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Contribution	\$14,465.32	\$12,094.35	\$10,554.52
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, December 13, and Wed. P.M., December 16, Gary Broome, ph. 592-2289.

PRAYER AND CARE

Walter Kirby, Jamon Kirby's father was admitted to Medical Center Wednesday.

Helen Wright is in SICU at Mother Frances Hospital following surgery on Monday.

Ray Hardin, son of C.B. and Dot Hardin, is recuperating at Parkland Hospital in Dallas from a gunshot wound received in a break-in at his home.

Donnel Stringer, Jack Stringer's brother, is showing improvement at Medical Center Hospital.

Joy Coat's mother is now in a nursing home in Grand Prairie.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

"The most valuable gift you can give another is a good example."

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MISSIONS		
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Stan Clark	Leon Welborn	

ASSEMBLIES		
SUNDAY		
Bible School	9:00 A.M.	WEDNESDAY
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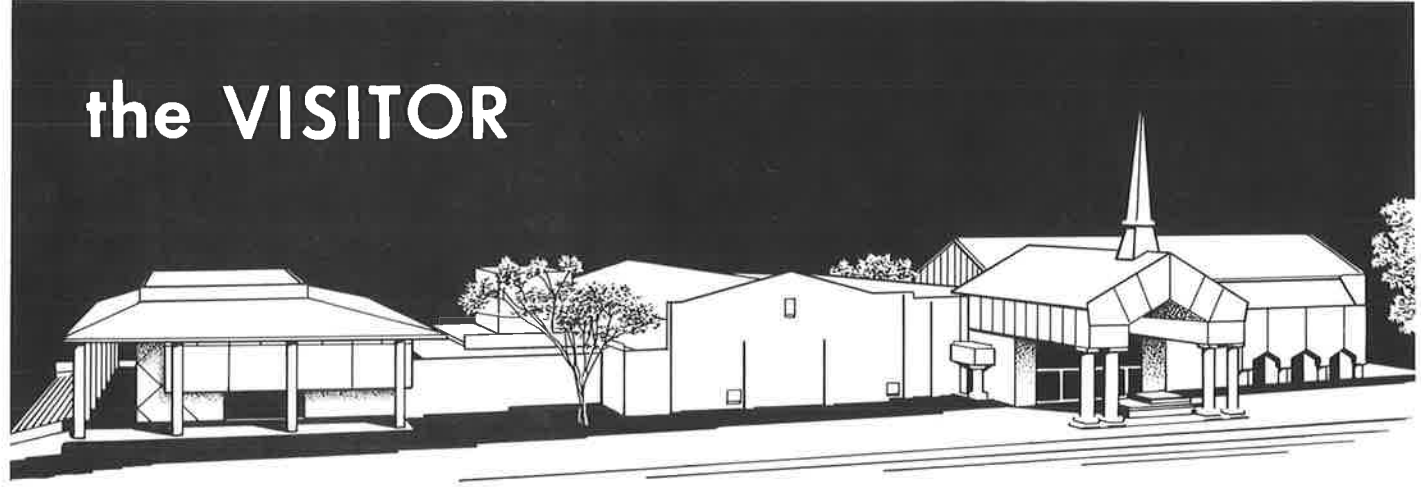
Melvin & Nina Crow
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 Charles Rachui

WITH SYMPATHY

Betty Strait suffered the loss of her sister-in-law and a brother-in-law last week.


Services were held Thursday for T.J. Parrish, grandfather of Jeff Parrish.

Our sincere love and sympathy is extended to these families in their loss of loved ones.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Try This For A Week

I recently read in Plus magazine about H. C. Mattern, a genuinely happy man who, with his equally happy wife, travels throughout the country. Mattern carries a unique business card on the reverse side of which is stated the philosophy which has brought happiness to him and his wife and countless others. The card reads: "The way to happiness: Keep your heart free from hate, your mind from worry. Live simply, expect little, give much. Fill your heart with love. Scatter sunshine. Forget self, think of others. Do as you would be done by. Try this for a week and you will be surprised." These thoughts are not new -- they are taken directly or indirectly from our Lord's Sermon on the Mount! But the principles are new if you have never used them. It's like the folks who lived in poverty on a very poor farm all of their lives, yet on that farm was later discovered a vast oil deposit. You'll live in poverty even if you're surrounded by riches unless you use those riches! Why not live by these principles this week and see what a difference they can make in your life.

Special Contribution

Last Sunday Stan Clark, speaking for our elders, announced that our annual year-end special contribution will be taken this Sunday, December 13, and will be used entirely for missions. What a great decision! What a great opportunity! In the past the year-end contribution has been used for various worthwhile projects, e.g., renovation of our old auditorium, making up a budget deficit, the building fund for the new auditorium, et al. But what greater work could we accomplish than to use this year's entire contribution for missions, especially since this is one of the reasons we exist as the church: to "preach the gospel to every creature." Think about it. Pray about it. And then come prepared to give generously ... for missions.

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Jim Bell and Amy Pickens for going on the retreat this past weekend. We all had a great time along with the other Tyler and area churches. Lee Porter from the Turnpike church in Grand Prairie was our resource person and did a great job teaching us about "The High Cost of Living". Thanks to all those who went and made it such a great retreat.

Thanks to all of you for showing care and concern to us during Lisa's recovery. Thanks also to all of you for being such a great family to our "new kids". They will always remember the love that you have shared with them. It is wonderful to be a part of such a great family.

****YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY****

You are invited to the Youth Christmas Party this Friday night at our home, 205 Pin Oak, Whitehouse. Time is 6:30 - 10:30 and we are going to have a great time. All you need to bring is a wrapped \$5.00 gag gift, an appetite and plans to have fun! See you there.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to the following for recent achievements: Kim Chambers for being selected as ETCA's Miss Congeniality and receiving the Citizenship Award, Nicholas Goodson for making the All-Region Band and Casey Haws for receiving his 2nd Degree Red Belt in Karate. Way to go gang!

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IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

- Dec. 11 Youth Christmas Party**
- Dec. 13 Sign Up for Servant Retreat**
- Dec. 13 LTC Meeting**
- Jan. 29-31 Servant Retreat**
- West Erwin Visitation Ministry**
- McRuiz's Team #2 will meet Dec. 14.



Thank You

Thanks to all of you who made visits and calls during my recent stay in the hospital. I am improving and please continue your prayers.

Sincerely,
Roland Coats

Dear West Erwin Church:

I want to thank you for the visits, cards, and phone calls I received during my illness.

Henry Dunn & family

Dear Ones:

It is not possible for Ida and me to express adequately our gratitude for the outpouring of expressions of love and concern for us during these trying times. The malignancy is the slow-growth kind and we are waiting as the doctors suggest to see the outcome of the surgery before additional surgery is performed.

At present I am regaining strength and am hoping to be able to preach again - even if on a limited schedule - by the first of December. Thanks so much for everything. Your love means more to us than we can possibly show.

Sincerely Yours,
Luther & Ida Gieger

Living Memorial

It is with gratitude for the countless blessings we have received through the years as members of the body at West Erwin church and in loving memory of our father, Arthur Campbell Layton, who served as an elder here, and of our late son, Dan Bailey, who received his early training and was baptized into Christ here, we wish to give this acreage for the enrichment and enjoyment of the members.

Sam and Larnern Bailey

Note:

Sam and Larnern Bailey have donated approximately 12 acres of land in the Swan Lake area to the West Erwin church to be used as additional facilities as needed for the church and to the glory of God. The elders are very grateful for this generous gift and are especially appreciative of the sweet and giving spirit of Sam and Larnern Bailey.



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Ladies Bible Class

The Wednesday morning ladies Bible class will be dismissed until after the holidays. Class will resume on January 6.



New Members



We are glad to welcome Henry and Mozelle Brown into the West Erwin family. They are the parents of our Gloria Daughtry and come to us from the Alpine church in Longview. They live at 2631 Henson, 75701, ph. 592-1105.



Paul and Linda Brumitt were baptized into Christ last Tuesday afternoon by Jay Lockhart. We rejoice with them in their decision and welcome them into our family at West Erwin. Their address is 5035 Twin Lakes Dr., 75704-9549, ph. 597-7303.



We are glad to have a picture this week of Wendy Culpepper. Wendy is the daughter of Ken and Cathy Culpepper and was baptized recently by her dad.

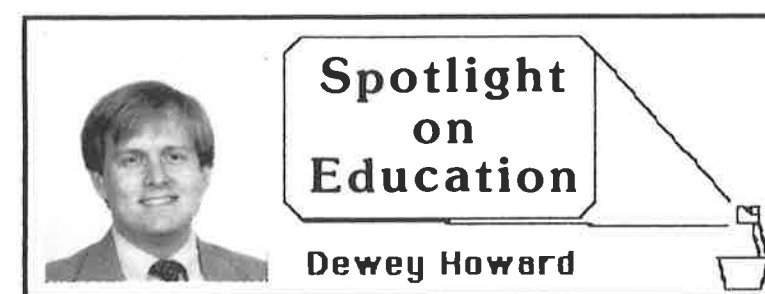
Prayer Request

Teri Bradshaw came Sunday to request the prayers of her church family.



ATTENTION SINGLES!

You're invited to the Singles Group Christmas party after church this Sunday, December 13, at the home of Jaron and Clay Kirby. For more information call Vicki Russell at 534-5287.



It is only one week away!
Annual Christmas Banquet
Friday, December 18, 1992
7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall
(childcare provided)

A group of men and women met with me on Sunday to discuss the adult Bible classes at West Erwin. Over the next several weeks, we will be evaluating what we have been doing and making plans for our adult studies in the future. My thanks to these persons on the planning team: Roy and Fern Bench, Arlene Lockhart, Jim McCoy, Don Peek, Sue Starnes, Carolyn Womack, and Ray Vannoy.

We need your help in this process. First, pray for this planning team. Ask God to guide our efforts for His glory and for the building up of our family. Second, talk to this group. Give your input concerning our adult classes: Do you like the way we do Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings? What are some needs you see that should be studied in our classes? What suggestions do you have to improve our effectiveness? Find one of the team members and offer what you can. Together we'll continue to build and grow our Bible study ministry!

One of the most exciting additions to our children's Bible classes this winter is the Grandma/Grandpa Gang. This group is made up of senior saints who spend Sunday morning class time loving and nurturing our children. We need a few rocking chairs for our Grandmas and Grandpas. If you have one, or know where we can obtain one, let me know.

"LEARNING THE SECRET OF LIVING BY FAITH"

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(Genesis 11:27 - 12:9)
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(Genesis 12:10 - 13:18)

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Annual Year End Special Contribution - December 13

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MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, December 6, and Wed. P.M., Dec. 9, John Cliver, ph. 593-5075.

PRAYER AND CARE

Anita Hidalgo is doing well after day surgery Monday.
 Norene Ingram was dismissed from the hospital Tuesday after surgery on Monday.
 Donnel Stringer, Jack Stringer's brother, is in ICU at Medical Center.
 Earl Clucas had eye surgery Wednesday.
 Helen Wright had tests last week and will have surgery at a later date.
 Joy Coat's mother is hospitalized in Grand Prairie.
 Frank Griffin's mother was scheduled for surgery this week.
 Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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 Prayer Robert Hilliard
 Scripture Forest McFadden
 Dismiss Grant Knight

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Melvin Maples
 Scripture Jim McDonald
 Dismiss W.A. Mathews

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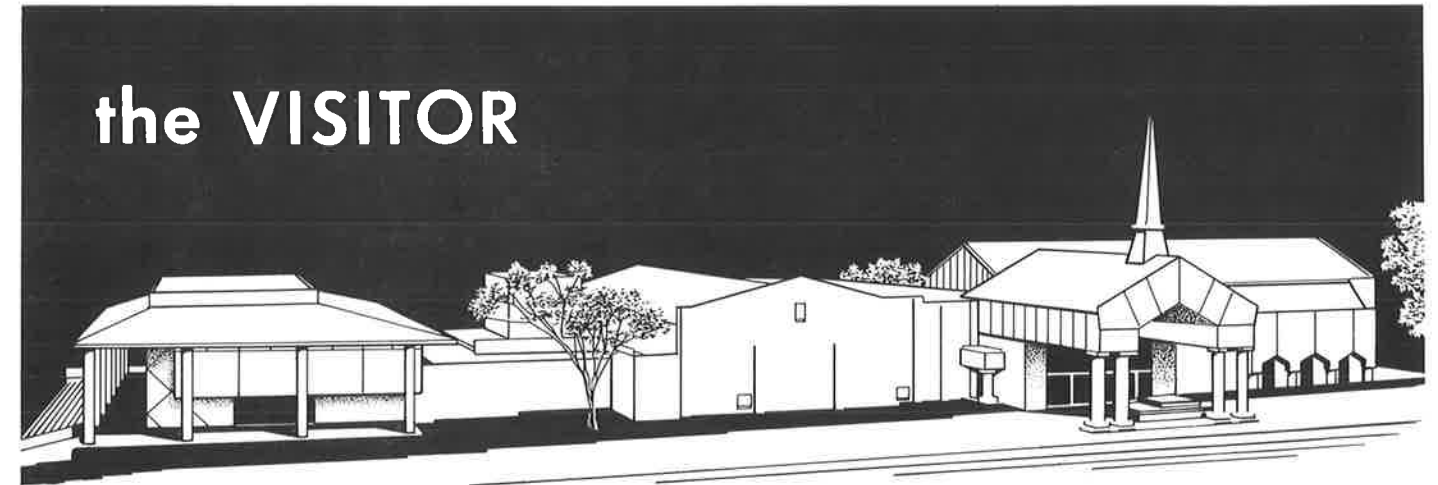
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Sermons for Sunday, December 6, 1992

by Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. We Have Seen and Heard - Now What?
 (Luke 2:8-18)
 P.M. My Servants The Prophets: Elisha
 (II Kings 2:7-15)



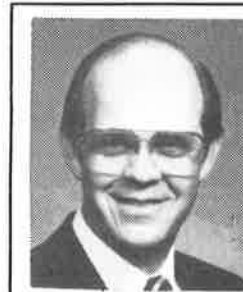
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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Annual Year End Special Contribution

December 13

(This year's contribution to go to missions)

Have You Read Your Bible Lately?

Over the last few years George Barna has done some significant research concerning church growth, the beliefs of Americans, and leadership. He has shared his findings in several best selling books. Additionally, Barna publishes The Barma Report each year which contains religious trends, facts and figures. Barna affirms that while 75% of the American people say they think it's important for people to read the Bible, only 13% actually do so daily. Someone has observed that more Bibles are bought and fewer read than any other book. There are more translations of the Bible and more study aids available to us than any other generation, yet we apparently are not reading and studying more. Why not? Is it a lack of time or a lack of interest? Be honest now. Why don't you read and study the Bible? How much time do we spend in reading the newspaper? God spoke of His law to Joshua when He said, "Meditate on it day and night" (Joshua

1:8). David declared that God's Word was "more precious than gold ... sweeter than honey" (Psalm 19:10). Why not begin with a five or ten minute a day reading schedule. Your appetite will grow and so will you. Say, have you read your Bible lately?

A Gift Of Lasting Value

At this time of the year people are thinking of giving. If you would like to make a lasting end of the year gift for a great purpose, consider a tax-free contribution to a scholarship fund at TJC which has been established in memory of Christopher Glynn Starnes. This scholarship, established by Glynn and Fran will be awarded each year to a student from the Tyler area. Checks should be made to the Christopher Glynn Starnes Scholarship Fund and sent to TJC.

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**Youth
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by
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THANKS!

Thanks to Gary & Frances Broome and John & Kathy Portwood for hosting the middle school devo this past Sunday night. Thanks also to Jim Bell for taking care of the devo and Bible class.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

December 4-5 are the dates for our annual city wide Middle School Retreat. We will be going to Timberline Encampment in Lindale. Lee Porter from the Turnpike church in Grand Prairie will be our resource person. The theme for the retreat is "The High Cost Of Living!" Cost will be \$12.50 per person. Be sure and bring proper clothing and bedding. We will leave from West Erwin at 5:30 Friday afternoon and return Saturday at 4:00.

**LEADERSHIP TRAINING
FOR CHRIST**

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SERVANT RETREAT

The dates for the high school Servant Retreat are January 29-31. It will be at Timberline Encampment this year and it will be an incredible weekend with Christians from all over the northeast Texas area. This year you will need to pre-register by December 13 along with your deposit to reserve a space and get a free T-Shirt. Get your registration forms from me ASAP. Make plans now to go and to making an early commitment.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

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|------------|-----------------------------|
| Dec. 4-5 | Middle School Retreat |
| Dec. 6 | High School Activity |
| Dec. 11 | Youth Christmas Party |
| Dec. 13 | Sign Up for Servant Retreat |
| Dec. 13 | LTC Meeting |
| Jan. 29-31 | Servant Retreat |

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

Faber Cauthen's Team #1 will meet Dec. 6.

**Christian Services of East Texas
Change for Children Campaign**

For those of you with cans to fill, the end of our campaign is Sunday, December 6. Add to your cans and please bring them to the church building Sunday where they will be picked up. Thank you for helping to make the future brighter for hurting children and families.



