By Jay Lockhart

- 10:30 A.M. The Cost of Discipleship (Matt.10:32-39)
- 6:00 P.M. How Can I Develop the Ethics of Jesus? (Matt.4:1-11)



The Search



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Here and There

by Wes Price



Don't be fooled by this most recent blast of old man winter. We still have the usual expectation of an additional round with him on the Easter weekend at the end of March. We were down again Sunday in both Bible study and worship, but not to the extent we were the last time we had snow and ice. We are grateful that there were no injuries or accidents.

Don't forget to make up your contribution if you were not able to be here Sunday.

Enrollment in our Discovery Days School now stands at 12. The children who make up this delightful school are a cheerful lot and they brighten our days twice a week. We continue to marvel at the good work Barbara Oberg and Jeannie Ross do each week with these little ones. Surely the children profit by this weekly visit to our building. You might be interested enough to pay them a visit. They would enjoy having you.

Please make a note that the A Cappella Chorus of Southwestern Christian College will be with us for the Wednesday evening worship service, March 29. All classes (children and adults) will be dismissed, and we will all be meeting in the auditorium for this presentation.

Teachers, let me ask you to mark two important dates just ahead of us. On Sunday afternoon, April 2, all teachers are invited to join us for our first planning session for the 1989 VBS. The meeting will be held in the Heritage Room (Rm.110).

The second date will be for a Teacher's Breakfast and Workday. It is set for Saturday morning, April 8. Breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m. in our Fellowship Hall and we will spend the remainder of the morning working in our classrooms. Children are welcome for breakfast. We will have teenage workers helping us with them during the morning work session.

Thank you for making my two sisters feel so welcome at West Erwin. They went away with a warm feeling about you. I could have told them they would, but it is always gratifying to see how this family reaches out with generous hospitality to those who visit us. This is a precious spirit and we are continually grateful for its demonstration.

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Membership 621	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, March 5, and Wed. Eve., March 8, IRA WILSON, 561-0750.

Responses

On Sunday evening we welcomed Don and Sherry Peek and Don's mother Anita Peek into the fellowship of the West Erwin church. Don and Sherry's address is 2119 Parkway Place (75701), telephone 597-5030. The address for Anita is 2015 Parkway Place (75701), telephone 595-5294.

Benevolent Needs

Children's clothing continues to be the most needed items for our clothing room. Clothing for infants through teens is always in demand. Your help is always appreciated.

Request From Tyler Day Nursery

We received a letter this week from the Tyler Day Nursery Board. The Day Nursery, which has been in Tyler for 53 years, is being re-built in a new and safe location with adequate playground space and ample room to increase enrollment. This institution is of great aid to low-income families of the city. They are making requests to individuals to help the Nursery with equipment or supplies. The letter and "Wish List" is posted in the South Foyer.

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 Dismiss Dale Blackstone

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GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Weldon and Mary Dawson
 Ray and Carolyn Womack
 Bob and Marie Threadgill
 Don and Christine Drummond

The Sick

Brother Tom Williams suffered a severe heart attack early Tuesday morning and is in ICU in Mother Frances Hospital. His condition is very grave.

Brother Glynn Starnes has been hospitalized in Mother Frances, but hopes to go home Thursday.

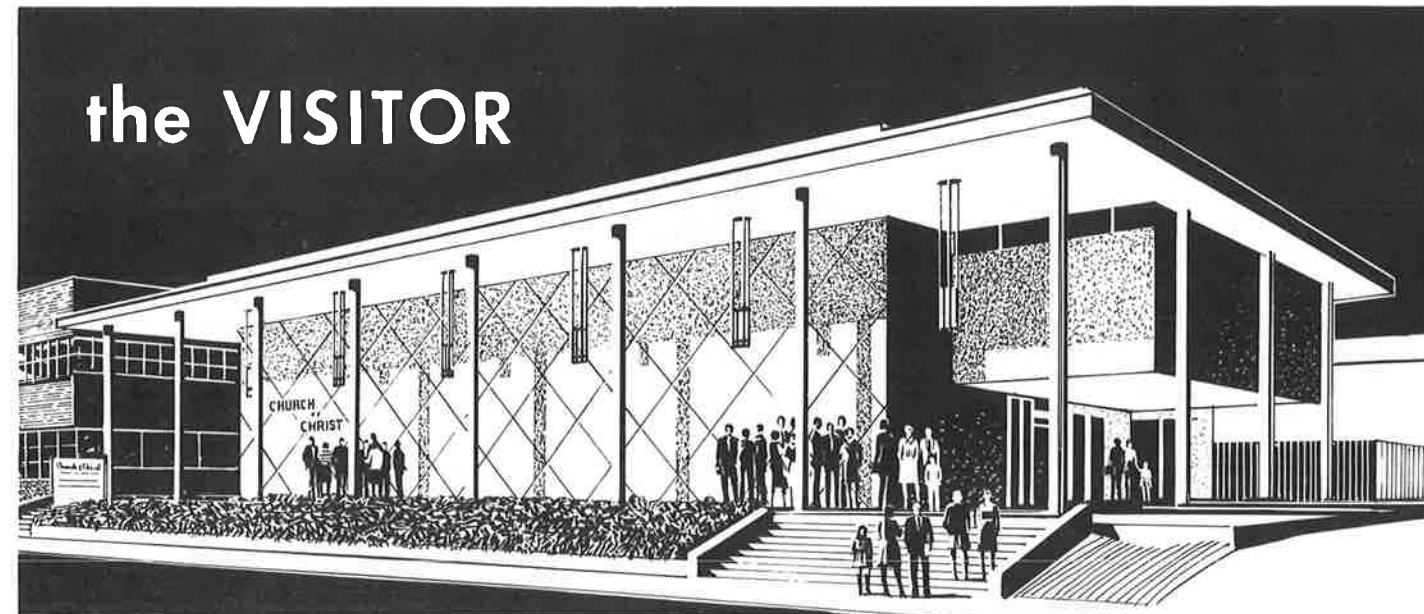
Sister Audie Grier is hospitalized in Mother Frances Hospital, Room 442. She is having heart problems.

Brother Charles Hickman's sister, Thelma Pipkin, underwent surgery on Thursday in Abilene, Texas in Hendrix Hospital.

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Did You Know?

Did you know that East Texas Christian Academy is an accredited school teaching K-8?

...that E.T.C.A. has a staff composed entirely of dedicated Christians?

...that E.T.C.A. offers courses for the approximately 100 students that they cannot get in public schools?

...that E.T.C.A. provides training for children with learning disabilities that is provided no place else?

...that E.T.C.A. teaches Bible every school day to all students, half of whom are not from our homes?

...that E.T.C.A. has small classes so that students receive individual instruction?

...that E.T.C.A. can exist only if enough of us care enough to support this good work with our finances?

Think about it and consider supporting the school on a monthly basis.

East Texas Christian Academy
 P.O. Box 8201
 Tyler, Texas 75711

Robert Hawkins

Preaches

Robert Hawkins, who has written the material for our current adult classes on the book of Hebrews, and who teaches our Sunday morning class teachers, will be preaching at both assemblies this Sunday. Robert and Jodie, who have meant so much to West Erwin since they came to us several months ago, have quickly won our hearts because of their dedication to Christ and His church. We appreciate the Hawkins and are happy to have Robert in the pulpit this Sunday.

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**DANNY'S
DOODLES**

Danny Snell



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**BRING A GUEST
TO BIBLE SCHOOL!**

Potpourri

MEETING IN LONGVIEW

You are invited to hear Maxie B. Boren at the Alpine Church of Christ in Longview, March 5 - 8. Weeknight services (Monday - Wednesday) will be at 7:00 o'clock.

JAY LOCKHART IN HENDERSON

Brother Jay Lockhart will be in a Gospel Meeting with the South Main Church in Henderson, March 5 through 8. He will speak twice each day. On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, he will speak at 12:00 Noon and 7:30 each evening.

SCOUT SUNDAY

Scout Sunday has been rescheduled at the Broadway Church of Christ for Sunday, March 5. All Scouts and their families are invited to attend.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MARCH (5) Mildred Massey, Sara Powell (6) Jeff Biggs, Marc Usrey (7) Becky McRuiz, Sue Paul (8) Casey Haws, Barbara Graves (9) Merle Lane, Ila McLemee (10) Katie Heath, John Powell (11) Erin Aven.



The Search

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KLTV - Channel 7
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Thank You

I want to express thanks to all my Christian friends for the cards and concern shown during my illness. Thanks to the Brother's Keeper Unit for food and food on Tuesday from the "Lunch Bunch." Just knowing that others care has helped me to recover.
Leona McElroy

The whole world's nicer, brighter, too, Because of thoughtful people like you! Thanks So Much for all the cards, calls, and prayers. They helped make me well.
Nancy Kincheloe

Ist wanted to drop a note of thanks for letting ETCA use your Fellowship Hall for our talent show. It means so much to all of us at the school to have your continued support.
Debby Little Dailey

From Medina Home

We would like to thank you for your continued support through the years. Once again, we would like to call on you for assistance in finding good Christian families who might be interested in a career in child care. We have a need for Houseparents and Social Workers.

Thank you so much for your consideration in this matter. Please and come to our campus for a visit at any time. Food and lodging is available for all of our guests.
George W. Rose

We ♥ Visitors!

Sermons For Sunday

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 1989
By Robert A. Hawkins
10:30 A.M. Born Again Each Morning
Philippians 4:4-9
6:00 P.M. Near To The Heart of God
Ephesians 3:14-21

Here and There

by Wes Price



The study in the book of Hebrews in our Sunday morning Adult Classes will be continuing through the middle of April. This is due to the number of Sundays all adults were together for combined sessions in the auditorium. We will be following this study with a look at the characters of faith in Hebrews, chapter 11.

The Education Committee will be announcing a new five year plan of studies in the near future.

The Unit Fellowship Meetings of our Brothers' Keeper units this past Sunday night were great. Each time we meet we are glad to hear of a larger number of members of the various units who take time out of their busy schedule to visit after Sunday night in the home of one of the members. We thank all of you who opened your homes to these devotional meetings.

The Discovery Days school continues to grow in enrollment each week. We are grateful to Barbara Oberg and Jeannie Ross for their dedicated work in this good effort. Quite a number of the children come from homes whose parents are not members of the church. Just think of the outreach opportunity this gives us as we have opportunity to make a good impression on them when they come to our building.

We are continuing our Young Married Couples Class on Wednesday night on a discussion study of Proverbs. We certainly would like to have you join us for this interesting and encouraging study. We meet in the Heritage Room.

Boles Home

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Responses

Restored and Membership - Rick Higginbotham
 Restored - Jim Usrey
 Membership - Richie Spencer has moved back to Tyler from Abilene and desires to be a member of the West Erwin family again. His address is 5207 Hollytree, #903.