BOLES HOME TRUCK DUE

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Young at Heart

The Young at Heart will have their monthly covered dish supper on Thursday, December 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All who are 55 or over (you do not have to be retired) are invited to be a part of this group. Make your plans to come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship.



HELP!

We need items to give as door prizes for the West Erwin adult Christmas Banquet on December 18. If you have an appropriate item you would like to donate, please call Terry Shaw at 597-2627 or Danny Snell at 592-0809 or 839-7551.

WITH SYMPATHY

Graveside services were held Friday in Mt. Pleasant for Artelia May, sister-in-law to Bob May. Our love and sincere sympathy is extended to this family in their loss.



Beverly Burleson
1212 East Lake
Tyler, Texas 75701-3433

Brant & Jeri Prestidge
701 Shiloh Rd. #1218
Tyler, Texas 75703
ph. 509-1948

"A day is made more beautiful when touched with kindness."



New Members



Allison Cauthen

Allison Cauthen was baptized into Christ by her father Sunday. We rejoice with Allison and her parents, Mark and Janie, and grandparents, Faber and Kathryn Cauthen and Jim and Sue Paul. She is in the 6th grade at Hubbard Middle School.



**Ronnie and Cyndie Brown
Lee (16) and Lauren Gayle (11)**

We are glad to have a picture of the Ronnie Brown family so that all may become acquainted with them. They already are a vital part of our growing family. Their address is 2113 Hunter, 75701.



**Dwayne and Kathy Bryant
Adam (14), Ashli (12), Jason (9)**

We are glad to have a picture this week of the Bryant family so that all may know who they are. They live at 1621 Cimarron Trail, 75703, and are a welcome addition to our family.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BANQUET
Friday, December 18, 1992
7:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall
\$10.00 per person
(Childcare provided)

The deadline for signing up for the Christmas Banquet is this Sunday, December 6. Space is very limited, so reserve your spot quickly. Several individuals have been working very hard to plan this year's banquet. It will be a great experience for the family at West Erwin.

Keep bringing teddy bears. The decoration crew would appreciate any and all that you can lend. Put your name somewhere on your bears and give them to Jeannie Ross, Rhonda Haws, or Kim Frick.

Our Grandma/Grandpa Gang is getting ready to go. Some of our senior adults will be in the young children's classes loving and nurturing the boys and girls each Sunday and Wednesday. I need your help in finding rocking chairs that our Grandmas and Grandpas can use. If you have one that we can use, or if you know of one we can obtain, let me know.

It is the time for Christmas parties:

The 20's - 30's class has a get-together at the home of Hillard and Jeanine Hughes this Saturday, December 5. Contact Terry Shaw or Melissa Parrish to RSVP and get more details.

The 30's - 40's class and young singles will enjoy themselves at Matt and Rhonda Haws' home on Friday, December 11, at 7:00 p.m. Bring your favorite snack and a gag gift to exchange. The 20's - 30's class is invited to this party as well.

***** Koinonia #3 meets this Sunday ***
"LEARNING THE SECRET OF LIVING BY FAITH"**

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|---------|--|
| | Sunday morning adult Bible study |
| Dec. 6 | A New Beginning
(Gen. 11:27 - 12:9) |
| Dec. 13 | Famine, Flocks, and Fights
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Worship P.M.	359	318	355
Wed. P.M.		229	216
Contribution	\$11,481.82	\$13,712.91	\$10,569.48
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, November 29, and Wed. P.M., Dec. 2, Ray Womack, ph. 561-5227.

PRAYER AND CARE

Aline Beard was taken to the hospital in Athens Sunday for observation due to a reaction to medication.

Roland Coats was dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital Monday.

Helen Wright was hospitalized for tests last Friday.

Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, is doing well after lung surgery last Tuesday in Boca Raton, Florida.

Continue to remember Landon Gregory, Trace Taylor, Carrye Womack, infant daughter of Pablo and Maya Molina, Luther Gieger, Claudia Griffis, Florence Morgan, John Brem, Leona McElroy, William Jobson, and Tim Harris in their time of illness and treatment.

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held in Corsicana Sunday for J.C. Payne, brother-in-law of Jane Jones. We extend our love and sympathy to this family.

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Scripture Joey Garrard
Dismiss Archie Kennard

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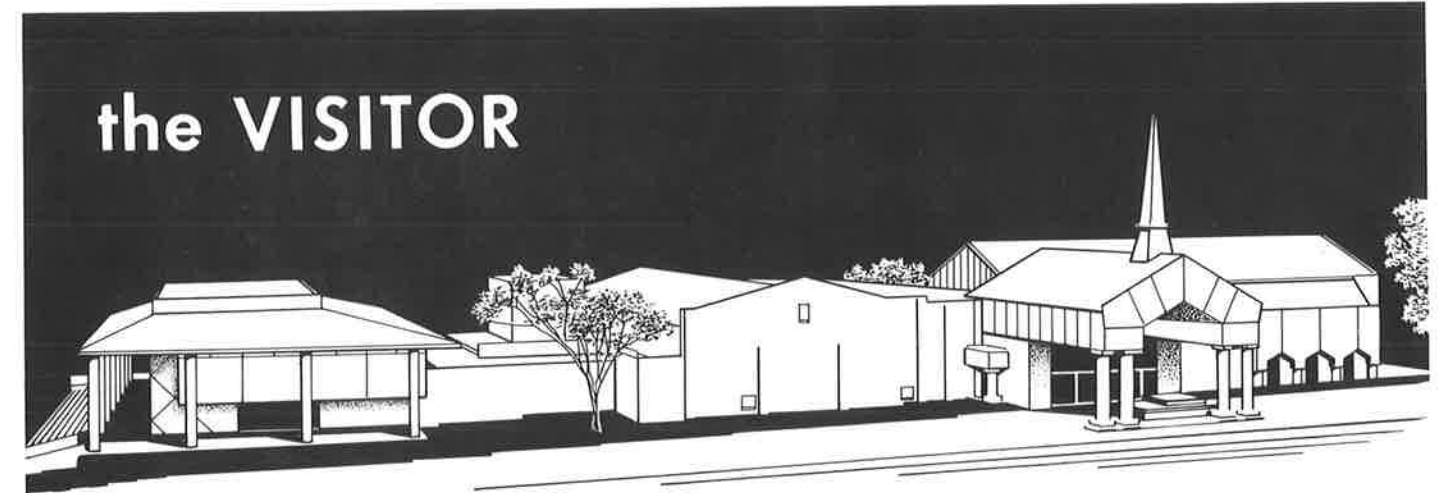
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Fred Powell Billy Terrell
Greg Wagner Lester Warburton
Melvin Crow Kevin Maples

GREETERS

Alma Biggs & Chloe Clark
Daryl Anderson & Jeff Fennell
Bobby & Cheryl Perry

Sermons for Sunday, November 29, 1992

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. Rejoice!
(I Peter 1:3-9)
P.M. My Servants The Prophets-Micaiah
(I Kings 22:7-14)



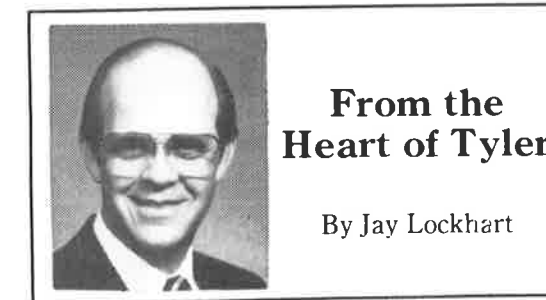
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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

I Am Thankful

Do you ever just lean back, count your blessings and have your heart overflow with thanksgiving? There is family, friends, health, wealth, air, water, food, the land of the free, and on and on. Then there is the church and our blessings as members of the Lord's family. I am thankful for:

1. Preachers we know and the countless ones we never hear about who are faithful expositors of the Word, who quietly go on about their work of ministering to others, who do not fall into the ditch of being too liberal on one side of the road or of being too conservative on the other side and who are changing the world for the better.
2. Elders who faithfully serve, without wanting or getting much recognition, but who watch for souls each day and lead congregations to greater service.
3. Teachers who prepare and teach lessons who love the Lord and their students, and who do not look for or receive as much praise as they should.
4. The faithful Christians who are

largely unnoticed as they serve God and their fellows and are truly salt and light.

5. The young people who love Jesus and His church and who are growing into the image of the Savior.
 6. The elderly who have decided to never retire from the Lord's work and who have sunny, encouraging dispositions as they keep on running the race, fighting the fight, and keeping the faith.
 7. The church, Christ's body, which makes such a difference in reaching the lost, healing the broken hearted, caring for the needy, edifying itself in love, and serving as the lighthouse of God in a dark world.
 8. The Lord Jesus Christ, my Savior, friend, advocate, companion, and Lord.
 9. The Holy Spirit, my abiding guest, my intercessor, my strength.
 10. God, my Father who loves me so, who provides for my every need, and who will one day welcome me home.
- Yes, I am thankful.

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Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Ken & Cathy Culpepper, Jeff & Linda Hone and Lisa Snell for going to Mazzio's with us last Sunday night for a great evening out together.

Thanks to Jim Bell for teaching last week in the middle school class.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to Matt Tate for being selected as one of fourteen for the Hubbard 7th grade Majors Basketball team. That is a great accomplishment, considering that there were 104 who tried out. Watch out "Magic" Johnson, here comes our "Magic" Matt!

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Thank You

To the Saints at West Erwin:

We are privileged to be considered part of your church family. Your prayers, cards, and the delicious food continue to remind us that you are a generous people. Our thanks and our love go out to you all during this season of Thanksgiving.

David & Carrye Womack

I wish to express appreciation to the church for the prayers and the comforting words said in behalf of my nephew, Travis Davis, who passed away last Saturday. It will always be remembered.

In Christian Love,
Cora Hughes

Dear Christian Family:

Thank all of you so very much for your visits, cards, flowers and your prayers in behalf of John D. He is improving and would enjoy your visits and continued prayers.

In Love,
John D. Brem
Max & Mary Haws



DISCOVERY DAYS

Discovery Days preschool enjoyed a STONE SOUP luncheon on Thursday, November 19. Guests were invited to share a meal in love with the children and staff at Discovery Days. We were so pleased to have 100 parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and children come to our luncheon. Special thanks goes to our staff: Betty Strait, Rhonda Haws, and Michelle Linscomb. Also thanks to Kelly Bain and Janie Cauthen who helped us with this special day.

Barbara Oberg, Director

Christian Services of East Texas Change for Children Campaign

For those of you with cans to fill, the end of our campaign is fast approaching. Please remember to add to your can as often as possible. The cans will be returned December 6. Thank you for helping to make the future brighter for hurting children and families.



SECRET SISTERS PARTY

There will be a party at our fellowship hall on Tuesday, December 1! Bring a Christmas ornament to exchange as we reveal secret sisters identities. Bring snack foods - entertainment will be provided. This will be a fun time!

YOUR EXAMPLE IS POWERFUL WITHOUT MEASURE

Baptism

We rejoice with Wendy Culpepper in her decision to be baptized into Christ Sunday. Wendy is the daughter of Ken and Cathy and the granddaughter of Clinton and Louise Culpepper. She is a student at Winona Jr. High School and lives at 10579 CR 313E, 75706.



New Arrival

Jacob Ross Higginbotham was born in Dallas to Steve and Stacey Higginbotham. He weighed 8 lb 9½ oz. and is 21½ inches long. Dick and Sue Higginbotham are the proud grandparents, Rick is the happy uncle and Lisa is the proud aunt.



THANKFULNESS

How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. You're hurting? Thousands - maybe millions - are hurting more. (Have you ever visited a Veteran's Hospital? Or a rehabilitation clinic for crippled children?)

If you awakened this morning and were able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal chords to utter human sounds, walk to the breakfast table on two good legs and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord!

Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, call them. Go out of your way to do something nice for somebody. It's a sure cure for the blues.

Are you concerned about your country's future? Our system has been saved by such concern - concern for honesty in government, for peace, for fair play under the law. Your country may not be a rose garden, but it also is not a patch of weeds. Freedom rings!

- Borrowed

A Happy Thanksgiving

Count your ...

Blessings instead of your crosses;
Gains instead of your losses;
Joys instead of your woes;
Friends instead of your foes.
Count on God instead of yourself.



- Pulpit Helps

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

Psalms 100:4

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

Three-fourths of the space for our West Erwin Christmas Banquet has been filled! What a delightful time this will be as we enjoy time together as God's family. You can still reserve yourself a spot during the next couple of weeks. You can do so in the foyer after our worship assemblies, or by calling the church office.

We need men and women who can lead our children in Bible classes on Sundays and Wednesdays. On Sunday mornings we use "New Journeys" curriculum as a guide for Bible study. Bible lessons are presented with age-appropriate activities in order to capture the child's interest in God's word. We use Wednesday evenings to reinforce the lessons from Sunday morning. "Wonder-full Wednesdays!", as we call them, engage our children in active, hands-on learning experiences designed to apply God's message in ways that use a child's natural energy and curiosity. These are great ways to learn God's word, enjoyed as much by the teachers as by the children. We have a place for you. Contact me or one of our coordinators if you can help.

Mark Saturday, December 5, on your calendar.

This is the next workday to clean out the old quarter and set up for the new. If you can help any time during that day, we sure can use you. We have furniture to move, rooms to clean out, bulletin boards to do, rooms to decorate, and so on. We'll begin around 8:30 a.m. and go as long as we need to.

The new "Teach" magazines are in and can be picked up in teacher's file folders.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

Nov. 29	You Are Invited to the Banquet (Matt. 22:1-14)
Dec. 6	New adult study begins "Learning the Secret of Living By Faith"

*** No Koinonia meeting this week ***

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Bible Class	433	389	344
Worship A.M.	578	535	496
Worship P.M.	318	314	372
Wed. P.M.	229	182	224
Contribution	\$13,712.91	\$12,274.03	\$11,619.18
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, November 22, and Wed. P.M., Nov. 25, Mark Waggoner, ph. 597-2111.

PRAYER AND CARE

Modena Jones had cataract surgery Monday.
 William Jobson, Betty Strait's brother, is very ill in Alabama.
 Edward Bradshaw, father of Teri Bradshaw, is in Mother Frances Hospital. He had heart surgery.
 John D. Brem returned to Southview Nursing Center Wednesday.
 Bill McCain was dismissed from Medical Center last Saturday.
 Clarence Bell, grandfather of Jim Bell, has returned to the nursing home in Waxahachie.
 Florence Morgan, Freeman Morgan's mother, continues to recuperate from surgery and a stroke in New Orleans.
 Continue to remember Landon Gregory, Trace Taylor, infant daughter of Pablo and Maya Molina, Yvonne Goss, Luther Gieger, Aline Beard and Tim Harris in their time of illness and treatment.

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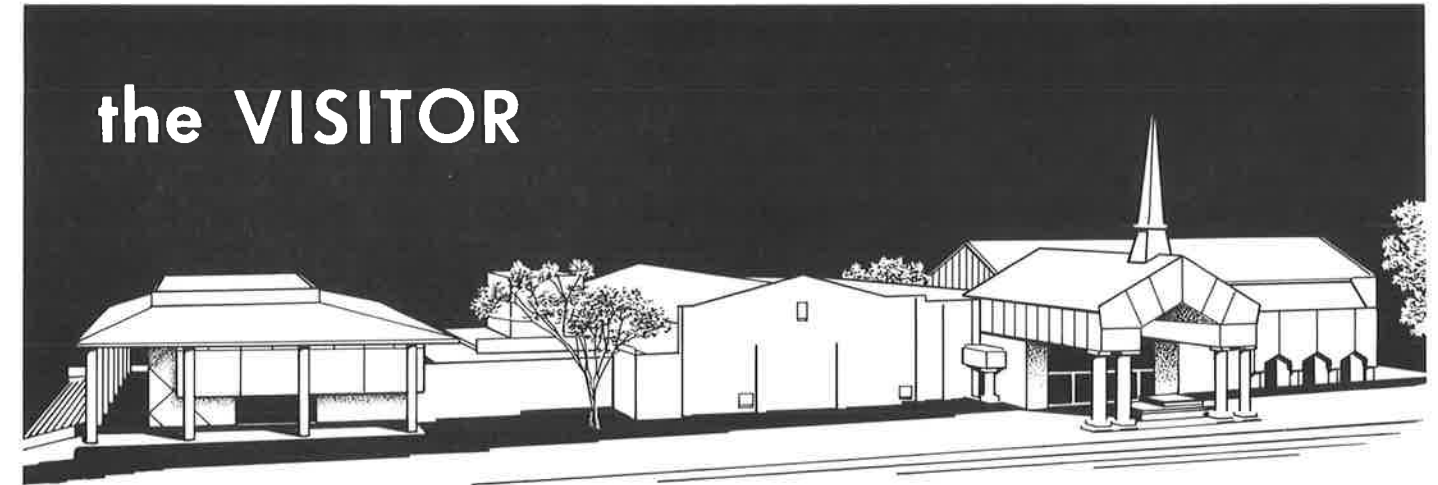
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Leon Welborn			

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 Prayer Mark Cauthen
 Scripture Jon Bain
 Dismiss Cooper Goodson
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 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Keith Harris
 Scripture David Frick
 Dismiss Ed Hunt
 PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
 Wally Dawkins
 SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
 Dwayne Bryant Dr. Dennis Stansbury
 Fred Powell Billy Terrell
 Greg Wagner Lester Warburton
 Melvin Crow Kevin Maples
 GREETERS
 Alma Biggs & Chloe Clark
 Daryl Anderson & Jeff Fennell
 Bobby & Cheryl Perry

Sermons for Sunday, November 22, 1992

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
 A.M. Encouragement
 (I Thessalonians 5:1-11)
 P.M. My Servants The Prophets: Elijah
 (I Kings 17:1-7)



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 The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler
 By Jay Lockhart



Jeff and Brenda Holland Visit

Young At Heart

Joe McKissick's visit with us last weekend for the seminar on aging underscored the fact that we have a wonderful group of older saints at West Erwin. Not only do we have a good number of seniors, but they are so actively involved in the work of the congregation. They teach classes, prepare food on Tuesdays for shut-ins and elderly members, conduct a workday on Tuesdays, operate our clothing center on Tuesdays and Thursdays, contribute greatly to our visitation program, greet guests at our services, attend classes and assemblies, abound in the grace of giving, prepare meals for the bereaved, and encourage all of us in a thousand ways. Many of the things Joe McKissick talked about, our Young at Heart group is doing. Other things he mentioned, this group will no doubt implement. All last weekend was designed to honor our senior citizens and we want you to know how much we love, appreciate, and need you. A special thanks to Koinonia Group 1, its leaders, Hillard and Jeanine Hughes and Harold and Nelda Browning, and all those who helped plan and prepare the wonderful meal in honor of our older members last Sunday at noon. It was a good weekend.

Jeff and Brenda Holland, who will be sponsored by West Erwin in their work in French speaking West Africa, will be visiting in Tyler from Saturday until Monday. This will be an additional opportunity for us to get to know them better as they plan for their departure date of January 1994. In the meantime they are making preparation in training and language for this important work. Jeff and Brenda will be working with us in Tyler from July to November 1993, as a part of their final preparation for the 1994 departure date. As mentioned by Mission Committee chairman, Stan Mallory, last Sunday, if you would like to have Jeff and Brenda in your home while they are here, call him.

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Les & Carolyn Carruth and Lisa Snell for sponsoring our trip to Harding University this last weekend. It was one of the more exciting trips that our young people have taken in recent years. It is wonderful to have a God that watches out for us and our safety. This trip has once again reassured me that our God is actively involved in caring for His children where ever they may be.

Thanks to Marc Tate, Steve Linscomb and the Timothy Class for taking care of the Briarcliff worship service this past Sunday. I know that they did an outstanding job.

PLEASE NOTE!

Please take note of several date changes in the bulletin this week. The Servant Retreat is Jan.29-31, and the Youth Christmas Party is Friday, Dec. 11.

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Thank You

Thanks to all who supported the Friends of Children Benefit Auction and Barbeque for Christian Services of East Texas on November 7. Net profits amounted to approximately \$8,000.00. We appreciate those who donated items, services, and many hours of hard work.

Sally Miller
Caseworker

Thanks to everyone who donated items and sent desserts to the Banquet/Auction for Christian Services, and everyone who attended. It was a great success, and we're already looking forward to next year.

Cyndie Brown

We appreciate your expression of sympathy in words, flowers and cards in the death of my sister. Our love and best wishes to all.

Claude & Odell Sessions

Your kindness and sympathy will always be held in grateful remembrance by the family of J.W. Beaver. Thank you for the cards and flowers. It was so nice of you to remember us.

Thank you,
Don & Norma Durham

WITH SYMPATHY

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to Cora Hughes in the death of her nephew, Travis Davis. Funeral services were held Monday in Overton.

3rd Annual Christmas Banquet

Friday, December 18, is the date for our all-church party. Tickets will cost \$10.00 per person and can be purchased beginning this Sunday.

Plans are underway for the West Erwin Talent Review. Let Vicki Russell, Kelly Ross, or Dewey Howard know what you can do--serious or silly, musical or monologue.

The decorating committee is in need of teddy bears. If you have a medium to small bear they can borrow, put your name on the bottom of it and give it to Kim Frick, Jeannie Ross, or Rhonda Haws.

Additional Education Notes

*Winter quarter curriculum materials are available in the office for teachers to pick up.

*The teachers meeting scheduled for this Sunday has been postponed to a later date.



New Members



We are pleased to welcome Trecia Starr into the West Erwin family. She is a student at TJC and comes to us from the Broad Street church in Mineola. Her address is 12114 CR 497, Lindale, 75771, ph. 882-3950.



We are glad to have a picture this week of Scott Dews. He was recently baptized into Christ.

Rick and Karen Fedell came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the West Erwin church. They have been attending here for some time and are already an integral part of the family here. They have four sons - Russell, Cody, Payton and Tanner and they come to us from the Shannon Oaks church in Sulphur Springs. Their address is 22508 Shady Trail, Flint, ph. 825-3527.

BOLES HOME TRUCK DUE

The grocery truck from Boles Home will be in our area the week of December 14-18, 1992. Listed below are items needed. However, if there are other items you would like to donate they will be greatly appreciated as well. HOT CEREAL, CEREAL, CANNED CHICKEN, CHILI, DETERGENT, and for school: PENS, RULERS, COMPASSES, BACKPACK & PENCIL BAGS. Your willingness to help is appreciated.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Over 100 persons came Saturday to enjoy the "Saints Alive!" seminar with Joe McKissick. The information Joe shared was encouraging and challenging. Tapes were made of each of the sessions Saturday and Sunday. Contact the office if you would like a copy of these.

My gratitude goes to all of you who helped in various ways with the seminar. Melissa Parrish, Nichole Aven, and Erica Smith kept children during the Saturday sessions. Frances McBee, Angela Howard, and James Phillips helped with the refreshments. Hillard and Jeannine Hughes, and Harold and Nelda Browning organized the lunch on Sunday.

The Winter Bible class quarter begins in December. With the change in quarters, there is always a need for additional teachers and helpers. Our early childhood classes are now staffed through the winter. We still need a few persons to help in 1st through 5th grades. Contact me or the Tates if you can help. Thanks to all of you who are planning to guide our classes in Bible study.

We have two new features coming to our Bible classes this winter:

*The Grandma/Grandpa Gang will get to work in our early childhood classes. This group is made up of older adults whose primary responsibility is to love and nurture the kids. Job description: give hugs, hold children, kiss little children, smile a lot, express God's love with your presence. Contact me if you want to enlist with the Gang.

*"Wonderful Wednesdays!" expands to include 3's through Kindergarten. Wednesday nights involve our children in hands-on Bible learning activities in ways that take advantage of our children's natural curiosity and energy. Our teachers find preparing for these classes enjoyable and simple as well.

Praise God for our Bible class ministry!

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

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***** Koinonia #2 meets this Sunday *****

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Wed. P.M.	182	228	231
Contribution	\$12,274.03	\$12,227.58	\$11,567.14
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		
MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, November 15, and Wed. P.M., Nov. 18, Don Ingram, ph. 597-3294.			

PRAYER AND CARE

Bill McCain had surgery at Medical Center on Wednesday. John D. Brem is now in room 4452 (intermediate ICU) at Medical Center.

Tim Harris, father of Keith and brother of Charles and Jimmie, is scheduled for surgery on Thursday.

Leona McElroy moved to Southview, room 60 last Thursday.

Clarence Bell, grandfather of Jim Bell, is doing well after surgery last week in Waxahachie.

Aline Beard moved Wednesday to the home of her nephew in Athens.

Florence Morgan, Freeman Morgan's mother, is recuperating from surgery and a stroke in New Orleans.

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6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

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Prayer Jay Graham
Scripture Harold Denman
Dismiss Curt Jordan

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Faber Cauthen

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Jim Bell Bob Clemmons
David Taylor Mark Waggoner
Forest McFadden Ron Oberg
Jason O'Quinn Jeremy Wiggains

GREETERS
Don & Norma Durham
Kelly Finley & Jena Jones
Delbert & Sandra Nelson

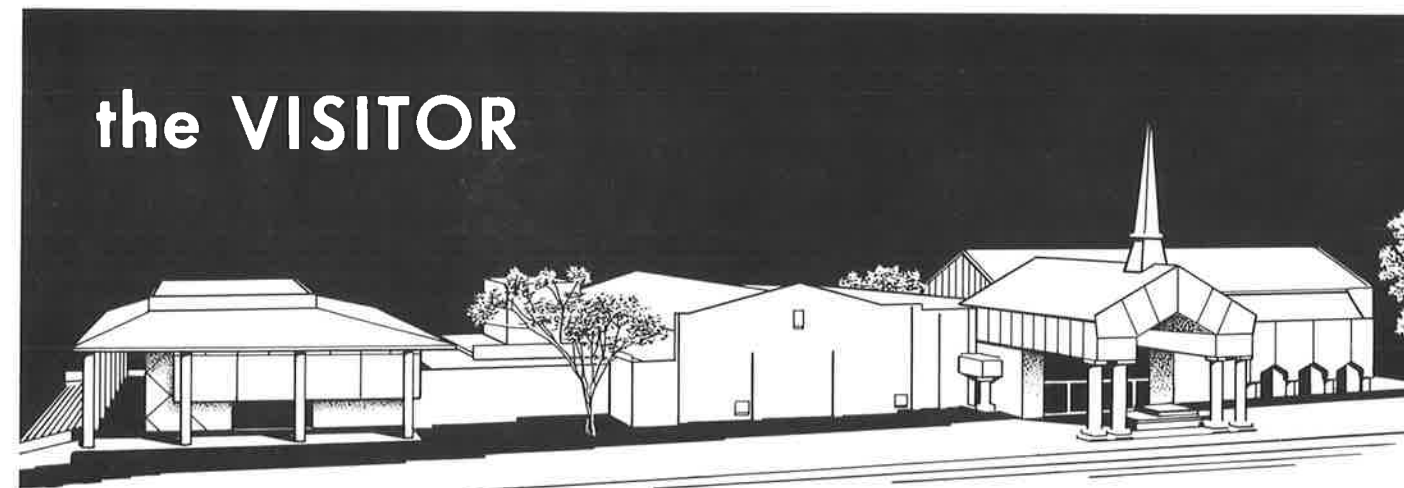
WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Thursday in Mt. Pleasant for Saul Purcell, great-uncle of Claudia Griffis.


Services were held on Monday in Houston for Mable Mustin, sister of Claude Sessions.

Services were held Wednesday in Winnsboro for Opal Harris, grandmother of Kim Frick.

Our love and sympathy is extended to these families in their loss of loved ones.



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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Be sure to hear
Joe McKissick
speak on aging,
its problems and changes,
Saturday (8:45 - noon)
and
Sunday (9:00 & 10:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.)

I Wish I Had Said That

Have you ever heard someone make a really classic statement and thought, "I wish I had said that"? Or, have you ever had a perfect opportunity to encourage someone but failed to do so only later to say, "I wish I had said that"? Or, have you been in a group where one outspoken person made a ridiculous, plainly wrong statement and everyone in the group just meekly hung their heads. Later you thought, "I wish I had said something." Well, consider some questions about some things you should say or should have said. Ready? What do you wish you could say (or could have said) to your parents? Are there thoughts you would like to express which you have never found the time or place or had the courage to express? Are there words you have left

unsaid because you fear they wouldn't understand? Have you said, "I love you"? Or, have you said, "Thank you for ..."? Have you said, "I really appreciate ..."? Have you asked, "What really matters to you?" Or, "What are the most important things you have learned in life?" Have you said, "Tell me about your earliest memories, your family, your school, your fears, your dreams, your relationship with God." Have you asked, "What can you tell me about growing older?" Or, "If you could give me one bit of advice, what would it be?" Whatever you want to ask or to say, do it now. Many of us would like to have the opportunity to say things we let pass and to ask questions we left alone. Don't let the years pass and find yourself having to say, "I wish I had said that."

Youth Notes

by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Les & Carolyn Carruth and James & Connie Sublette for hosting the high school devo last Sunday.

BRIARCLIFF WORSHIP

This Sunday some of our young people will be conducting the worship at the Briarcliff Retirement Center. This group will be led by the Timothy Class, Marc Tate and Steve Linscomb. EVERYONE is invited to go and participate with them. It will be Sunday at 3:00 p.m. Please make plans to go and worship with them.

HARDING HIGH SCHOOL DAYS

This weekend about 22 of us will be going to Harding for their high school weekend. Please pray for the safety and success of this trip.

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Nov. 22	Combined Activity
Nov. 29	Middle School Activity
Dec. 4-5	Middle School Retreat
Dec. 12	Youth Christmas Party
Jan. 22-24	Servant Retreat
West Erwin Visitation Ministry	
Pott's Team #3 will meet Nov. 16.	



Thank You

The family of Everett Richards acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expression of your sympathy. Your thoughtfulness at the time of our loss was much appreciated.

Hazel Richards & Family
(Edna Hodnett's brother)

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!

Many people express anger and disgust at the proliferation of vulgarity in movies and on T.V. We detest it and we say we wish we could do something about it. Here's your chance! "Dear Abby" is taking a poll of American's feeling on this subject. She has promised to take the results to the T.V. Programmers. All you need to do is send a postcard or letter to her and state, "I am opposed to vulgarity and profanity and sexually explicit material in movies and on T.V. The address is Abigail Van Buren, P.O. Box 539, Mt. Morris, IL 61654.

VIDEO BIBLE OUTREACH

Below is an excerpt from correspondence from Del and Clara Masters in Twin Falls, Idaho. We share video tapes with them and they in turn send them to small congregations who are without a located minister.

"Just a note to say hello and thank you for continuing to support this little ministry in the north-west. Probably you will not really know the impact the Lockhart sermons is having and will have in this part of the country. Not necessarily in numbers but in the quality of growth as these little congregations use the sermons in their worship services and classes. I say numbers due to the fact that we serve only a few congregations at any one time. You will be interested to know that at present two congregations are engaged in the James series and a third has made a request to begin next month."

We love you as He taught us how,
Del and Clara Masters



David and Helen Chambers
5757 Ramblewood
Whitehouse, TX 75791-9203

Greg Davis
13171 Big Oak Bay Road
Tyler, TX 75707-9704

Janie Hicks
1724 FM Rd. 274
Tyler, TX 75704-8319

J.N. & Ginger Metcalf
12210 State Hwy. 31 West
Tyler, TX 75709-9738

Lorene Venable
14761 CR 1134
Tyler, TX 75709-9705

Restored

Pat Morris, 11212 Shofner Drive, Whitehouse, Texas, is to be commended for her decision to be restored to the Lord's church. Our special prayers are with her as she strives to live her life for Christ.

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations to Milburn and Jan Cook. They are the proud grandparents of Chase Gregory Hood, born Friday, November 6 to Christi and Greg Hood in Fort Worth. He is 19½ inches long and weighed 6 lb. 4½ oz.

Morgan Christine Morrison was born to Julie and Tony Morrison November 6 in Lewisville. She weighed 7 lb. 13 oz. Jim and Launa Armstrong are the proud grandparents and Joni Armstrong is the happy aunt.

E.T.C.A.

E.T.C.A. is in need of substitute teachers for Kindergarten through 8th grades, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30. If you are interested, please call 561-8642.

Science and Nature - Two Votes For God

Seminar with Dr. Bert Thompson
Fri., Nov. 20 - 7 p.m.
Sat., Nov. 21 - 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 22 - 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.; 6:00 p.m.
University Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas

Harvest Song Festival & Musical

Sat., Nov. 14 at 7:00 p.m.
Director: Harold Robinson of Dallas
North Tenneha Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas

Benevolent Report

During the months of September and October 234 families were served from our Benevolent Center. \$4933.00 in clothing was distributed to 1032 people, \$15.00 in food was given and 12 Bibles were given to those who requested them.

Something to think about ...

W. Clement Stone, founder of Success magazine said:

"There is very little difference in any of us; but that little difference makes a big difference. The little difference is attitude, and the big difference is whether it is positive or negative."

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

SAINTS ALIVE!

A seminar on the challenges and opportunities of aging. Presented by **Joe McKissick** This weekend at West Erwin

This seminar is for all ages. Childcare will be provided.

The new quarter begins in December. And with the beginning of each new quarter comes the need for additional teachers. We have some new and exciting things happening in our children's classes -- for both child and teacher. Let me or our coordinators know if you are ready to teach again, or even teach for the first time. There is a place for everyone.

The 3rd Annual Christmas Banquet for all adults is coming. Friday, December 18, at 7:00 p.m. is the date for the occasion. Tickets for the banquet will be \$10.00 per person and will go on sale soon. Space is limited, so reserve your place early.

As part of the banquet again this year, we will enjoy the West Erwin Talent Review. Get your talent ready -- professional or amateur, serious or silly, musical or monotone, accompanied or solo. Let Kelly Ross, Vicki Russell, or me know if you would like to be a part of the program.