Thank You

Lynn and I want to thank you for all your prayers, cards, and visits during his two week stay in the hospital. You were so helpful and encouraging in lifting his spirits. God has blessed us with so many loving and caring friends in our church, and we do love each of you.

Marilyn and Lynn Ligon

Your love and support shown with the flowers, cards and phone calls during my father's illness and death will never be forgotten. I didn't realize how hard it was going to be for me to lose my father. Thanks so much for helping me get through this difficult time in my life.

Sandra Henry

Serving Sunday

MORNING ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Faber Cauthen
 Prayer Ed Bullard
 Scripture Stan Clark
 Dismiss Ed Hunt
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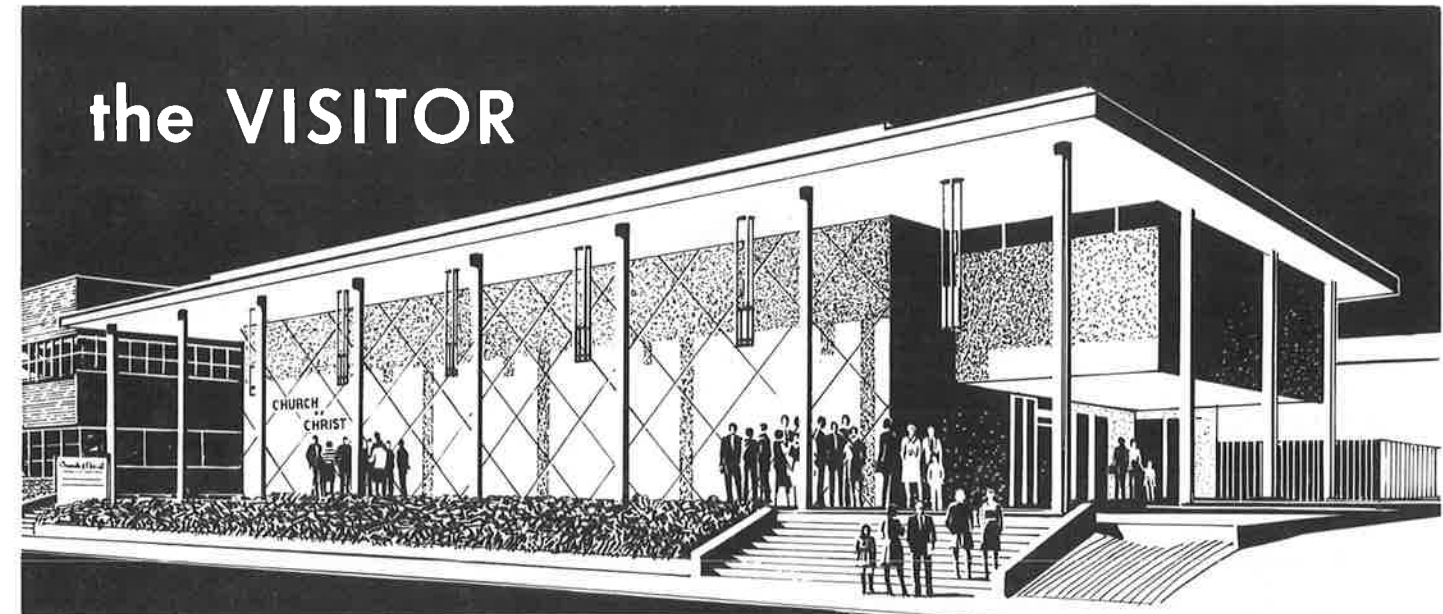
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler
 By Jay Lockhart

"Then Moses summoned Bezalel and Oholiab and every skilled person to whom the Lord had given ability and who was willing to come and do the work."
 Exodus 36:2

Where There's A Will There's A Way

When God instructed Moses to erect the Tabernacle, a tent of meeting where He would meet Israel, a wonderful thing happened. The Tabernacle was an elaborate tent with furniture overlaid with gold and was to be built by the freewill offerings of the people. In Exodus 36, the Bible says the Lord gave ability to the people who were to do the work. God never calls men to do a work for which He does not equip them. That's the reason that what God wants accomplished can be done -- He gives men the ability to do it. However, there is something which must accompany ability, and that something is willingness on behalf of men. Notice the text with emphasis being mine: "to whom the Lord had given ability and who was willing to...do the work." Now there is the key

to the success of God's people -- God gives skills and we give willingness to use the skills. In Moses' day, not only were the workers skilled and willing, but the people were willing to give what God had given them, according to their ability, to accomplish the work. Exodus 36 says, "And the people continued to bring freewill offerings morning after morning. ...And so the people were restrained from bringing more, because what they already had was more than enough to do all the work." (Exodus 36:3, 67). The problem we face in our work is not the ability or the means to accomplish the work but the willingness of the people of God to be so committed to Him that we dedicate our hearts and hands to His work.

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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



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To: The West Erwin Youth Group

Thank you so much for the stroller. I know that Lisa and I will find it very helpful for our baby. Words cannot express the joy of receiving such a gift from such a great group of people. Thanks again. Love,

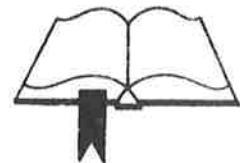
Danny and Lisa Snell

The Search



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share the word

Potpourri

Photographs for Directory

Saturday is the last day for making photographs for our new church directory. The response has been very good from the congregation. A sincere "Thanks" to everyone who helped in registering the membership for appointments and to those who worked to assist the photographer. If you could not keep your appointment or did not make one and would still like to have your picture made, we have some time early Saturday morning between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. and also some time around 12:10 until 12:30. We want everyone possible to be pictured in the new directory.

New Address

Stephanie Leek's new address is 2720 So. Broadway, Apt. 164, Tyler (75701).

Pat Ragsdale recently moved from Tyler to Tomball, Texas to be near a nephew.

Boles Home Grocery Truck

The grocery truck from Boles Home will be here the week of March 13-17. Special needs are: canned fruit, trash bags (20-30 gal.size) ranch style beans, toilet tissue, tooth paste.

Happy Birthday

FEBRUARY (26) Agnes Ables, Jay Lockhart, Jr. (27) Jane Jones, M. Goodson, Steven Mabry, Rusty Bryant (28) Jimmie E. Brown, Faber Cauthen, Archie Kennard, Gus Krewall, Sue Starnes, Ed. Hunt, David Haney, Todd Hancock, Ethel Brown MARCH (1) Amy Collins, Benjamin Smith (2) Cindy Lemons (3) Patsy Fisher, Tyler Morris, Alla Minnis, George Stephenson (4) Melanie Goodson, Dave Teel.

East Texas Christian Academy Victory Dinner and Auction

The Victory Dinner and Auction benefitting East Texas Christian Academy will be held Friday evening, March 17, at the Ramada Hotel on South Broadway. Tickets are available from Ray Vannoy.

Sympathy

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in Quitman, Texas for W. Paul Usrey. He was an uncle of Jim Usrey. We express our sympathy to the family.

We need YOU in Bible School!

Sunday Sermons

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, Feb. 26, 1989

By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Arise and Be Baptized
 Acts 16:6-16

5:00 P.M. How Can I Achieve
 Excellence?

Philippians 1:3-11



"Who Is My Neighbor?"

Jesus answered: "A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when robbers attacked him, stripped him and beat him up, leaving him half dead. It so happened that a priest was going down that road; when he saw the man he walked on by, on the other side. In the same way a Levite also came there, went over and looked at the man, and then walked on by, on the other side. But a certain Samaritan who was traveling that way came upon him, and when he saw the man his heart was filled with pity. He went over to him, poured oil and wine on his wounds and bandaged them; then he put the man on his own animal and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper, 'Take care of him,' he told the innkeeper, 'and when I come back this way I will pay you back whatever you spend on him.' "And Jesus concluded, "Which one of these seems to you to have been a neighbor to the man attacked by the robbers?" The teacher of the Law answered, "The one who was kind to him." Jesus replied, "You go, then, and do the same."

Here and There

by Wes Price



Brother's Keepers Units

Devotional/Fellowship
 February, 1989

Units	Leaders	Host Home/Meeting
1	Harrisons	Glynn Starnes
2	Hughes	Earl O'Quinn
3	McBee	Joe McBee
4	Stringer	Jack Stringer
5	Terrell	Fellowship (Noon)
6	Cook	Don Drummond
7	Young	Robert Stokes
8	Clover	Dr. & Mrs. Ralph Rowe
9	May/Clark	May
10	Bullard	Hawkins
11	Phillips	Threadgill (Mar.5)
12	Usrey	Fellowship Hall
13	Sublette	Matt Haws
14	Ross	Kelly Ross
16	Garner	Fellowship Hall (Noon)
17	Epperson	Jimmie Philpot



Brother's Keepers

SUNDAY EVENING
 Following Worship



Being a part of a Brother's Keeper Unit is one of the ways we have of knowing and assisting our brothers and sisters in Christ. Plan to attend your Unit meeting.

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Membership	618	Weekly Budget	\$12,050.00

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, February 19 and Wednesday evening, February 22 KEITH HARRIS, 566-9216.

Welcome To West Erwin

Tuesday morning Doug McKee was baptized by Jay Lockhart. Doug is a young single, who recently moved to Tyler with his family. He attended worship Sunday with Keith Harris and has studied the Scriptures with Jay. We are happy to welcome him as a new member. His address is Rt. 14, Box 297, Tyler 75707, phone 566-4607.

Last Sunday it was announced that Rachel Watkins and Bo Wiegrefe are new members of the West Erwin family. Their names were in last week's bulletin and we are happy to have their pictures in this week's VISITOR.