The decorating committee for the banquet will meet this Sunday night in the chapel after the evening assembly.

Two classes have a get-together this weekend.

The 20's - 30's and 30's - 40's classes are invited to Jim and Jan McDonald's house for a Fall picnic and hayride. This is for the whole family. Pack a picnic supper for your family and enjoy the fellowship this Saturday, November 14, beginning at 4:00.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

Nov. 15	Combined adult class with Joe McKissick
Nov. 22	The Wisdom of Preparation (Matt. 25:1-13; Mark 13:32-37)
Nov. 29	You Are Invited to the Banquet (Matt. 22:1-14)

Records	Sunday Nov. 1	Sunday Oct. 25	Year Ago
Bible Class	341	395	373
Worship A.M.	457	514	502
Worship P.M.	290	335	367
Wed. P.M.	228	258	277
Contribution	\$12,227.58	\$12,869.83	\$11,494.11
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, November 8, and Wed. P.M., Nov. 11, George Hearne, ph. 593-8731.

PRAYER AND CARE

John D. Brem had emergency surgery last Sunday. He is in ICU at Medical Center.

Leona McElroy is in Mother Frances Hospital, room 598.

Earl Clucas had cataract surgery on Monday.

Aline Beard is in room 432 at Mother Frances Hospital.

Henry Dunn had surgery last Thursday at Mother Frances.

Florence Morgan, Freeman Morgan's mother, is recuperating from surgery and a stroke in New Orleans.

Travis Davis, nephew of Cora Hughes, is in Doctors Memorial Hospital.

Luther Gieger is now at home. Treatment has not been determined as yet. The family appreciates your prayers.

Continue to remember Landon Gregory, Trace Taylor, infant daughter of Pablo and Maya Molina, Yvonne Goss and Tim Harris in their time of illness and treatment.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
Prayer Milburn Cook
Scripture Allen Bobbitt
Dismiss Gary Cain

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
Prayer Harold Browning
Scripture Gary Broome
Dismiss Jack Garner

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Bob Bryant

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Jim Bell Bob Clemmons
David Taylor Mark Waggoner
Forest McFadden Ron Oberg
Jason O'Quinn Jeremy Wiggins

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held Tuesday in Atlanta, TX on Tuesday for J.W. Beaver, stepfather of Don Durham.

Services were held in Wichita Falls on Saturday for Naomi Cox, aunt of Peggy Garner.

Our love and sympathy is extended to these families in their loss of loved ones.

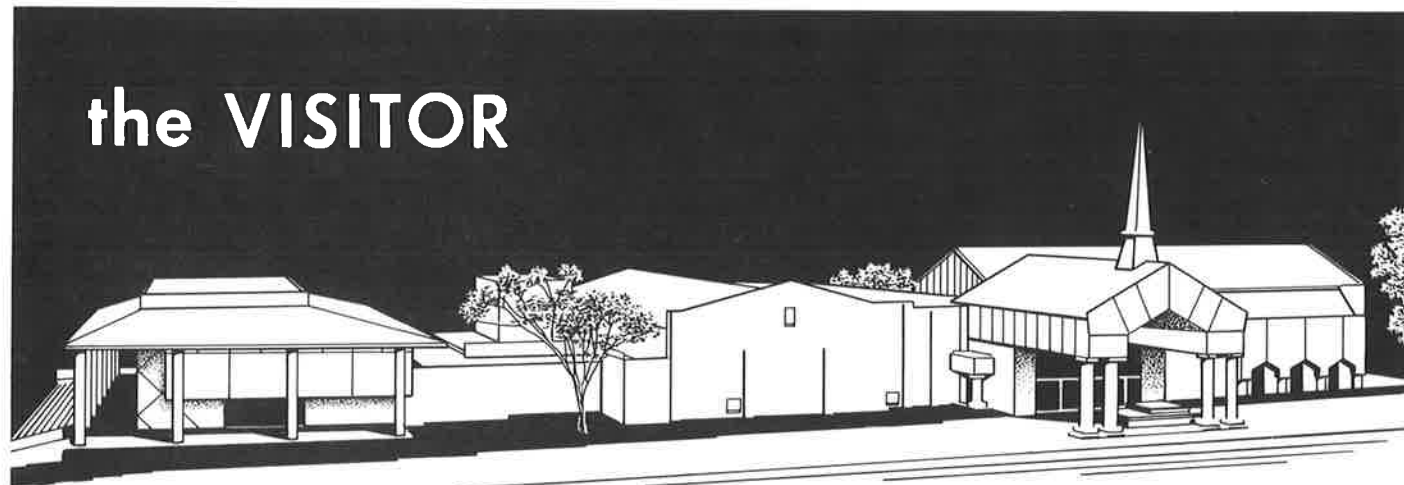
**Sermons for Sunday, November 8, 1992
by Dr. Jay Lockhart**

A.M. Praise Him
P.M. My Servants The Prophets: Shemaiah

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler

"SAINTS ALIVE!"

A seminar on the challenges and opportunities of aging
November 14-15, 1992

Schedule:

Saturday, November 14
8:45 a.m. Registration/Donuts and coffee
9:15 a.m. Myths of Aging
9:45 a.m. Opportunities for Service for the Elderly
10:30 a.m. Break
10:45 a.m. Four A's for Successful Aging
12:00 noon Dismiss

Sunday, November 15
9:00 a.m. You and Your Aging Parent
10:00 a.m. Gray Power in the Old Testament
12:00 noon Covered dish lunch honoring our senior saints
6:00 p.m. The Best Is Yet To Be

Presented by:

Joe McKissick



Joe McKissick knows seniors well. He works with them at the Hillcrest church of Christ in Abilene, Texas, and is the director for the Center for Aging at Abilene Christian University. McKissick's academic study and experience will be helpful to persons of all ages. His messages will encourage and challenge the mature Christian. For those who are younger, the information Joe McKissick will share will help families understand their aging parents and the caregiving process.

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Linda Hone, Cathy Culpepper and Denise Sadler for sponsoring the youth trip to Verdun Manor last Saturday. It was quite an interesting place to see.

Thanks to Ken Culpepper for filling in teaching this last week.

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY

This coming Sunday night after the evening assembly, all high school students are invited to stay for the activity. Invite a friend to come and stay for this fun time together. We will be finished at 9:00.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

December 4-5 are the dates for our annual city wide Middle School Retreat. We will be going to Timberline Encampment in Lindale. Lee Porter from the Turnpike church in Grand Prairie will be our resource person. The theme for the retreat is "The High Cost Of Living!" All of those in the 6-8 grades are invited to go. Please sign the list by the Youth Bulletin Board by Nov. 22. This will be a fantastic weekend together, so don't miss it!

SERVANT RETREAT

The dates for the Servant Retreat are January 22-24. It will be at Timberline Encampment this year and it will be an incredible weekend with Christians from all over the northeast Texas area. This year you will need to register early and send in your deposit by mid-December. Make plans now to go and to making an early commitment.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

- Nov. 8 High School Devo
- Nov. 13-15 Harding High School Days
- Nov. 15 Briarcliff Worship
- Nov. 22 Combined Activity
- Nov. 29 Middle School Activity
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****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

McRuiz's Team #2 will meet Nov.9.



Thank You

The family of B.A. Bailey acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. I can't express to you enough my sincere thank you for the calls, prayers and floral tribute of Christian love and compassion during the illness and death of my father.

Barbara Valentine

Members of the church:

The family of Yvonne Goss wants to thank you for your prayers in her behalf. When the doctors didn't think she would make it, we had faith she would because so many of our Christian friends and family were praying for her. She is doing much better, still in ICU, but making progress. The doctors think it is amazing but we know it is prayer!

In Christian Love,
Ruth Graham

I would like to thank everyone for your cards, calls, visits and prayers. I appreciate every remembrance of me.

Vivie Canter



From The Mail ...

Below are a few excerpts from letters from viewers of THE SEARCH:

While visiting in Douglass, Texas, we heard your sermons on husbands and wives on TV channel 19 in Nacogdoches. We would like copies of the whole series in print and on tape as we only heard a portion of the series.

Baton Rouge, LA

We heard your message on TV about baptism. It was the best lesson I have ever heard on it. Please send me that tape.

Canton, TX

Please send me a tape of today's lesson on TV. I am so thankful for Brother Lockhart and the good work that he does.

Diana, TX

My wife and I listen to your message each Sunday morning over KETK and we reap much spiritual benefit from it. Could I possibly get a printed copy of the program for the last two Sundays? I pray the Lord will richly bless you in your work.

Winnsboro, TX

Just wanted to say how much your program is appreciated. If possible I would like to have the series on relationships you did recently. I would like to share these with others.

Longview, TX

Please send us the tapes on relationships. They were such an inspiration to us and we would like to share them. We thank God for Jay Lockhart, he is one of the best.

Gilmer, TX



New Members

We are glad to have pictures this week of some of our new members so that all may know who they are.



Jim and Kelley Bell
134 Rowland Place #1, 75701
ph. 595-6353



Melvin and Nina Crow
2512 Greenock Court, 75703
ph. 581-6988



Mrs. Theron (Michelle) Kuechle
Jessica Kuechle
19156 FM Rd. 756, 75703
ph. 839-2923

**"COMING TOGETHER IS A BEGINNING ...
KEEPING TOGETHER IS PROGRESS ...
WORKING TOGETHER IS SUCCESS."**

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart will have their monthly covered dish supper on Thursday, November 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All who are 55 or over (you do not have to be retired) are invited to be a part of this group. Make your plans to come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship.

**Spotlight
on
Education**

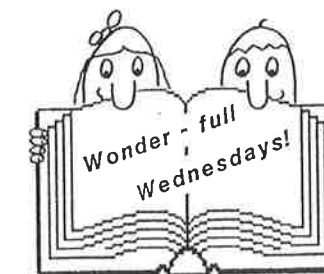


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You and Your Aging Parents
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Grandparenting
Needs of the Elderly
Myths of Aging, etc.**

Wow! Be careful what you ask for, for you shall receive. I requested magazines be brought, and you have responded in abundance. Thank you for your generosity!

Our annual All-Church Banquet is scheduled for Friday, December 18. This is always a rich time of fellowship for our church family. Make your plans to attend. Now is the time to get your act together for the entertainment event of the season -- our own West Erwin Talent Review. Keep looking in this column for more details.



Every Wednesday evening for Grades 1-5!

Mark these on your calendars:

- Teachers Meeting November 22
- Education Workday December 5
- New Quarter begins December 6

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Nov. 8 Why Don't You Grow Up? (Matt. 13:31-33)
- Nov. 15 You and Your Aging Parents
A combined adult class with Joe McKissick
- Nov. 22 The Wisdom of Preparation (Matt. 25:1-13; Mark 13:32-37)

***** Koinonia #6 meets this Sunday *****

Records	Sunday Oct.25	Sunday Oct.18	Year Ago
Bible Class	395	408	380
Worship A.M.	514	551	530
Worship P.M.	335	404	355
Wed. P.M.	258	241	253
Contribution	\$12,869.83	\$12,469.33	\$ 9,241.40
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, November 1, and Wed. P.M., Nov. 4, Fred Powell, ph. 593-5229.

PRAYER AND CARE

Florence Morgan, Freeman Morgan's mother, suffered a broken leg. She had surgery in New Orleans on Monday.

Pablo and Maya Molina have requested our prayers for their premature infant daughter.

Luther Gieger, a former preacher here, is very ill. His address is 2800 Gettysburg, Edmond, OK 73013.

Jody Hawkins has been hospitalized with pneumonia in El Paso.

Tim Harris, brother of Charles and Jimmie and father of Keith Harris, recently suffered a broken arm.

Landon Gregory, son of Mark and Angel Gregory, is undergoing treatment for leukemia.

Trace Taylor, grandson of Harold and Betty Taylor, is still experiencing serious medical problems.

Travis Davis, Cora Hughes' nephew, is in Doctors Memorial Hospital for additional surgery.

Ruby Cliver had cataract surgery on Tuesday.

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		7:00 P.M.
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SERVING SUNDAY

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 Prayer David Daughtry
 Scripture Jim Bell
 Dismiss Darryl Hendrix

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

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 Prayer Paul Stanley
 Scripture Don Peek
 Dismiss Dan Cullinan

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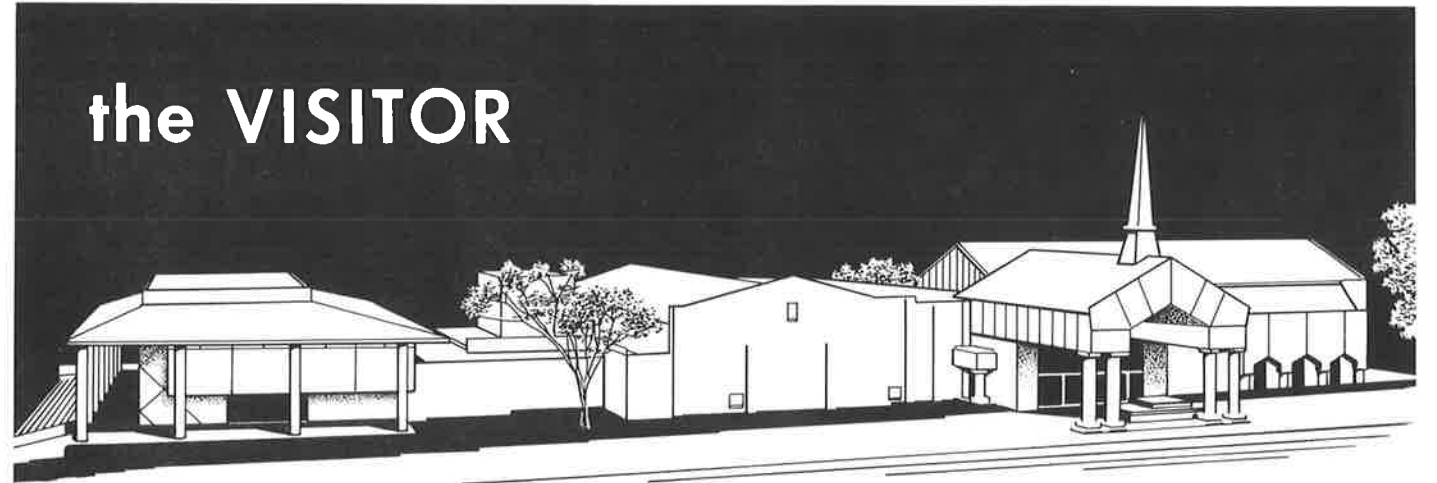
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 Michael Lowrance David Demic
 Bill Butler Jim Mayer
 Clinton Culpepper Archie Kennard

GREETERS

John & Ruby Cliver
 Milburn & Jan Cook
 Harold & Shirley Denman

WITH SYMPATHY

Barbara Valentine's father, B.A. Bailey, died last Thursday in Anson, Texas. Services were held last Friday in Gilmer for Everett Richards, brother of Edna Hodnett. Stan Clark's uncle died last week in Marshall. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families in their loss of loved ones.



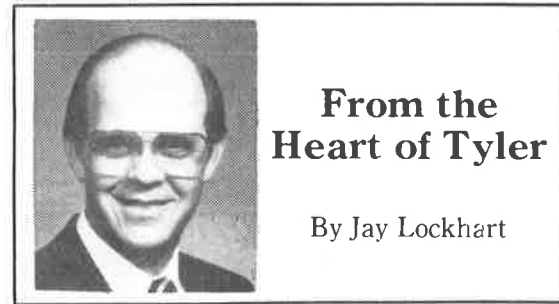
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

More About Change

The current political campaign has a lot of rhetoric about the need for change. In religion the market is flooded with books on change. Why so much interest in change. From the religious standpoint, the denominational community is seeing the world pass it by. Most mainline denominations have forfeited credibility by abandoning the distinct message that brought them into existence. They have seen membership decline and have catered to the wants of a society which is not asking, according to Bruce Shelley in his *Consumer Church*, "What must I do?", but "What do I do to get out of this?" In our brotherhood we, too, face a problem: we have seen the church go from the fastest growing church in America in the 50's to an actual decline in growth in the 80's. In our concern for church growth it is imperative, it seems to me, that we keep these points in mind:

1. We are not in the business of meeting wants but needs. Granted we must use every right method available to us to open doors for teaching the gospel, but the church cannot be everything to everybody and be true to its mission of saving the lost.
2. We are not seeking to simply serve ourselves in


isolation, but we are seeking to serve others and to win others.

3. We do not propose to preserve the American Restoration of the 19th century, but to restore the church of the New Testament in faith and in practice. I believe in the principles of the Restoration Movement. But I also believe we are not wedded to the leaders of the 19th century movement but to Jesus Christ. Therefore, we must change our attitudes, our actions, our agendas to become more and more like what we read in the New Testament.
4. We must never be content to simply promote our methods, our human traditions, our way of doing things, but we must promote whatever changes are necessary to make our methods more successful as we present a changeless gospel to an ever changing world. Do we know the difference between methods and message?
5. We will take the good to be found in our heritage and use it. We will take the good we find in today's world and use it. We will try to be more loving, more caring, more like Christ as we seek to be His church and we will dedicate ourselves to holding to His unchangeable Word.