Rachel Watkins Bo Wiegrefe Doug McKee

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Scripture	Joe McBee
Dismiss	Morris Hallman
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Prayer	David Haney
Scripture	Jeff Konczak
Dismiss	Bob Bryant
SERVING LORD'S SUPPER	
Don Ingram	Billie Ingram
Archie Kennard	K. Max Haws
SERVING FROM BACK FOYER	
Bill McCain	Jeremy Wiggains
Lowell Wiggains	Bob May
GREETERS FOR SUNDAY	
Jeff and Alma Biggs	
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Tommy and Jerry Konczak	

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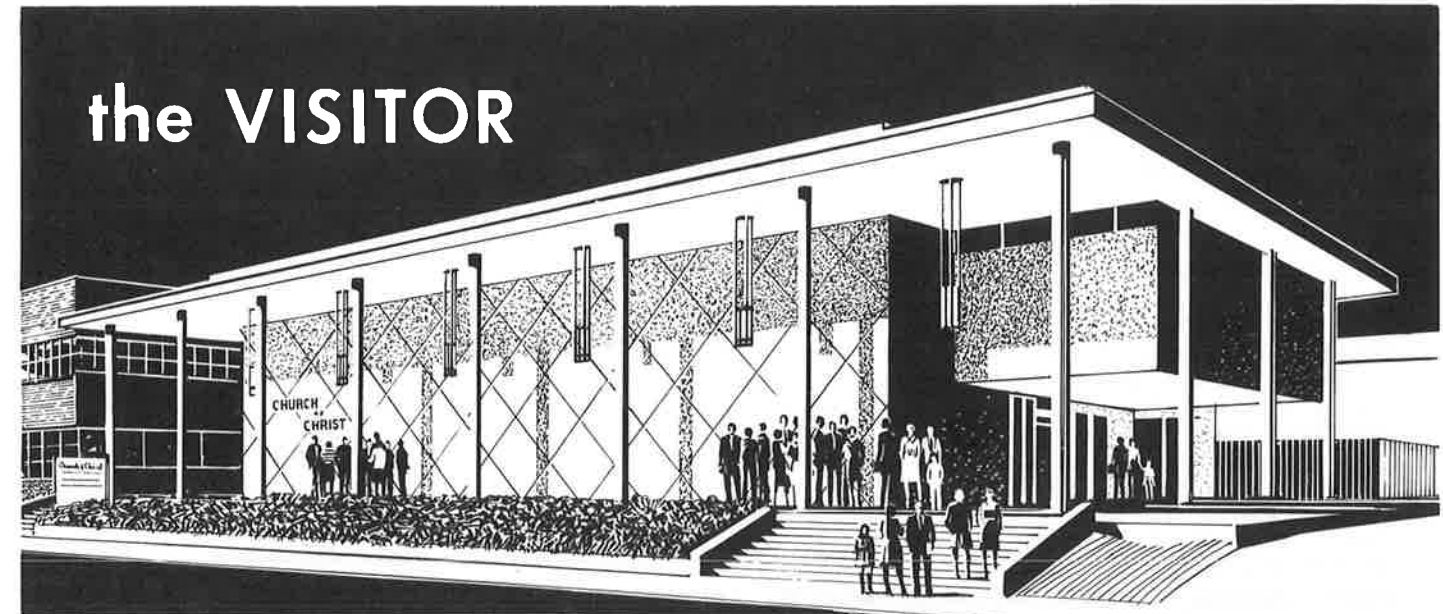
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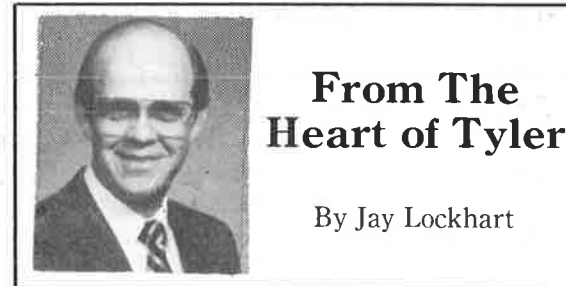
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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"No one will covet your land when you go up three times each year to appear before the Lord your God."
-Exodus 34:24

God Is Dead?

Do you remember when, a few years back, a college professor up East startled us with the brazen affirmation: "God is dead!" We were aghast. We were angry. We were insulted. The very idea! We knew that God wasn't dead. While we were shocked and maybe a little threatened, few really understood what the professor meant when he said, "God is dead." Friedrich Nietzsche (1844-1900), the German philosopher might have been the first to say, "God is dead." What does it mean? Nietzsche was not saying the true God has ceased to exist, but that man had ceased to be conscious of God and that as far as man's consciousness is concerned, God is dead. If man is unconscious of God, somebody must take His place, and that somebody is man himself. Where does this inflated idea of man come from? Nineteenth century man thought of himself as superior man. Humanism, namely, "glory to man in the highest," which became popular after Darwin's theory of evolution provided an erroneous view of origins, became the norm of the intellectuals. According to this view, man had developed into the biggest and best thing in the universe. However, simply because

man is not conscious of God does not mean God does not exist, or that "God is dead." But consider this: what basically is the difference between the "God is dead" advocates and the "believer" who, in a practical way, is unconscious of God in his daily life or in his plans or who relegates God to the long ago and far away? What is the basic difference between the unbeliever and the Christian who doesn't believe God really does anything in today's world? Does God rule in the kingdoms of men (Daniel 4:32), or not? Can God cause anything to work together for good in the lives of His children (Romans 8:28), or not? Does prayer really accomplish something (James 5:16), or not? God told ancient Israel that when they left their homes three times in the year to appear before Him, "no one will covet your land," that is, God would work in the lives of even evil people to prevent their taking advantage of the absence of God's people from their homes (Exodus 34:24). If we believe God doesn't do anything, can't do anything, today, then perhaps we have consigned God to death.

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



The annual Valentine Dinner last Saturday was really super. It took a lot of people to make it happen. Thanks to the following host homes: Wayne and Lynn Harrison, Tommy and Jerry Konczak, Glynn and Fran Starnes, John and Susan Steffee, James and Connie Sublette, and Ray and Gail Vannoy. Thanks also to those who provided food: Judy Clark, Barbara Oberg, Jeanie Wood, Fleta Butler, Nerene Ingram, Carolyn Blackstone, Donna Epperson, Sherryl Miles, Linda Marts, Melinda O'Quinn, Mary June Goodson, Lila Carroll, Carolyn Carruth. Thanks to the Carruths for organizing the desserts and taking pictures. Thanks also to the Blackstones, Harrisons, Sublettes and Lisa Snell for decorating. As you can see, it did take a lot of folks to make this fun evening happen.

Combined Activity

All Middle and High School students are invited to a combined activity this Sunday night after the evening assembly. Invite your friends and plan to come.

Snow Skiers

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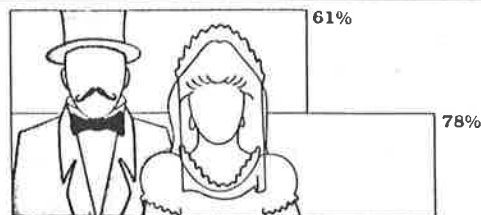
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GALLUP SURVEY: COLLEGE FACTS



Graduates of senior colleges related to churches of Christ reported they were happier in their marriage than were graduates of state universities.

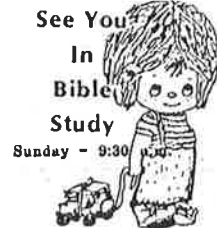
Info from the Gallup Organization, Princeton, NJ. Graphs by Oklahoma Christian College.

Shower Invitation

Ladies, You Are Invited To A
Baby Shower Honoring Lisa Snell
On Saturday, February 18, 1989
West Erwin Church of Christ
Fellowship Hall

Come and Go

10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon



Sunday Sermons

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19
By Jay Lockhart

10:30 A.M. Repentance Unto Life
(Luke 13:1-5)

6:00 P.M. Danny Snell Preaching

Commendations and
Condemnations (Rev. 3:7-13)

Potpourri

Directory Pictures

We began our schedule of picture taking for our new directory on Tuesday afternoon, and will continue through next week. We want everyone to be pictured in the new directory. Please call the church office if you have difficulty keeping your appointment. We want to be of help to you.

Annual Songfest

You are invited to attend the 6th Annual SONGFEST at the Eastern Hills Church of Christ, Friday, March 10, 1989 in Athens, Texas. The time is 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. and will include The Gospelairees from Cleburne, Sounds of Glory from Conroe, Jubilee Boys from Brownwood, North Tenneha Gospel Hour Chorus from Tyler, Eastern Hills Singers from Athens, and plenty of congregational singing. Mark your calendar.

Thank You

Your many prayers and thoughts during my recent illness are additional evidences of the kind of people with whom Ida and I have been privileged to serve. There is no way that we can express fully the appreciation we feel for your concern and for the many cards and calls we have received from individuals and even entire classes. The Lord has blessed us exceedingly, and I shall be teaching and preaching again in a short time if it is His Will.

Luther Gieger

A great big "thank you" to everyone who helped us with our move. We couldn't have done it without you.

Kelly and Jeannie Ross

(New Address: 21568 Mixon Rd.
Troup, Tex. 75789 - Phone 839-2114.)

The family of Joe Osborne acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expression of your sympathy.

Thanks for your love and prayers and cards. The flowers were beautiful. Special thanks to Jay, Wes, Danny and James Phillips who drove to Kilgore on such a cold and icy day. It really warmed me to know that you came to my precious Daddy's service. Glad I was able to visit with you.

Jane Johnson

Happy Birthday

Last week the birthdays listed were for the same week in March. Although the day has past, we are listing birthdays for last week along with the ones for next week.
FEBRUARY (12) Julie Ables, Lillian Colbert, Joe Clark (13) Carla Fulford (14) Laverne Keith, Steve Ward (16) Lee Knight (17) Alan Fisher, Denece Jones (18) Amy Knight (20) Brandon Chambless, Alma Biggs (21) Todd Grage (22) Gary Broome, Perry Hale (23) Roberta Tindall.

Here and There

by Wes Price



Next Sunday morning, February 19, all Adult Bible Classes, beginning with College age, will meet for a combined session in the auditorium for a report from Alan Phillips of International Mission in New York City. This is one of our most productive mission efforts and we look forward each year to Alan's report as he and Pablo Molina come west to visit the annual Bible Lectureship at Abilene Christian University.

It is always great to see good programs of work expand. We are delighted at the increase in the number of work days for our Benevolence Center. Billie Morgan and a group of workers now open and operate the clothing center on Thursdays. If you would like to be a part of this expansion, she can use your help.

Although we have finished our series on the family in our Wednesday night class, the videos of Dr. James Dobson are available to be checked out for those who might be interested. If you will see me, I'll be glad to tell you what is available and help you check them.

Our present class for Young Married Couples is studying the book of Proverbs in a group discussion setting. If you enjoy this type of class, you will enjoy being with us each Wednesday night.

We have had an unusual number of our members whose close relatives have been ill and others who have lost loved ones. Please keep these folks in your daily prayers. In addition, as you have opportunity, see if you can supply any need that they may have. We also have a large number of elderly who reside in nursing homes. The days get long and lonely. You never know how much your presence will bless them unless you try. See if you can find the time to pay them a visit.

Welcome!



We are always happy to have visitors!

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The Sick

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Matt Haws suffered an injury to his elbow from a fall on Wednesday of last week.

Linnie Faye Killion, sister of Pauline Kennedy, remains in very serious condition in St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas.

Sybil Brem, sister-in-law of John Brem, remains very seriously ill in Medical Center ICU.

Nancy Kincheloe, daughter of Mary Butler, who is recovering from surgery in Houston, suffered a light stroke on Wednesday of last week. Her return home to Crowley, Texas was delayed, but she is scheduled to go home this week (Thursday).

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(This is the same list as last week)

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Dismiss	C. H. McCarty
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SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Tommy Konczak	Melvin Maples
Billy Terrell	John Steffee

SERVING FROM BACK FOYER

Steve Ward	Henry Luiz
Larry Henry	Wyndall Miller

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Jeff and Alma Biggs
Dan and Winifred Cullinan
Alan and Patsy Fisher
Tommy and Jerry Konczak

New Members

Baptized

Rachel Watkins, daughter of Jeanie Wood, was baptized on February 2. She is a high school student. Her address is Rt. 20, Box 126-B, Tyler (08), telephone 887-2585.

Membership

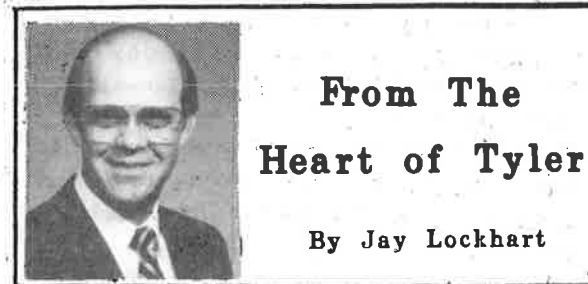
We also welcome to the West Erwin family Bo Wiegrefe who has been visiting regularly for several months. His address is 323 Chimney Rock Road, Apt.726, Tyler (03), telephone 581-4369.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



Glen Rich of KLTU called last week to ask if we would like to have THE SEARCH on the affiliate in Lufkin for several weeks...free of cost! I told him an offer like that had to be given some serious thought. He said, "Think it over and get back with me." After three seconds I said, "I've thought it over...when do we start?" So, for the next few weeks THE SEARCH will be seen on KTRE, Channel 9, in Lufkin at 10:00 A.M. on Sundays. KLTU will furnish the tapes and we'll see what happens. A special thanks to KLTU for their confidence and the opportunity. Believe!

Prentice Meador, a friend since college days at Lipscomb, has recently begun work with the great Prestoncrest church in Dallas. This church, with a membership of 900 plus, continues to grow on a weekly basis. In a bulletin article of January 22, Prentice observed, along with Dr. Win Arm, that people visit churches and return when they find four things:

1. The friendliness and warmth of the church observed before and after worship.

2. The character of the worship in which people experience the presence of God, the uplifting of Christ, and equipment for life.
3. The place of children, for when a church attracts children it also attracts adults.
4. The church building which is visible, accessible, has adequate space, and is known in the community. Believe!

How many sermons have you heard in which the plea was made for the 30-50% (depending on where you were) of the people who seldom or never attend the Sunday evening assemblies to come back Sunday night? All kinds of things are said and done in an effort to get people back on Sunday night...without much success. I wonder why? Could be we deal with symptoms rather than the problem. Someone suggested that the question we ask is, "Why don't you come to church on Sunday nights?" when the question should be, "Why do you come on Sunday mornings?" Question two gets to the heart of the answer to question one. Believe!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



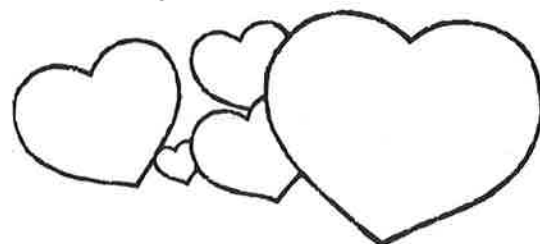
I hope everyone had a safe weekend with the ice and cold. Again, the weather prompted us to cancel another youth activity. We will try to reschedule the city-wide roller skating night for a later date. Several of you have already given me a schedule of your school sports activities, but there are a few that I don't know about. Please let me know about your extra curricular activities. See you Saturday!

Valentine Dinner

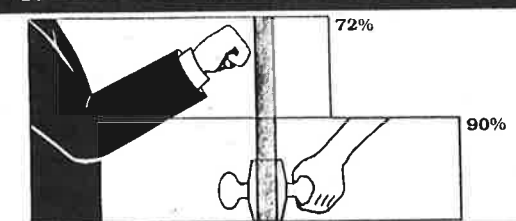
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Important Dates

Saturday, February 11 Valentine Dinner
 Sunday, February 19 Combined Devotional



GALLUP SURVEY: COLLEGE FACTS



Five years after graduating, alumni of senior colleges related to churches of Christ reported they were far more likely to spend more than ten hours a week in volunteer church work than were state university graduates who remained faithful to the churches of Christ.

Thank You

Words are inadequate to express our thanks and appreciation for all you have done for us since Bernie has been sick. For all of the calls, cards, visits, delicious food, fruit basket, and beautiful flowers, and most of all for your prayers, we are thankful. May God bless each of you. We hope to be back to worship services soon.

In Christian love,
 Bernie & Vera Beard

Dear Ladies,

Thanks to everyone who prepared or sent food for our Thursday devo/meal, January 27th. We appreciate your continued support.

The Tri-C

I want to thank you so much for the wonderful surprise birthday party! No one could have been so surprised and pleased as I was. You are wonderful friends and I am fortunate to have such a concerned church. My thoughts and prayers are with each of you.

Naomi Haden

From Tipton Home

We need your special help again at this time. We are in need of Houseparents for one of our boys' cottages, and there may be a need in one of our girls' cottages a little later on. We have a nice Home, with 10 cottages, and approximately 80 wonderful young people. We would like very much for you to let this be known in your congregation so that we can find the right couples to fit into our Home.

We prefer Houseparents who have, or have raised, children of their own. The job carries with it a good salary, and there are many benefits that go with it.

Please help us in finding couples who love children, and who would be able to provide Christian care for up to 10 children. You may contact Bob Drury at 405-667-5221 or 667-4179.

Shower Invitation

Ladies, You Are Invited To A
 Baby Shower Honoring Lisa Snell
 On Saturday, February 18, 1989
 West Erwin Church of Christ
 Fellowship Hall

Come and Go
 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon

Funerals

Guy Pirtle, uncle of John Cliver, passed away Tuesday in Athens, Texas. The funeral service was Thursday afternoon at the Eastern Hills Church of Christ

Funeral services were held last Friday in Kilgore, Texas for Al Walton, father of Jane Johnson.

Sandra Henry's father, William J. Osborne, died on Sunday, and his funeral service was held Wednesday in Ladonia, Texas.

We express our sympathy to each of these families in their loss.



Bible classes for all ages Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Potpourri

Rectory Pictures - Begin Feb. 14
 You will receive a card this week with the day and time of your picture appointment. These are being mailed as a reminder for you. The response has been excellent for appointments. Now, we hope the weather will cooperate and we will have a good response for the pictures. If you have difficulty, please call the church office and we will try to help.

Happy Birthday

FEBRUARY (12) Darryl Hendrix, Pamela Wiggains (14) Chris Kindred, Rodney Knight, Melba Moore (15) Melvin Maples, Kevin Maples (17) Carla Lemons (18) Rose Teel

Here and There

by Wes Price



The winter weather certainly played havoc with our worship attendance on Sunday. We had the grand total of 70 present for a combined session in the auditorium then dismissed the evening services. Thankfully, no one was injured either by automobile accident or falling on the ice.

In spite of the inconvenience of bad weather, it caused us to slow our pace just a bit. Hopefully, we took advantage of the opportunity to do just that, slow down a bit and enjoy the scenery. Here's hoping that this was the worst of our winter weather.

Several meetings were postponed because of the weather. Our semi-annual Visitation Turn-over Dinner, scheduled for Monday night has been re-scheduled for Monday night, February 12, at 7:00 o'clock in the Fellowship Hall. All who received letters just make a note to be with us at that time and date.

Other meetings will be scheduled at a future time.

Watch

The Search



With
 Jay Lockhart

8:00 A.M. Each Sunday
 KLTU, Channel 7
 Tyler, Texas

Sunday Sermons

By Jay Lockhart

Sunday, February 12, 1989
 10:30 A.M. The True Nature of Faith
 (James 2:14-24)

6:00 P.M. How Can I Be More Forgiving?
 (Matt. 6:9-15)



Records

	Jan. 29	Jan. 22	Year Ago
Bible School	478	421	424
Worship/A.M.	523	543	534
Worship/P.M.	397	301	357
Wed. Eve.	256	250	297
Contributions	\$10,197.85	\$11,309.71	\$11,249.66
Membership 616	Weekly Budget - \$12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, February 5 and Wednesday, February 8, CLINTON CULPEPPER, 877-3956.

The Sick

Sister Pauline Kennedy's sister, Linnie Faye Killion, remains gravely ill in St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas.

Nancy Kincheioe, daughter of Mary Butler, expects to go home this weekend after surgery in Houston.

Sybil Brem, sister-in-law to John Brem, is in Medical Center Hospital.

Randolph Bell, nephew of Ruby Brem and Jonnie Steffee, is now home after hospitalization in Dallas.

Brother L. L. Gieger, former minister of this congregation, remains hospitalized in Oklahoma City.

FAITH

- Repentance is faith willing (Lk. 13:6).
- Confession is faith speaking (Mt. 10:32).
- Baptism is faith acting (Acts 2:38).
- Prayer is faith communing (Acts 2:42).
- Lord's Supper is faith remembering (Acts 20:7).
- Life is faith serving (Rev. 2:10c).
- Giving is faith proving (I Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 8:1-5,24).

Watch

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Responses

Carrie Purvis came Sunday to place membership with our West Erwin family. Her address is 701 Shiloh Rd. #1122, telephone 581-8531. We welcome Carrie.

Betty Knight came Sunday night asking for the prayers of the church.

Directory

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness"
John 1:23

Voices In The Wilderness

Telemachus, so the story goes, was a fifth century A.D. desert hermit who came to the Colosseum in Rome where 50,000 people were watching gladiators fight animals and each other to the death. It is said that Telemachus climbed over the rail and entered the arena -- spectators never entered the arena! As he stood in the arena, the crowd grew silent and Telemachus shouted, "In the name of Jesus Christ, forebare!" One of the gladiators struck Telemachus with the flat side of his sword, knocking him to the ground. Slowly Telemachus arose and shouted, "In the name of Jesus Christ, forebare!" Someone in the crowd shouted, "Kill him!" One of the gladiators thrust him through. The people in the stands began to leave -- at first just a few at a time, but then in droves they left. It is said that

the death of Telemachus was the end of the gladiator slaughters in the Roman Colosseum. Why? Because one man, a desert hermit, laid his life on the line and stood up for what he believed, even when others did not...or would not. The world will always have room for those who care, who stand up for what they believe, who lay their lives on the line for what is right. The world needs people like this -- voices crying in the wilderness -- to call us back to the real, the genuine; to values that are important! The church needs those voices too -- voices to shake us from our lethargy, to wake us from our slumber, to challenge our mistaken assumptions. May God give us those voices...voices that keep calling us back to God, to what matters, to genuine faith!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



We had a good trip to Corsicana this past Friday to hear Acappella. Thanks to Ron and Barbara Oberg and Lisa Snell for going as sponsors.

Citywide Roller Skating

All Middle School and High School students are invited to the citywide skating party this Sunday night. We will leave right after the evening assembly and return at 9:30. The cost is \$2.00 and refreshments will be served. The rink has been reserved just for us so plan to come and bring your friends.