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Youth Notes
by
Danny Snell



THANKS & NOTES!

Thanks to Sandra Nelson and Lisa Snell for going with us to the State Fair of Texas. It was a great trip with an interesting lesson in culture and history. Thanks to all who went and made it enjoyable.

Quite a few of our young people went to Glenwood Sunday night for the Harding presentation. It was good to have Scott Carruth be a part of that presentation.

Thanks to David Newton and Ken Culpepper for doing a great job in teaching youth classes.

YOUTH TRIP

All middle and high schoolers and friends are invited to go on a special trip with us on Oct. 31. We will be visiting the **VERDON MANOR** in Forney. It is a professional special effects show. Cost is \$5.50 and you will need money for supper. We will leave at 4:30 p.m. and return at 10:00 p.m. Invite a friend to come and enjoy this time together.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

- Oct. 31 Verdon Manor Trip
- Nov. 8 High School Devo
- Nov. 15 Briarcliff Worship
- Nov. 22 Combined Activity
- Nov. 29 Middle School Activity
- Dec. 4-5 Middle School Retreat
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****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

REMEMBER YOUR BIBLE CLASSES!

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

When you cast your vote next week, remember that God is the ultimate authority in the end. Even beyond the arguments about who will be the best leader for our country, our job as Christians is to glorify God in all we do. Obviously, prayer is the best vote. What good is a vote if it is not cast with prayer. I am very glad that God is in control.

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

Faber Cauthen's Team #1 will meet Nov. 1.

New Members

We are very pleased to welcome Melvin and Nina Crow into our family at West Erwin. Their address is 2512 Greenock, 75703, ph. 581-6988.

We are very glad to welcome Ronnie and Cyndie Brown and son, Lee, and daughter, Lauren Gayle. They live at 2113 Hunter, 75701, ph. 593-1423.

Michelle Kuechle and daughter, Jessica, are also a welcome addition to our family. They live at 19156 FM Road 756, 75703, ph. 839-2933.

These families (Cyndie and Michelle are the daughters of Melvin and Nina Crow) came Sunday to make known their wish to work and worship with the West Erwin family. They come highly recommended and we look forward to the association with them as we work together to serve the Lord.

Thank You

Dear West Erwin Family and Friends,

Thank you for your prayers, cards, and visits during my recent illness. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Thank you,
Rose Teel

We would like to thank everyone, especially the Ladies Bible class, for the cards, calls and most of all your prayers while I was in the hospital. Please continue to remember us in prayer.

In Christian love,
Charles & Velma Lemons

Thank you for the visits, food, prayers, phone calls, and cards. You helped us through a scary time. Don and I feel so lucky to be a part of the family at West Erwin.

Thank you,
Don & Norma Durham

Fred & Sara Powell
2339 CR 1128
Tyler, TX 75704




Billy & Lynda Terrell
9590 CR 724
Tyler, TX 75704

Charles & Phyllis Rachui
14634 CR 2205
Tyler, TX 75707

Ira & Esther Wilson
10733 FM 2767
Tyler, TX 75708

The Search

Each Sunday
KETK - Channel 56 - 8:00 A.M.
KLSB - Channel 19 - 7:30 A.M.
Dr. Jay Lockhart, Minister



Area Events

You are cordially invited to a series of **GOSPEL LESSONS**

with
Dan Manuel
of
Palestine, Texas
Nov. 1 - 4, 1992
Mon. - Wed. 7:00 p.m.
Church of Christ
612 Buffalo Street
Gilmer, Texas

CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF EAST TEXAS Benefit Auction & Bar-B-Que

Saturday, Nov. 7, 1992, 6:00 p.m.
Tickets: \$15.00 (tax deductible)
6:00 - Preview Auction Items
Silent Auction Begins
6:30 - Bar-B-Que Served
8:00 - Live Auction Begins

To be held at Chapel Hill High School Cafeteria, Hwy. 64E (5 miles east of Loop 323)


BOLES HOME BUILDING DEDICATED

Girl Haven, the oldest building on the campus of Boles Children's Home in Quinlan, Texas, has been restored with a gift from A.L. and Hazel Jones. Girl Haven was built in 1925 and was unusable in its condition. The building is now used for a therapeutic/recreational activities center with a memory room depicting the 68 year history of Boles Home. The gift was made in honor of Dr. and Mrs. John H. Mitchell, long time members of the West Erwin congregation and parents of Mrs. Hazel Jones. A plaque on the building honors the Mitchell and Jones families.

CHRISTIAN HOMES of ABILENE

Christian Homes of Abilene, Inc., a licensed child-placing agency working under the oversight of the Highland Church of Christ eldership, is accepting applications for placement of infants. For more information, please contact Margaret Ballew, Adoption Services Coordinator, at P.O. Box 717, Abilene, Texas, 79604, or (915) 677-2205.

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

"SAINTS ALIVE!"

A Seminar on Aging
Presented by **Joe McKissick**
November 14-15.

Mark these dates on your calendar. This is for everyone, both young and old. More details next week!

"A higher plane than I have found; Lord, plant my feet on higher ground ..."

- Let all the Lord's people ...RISE UP!
- Let all the discouraged ... LOOK UP!
- Let all the lukewarm ... FIRE UP!
- Let all the complainers .. SHUT UP!
- Let all the encouragers ... SPEAK UP!
- Let all the immature ... GROW UP!
- Let all the fainthearted ... CHEER UP!
- Let all the grudgeful ... MAKE UP!
- Let all the sleepers ... WAKE UP!
- Let all the sourpusses ... SWEETEN UP!
- Let all the deadheads ... LIVEN UP!
- Let all the lazy ... GET UP!
- Let all the sinners ... "FESS UP!
- Let all the absentees ... SHOW UP!
- Let all, as prospered ... LAY UP!
- Let all who seek wisdom ... PRAY UP!
- Let all who love Jesus ... STAND UP!

"From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."

Ephesians 4:16
- Selected

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Nov. 1 We Are a Sowing People
(Matt. 13:3-9, 18-23;
Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43;
Mark 4:26-29)
- Nov. 8 Why Don't You Grow Up?
(Matt. 13:31-33)

**** Koinonia #5 meets this Sunday ****

Records	Sunday Oct.18	Sunday Oct.11	Year Ago
Bible Class	408	413	387
Worship A.M.	551	502	514
Worship P.M.	404	343	344
Wed. P.M.	241	232	271
Contribution	\$12,469.33	\$12,031.82	\$10,037.70
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, October 25, and Wed. P.M., Oct. 28, David Haney, ph. 581-2670.

PRAYER AND CARE

Leona McElroy fell Tuesday and was taken to the emergency room but is now at home.
Mary Evelyn Grier had day surgery Wednesday at Medical Center.
Norma Durham had day surgery on Thursday at Medical Center.
Bill McCain was scheduled for tests this week.
Tim Harris, brother of Charles and Jimmie and father of Keith Harris, is receiving additional cancer treatment.
Don Robinson, Alan Fisher's brother-in-law, had surgery in Chandler, Oklahoma on October 19.
Landon Gregory, son of Mark and Angel Gregory, is at home but has begun treatment for leukemia.
Trace Taylor, grandson of Harold and Betty Taylor, is still experiencing serious problems.
J.W. Beaver, stepfather of Don Durham, remains hospitalized in serious condition in Texarkana.

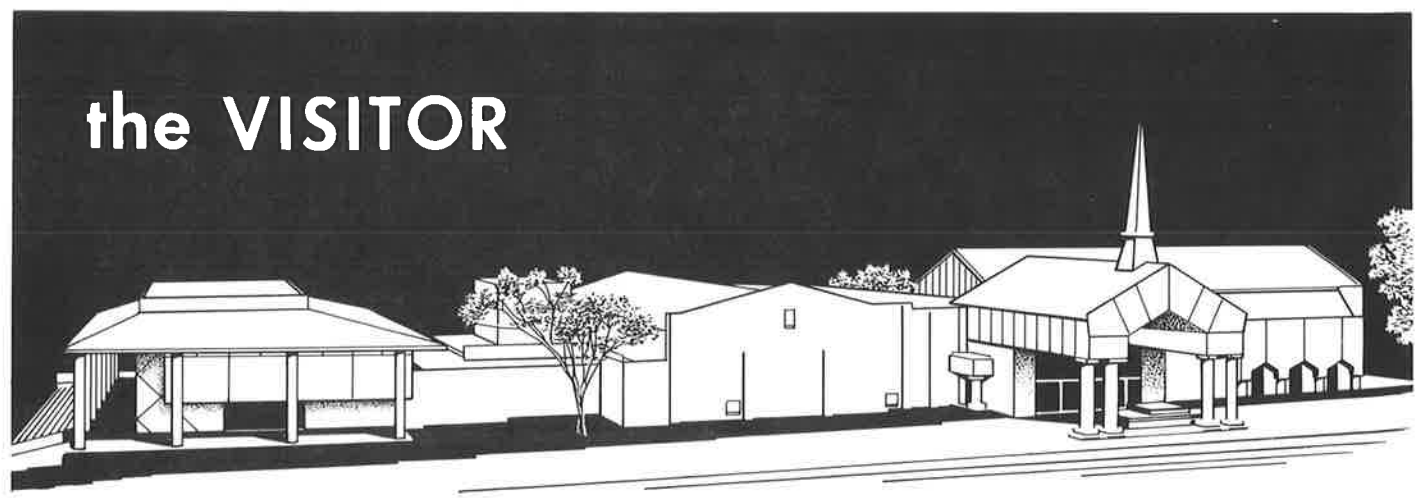
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Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Ben Young
 Scripture Walter Farrer
 Dismiss Dr. Ralph Rowe
 6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Foy Richey
 Scripture John Portwood
 Dismiss Gary Broome

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
 Dale Blackstone
SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
 John Portwood Charles Hickman
 Michael Lowrance David Demic
 Bill Butler Jim Mayer
 Clinton Culpepper Archie Kennard

GREETERS
 John & Ruby Cliver
 Milburn & Jan Cook
 Harold & Shirley Denman

Rex Oberg, Ron Oberg's dad, is now in Santa Rosa Rehab Center in San Antonio.
Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, is showing some improvement.
Charles Lemons is now at home recuperating from surgery.
Mark Sevier, former member here, is a patient in Medical Center.
Travis Davis, nephew of Cora Hughes, has been moved to a nursing home in Overton.




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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

A Special Thanks

The West Erwin family was privileged to hear the Oklahoma Christian University Chorale present a musical program following our evening assembly. After the program we enjoyed supper together in our Fellowship Building -- you brought the food, and we thank you for that, but we had some people work very hard in getting everything ready for us. Dale Blackstone, who does such a good job at everything he does, took the lead in setting up the tables and all that goes with that. He received special help from Wayne and Lynn Harrison, Ray Vannoy, Bobby Perry, and Ron Oberg. Additionally, many assisted (more than we can name) in numerous ways. Thanks to all! Then our folks had the privilege of keeping the 40+ members of the Chorale in our homes overnight and we got them all back to the building for their 7:30 a.m. departure for Dallas! Thank you for your hospitality!

Happiness Is ...

According to David Myers in his Understanding Happiness, quoted in Current Thoughts and Trends, research has determined that external factors such as age, financial status, race, gender, and physical condition do not determine a person's psychological well-being. However, researchers have isolated four characteristics that happy people have in common: (1) Self-acceptance (having a healthy, Biblical attitude toward one's self); (2) Personal Freedom (feeling one is in control of his life under the Lordship of Christ); (3) Positive Outlook (optimists feel better and are more successful than pessimists); (4) Extroversion (outgoing people have more friends, are more satisfied, and are more cheerful than introverts). What do you think of those observations? Could those four things help make you a happier person?

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to all who hosted the folks from the OCU Chorale last weekend. It was an enjoyable evening listening to their performance and visiting with them.

Thanks to David Newton for teaching the middle school class.

STATE FAIR TRIP

Saturday Oct. 24 is the date for our trip to the State Fair of Texas. All youth and their families are invited to go. This will be a wonderful day full of history, culture and fun. Plan to go and invite a friend to share in this time. We will be leaving at 7:30 Sat. morning and returning at 9:00 p.m. Entrance fee is \$7.00 and you will need money for meals for the day.

HARDING UNIV. AT GLENWOOD

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MIDDLE SCHOOL TRIP

All middle schoolers and friends are invited to go on a special trip with us on Oct. 31. We will be visiting the Verdon Manor in Forney. It is a professional special effects show. Invite a friend to come and enjoy this time together.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to Christopher Bobbitt for making the ETCA Tennis Team. Way to go Christopher!

Congrats to Traci O'Quinn for being nominated as ACU Homecoming Queen. How about those West Erwin folks!

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

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**REMEMBER YOUR
BIBLE CLASSES!**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Womack's Team #4 will meet Oct. 26.



Thank You

We would like to thank Koinonia #2 for all the good food and expression of love during the passing of my dear brother, R.B. Silvertooth, and to all the church family for the beautiful flowers and cards. We would like you to know what a great blessing THE SEARCH has been for him in the weeks he was not able to attend church.

God bless you all,
George & Ruth Hearne

Thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent for our mother, Lillie Knight. We also appreciate the visits and prayers during her illness. It means so much to know you cared.

Sincerely,
Virginia & Howard Keys & family
Gabe & Margaret Gilley & family
Edwin & Betty Knight & family

Dear West Erwin friends,

We appreciate the sandwiches you provided for us on Monday, October 5th. As always you are a great source of help to our ministry here at TJC. Thank you for the time, effort and love you put into preparing meals for us.

In Christian love,
The Tri-C



Mary Butler
7348 FM 14
Tyler, TX 75706-8311

H.M. & Alla Minnis
2317 Pineview
Tyler, TX 75704-8226

Freeman & Billie Morgan
2298 Airways Dr.
Tyler, TX 75704

John & Virginia Pike
10142 Quail Run Rd.
Tyler, TX 75709

Gary & Mimi Aven
9312 CR 35
Tyler, TX 75706-9344

Jon & Kelly Bain
1009 CR 1143
Tyler, TX 75704-9231

Dale & Carolyn Blackstone
7765 Hill n Dale
Tyler, TX 75709-9735

Thelma Bennett
1003 CR 3180 #46
Tyler, TX 75706-9310

We are sorry to lose Jay, Stacey and Lindsay Lockhart and they will be greatly missed but we wish the best for them in their new home. Their new address is:

6325 Milgen Road
Flatrock Condominium #2
Columbus, Georgia 31907
ph. (706) 568-0237

FALL BACK



Be sure to turn your clocks **BACK** one hour this Saturday so you will be on time for Bible class on Sunday morning.

Welcome, New Members

We are very pleased to welcome Jim and Kelley Bell into the West Erwin family. They come to us from the church in Whitehouse and will be an asset to the work here. Their address is 134 Rowland Place #1, 75701, phone 595-6353.



Congratulations to Rex and Cynthia Johnson on the birth of Alexander Ryan on Monday, October 19. He is 22 inches long and weighed 8 lb. 10 oz.

Area Events

FOURTH SUNDAY SINGING

Sunday, October 25, 2:30 p.m.
Whitehouse Church of Christ
Highway 110 S

**CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF EAST TEXAS
Benefit Auction & Bar-B-Que**

Saturday, Nov. 7, 1992, 6:00 p.m.
Tickets: \$15.00 (tax deductible)
6:00 - Preview Auction Items
Silent Auction Begins
6:30 - Bar-B-Que Served
8:00 - Live Auction Begins

To be held at Chapel Hill High School Cafeteria, Hwy. 64E (5 miles east of Loop 323)

SINGLES FELLOWSHIP

Oct. 23 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.
Shiloh Rd. Church of Christ
Bring: snacks, games, and friends
Call 581-4872 for more information

TRI-C CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

1415 S. Baxter
Thursday, October 29, 1992
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
.50 per person
Costume Contest at 7:30 p.m.
Fun House plus Games, Games, Games
Free Candy at Each Booth
Hot dogs, cokes and cookies extra charge

The Medina Grocery Truck will be in our area the week of October 26.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

The West Erwin Family Singing scheduled for last Sunday has been rescheduled for this Sunday, October 25, at 5:15. Come join us.

Have you been participating in our Wednesday night Bible study? Then, you know the joy of coming, studying, and growing together through the fine classes our teachers have been bringing us. Our adults have been challenged and encouraged with ways to put God's living word into action on a day to day basis. Our children are beginning "Wonder-full Wednesdays!" as they participate in learning experiences designed to place God's wonderful truths on a level that they can appreciate.

Our adult electives are repeating beginning this Wednesday, October 28. Look at this list, ask around, and decide which study will benefit you most in the coming weeks.