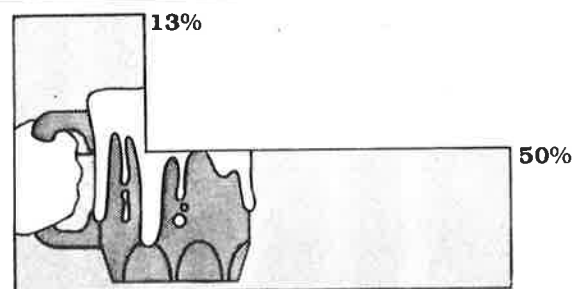
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Sunday, Feb. 19 Combined Devotional

GALLUP SURVEY: COLLEGE FACTS



The Christian high school student who attends a college related to churches of Christ is almost four times less likely to start drinking while in college than Christian students who choose a state university.

Data from the Gallup Organization, Princeton, NJ. Graphic by Oklahoma Christian College.

Wedding Anniversary

The Children And Grandchildren
Of Jeff and Alma Biggs
Invite You To A
Celebration Of Love on
Sunday Afternoon, February 5, 1989
In Honor of Their
Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary
From Two Until Four O'Clock
Fellowship Hall
West Erwin Church of Christ

Your presence is the only gift required.

Thank You

Thank you for all the kindness and concern shown during my mother's surgery and confinement in the hospital. I especially appreciate all of the prayers that were said in her behalf. Thank you so much.

Donna Maples

A "thank you" was received from the A.A.R.P. recently as follows:

"Our thanks to you for providing space and equipment for our 55 Alive/Mature Driving Course in January in your Benevolence Building."

Boy Scout Sunday

All Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts and their families are invited to attend worship at the Broadway Church of Christ on Boy Scout Sunday, February 5. A covered dish luncheon will follow. Come in uniform. Last year this meeting was held at the West Erwin Church.

Happy Birthday

FEBRUARY (5) Ruby Brem, Carolyn Philpot, Chris Drummond (6) Jill Hughes, Signa Stanley, Chris Oberg (7) Frances Phillips, Ted Wright, Ray Womack, Meeta Clucas, Kaleb Womack, Leon Santos (8) Ira Wilson, Alan Pickett (9) Jeremy Wiggains, Arlene Lockhart, Lisa Snell (10) Kathryn Cauthen, Clara Riley, Bernice Andrews (11) Marisa Butler, Carolyn Welborn, Carolyn Alford, Bob Bryant

New Grandson

Caleb Sparkman Browning was born Wednesday, January 25 in Fort Worth to Ken and Carlotta Browning. He weighed 7 lb. 3½ oz. and was 20" long. The proud grandparents are Harold and Nelda Browning.

Reuel Lemmons

We were sorry to learn of the death of Reuel Lemmons in Austin last Wednesday. He has held meetings at West Erwin and is known as the editor of the Firm Foundation for many years.

E.T.C.A. News

Talent Show	February 27
actory Dinner	March 10
P.T.S. Garage Sale	May 5-6

For information concerning donations to the garage sale, contact Debbie Dailey, 566-3405. Continue to save aluminum cans and soup labels for the use of the school.

Potpourri

Kelly and Jeannie Ross' new address:
21568 Mixon Rd.
Troup, Texas 75789
Phone: 839-2114

Kathleen Carroll's room number:
3500 S. Vine, Room 322
Tyler, Texas 75701
Phone: 561-4588

I recently received a letter from P. Slate of Harding University: "I always hear good things about your good work, both your preaching and your media work. Keep up your diligent efforts in the Kingdom. I will value it very much if you would convey to the elders my appreciation for the opportunity to speak last Sunday evening at the congregation, discussing the topic of 'Christian Education.' "

Sermons

by Jay Lockhart

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(James 2:14-24)
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(Mt. 6:9-15)

Here and There

by Wes Price



Our first Brothers' Keeper Unit devotional and fellowship was a great success. It is a joy to see this good work off to such a good start in the new year. We appreciate the members who opened their homes to host meetings.

Of special interest is the new unit led by Ben and Patsy Young with all of the young singles and college students. A total of 37 gathered in their home for this first meeting. We are happy to see this new effort off to such a good beginning.

We look forward to the next meeting, but let's not forget that the work of the Brothers' Keeper ministry is not just a Sunday night fellowship meeting. It includes the week by week work of providing contact with assistance to unit members whenever a need arises. When your unit leader calls, give all the help you possibly can and remember that they are serving you in being available to you at any time you need them.

Two Wednesday night classes begin this week. The singing class under the direction of Jim McCoy will be meeting in room 105/106. The Young Married Couples' class on parenting concluded its study last week. We will be meeting in Room 106. Please help us make these of the greatest benefit by being present.

The Discovery Days School which meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays is continuing to grow! This week we will see three new children join us. Barbara Oberg and Jeannie Ross do such a splendid job with these little ones. It's great to see our building and classrooms being used more and more each week.

And speaking of building use, what a tremendous announcement Sunday about the expansion of our benevolent program with an additional day of service. Billie Morgan will be directing a new day of service each Thursday. That means that there will be a need for additional workers to assist her. If you have time available and would like to serve in a meaningful work, let her know.

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Worship/P.M.	301	402	361
Wed. Eve.	250	243	246
Contributions	\$11,309.71	\$9,717.08	\$9,719.81
Membership 615	Weekly Budget - 12,050.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, January 29 and Wednesday, February 1, TOMMY BROWN, 877-2230.

Change of Address

Sister Kathleen Carroll has moved to Briarcliff Village. Her new address is 3500 So. Vine, Apt. 307, Tyler 75701. Her telephone number is the same, 561-4588.

Sister Zorado Sherman has moved from Glenview Nursing Home and is now living with her nephew, Fred and Betty Strait. The address is 1915 Suanne, telephone 595-3333.

The Sick

Sister Pauline Kennedy's sister, Linnie Faye Killion, is gravely ill in St. Paul's Hospital (ICU) in Dallas.

Sister Mary Butler's daughter, Nancy Kincheloe, underwent gallbladder surgery this week in a Houston hospital. She was first hospitalized as a heart patient.

Sybil Brem, sister-in-law to John Brem is in ICU in Medical Center as a result of an automobile accident in Mineola last week.

Brother Lee O'Neal is suffering from a fractured ankle. He is at home.

We learned last week that brother L. L. Gieger, former preacher for this congregation is hospitalized in Oklahoma City and will probably undergo surgery this week. His home address is, 2800 Gettysburg, Edmond, Okla. 73013.

Many in the congregation are ill with flu-like symptoms.

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 Scripture Pat Patten
 Dismiss Mark Waggoner

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Directory News

Very good progress is being made in making appointments for photographs for the new church directory. We are close to 80% of the congregation. Co-operation has been very good. We appreciate the help of the ladies who have worked each Sunday to help make appointments. We are now making telephone calls, but we encourage you to call the church office, 592-0809 and we will be glad to help you.


If you are a shutin or if you have college young people who are unable to have a picture made, you may send or bring one to the office. These pictures will appear at the close of the picture section of the directory and will be in black and white.

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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

A Salute To John Dale And Glendale Road

I don't have a better preacher friend than John Dale of Murray, Kentucky. I baptized his wife, the former Marsha London, while preaching as a college student at New Providence near Murray and later performed their wedding. John has preached for two churches for which I also had preached, New Providence and 7th and Poplar in Murray. John has been in Murray for over fifteen years and the 7th and Poplar church has enjoyed steady growth in this town of 12,000 which is the home of Murray State University. Just recently this church became the Glendale Road church as a new building has been constructed seating over 1200. Last Sunday was their first day at the new location and there were over 1100 in attendance! This church has about 900 members. That's quite remarkable when one considers the size of the city and the fact that there is a University church in Murray and about fifteen con-

gregations in the county. Think of it! Nearly one person in ten in the city of Murray was at the Glendale Road assembly last Sunday! Why has this church experienced such growth while many churches have been in decline? First, these folks and John Dale, have remained loyal to the Book while manifesting a spirit of love for people (churches without a message or which present a message with arrogance, self-righteousness, and cold-heartedness do not grow). Second, the Glendale Road church pursued its mission with vision, faith, and commitment. Third, these brethren are united in their determination to be all that God can make of them. Congratulations to John Dale and the great Glenwood Road church in Murray, Kentucky upon their visionary victory of faith! I will be with John and their church, God willing, for four days in April.

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Jay Lockhart-Pulpit	
Wes Price-Associate	Danny Snell-Youth
Harold Taylor-Mission	
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Faber Cauthen	Joe McBee
Jamon Kirby	Ben Young
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DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



Brothers' Keeper Units

No.	Leader	Host Home
1	Wayne Harrison	Harrison
2	Hillard Hughes	Hughes
3.		McBee
4.	Jack Stringer	Stringer
5.	Billy Terrell	Terrell
6.	Milburn Cook	Cook
7.	Ben Young	Young
8.	John Cliver	Cliver
9.	Stan Clark/Bob May	Clark
10.	Ed Bullard/Bob Conner	Hawkins
11.	James Phillips	Phillips
12.	Jim Usrey	To be Announced
13.	James Sublette	To be Announced
14.	Kelly Ross	Kevin Womack
16.	Jack Garner (Noon)	Fellowship Hall
17.	Scott Epperson	Epperson

Unit 4 (Stringers) will host Unit 16 in Fellowship Hall on January 29.

We ♥ Visitors!

Sympathy

Funeral services were held for brother Tommy Park on Monday afternoon in Athens, Texas at the Eastern Hills Church of Christ. We extend our sympathy to each member of the family in their loss. Brother and sister Park worshipped many years ago with this church and he served as an elder for a time.

Happy Birthday

JANUARY (29) Cheryl Murphy (30) Johnnie Stringer, H. M. Minnis, Scott Epperson (31) Pat Stokes, Charis McCoy FEBRUARY (2) Rozener Strait (3) Jay Lockhart, Billye Usrey, Marilyn Ligon (4) Loyd Nail, Cindy Carruth.

Sermons

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, January 29
By Jay Lockhart

A.M. Lost And Found
(Luke 15:1-20)
P.M. How Can I Overcome Self-Pity?
(I Kings 19:1-14)



Golden Wedding Anniversary

The Children And Grandchildren
Of Jeff and Alma Biggs
Invite You To A
Celebration Of Love on
Sunday Afternoon, February 5, 1989
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Your presence is the only gift required.

Thank You

Many thanks for the calls, cards, and kind deeds extended to me after my cataract surgery. I came through the surgery well (one eye); the other to be done at a later date.

A special thanks to Jeanie Wood and Rachel for the delicious lunch brought on Sunday. Thanks also to the gifted "Lunch Bunch" and the faithful drivers Frances Walters

Your kind expression of sympathy will always be held in grateful remembrance by the family of Ruby Teel.

Thank you for the cards, sweet notes, food, and your interest.

Ruby Brem

It seems as though we're always saying "thank you" to our West Erwin family. We appreciate how you have stood by us through all the years and especially through the hard times that the past year has brought. The flowers were beautiful, the food was delicious. The cards and phone calls have made us feel so loved, and we love all of you.

Sara and Fred Powell
Katie and John
Martha and Mark

Singing

You are invited to the 5th Sunday Singing at the Patton Lane Church of Christ on Sunday afternoon, February 5, 1989 at 2:30.

Here and There

by Wes Price



The trip to Galveston was great! No, the weather did not altogether cooperate, but then I didn't go to wade in the Gulf. The Education Conference was one of the best I have had the privilege of attending. Thank you for the opportunity to be away for a few days. I am especially grateful to Arnold and Agnes Ables for the use of their beach home. It's a beauty.

Sue Starnes' Sunday Morning Ladies' Bible Class made a trip to Lindale on Monday of this week to throw a birthday party for Naomi Haden's 92nd birthday. You should have seen the look of surprise on her lovely face. It was a delight to behold. Special thanks to Guy and Nettie Potts and Ray Womack who helped put it all together. Any time you have a few minutes to spare, making a quick trip to Lindale Nursing Home to see this saint will do you good.

And while we are talking about Sue Starnes' Sunday morning class, you'll want to help me congratulate them for their achieving the 100% attendance goal twice since the first of the year. We are proud of them and encourage every class to follow their example.

This Sunday will see the first of our monthly Brothers' Keeper Unit Devotionals. Many new changes have been made in virtually all units, and we are anxious to see how this will make the meetings easier. There will be a list of Units on the bulletin board in the South Foyer in case you have some doubt about where your unit is meeting.

Of special need of attention is Unit 16 which meets at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Jack and Peggy Garner are the new leaders of this unit and they are anxious for all of their unit to join them for the meal. Unit 4, Jack and Johnnie Stringer's, will also meet with you this month to share in the good time.

Thanks to all of you who have helped in bringing about the needed changes. I couldn't have done it without you. We look forward to reporting good attendance at all the meetings. We hope you are planning on attending.

A fiftieth wedding anniversary is a mighty special event in the lives of a couple. We hear of it more often among our brethren, for obvious reasons, but it still should be treated with great respect. This week we will have the opportunity to express congratulations to Jeff and Alma Biggs on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Our hats are off to you!

Brother's Keepers
Sunday Evening

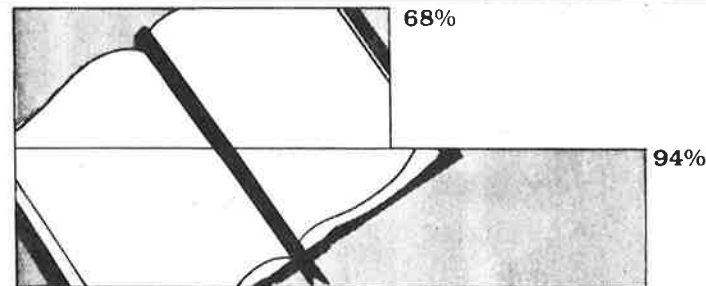
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GALLUP SURVEY: COLLEGE FACTS



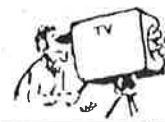
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Records

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Bible School	444	451	457
Worship/A.M.	560	552	554
Worship/P.M.	402	422	415
Wed. Eve.	243	213	286
Contributions	\$9,717.08	\$11,989.40	\$11,504.33
Membership 615	Weekly Budget - \$12,050.00		

Minibus Driver

MINIBUS DRIVER FOR Sunday, January 22 and Wednesday, January 25, DAVID HANEY, 561-2133.

The Sick

Sister Pauline Kennedy's sister, Linnie Faye Killion, who is in St. Paul's Hospital in Dallas has undergone surgery twice recently and her condition is very grave. Sister Kennedy has asked that we remember her and the family in our prayers.

Sister Ruby Brem is receiving treatments and is confined to her home.

Mrs. Hazel Blanton, mother of Donna Maples, remains in Mother Frances Hospital.

Randolph Bell continues to be hospitalized in Dallas in Medical City.

Amy O'Quinn, daughter of Earl and Melinda O'Quinn, is confined to her home. She has been ill for a couple of weeks and now her condition is diagnosed as Mono. Get well soon Amy!

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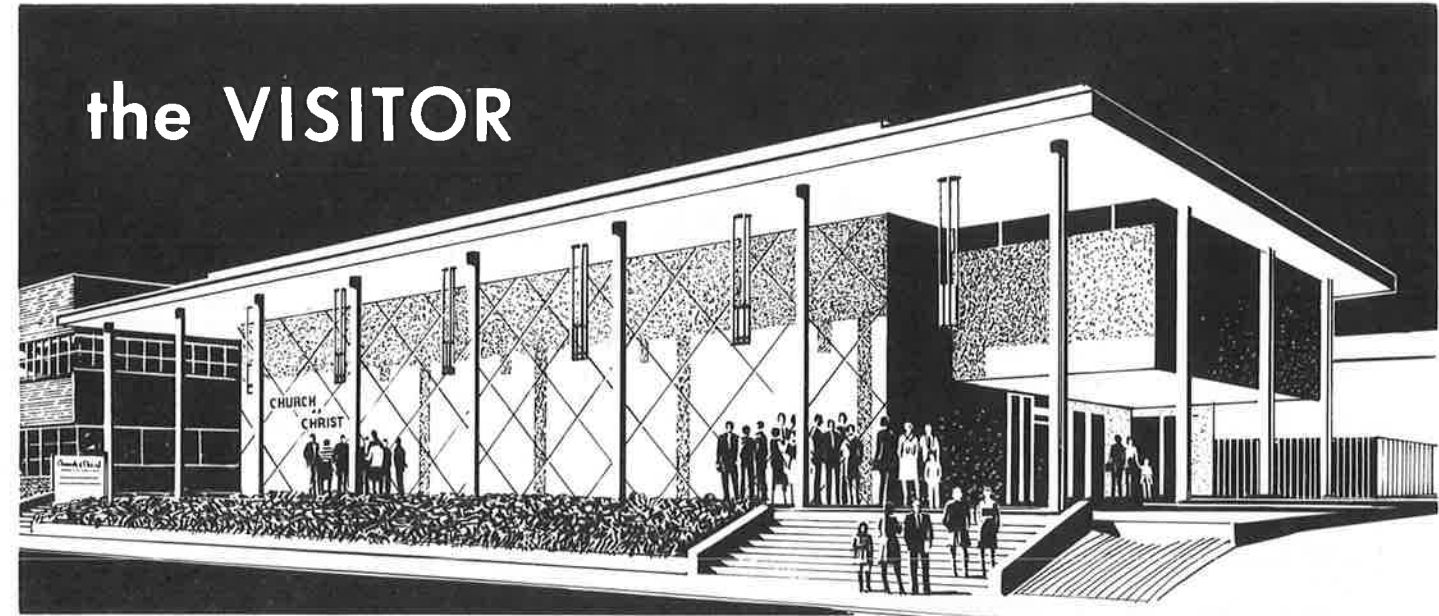
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Sermons By Jay Lockhart

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, JAN. 15, 1989
 10:30 A.M. Treasure Of Treasures
 (Matt.13:44-46)


6:00 P.M. How Can I Make A Difference:
 (Exodus 2:1-10)

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THE SEARCH Surges In TV Ratings!

The most important ratings for television programming occur four times a year. Based on these ratings, programs come and go and advertising is sold. The week of Thanksgiving (including two week-ends) was one of the rating times in 1988. As you know, one of our five annual specials of THE SEARCH is shown during this period. This year our special aired on Saturday night following Thanksgiving in the 7:00 p.m. time slot, and for the first time broke the top ten programming for the week according to the Arbitron Ratings System. According to KLTV personnel, what makes this so significant is that religious programming usually does

not make the top ten. What interests me is the fact that such things as news programs, football, Mission Impossible, and Trackdown received higher ratings (more people watched) than THE SEARCH; we had a higher number of viewers that week than the network week-long series, The Winds Of War. Our mail agrees with the rating system. In the last thirty days we have enrolled about 60 new people in our Bible Correspondence Course. We'll be sharing more of these happenings with you via the next edition of THE SEARCH UPDATE, scheduled to be mailed in February. Pray for this outreach!

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



The Parents and Teens Meeting this past Sunday was really great. We had over ninety people with almost everyone signing up to help with future youth activities. Some of the things we talked about were the Valentine Progressive Dinner and the Golden Age Banquet. We also had sign-up lists for Sunday night devotionals and Communion to the Nursing Homes. Thanks to all who brought food and helped set up and clean up. I appreciate your response to our request for help in sponsoring youth activities.

Middle School Devo

We will be going to the Blackstones Sunday night for our devotional. Hamburgers will be on the menu and Dale has a special treat for everyone there. Invite a friend to come and enjoy this great time together. We will be back to the building at 9:00 p.m.

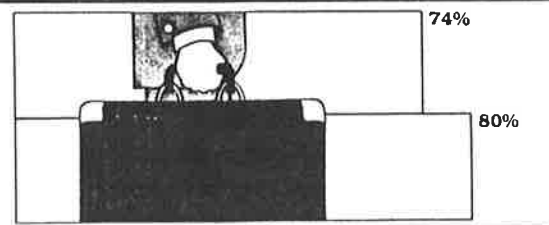
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Graduates of senior colleges related to churches of Christ were more likely to report higher job satisfaction measured by such things as salary, chance for advancement and sense of accomplishment than members of the churches of Christ graduating from state universities.

Note: From the Gallup Organization, Princeton, NJ. Graphic by Oklahoma Christian College.

Directory Report

Last Sunday we began making appointments for photographs for our new church directory. The response was great. We will be making appointments again this Sunday, but only in the south foyer. We appreciate the ladies who worked last week to help you make appointments. Please feel free to call the church office, 592-0809, if you would like to make an appointment over the telephone. Photographs will be made February 14 through 18, and February 21 through 25. We want all, who possibly can have a picture made, to be pictured in the new directory.

WE HAVE
BIBLE CLASSES
FOR ALL AGES!



Study the Bible
Be in a Bible class Sunday

Happy Birthday

JANUARY (22) Katie Powell, Mac McCarty, Nicholas Goodson, Lee Hudspeth (23) Naomi Haden (24) Foy Hodnett (25) Jimmie Harris, Rael Nunn (26) Carolyn Blackstone, Cathy Haney (27) Walter Dawkins, Mikey Cauthen (28) Jimmie Estelle Brown.

THERE'S SPIRITUAL POWER AT THE EVENING HOUR

Baptized

We are happy that Misty Malone was baptized on Wednesday, January 11, by Jay Lockhart. Misty is the daughter of Marc and Pam Lemons and the granddaughter of Charles and Velma Lemons.