- * "The Search: Spiritual Riches" Dr. Jay Lockhart
- * "Timeless Truths for Troubled Times" Don Peek
- * "Ruth - Lessons in Relationships" (women) Arlene Lockhart
- * "Biblical Principles for Managing Money" Leon Welborn
- * "Do Your Kids Know Where Their Parents Are?" Hillard Hughes
- * "The Hurried Family" (video) Matt Haws
- * "If They Could See Me Now" A class for adult children of divorce Danny Snell
- * "T.E.E.M. for Adult Teachers" Equipping class for teachers of adults Dewey Howard

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Oct. 25 Selfishness Leads to Hell (Luke 16:19-31)
- Nov. 1 We Are a Sowing People (Matt. 13:3-9, 18-23; Matt. 13: 24-30, 36-43; Mark 4:26-29)

**** Koinonia #4 meets this Sunday ****

Records	Sunday Oct.11	Sunday Oct.4	Year Ago
Bible Class	413	389	383
Worship A.M.	502	507	497
Worship P.M.	343	354	369
Wed. P.M.	232	241	266
Contribution	\$12,031.82	\$12,021.97	\$11,549.95
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, October 18, and Wed. P.M., Oct. 21, Gary Broome, ph. 592-2289.

PRAYER AND CARE

Claudia Griffis is scheduled to return to M.D. Anderson on October 19.

Tim Harris, brother of Charles and Jimmie and grandfather of Keith Harris, is receiving additional cancer treatment.

Don Robinson, Alan Fisher's brother-in-law, is scheduled for surgery in Chandler, Oklahoma on October 19.

Landon Gregory, son of Mark and Angel Gregory, is at home but has begun treatment for leukemia.

Scott Bracey, Julie Ables' brother, is now at home in Houston.

J.W. Beaver, stepfather of Don Durham, remains hospitalized in Texarkana.

Rex Oberg, Ron Oberg's dad, is now in Santa Rosa Rehab Center in San Antonio.

Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, is showing some improvement in Boca Raton, Florida.

Travis Davis, nephew of Cora Hughes, continues to recuperate from surgery at U.T. Health Center, room 502.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Steve Linscomb
Prayer Jeremy Wiggains
Dismiss Jon Bain

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Steve Linscomb
Prayer K. Max Haws
Scripture Bill Cabe
Dismiss John Steffee

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Don Durham

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

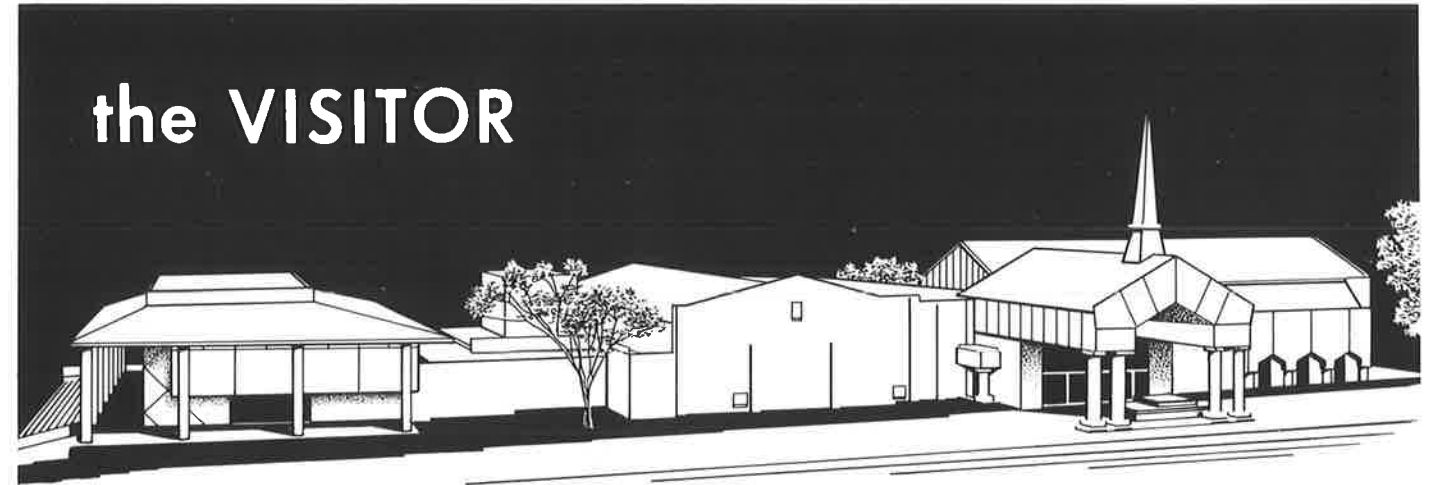
Bill Bruce Brian Daughtry
Don Ingram Curt Jordan
David Haney Keith Harris
Archie Lowry Bob May

GREETERS

Edgar & Delle Bullard
Ray & Carolyn Womack
Ben & Patsy Young

**Sermons for Sunday, October 18, 1992
by Dr. Jay Lockhart**

A.M. What's On Your Mind?
(II Corinthians 10:1-6)
P.M. My Servants The Prophets:
Nathan (II Samuel 7:1-11)



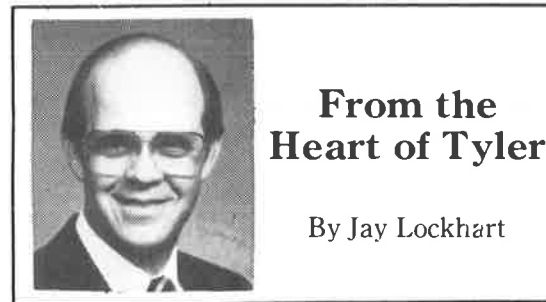
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592-0809

The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



**From the
Heart of Tyler**

By Jay Lockhart

Life's Little Instruction Book

Last Sunday I quoted from H. Jackson Brown, Jr.'s best seller, Life's Little Instruction Book, via Plus Magazine. The book contains 511 suggestions about life compiled by a father for his son after the son had gone away to college. Some of you wanted my quotes, so here they are:

1. Compliment three people every day.
2. Watch a sunrise at least once a year.
3. Be the first to say, "Hello."
4. Live beneath your means.
5. Treat everyone like you want to be treated.
6. Never give up on anybody. Miracles happen.
7. Forget the Joneses.
8. Never deprive someone of hope. It may be all he has.
9. Pray not for things, but for wisdom and courage.
10. Be tough-minded but tenderhearted.
11. Be kinder than necessary.
12. Don't forget, a person's greatest emotional need is to be appreciated.

13. Keep your promises.
14. Learn to show cheerfulness, even when you don't feel like it.
15. Remember that overnight success usually takes about 15 years.
16. Leave everything better than you found it.
17. Remember that winners do what losers don't want to do.
18. When you arrive at your job in the morning, let the first thing you say brighten everyone's day.
19. Don't rain on other people's parades.
20. Never waste an opportunity to tell someone you love them.

**O.C.U. Chorus
Visits West Erwin**

Next Sunday evening the chorus from Oklahoma Christian University will present a musical program in our auditorium following our evening evening worship assembly. After the program the congregation will enjoy a sandwich and chip and dip supper as we host the chorus and others. We also will be keeping the chorus members in our homes and feeding them breakfast before their 8:00 a.m. departure for Dallas on Monday. I hope you will plan to hear the chorus and attend the supper following their presentation.


Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

Call this number for announcements, update on sick, assembly times and devotional thoughts.

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Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	Bible School 9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A.M.
Harold Taylor - Missions	Ray Maxwell	Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.	(Sept. through May)
		Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.	Bible Class 7:00 P.M.
ELDERS		THURSDAY	
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Brief Devotional - Chapel 7:00 A.M.	
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
		11:30 A.M.	(903) 592-0809

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Youth Notes
by **Danny Snell**



THANKS!

Thanks to all who made the middle school activity this past Sunday such a success.

Thanks to Ken Culpepper for teaching class this past Wednesday evening.

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY

All high school students are invited to the activity this coming Sunday. Make plans to come and invite a friend or two to enjoy this special time together.

STATE FAIR TRIP

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REMEMBER YOUR BIBLE CLASSES!

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

Pott's Team #3 will meet Oct. 19.

New Members

We are glad to have a picture this week of Chris Ketchum. Chris was baptized recently by Jay Lockhart. He is a student at John Tyler High School and lives at 10582 Spur 164, 75709, phone 592-7655.



Chris Ketchum



Stephanie Pate

We are very pleased to welcome Stephanie Pate into the West Erwin family. She recently moved to Tyler from Bryan and wants to be actively involved in the work here. She is a teacher at Moore Middle School and lives at 4901 Kinsey #921, 75703, phone 581-9503.

Bill Cabe is a welcome addition to our growing family. He also states that he would like to become an active member in the Lord's work at this place. He is employed by Frito-Lay and lives at 401 East Bryant in Troup, TX 75789, phone 842-2260.

Dwayne and Kathy Bryant and children, Adam (age 14), Ashli (age 12) and Jason (age 9) come to us from the Airline church in Bossier City, Louisiana. We are delighted to welcome this fine family to work and worship with us. Their address is 1621 Cimarron Trail, 75703, phone 509-1328.

We congratulate Scott Dews on his decision to be baptized into Christ on Tuesday morning. He has been attending with Marie Styron for several weeks. His address is 704 West Third, 75701, ph. 561-1992.



MEDINA GROCERY TRUCK DUE

The Medina grocery truck will be in our area the week of October 26. The item listed for West Erwin is VANILLA WAFERS (300 boxes is a six month supply). They also appreciate cash donations to be used to purchase milk, meat, fruit and vegetables. Thank you for your help.

"A day is made more beautiful when touched with kindness."

Wedding Invitation

On this day I will marry my best friend
The one I laugh with,

Live for,
Dream with,
Love,
Shannon, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Hilliard
and

Mr. John R. Donaghey, son of
Mr. and Mrs. John E. Donaghey
request the honour of your presence
as they begin a life of love and happiness
on Saturday, October seventeenth
nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at seven o'clock in the evening
West Erwin Church of Christ
420 West Erwin Tyler, Texas
Reception following



Thank You

To my Church Family:

We are grateful for prayers and concern for our loved one, Jessie Smith.

Katie Heath
D.F. Smith family
John Harper

WITH SYMPATHY

Our hearts were saddened to learn of the death of Lillie Knight on Sunday evening. She was a long time member of West Erwin but had been a shut-in for quite some time. Services were held Tuesday at Burks-Walker-Tippitt Funeral Home. Our sincere sympathy is extended to her family.


FELLOWSHIP

Singles and Singles Again
Alpine Church of Christ
610 Loop 281 E
October 24, 1992
Bring a covered dish
Stay for games!

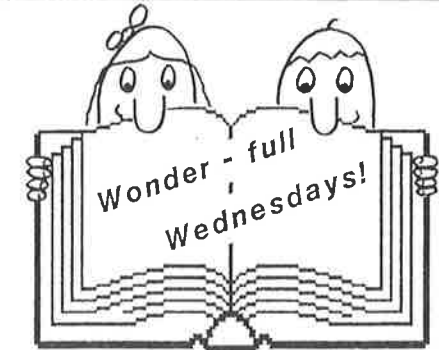
Benevolent Work

There is always a need for clothing, especially for children, in our Benevolent work. Because of lack of storage space, please bring in-season clothing only. Thank you for your support in this work.

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard



Starts October 21!

Grades 1-5, get ready! Wednesday nights are about to become even more exciting for you. Your teachers and I have been working on some ideas to make Bible class a time better focused with your needs, your interests, and your energies in mind. Get ready for "Wonder-full Wednesdays" and be filled with the wonder of God's Word.

We need magazines. And your house is probably full of some that you would like to get rid of. Before you throw them in a garbage bag, consider bringing them to the building. We can use magazines for all kinds of learning projects in our children's classes. Bring your old magazines to the workroom or to my office.

Our next West Erwin Family Singing will be this Sunday, October 18, at 5:15. Men and women, boys and girls are encouraged to participate. There is no better way to pass on our rich heritage of a capella music to our children. Bring your whole family as the West Erwin family gathers to sing praises to God.

The Wednesday night Bible study electives for adults are scheduled to repeat beginning October 28. Begin choosing the class you will enjoy for the next eight weeks. Class schedules are listed in the foyer.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Oct. 18 Spiritual Gifts from God (Matt. 25:14-30)
- Oct. 25 Selfishness Leads to Hell (Luke 16:19-31)

**** Koinonia #3 meets this Sunday ****

Records	Sunday Oct.4	Sunday Sept.27	Year Ago
Bible Class	389	373	377
Worship A.M.	507	570	507
Worship P.M.	354	386	320
Wed. P.M.	241	271	244
Contribution	\$12,715.55	\$12,021.97	\$11,053.90
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Oct. 11, and Wed. P.M., Oct. 14, Earl O'Quinn, ph. 561-0671.

PRAYER AND CARE

Modena Jones is doing well after cataract surgery Monday.
 Landon Gregory, son of Mark and Angel Gregory, has begun treatment for leukemia but is now at home.
 Jean Walters was dismissed from Medical Center Tuesday.
 Lelia Browning, Evelene McCarty's mother, was dismissed from Mother Frances Tuesday.
 Scott Bracey, Julie Ables' brother, had surgery in Houston on Monday.
 J.W. Beaver, stepfather of Don Durham, is in serious condition after a heart attack in Texarkana.
 Mark Sevier, former member here, has a broken leg. He is in Mother Frances, room 588.
 Rex Oberg, Ron Oberg's dad, remains in St. Luke's Hospital in San Antonio.
 Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, remains in critical condition in Boca Raton, Florida.
 Rose Teel was dismissed from Mother Frances Sunday after having had angioplasty last Thursday.

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SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Ron Oberg
 Scripture Matt Pickens
 Dismiss Gary Aven

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Don Peek
 Scripture Henry McRuiz
 Dismiss Jimmie Philpot

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

George Daugherty

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Bill Bruce Brian Daughtry
 Don Ingram Curt Jordan
 David Haney Keith Harris
 Archie Lowry Bob May

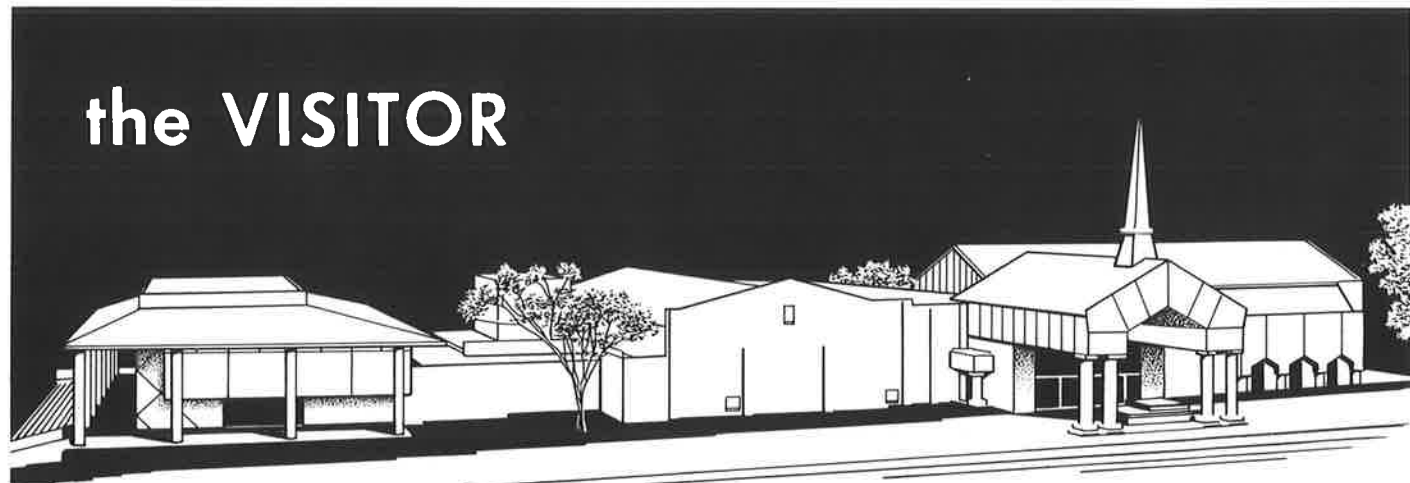
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

The Religion Of Change #2

When God gave His Word to us it was a matter of revelation. That revelation was given by the Spirit of God and that's inspiration. In I Corinthians 2:10, 13, Paul spoke of the wisdom (plan) of God and said, "But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.... These things we also speak...in words which...the Holy Spirit teaches." There is revelation and inspiration. This inspired revelation can never be changed. It is the "faith once for all revealed" (Jude 3). According to this inspired revelation we exist as the church to glorify God (Ephesians 3:20-21). That's our aim. As the body of Christ we are to be growing into the image of Christ (Romans 8:29). That's our vision. We are to help in reconciling men to God by evangelism, edification, and benevolence (Matthew 28:19-20; Ephesians 4:16; Galatians 6:10). That's our work. Having the foregoing straight in our minds we must answer the question: What methods can we best use to present the changeless gospel to an ever changing world? How can we best reach the "Baby-boomers" (those born between 1946 and 1964) and the "Baby-busters" (those born after 1964) as well as others? It isn't a matter of simply giving everyone what he wants regardless of the cost. The issue is really this: We need to give people what they need (the changeless message) and to use whatever methods are in harmony with the message that will best reach people's needs. As Howard Norton said, We must also learn to stand firmly for convictions and still be flexible in our methods and contacts. We must reach out without selling out. We must be willing to change in a thousand ways in order to become all things to all men and yet never surrender one word of biblical truth in the process. We must be uncompromising in our God-given beliefs and yet avoid rudeness when we proclaim them.