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to Fred Powell and his family in the death of his father, W. D. Powell, on Saturday. Funeral services were held Monday at Memorial Funeral Home.

We learned that Mrs. Ken (Ernie) Edwards' father, Melvin Conley, died Saturday and the funeral service was Wednesday in San Antonio, Texas. We express our sympathy to Ken and Ernie and the family.

"Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible."
St. Francis of Assisi
(Submitted by Modena Jones)

Thank You

My Dear Friends,

Families need friends like you! We deeply appreciate your gestures of support: floral arrangements, food, phone calls, cards, and encouraging words of support. All of that made some especially difficult days easier for us. Thank you for your concern and empathy.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Stitt

Thank you so much for the prayers and calls during our time of need. Thanks also for the food provided for us.

Terry and Kim Frick

Thank you for your kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated.

The family of Linda Higginbotham The love and friendship of our family at West Erwin sure helped us make it through the rough times. Thanks.

Sue & Dick Higginbotham

Thank you for your concern for my family during my illness. Your prayers, the food, calls and cards and beautiful flowers are all sources of inspiration for us. We love you.

Foy & Mary Richey

Here and There

by Wes Price



Friendliness must be emphasized as an attitude most vital to our work as a congregation. It involves being friendly. This is not a mannerism or merely for show; it is an art. Genuine friendliness is learned through intense study and effort. Here are some tips:

1. Train yourself to notice those in the assembly whom you do not recognize. You can do this without craning your neck or acting peculiarly. Simply pay attention to people.

2. Watch for an opportunity to smile at visitors, stopping by briefly to introduce yourself, or simply thanking them for being present.

3. Avoid entangling yourself in isolated discussions with those of this congregation. We don't suggest you avoid your brethren--just avoid being cut off from speaking with others. (Hopefully you'll have other opportunities to enjoy the local brethren).

4. Put your whole heart into making the worship meaningful. Sing with vigor and spirit. Keep an atmosphere of reverence as much as you can during the sermon. Avoid causing distractions, which to you might not seem harmful, but to visiting friends might be unnecessarily rude.

5. When you ask visitors their names, really listen. Then repeat the names aloud to be sure you are correct. That is a good way to remember them later. Ask about their home, job, vacation, hopes, or anything in which they are interested. Let them talk to you. It is an established truth that this one feature permits strangers to feel more "at home" with you.

Finally, tell them what a joy it has been to have them visit our services. And mean it! Sincerity here speaks far more eloquently than words.

Selected
From Edgefield Church of Christ
Dallas, Texas

Let's Emphasize
Wednesday Night!

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Bible School	451	421	383
Worship/A.M.	552	515	575
Worship/P.M.	422	355	385
Wed. Eve.	213	180 (dismissed, Ice)	
Contributions	\$11,989.40	\$10,725.11	\$10,969.93
Membership 616	Weekly Budget \$12,050.00		

Minibus Driver

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, January 15 and Wednesday, January 18 James Sublette, 593-3578.

The Sick

Sister Frances Walters underwent eye surgery this week and is recovering at home.

Donna Maples mother, Mrs. Hazel Blanton, underwent surgery on Monday in Mother Frances Hospital.

Randolph Bell continues to be a patient in Dallas in Medical City Hospital.

New Directory

We will begin work on our new church directory on Sunday by making appointments for photographs. We will be registering for appointments the next three Sundays. Please make your appointment as soon as possible. We want everyone to be pictured in the new book. If you are unable to come for a picture, the company will accept one you provide, however, it will be printed in black and white and placed in the back of the book. Remember, the more participation we have by the membership, the less expense the church will have in the final cost of the directories.

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Sympathy


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From The Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"In the nurture and admonition of the Lord." --Ephesians 6:4

Christian Education

All of us have benefitted, directly or indirectly, from Christian Education. While, in its broadest sense, Christian Education may refer to all teaching of the religion of Christ, I speak of it here as schools where the Bible and Christian principles are taught, and where the arts, science, history, et. al., are taught by Christians in a Christian atmosphere. We are best acquainted with Christian Colleges--Some of us are products of Christian Colleges; we met our mates there; we sent our children there; we have preachers who were trained there. Surprisingly, few of us have actively supported Christian Education with our finances! This Sunday evening we will be placing emphasis upon Christian Education as representatives from Harding University in Searcy, Ar-

kansas will be in the East Texas area to speak for various congregations on this theme. Our speaker at the 6:00 p.m. assembly will be Dr. C. Philip Slate, Dean of the Harding Graduate School of Religion in Memphis and the college of Bible and Religion in Searcy. Dr. Slate has been preaching for thirty six years and has served Harding in his present position since 1986. He is a graduate of David Lipscomb College, received his M. A. degree from Harding, and his doctorate from Fuller Theological Seminary. Dr. Slate worked as a missionary in England for ten years before joining the faculty of Harding in 1972. He is married and the father of three children. Dr. Slate is an excellent speaker and you will enjoy hearing him this Sunday evening.

DANNY'S DOODLES

Danny Snell



The trip to Dallas this past Saturday was great. Most of us had fun ice skating and sitting on the ice! Several learned how to skate for the first time and several looked like it was their first time! It was an exciting and fun filled day. The old school bus made it just fine. A special thanks to Ron Oberg and Lisa Snell for going as sponsors. We could not have done it without you.

Our devotional this past Sunday was great and we had our usual large crowd. Thanks for making it a great time.

Parents and Teens

We will have a special meeting for you this Sunday evening after the assembly in the Fellowship Hall. We want to discuss some of the things going on this year and we have to have your help to do it. If you did not receive a letter about this, please call me as soon as possible. Please plan to be present at the get-together Sunday night.

High School Retreat

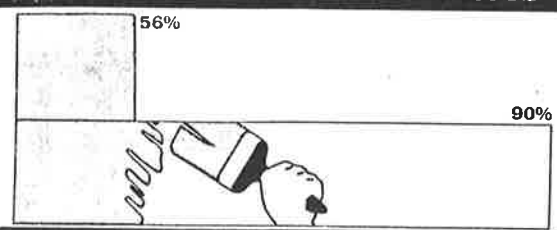
The Youth Leadership High School Retreat will be January 20-21. There is a sign-up list on the Youth Bulletin Board for those who are going. I think this will be one of the best retreats ever. The Bible Study will be led by Kenny Shaver, and it will be on Revelation. Ask about details.

Important Dates

- Jan. 15 Parents & Teens Meeting
- Jan. 20 & 22 Youth Leadership
- Jan. 22 Middle School Activity
- Jan. 27 Acappella Concert

Following is the second in our series of facts about the results of a "Christian College Education." For more information about this subject, please contact me.

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Data from the Gallup Organization, Princeton, NJ
Graphic by Oklahoma Christian College

From Chimala Mission

Dear Christian Friends:

The rains have started and everything is beginning to get pretty and green again. This is a beautiful time of the year.

Carter and I are on the mission by ourselves again. The Boren's went back to the States after having spent almost three months with us. Beth and Annette are out of the country for a few days until they get things worked out for their work permits. They should be coming back soon now.

The first year Bible school students were back last week for a week's seminar. They have had two seminars this year and will have two more before June of next year. This year's students are doing fine. They are enjoying their classes very much and are learning a lot of Bible teachings.

There is a lab technician, from Germany, here now testing people for AIDS. Everyone is trying to do whatever can be done to teach people about this dreaded disease. The hospital is doing what they can to help in this matter. Dr. Helelwa went to a Seminar in Morozors a few days ago, and came back with a lot of information on the subject. He said a lady from the States was there and she was most helpful.

We have recently received five packages from you. They were all mailed in April, 1988. They contained sheets, pillow cases, baby gowns, adult gowns, envelopes, bandages, glasses and soap. All of these items are very necessary for the hospital and we appreciate you sending them. You have been so faithful to help us and we appreciate and love you very much.

We pray that each of you will have a wonderful holiday season and that the New Year will be a happy and prosperous one for you.

In Christian love,
Ruth Geer

Let's Emphasize
Wednesday Night!

Happy Birthday

Birthdays were not printed last week and we are sorry they were left out. We will catch-up this week. JANUARY (9) Nancy McCoy (10) Linda Terrell (11) Angel Gregory (12) Earl Clucas, Kimberly Steffee, Clay Kirby, Winnie Cullinan, Brandy Starnes, Maxine Hudspeth, Tommy Konczak (14) Roy Clark (15) Danny Snell (16) Jim Willis (17) Pauline Daughtry, Wayne Harrison, Frances Broome, Casey Culpepper, Peggy Garner (18) Bernice Majors (19) Juanita Lowry, Gussie Beaty (20) Frances McBee, Patsy Slaughter, May Helen May, Jerri Pickins.

New Baby Girl

Congratulations to Rex and Cynthia Johnson who are the parents of a baby girl. Katelin Marie was born Tuesday at 12:26 p.m. in Mother Frances Hospital. She weighed 9 lb and 8 oz.

Thank You

We appreciate the prayers, calls and cards at the death of our sister. A special thanks to Max and Mary Haws and James and Doris Kennedy.

Irene Taylor
Gus & Kathy Krewall

John and Ruby Brem and Pauline O'gherty have expressed thanks for their fruit baskets. Their names were not included in the list printed last week in The Visitor.

Sympathy

We express our sympathy to brother and sister Johnny Anders in the death of their grandson last week. Burial was in Memphis, Tenn. He was 12 years old and the son of Johnny and Jo's daughter and son-in-law in New York. The Anders are known to many in the congregation. We express our sympathy to the family.

Sermons For Sunday

SERMONS FOR JANUARY 15, 1989

A.M. The Wheat and Tares
(Matt. 13:24-30)

P.M. Dr. C. Philip Slate



Here and There

by Wes Price



Sunday was a great day at West Erwin. We had large crowds at all our services. A spirit of enthusiasm was apparent and warmth evidenced itself in greetings. As usual we had a good number of visitors, but most of those present were our own members. I feel confident that Jay's messages contributed to the good feeling. We have a great family of saints at West Erwin. If you are not fully involved in the work, then we invite you to join us for a place of service.

Mark your calendars for January 29. This is the date for our first Brother's Keeper Unit devotionals. We will have a list of the host homes for our bulletin next week. There have been a number of changes in units, and unit leaders will be calling members to tell them of changes.

With the vast number of changes made, it is highly possible that some mistakes have been made. If you have been re-assigned to a new unit and you feel it was a wrong move, don't blame the unit leader. Call me and I'll work to resolve the difficulty. We want 1989 to be the best year possible for this ministry.

I will be away for the coming week attending a Conference on Religious Education in Galveston. A challenging slate of lectures has been gathered for this annual event. Remember me in your prayers for a safe journey.

I have the special joy of being permitted to stay in the beach home of Arnold and Agnes Ables. I hope you envy me just a little.

Welcome



We are happy to welcome Don and Janie Farrer and their baby daughter, Allison back into the fellowship of the West Erwin church family. The Farrers have recently moved back to Tyler from Dallas. Their address is 1628 Susan, Tyler (75703), telephone 561-7047.

We are also pleased to welcome brother Jack E. Bird, Jr. to West Erwin. He recently moved here from Wichita Falls, Texas. His address is 701 Shiloh, Apt. 514 (75703), telephone 581-5116



See You In Bible School

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MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Jan. 8, and Wednesday evening, Jan. 11, KEITH HARRIS -566-9216

The Sick

Brother Doc Wright continues to be a patient in Medical Center Hospital.

Sister Mary Richey went home from the hospital last Saturday afternoon. Her condition is good.

Sister Donna Maples mother, Mrs. Hazel Blanton, remains in Mother Frances Hospital.

Brother Randolph Bell, son of Ruth Bell Jones, and nephew of Ruby Brem and Jonnie Steffee, is recovering from surgery in Medical City in Dallas.

Margaret Lucas, mother of sister Bobbie McCarty, is recovering from pneumonia in Henderson Memorial Hospital.

Brother John Brem is ill at home.

AARP Drive Alive

AARP Drive Alive School will be held in our Fellowship Hall on January 9th and 10th from 8:30 A.M. until Noon each day. You may attend if you are 50 years or older, or if you need to attend a driving school because of a ticket. The cost is \$7.00 per person. To enroll, call Eugene Miller, 5927853 or the church office, 592-0809.

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Scripture	Ron Oberg
Dismiss	Allen Alford
EVENING ASSEMBLY	
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Prayer	Matt Haws
Scripture	Bob Bryant
Dismiss	Gary Aven

SERVING THE LORD'S SUPPER

From Front of Building	
Alan Fisher	Tony Adams
Walter Farrer	Harold Denman
From Back of Building	
David Taylor	Ronson Griffith
Mark Gregory	Jeff Hume

GREETERS FOR SUNDAY

Darryl Anderson	Kurt Gesse
Bob and May Helen May	
Henry and Becky McRuiz	
Bumpy and Bobbie McCarty	

Sermons For Sunday

SERMONS FOR JANUARY 8, 1989

By Jay Lockhart
 A.M. The Soils (Matt. 13:3-9)
 P.M. How Can I Be Happy? (Matt. 5:3-12)

Responses


Sister Allie Wren responded Sunday, to ask for prayers of the church. Also, recently Cheryl Murphy came to ask for prayer.

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"All Will Be Fine In '89 If Jesus Is Truly Mine"

Robert Hawkins is one of God's beautiful people. He is well equipped scholastically to be a great teacher of the Word. He has taught Bible as a faculty member at Abilene Christian University and Lubbock Christian College, has served as principal of Rocky Mountain Christian Schools in Denver, and has served as the Chairman of Counselling at a college in Midland. He holds the Ed.D. degree from Texas Tech University. In addition to his training, Robert is a quiet, unassuming man who demonstrates the qualities of a Christian gentleman. Robert Hawkins is the resource person for our new adult study on the book of Hebrews. He will conduct a class for teachers to help them prepare for their classes, and last Sunday introduced the study to all adults. During his remarks he made the statement in regard to

the new year: "All will be fine in '89 if Jesus is truly mine." What a tremendous theme for the new year! Some of us sing, "Fade, fade, each earthly place, Jesus is mine!...Earth has no rest, Jesus alone can bless, Jesus mine!" In this new year, let's be Bible class each Sunday as we study encouraging, renewing book of Hebrews. Let's continue to study together at morning assemblies, By Invitation assemblies in our regular schedules as we study, How Can I...?, and let's come together on Wednesday evenings as we begin a new adult study, How To Find Power. It's a new year! Let's make some resolutions! Let's be renewed! "All will be fine in '89 if Jesus is truly mine."

DANNY'S DOODLES

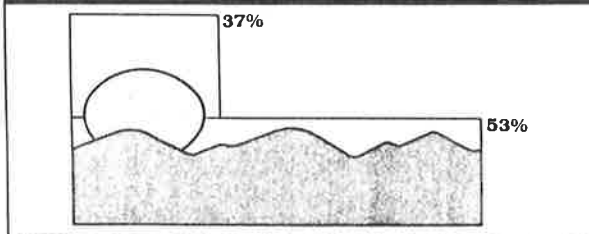
Danny Snell



Happy New Year! This is an expression or greeting that we hear often at this time of the year. But, is it just another seasonal expression? We all begin the new year by setting goals and making resolutions. Then, many of us fall back into the same old rut of last year. Depressing, isn't it? Well, we don't have to be the losers. You see the expression, "Happy New Year" suggests to us that we can be happy with our lives. Happiness or contentment is a pathway that we choose. Proverbs 16:20 says "He who gives heed to the word will prosper, and happy is he who trusts in the Lord." (RSV) By choosing to trust in God we can choose to be happy. Everyone wants to have a "Happy New Year," so let's do all we can to achieve that.

We have many opportunities during our lives to make choices. Aside from becoming a Christian, one of the most important choices we make concerns our preparation for a career, specifically our choice for a college education. There are so many colleges to choose from that sometimes we lose sight of the entire picture of our education. Often, for a Christian, the choice is between a State University and a Christian College. First of all, let me say that I have had the opportunity to attend both types of institutions. I would not let anyone take away from me the two years I spent at Texas A & M. But, I also believe that when we are choosing a college, we must look at the statistics. For the next several weeks in this column we will show some important facts about the results of a Christian College education. The statistics are reliable, accurate, and scientifically based on members of the churches of Christ who have graduated from both State Universities and Christian Colleges. I hope that you will use this information to your advantage as you begin to think about your choice of a college education.

GALLUP SURVEY: COLLEGE FACTS



Almost fifty percent more graduates of senior colleges related to churches of Christ reported they were "very happy" with their lives in general than did state university graduates who were also members of churches of Christ.

Data from the Gallup Organization, Princeton, NJ. Graphic by Oklahoma Christian College.

Combined Activities

All Middle School and High School students are invited to the combined youth activity this Sunday night. Bring a friend and enjoy the evening.

High School Retreat

The Youth Leadership High School Retreat will be

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Holiday Remembrances

Many calls and notes of appreciation have come to the office from those of the congregation who received remembrances from the church. The following received fruit baskets or poinsettias: Bernice Andrews, Frances Atkins, Aline Beard, M. B. and Vera Beard, Beulah Bedford, TheIma Bennett, Mary Butler, Vivie Canter, Kathleen Carroll, Lillian Colbert, Zona Crone, Marikate Davis, Ruth Dobbs, Bill and Elizabeth Endsley, Audie Grier, Naomi Haden, Katie Heath, Janie Hicks, Lois Hoppers, Cora Hughes, Pauline Kennedy, Lillie Knight, Ann Layton, James and Mildred Massey, Jewell McCoy, Annie McDonald, Leona McElroy, Jo Northcutt, Clara Riley, Loyd Rutledge, Gwen Shuford, Henry Starnes, Bud and Grace Walker, Jess Walker, Frances and Jean Walters, Homer and Lerah Williamson, Jim and Bessie Willis, Ira and Lola Wright, Faye Holland, Mr. & Mrs. George Neyman, Allie Wren, L. W. and Daisy MacFall, Rozener Strait, Gussie Beaty, Adrain and Fern Scruggs, Edythe Trentham, Gladys Holcomb, Mary Locke, Ruby Teel, Zorado Sherman, Edna Warren, Doc Wright, Weldon Keith, and Margaret Talley.

Sympathy

Funeral services were held on Thursday morning in Graham, Texas for Mrs. Fred Higginbotham, mother of Dick Higginbotham. She passed away on Sunday. We express our sympathy to Dick and Sue and their family.

DANNY'S DOODLES (Continued)

January 20-21. There is a sign-list on the Youth Bulletin Board for those who are going. I think this will be one of the best retreats ever. The Bible Study will be led by Kenny Shaver, and it will be on Revelation. There will be many guys and gals in North East Texas for the retreat. More details next week.

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan. 8 - Combined Activity
Jan. 15 - High School Activity
Jan. 20-22 - Youth Leadership
Jan. 22 - Middle School Activity
Jan. 27 - Acappella Concert

Thank You

Thank you so much for your prayers calls, cards and concern. It means so much to have such wonderful Christian friends.

Ann McCoy

Thank you for the visits, calls, and prayers for Gary Minnis. We ask for your continued prayers that the treatments are successful. We love you all.

H. M. & Alla Minnis
Walter & Mary Farrer

Thanks so much for your prayers, flowers, cards, calls, food and especially your love. I never could have made it without your love. The talks by Jay and Wes were beautiful. The songs were great. Everything perfect as usual at West Erwin Church of Christ. I love you.

Kathleen Carroll

I want to thank everyone for the calls, cards and for the beautiful flower and all the kindness shown to me in the death of my dad.

Helen Wright

Thank you for your prayers and acts of kindness during my grandson's (Kyle Stowers) recent dental surgery. I appreciate all the help and love that has been given to little Kyle and myself. God bless all of you.

Claudia Giffis

Discovery Days

DISCOVERY DAYS is an affordable learning program for children, ages 2 to 4 years. This is a Tuesday and/or Thursday program designed to meet the developmental needs of children this age. Enrollment for the spring semester is now underway. Drop-in service by reservation is also available. For more information call Barbara Oberg, 581-1806 or the West Erwin Church of Christ office, 592-0809.

Here and There

by Wes Price



The beginning of a new year brings thoughts of past accomplishments and joys, but more importantly, it brings challenges for what lies ahead. Each of us will approach this year as we have all the others, doing what lies just ahead, one day at a time. Perhaps the Psalmist said it best, "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." Take a positive approach, and get at what is best. Do everthing to the best of your ability and pray that God will allow you to overcome, disappointment, discouragement, and you will have a good year, one day at a time.

Although we are now a few days into the new year, it still will be worth your time to think about what new spiritual goals you might want to set for yourself. How much growth do you want to set for yourself. How much growth do you want to achieve in this new year? Surely if these spiritual matters are eternal, then you will want to give some time and thought to how best to go about them.

The routine things should not be neglected: daily Bible reading and prayer, attending all Bible study opportunities and worship at your home congregation, and doing good to those who come under your influence. Out of these, you will most assuredly build a better spiritual foundation for your daily progress through this year. God's richest blessings upon you as you set out.

We are happy to announce that Barbara Oberg will be serving as the Supervisor of the Pre-School Department as of this date. Connie Sublette will move to the Primary Department as Supervisor and Alma Faye Price continues to serve as supervisor of the Junior Department (Grades 4 and 5). Teachers, we ask that you call these if you have any questions concerning your class. If you need a substitute, they will be able to help you.

We still have several copies of the One Year Bible available, so if you need one to get started on your daily Bible reading, let me know and I will see that you get one.

**Your Example Is Powerful
Beyond Measure**