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Youth Notes

by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

We had a great turnout for the activity last Sunday. It was an enjoyable evening watching and driving the go-karts. It was especially comical to see the ones who drove like wild folks and the ones who had fear in their eyes. Thanks to Larry & Sandra Henry for planning this great time together and to Greg & Cyndie Wagner and Lisa Snell for helping sponsor.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITY

All middle school students are invited to stay after the Sunday evening assembly. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall for an evening of fun and fellowship. Make plans to come and invite a friend or two to enjoy this special time together.

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West Erwin Visitation Ministry

McRuiz's Team #2 will meet Oct. 12.

BOY SCOUT

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday Oct. 10
7:00 - 9:30 A.M.

Shiloh Rd. Church of Christ



Thank You

I would like to say thank you for the visits, flowers and gifts while in the hospital and the food after I came home but most of all for the prayers that have been offered in my behalf. May God bless each of you.

In Christian Love,
Tillie Carpenter

Dear Christian Friends,

We want to thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for your help, both monetary and spiritually during our time of need. The money you gave will help us replace the things we lost to the hurricane. It has been a devastating time for us but with Christian friends like you have truly made this experience a little easier to handle. It is truly a blessing to be a Christian.

In Christian Love,
Mark & Melissa Frick

Dearest friends of the West Erwin Church,

It was a special comfort to receive flowers from you for my mother, Alice Hanson (Mary McFadden's sister). The pink carnations were beautiful.

I have visited your church in the past and will look forward to again when I am in Tyler. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Jerry, Shirley & Denise Mills
Taylor & Jack Hanson

GOSPEL LECTURESHIP

"The Christian's Commitment
to God's Way of Life..."
October 11 - 14

Speakers: Sun. 10:30 a.m. Arles Vandiver; Sun. 6:00 p.m. Richard Williams; Mon. 7:00 p.m. Dub Clark; Tues. 7:00 p.m. Mid McKnight; Wed. 7:00 p.m. Dan Manuel
Church of Christ
700 Post Oak Road
Fairfield, Texas



Darryl and Rhonda Hendrix are the proud grandparents of Hayden Duane, born October 1 to Lesa and Duane Hendrix. Angie Hendrix is the happy aunt and Forest and Mary McFadden are the great grandparents.

East Texas Rose Festival

CONGRATULATIONS to Kristie Hardin who is Queen of the 59th annual Texas Rose Festival, October 14-17, 1992. She is the daughter of James and Ann Hardin and the granddaughter of C.B. and Dot Hardin. Leona Hardin, Christine Parsons and Adela Scogins are proud great-aunts.



Wedding Invitations

On this day I will marry my best friend

The one I laugh with,

Live for,

Dream with,

Love,

Shannon, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Hilliard
and

Mr. John R. Donaghey, son of
Mr. and Mrs. John E. Donaghey

request the honour of your presence
as they begin a life of love and happiness

on Saturday, October seventeenth
nineteen hundred and ninety-two

at seven o'clock in the evening
West Erwin Church of Christ
420 West Erwin Tyler, Texas

Reception following

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hidalgo
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Michelle Denise

and

Anthony Joe Hukill

son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hukill
on Saturday, the tenth of October
nineteen hundred and ninety-two

at two o'clock in the afternoon
West Erwin Church of Christ

420 West Erwin

Tyler, Texas

Reception following



You're invited
to a diaper shower
honoring Marsha Richardson and
baby son

George Alan Edward Richardson
on Sunday, October 11, 1992
from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

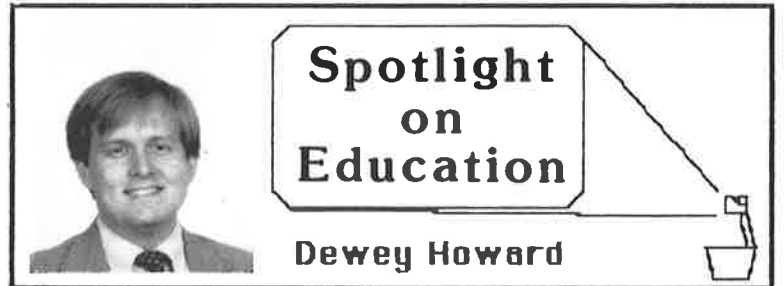
Fellowship Hall

Ladies, please consider this your personal
invitation.

EAST TEXAS FAIR

Congratulations to Wanda Weathers for winning what must be a record number of ribbons in various categories of sewing at the East Texas Fair. She won 4 blue ribbons, 2 red ribbons and 1 white ribbon.

"COMING TOGETHER IS A BEGINNING...KEEPING TOGETHER IS PROGRESS...WORKING TOGETHER IS SUCCESS."



TEACHER APPRECIATION SUNDAY -- October 11

A special Sunday is planned as we salute our Bible class teachers at West Erwin. You are an important group of people to the family here. We appreciate your diligent study, your faithful lesson preparation, your love for students, and your devotion to our Lord and Savior. Make every effort to take part in our morning worship assembly this Sunday as we praise God for our teachers.

Is Bible study together really all that important? Consider these thoughts from Bill Love:

1. Our time in Bible School is designed to enhance our relationship with God.
2. From the earliest times Christians have gathered to encourage and share with one another.
3. Our commitment to Bible School puts us on the right side of life's struggle and declares to all our priorities.

Yes, Bible study is that important!

Get ready for the next West Erwin Family Singing. 5:15 on Sunday, October 18, will be the time. Everyone -- men and women, boys and girls -- are encouraged to join us. We will sing some old songs and learn some new. Bring your whole family as the West Erwin family gathers to sing praises to God.

Can you help me solve a mystery? During the first week in September, someone brought a sack of books to my office and left them in one of the chairs. There was no note left with the books. So I don't know who to thank or for what purpose the books were intended. I've asked around and no one can tell me who or where the books came from. Please contact me if you can help solve this mystery.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Oct. 11 Loving the Unlovable
(Luke 10:25-37)
Oct. 18 Spiritual Gifts from God
(Matt. 25:14-30)

**** Koinonia #2 meets this Sunday ****

Oct. 1, 1992	THE VISITOR		Vol.22-No.39
Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	Sept.27	Sept.20	Ago
Bible Class	373	395	372
Worship A.M.	570	517	490
Worship P.M.	386	344	368
Wed. P.M.	271	267	288
Contribution	\$12,021.97	\$13,044.46	\$11,094.50
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		
MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Oct. 4 and Wed. P.M.			
Oct. 7, Gary Cain, ph. 581-3719.			

PRAYER AND CARE

Mallori Philpot, infant daughter of Marc and Debra and granddaughter of Jimmie and Carolyn, is recuperating from meningitis and is expected to go home Wednesday.

Landon Gregory is undergoing tests in Mother Frances.

Lelia Browning, Evelene McCarty's mother, is in Mother Frances Hospital. She suffered a broken hip.

Scott Bracey, Julie Ables' brother, is hospitalized in Houston for tests and surgery.

Trace Taylor, 7 month old grandson of Harold and Betty Taylor, is now at home but his condition remains serious.

Rex Oberg, Ron Oberg's dad, is now in a room at St. Luke's Hospital in San Antonio.

Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, remains in critical condition in Boca Raton, Florida.

Claudia Griffis is now at home. She will return to M.D. Anderson October 19.

Rose Teel is having tests at Mother Frances Wednesday.

Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

Call this number for announcements, update on sick, assembly times and devotional thoughts.

MINISTERS		ASSEMBLIES	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		SUNDAY	
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	Bible School.....9:00 A.M.	WEDNESDAY
Harold Taylor - Missions - Ray Maxwell		Morning Worship.....10:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class.....10:00 A.M.
		Evening Worship.....6:00 P.M.	(Sept. through May)
		THURSDAY	Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.
		Brief Devotional - Chapel.....7:00 A.M.	
ELDERS		TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Christian Service Center.....9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts		(903) 592-0809
James Sublette	Ira Wilson		
	Leon Welborn		
	Ray Vannoy		
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 Prayer Forest McFadden
 Scripture David Taylor
 Dismiss Wayne Harrison

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

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 Prayer Matt Haws
 Scripture Jay Lockhart, Jr.
 Dismiss John Cliver

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Delbert Nelson

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Gus Krewall Tommy Lowrance
 Jim McDonald Bobby Perry
 Jeff Hone Steve Linscomb
 Larry Henry Claude Sessions

 David Newton had knee surgery at Mother Frances Tuesday.

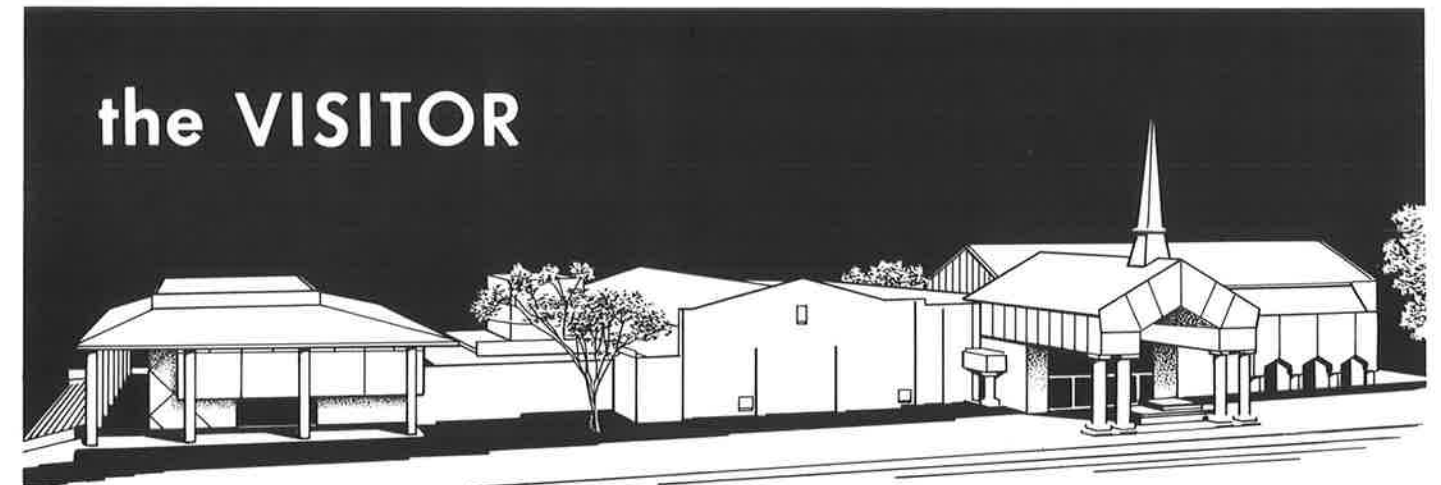
Charlie Evans, Ellie Steele's brother, is in serious condition in a Lubbock hospital.

Travis Davis, nephew of Cora Hughes, is doing well after having had both legs amputated at U.T. Health Center.

Ethel Gibbs, Serena Griffin's grandmother, is showing some improvement.

WITH SYMPATHY

We extend our love and sympathy to Katie Heath in the death of her nephew on Tuesday. Services are expected to be Saturday in Kilgore.



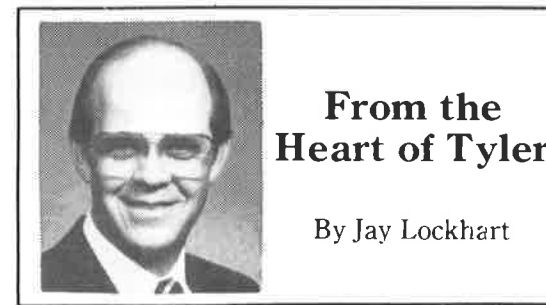
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

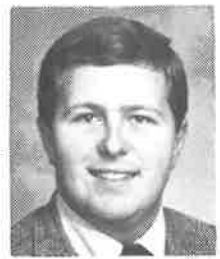
By Jay Lockhart

The Religion Of Change

Christianity is the religion of change. The very nature of the religion of Christ is change. In thundering tones Jesus declared, "Unless you repent you will all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3), and the essence of repentance is change. When Jesus said of those who would follow him, "If anyone desires to come after me, let him deny himself...(Matthew 16:24), he was calling for change. When Peter called for men to "repent and be baptized" (Acts 2:38), he was affirming the need to change. As Christians we are to "be transformed" (Romans 12:2), and that means change. In growing into the image of Christ, Paul said, "We...are being changed into the same image" (II Corinthians 3:18), and that is change. Change is inevitable if we are to become or live as Christians. Change is inevitable in our world as well. In 200 years America has gone from 95% farm based to 98% non-farm based. Our society is characterized by mobility. People lack roots and no longer live close to one another in clans as they once did. The age group of 65+ has increased by 50% since

1950. The Berlin Wall has fallen, the Soviet Union has dissolved, and communism has collapsed. Only 8% of our families are now traditional, that is, having a working father and a mother at home with the kids and 13% of all families are step-families. A new generation has come on the scene. Born between 1946 and 1964, these folks did not experience the great depression or the world war. They are not fearful of questioning the values and attitudes held by their parents. They do not feel a loyalty to institutions, including the church. Secularism, with its tempered concerns overriding religious emphasis, has invaded every area of our lives. The world is changing. In this changing world there are things that are constant--that never change; cannot change. God doesn't change. Christ doesn't change. Truth doesn't change. It is interesting that the New Testament was written in the KOINE Greek language and not long after the close of the first century it became a dead language, freezing the meaning of the words so that the language would not evolve (as in English for example, the English language continues to evolve). Thus, the words which were originally given by the inspiration of the Spirit of God mean today exactly what they meant then and do not change. (To be continued)

**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

We had a great time together with the middle school group last Sunday at the home of Jeff & Linda Hone. Thanks to the Hones, Mark & Janie Cauthen and Cathy Culpepper for hosting the Devo.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats are in order to Cindy Carruth for being selected to the All - Region Choir. Most of her competition are juniors and seniors, not bad for a freshman! Way to go Cindy!

Congrats to Erica Smith for being elected as Secretary to the 6th grade class at T. K. Gorman Middle School. Great going Erica!

Congrats to Kim Chambers for being selected as cheerleader at East Texas Christian Academy. This is ETCA's first cheerleading squad and that is quite an honor, Kim!

COMBINED ACTIVITY!

All middle and high school students are invited to the activity this Sunday night. We will eat at some fast food restaurant and then go to the Go-Cart track on Hwy.155. Cost is \$2.00 per ride and whatever you eat. This is going to be a great time together, so don't miss it!

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

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- Oct. 11 Middle School Devotional
- Oct. 18 High School Devotional
- Oct. 24 State Fair Trip
- Dec. 4-5 Middle School Retreat

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

**REMEMBER YOUR
BIBLE CLASSES!**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Faber Cauthen's Team #1 will meet Oct. 4.



Thank You

Your beautiful expression of love and concern during the illness and death of our sister and sister-in-law, Alice Hanson, merits our deepest and sincere thanks. The warmth of your grace was so comforting to us during this time.

We love you,
Mary & Forest McFadden

Dear church family,

Your words of sympathy were encouraging during the passing of my grandmother. My family and I valued your prayers during this difficult time. It means a lot to me to know that I have a church family that cares.

Love,
Kurt Gesse

YOUNG AT HEART

The October 8 meeting of the Young at Heart will be held on the east side of Lake Palestine at the Brookshires facilities. The church bus will leave the church parking lot at 5:45. If you would like to take your car and do not know how to get there, you may follow the bus. Ladies, please bring chips and brownies; other food will be furnished. Please R.S.V.P to Claude Sessions or Guy Potts. Make your plans to come!



DISCOVERY DAYS

Discovery Days is off to a wonderful fall semester. We are blessed to have 30 children with 26 of the 30 coming two days each week. We welcome Michelle Linscomb to our staff this year. Michelle has our youngest class of 2 year olds and is doing a great job. Please remember us in your prayers.

Barbara Oberg, Director



MEDINA GROCERY TRUCK DUE

The Medina grocery truck will be in our area the week of October 26. The item listed for West Erwin is VANILLA WAFERS (300 boxes is a six month supply). They also appreciate cash donations to be used to purchase milk, meat, fruit and vegetables. Thank you for your help.

AREA EVENTS

The Whithouse Church of Christ invites you to hear Robert Jackson in a Gospel Meeting Sunday through Wednesday, October 4-7 at 7:00 p.m. each evening.

The Sinclair Church of Christ in Arp, Texas invites you to a Day of Fellowship on Sunday, October 11. They will have guest speakers at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be served at 12:45. Singing groups are welcome.



New Members

Chris Ketchum, son of Ed & Sharon Ketchum, was baptized last Tuesday afternoon by Jay Lockhart. He is a student at John Tyler H.S. and lives at 10582 Spur 164, 75709, ph. 592-7655. We rejoice with Chris in making this most important decision.



We are glad to have a picture this week of Kevin Maples, son of Melvin and Donna Maples. He is a student at Brownsboro High School and was baptized last week.



We are pleased to have a picture this week of Marie Styron and children, Jeanette and Jim, so that you may become acquainted with them. They live at 5421 Reagan St., 75707, ph. 561-1992.



Charles & Velma Lemons
9553 FM Rd. 14
Tyler, TX 75706-8317

Martha Boykin
11544 West South St.
Tyler, TX 75706-8758

Lela Duncan
13620 CR 431
Tyler, TX 75706-9724

Lila & Matt Herder
3113 Greg
Tyler, TX 75701

Ed & Margie Hunt
1003 CR 3180 #46
Tyler, TX 75706-9310

Ray & Linda Maxwell
Route 1, Box 186
Beaman, NE 68716

Mark & Paige Morris
5718 85th Street
Lubbock, TX 79424

Freeman & Billie Morgan
Route 2, Box 164
Tyler, TX 75704
ph. 535-9746

Denise Sadler
6760 Shady Bluff
Tyler, TX 75707-9456

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

TEACHER APPRECIATION SUNDAY -- October 11

We want to recognize every Bible class teacher of the West Erwin family in a special way. You are important to this church. We want to tell you that personally next Sunday.

Two new classes will begin soon on Sunday mornings!

* College students are invited to be a part of a new class just for you this Sunday, October 4, in room 307. Roy Bench will be leading your study. Come and be a part of this class every Sunday morning, and watch your relationship with Christ grow.

* Our singles class is scheduled to resume in the coming weeks. Details have not been finalized as yet. But keep watching for announcements concerning this class. Stay involved in the singles group activities. Some great things are happening.

Primary grade teachers: We need to meet this Sunday afternoon at 5:00. We've been talking about some ideas for Wednesday night Bible classes that we need to share with you and get your input. This is for anyone who has or would like to teach in the primary grades, but especially for those who are teaching in the classes now. Put this on your calendar. We have some exciting things to share.

Timothy and Tabitha Classes get underway this Sunday night, October 4, at 6:00. These are for all 5th through 8th graders who want to learn in very practical ways how to be faithful servants of God. The guys will meet with Marc Tate and Steve Linscomb in room 304, while the girls meet in room 303 with Dana Tate and Laurie Dawkins.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

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(Luke 16:1-13)
- Oct. 11 Loving the Unlovable
(Luke 10:25-37)

**** Koinonia #1 meets this Sunday ****

Records	Sunday Sept.20	Sunday Sept.13	Year Ago
Bible Class	395	440	409
Worship A.M.	517	572	545
Worship P.M.	344	454	420
Wed. P.M.	267	282	366
Contribution	\$13,044.46	\$14,341.11	\$10,063.46
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Sept. 27 and Wed. P.M., Sept. 30, Fred Powell, ph. 593-5229.

PRAYER AND CARE

Trace Taylor, 7 month old grandson of Harold and Betty Taylor, is now at home. Please continue to remember him in prayer as his condition remains serious.

Rex Oberg, Ron Oberg's dad, is in CCU in St. Luke's Hospital in San Antonio. He suffered a stroke and is having heart problems.

Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, remains critically ill in Boca Raton, Florida.

Claudia Griffis returned to M.D. Anderson last Thursday for treatment or possible surgery.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	
Harold Taylor - Missions	Ray Maxwell	
ELDERS		
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Leon Welborn
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	Ray Vannoy
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Joe McBee

ASSEMBLIES	
SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Bible School9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.	(Sept. through May)
Evening Worship6:00 P.M.	Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	
Brief Devotional - Chapel7:00 A.M.	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	
Christian Service Center9:00 A.M.	
	11:30 A.M.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Dannie Skipper
 Scripture Wade Weathers
 Dismiss Max Haws

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Robert McLeme
 Scripture Don Ingram
 Dismiss Jack Garner

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Mark Cauthen

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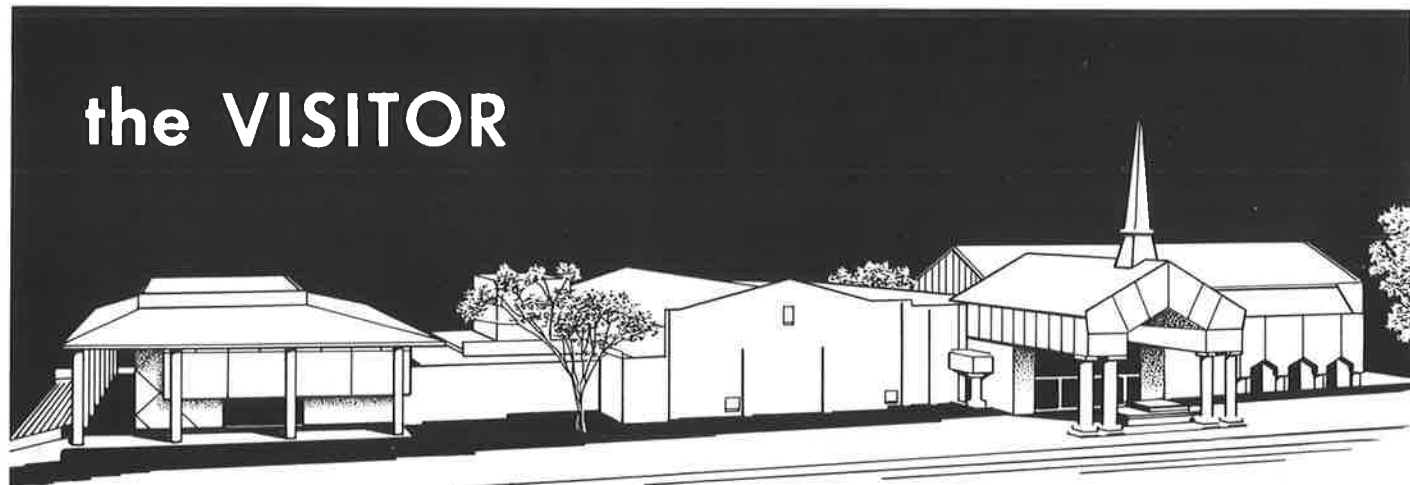
GREETERS

James & Connie Sublette
 Robert & Pat Stokes
 Mary Gaiser & Pattie Tate

Sermons for Sunday, Sept. 27, 1992


by Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. Tough love
 (Colossians 3:12-17)
 P.M. Essentials And Non-Essentials
 (Philippians 2:1-11)



WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST 420 WEST ERWIN TYLER, TEXAS 75702-7133 592-0809

The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler


By Jay Lockhart

Why Are People Falling In The River?

George Rekers, in The Real Issue, April 1992, tells this story: Someone is walking along the bank of a river. Suddenly he hears a drowning child calling for help. He dives into the water to rescue the child. While this is happening, another cry for help comes from the middle of the river, and someone else jumps in to pull that victim out. The same thing happens several more times, and soon there is a whole group of rescuers pulling people out of the river. After awhile they can't keep up with the number of victims that are being swept along with the current. Finally, a couple of them decide to walk upstream and find out why these people are falling into the river in the first place and put a stop to it. This little story illustrates the problem of dealing with the symptoms rather than the cause. We have a tendency in the church to deal with symptoms, don't we? We like to encourage attendance to be up, the contribution to be up, people to be involved. But are not things like church attendance slumping and contribution dropping and people failing to be involved symptoms rather than the problem? I'm not suggesting that we should not address these matters, but more than a rebuke for failing to attend, give, or be involved, our people need a heart change. At the heart of the problems a local church faces is the need for changed hearts. When one loves God with all the heart, many problems are solved. Perhaps our pulpits need heart change too. Maybe it's time that we begin to call for repentance -- not simply repentance for failure to attend, give, or be involved, but repentance for the problems of our hearts. What was the characteristic of the preaching of John (Matthew 3:2) and Jesus (Mark 1:14-15)? -- Repentance. It's time that we moved upstream to find out why all those people are falling into the river and stop it. Otherwise, we may keep on dealing with and worrying about symptoms.

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Youth Notes
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

We had an enjoyable evening Sunday, remembering the mission trip and all the fascinating events surrounding it. There were many pictures to be shared with each other and stories that seem to be stretched a little each time they are told. It was definitely one great trip and will be even greater next year. Thanks to Jimmie & Carolyn Philpot, Gary & Frances Broome and Lisa Snell for preparing the delicious meal.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

All middle school students and friends are invited to the home of Jeff & Linda Hone this coming Sunday night after the evening assembly. Their address is 909 Elaine, Tyler. Parents can pick up your kids at their house at 9:00 p.m. Plan to be a part of this time together and be prepared to play some great volleyball. Invite your friends and don't miss it!

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 - Dec. 4-5 Middle School Retreat
- **PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

REMEMBER YOUR BIBLE CLASSES!

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Womack's Team #4 will meet Sep. 28.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Solomon wrote in Proverbs 10:12,
"Hatred stirs up dissension, but love covers all wrongs."
This is a true saying in our world today. Which do we peddle, love or hatred? Many of us need to be reminded that it is right to stand up for God's principles and to let love be present in our dealings with others. That is what Jesus would do, maybe we should too.

Thank You

Dear West Erwin Family,
We are quickly settling in here in Lubbock. However, our hearts are still bound to our precious family in Tyler. We miss you all so much!
Thank you all for the special good-byes - they meant so much. We carry so much that we learned and experienced with you - we thank you most of all for that.
His love to each of you,
Mark, Paige, Meagan, Tyler & Ashton Morris
(note: We will publish their address as soon as they send the new semi-permanent one.)

West Erwin Ladies

About 45 ladies attended the coffee to kick-off the beginning of the Wednesday morning ladies class taught by Nelda Browning. Then on Wednesday, September 16, 54 ladies were present for the first class of this fall season. Ladies, if you can attend this class you will enjoy the study on "You Can Be Beautiful" as well as the fellowship with other Christian ladies.

Proud Grandparents

Congratulations to Jimmie and Carolyn Philpot who are the proud grandparents of Mallori Michelle born to Debra and Marc on September 21. She weighed 7 lb. 8 oz. and is 20 inches long.




THE SEARCH

Below are some excerpts from a few letters received from viewers of THE SEARCH:
I am enjoying Jay Lockhart's tapes very much. They have given me strength and courage and knowledge. Thank you so much for this work you are doing. I in turn am sharing the tapes I receive with others.
Fruitvale, TX
I am requesting Brother Lockhart's TV sermons, both transcript and tapes, please. We enjoy him very much - such great points for mens and ladies Bible classes, and to share with shut-ins.
Alba, TX
I am interested in learning the truth. Could you please send me the Bible correspondence course you mentioned on TV?
Douglass, TX
Please send me the series on relationships that was on TV. I heard them but would like to hear them again and to share it with others.
Longview, TX

The Search

Each Sunday
KETK - Channel 56 - 8:00 A.M.
KLSB - Channel 19 - 7:30 A.M.
Dr. Jay Lockhart, Minister



New Members

Kevin Maples, son of Melvin and Donna Maples, was baptized into Christ last Wednesday evening by Jay Lockhart. We rejoice with Kevin for making this important decision in his life.

Correction: A.Z. and Lena Hays (not Hayes as it was spelled last week) are a welcome addition to our family. They live at Hide-A-Way, ph. 882-6704.



We are glad to have a picture this week of Bob and Jane Clemmons so that all may know who they are. Their address is Route 7, Box 334, 75707, ph. 566-3993.




We are pleased to have a picture of Tim and Rashell Smyer and children, Sadie and Matthew, so that all may become acquainted with them. Their address is 1128 Cardwell Lane, 75701, phone 597-3516.

Needed: Room to rent

A Christian lady, now living in Van, would like to rent a room or a small apartment for herself and her 9 year old daughter. She is a student at T.J.C. and also works part-time. She would be glad to help out with cleaning, shopping, etc. to help pay for room and board. She will graduate in May and plans to move out of state to care for her grandmother. If you are interested, please call Ruth Smith, office ph. 597-8337.

**In essentials, UNITY;
In nonessentials, LIBERTY;
In all things, LOVE.**

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

Have you taken a tour of our class rooms lately? If not, you need to. The teachers in our children's classes have been working diligently to make their rooms attractive and inviting to their young learners. They have done an outstanding job. West Erwin is richly blessed with creative people. Go and visit your child's room. And be sure to thank the teacher for letting God's love shine in her life.

The Bible class coordinators will be meeting for lunch this Sunday, September 27, in the fellowship hall. We will be discussing a number of important topics concerning the education ministry here at West Erwin. Keep our coordinators in your prayers as they continue to serve this church so capably.

Sisters in Service, our women's ministry, has some exciting plans for the fall. Several ladies are getting involved in planning a wide variety of activities. There will be something of interest to every West Erwin woman. Begin looking for announcements regarding these activities. My special thanks to all of you who are working so hard in service to our ladies, and especially to the seven women who are coordinating these efforts!

Activities for Singles and Singles-Again:

- * The Alpine church in Longview is sponsoring an activity for all singles and singles-again on Saturday, September 26, at 6:30 p.m. Take a covered dish for a potluck meal.
- * The Crockett Road church in Palestine is having a "Super Singles Meet" this Sunday, September 27. It will be in their fellowship hall from 2:30 to 7:00 p.m.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Sept. 27 What Do You Expect from Prayer?
(Luke 11:5-13; Luke 18:1-8; 9-14)
- Oct. 4 Is Money Your God?
(Luke 16:1-13)

**** No Koinonia meeting this Sunday ****

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Bible Class	440	340	407
Worship A.M.	572	472	552
Worship P.M.	454	324	475
Wed. P.M.	282	261	252
Contribution	\$14,341.11	\$13,438.02	\$10,514.08
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		
Contribution for hurricane victims	\$50.00		
MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Sept. 20, and Wed. P.M., Sept. 23, John Cliver, ph. 593-5075.			

PRAYER AND CARE

Elizabeth Hughes was dismissed from Mother Frances on Wednesday.
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 Winifred George, Mary Gaiser's sister-in-law, is now at home after having surgery last week.
 Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, is critically ill in Boca Raton, Florida.
 Continue to remember Maigen Leigh Blackstone, infant daughter of Jeff and Rachael and granddaughter of Dale and Carolyn, as she recuperates from bacterial meningitis.
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SERVING SUNDAY

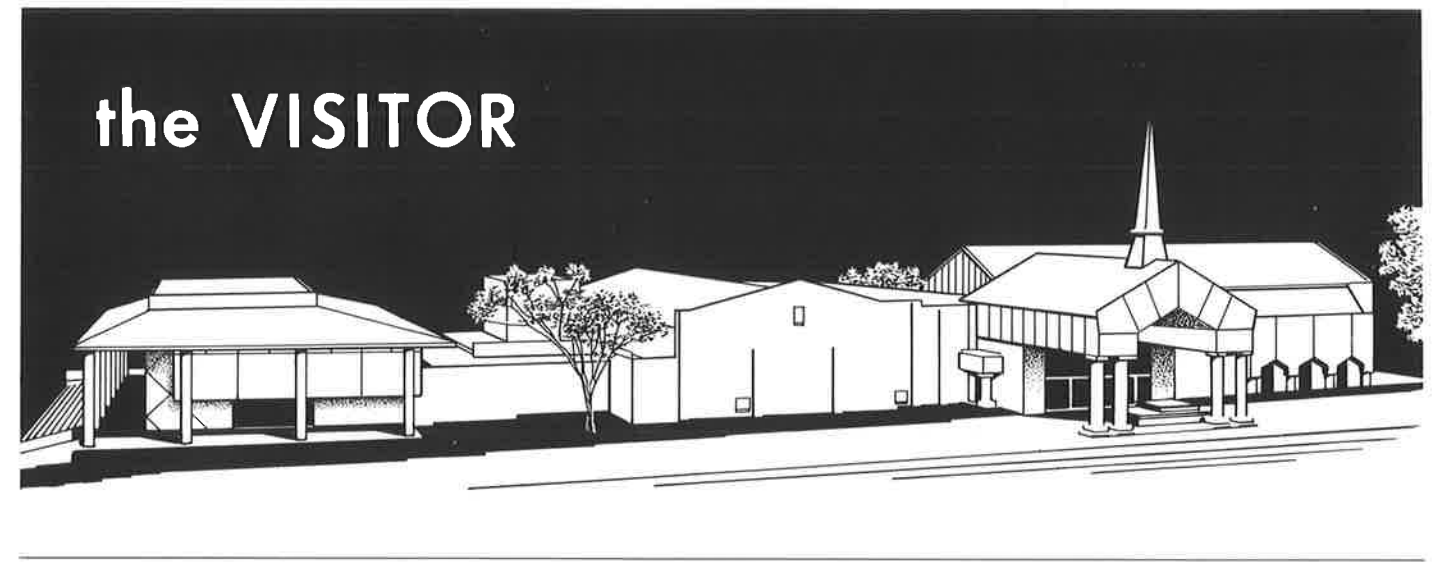
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 Dismiss Wynne Weathers
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 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Edgar Bullard
 Scripture Clinton Culpepper
 Dismiss Tommy Konczak
 PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
 Ray Womack
 SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
 Frank Griffin Charles Harris
 Bob Bryant Milburn Cook
 Wayne Harrison Robert Hilliard
 Harold Denman Dan Cullinan
 GREETERS
 Charles & Phyllis Rachui
 Foy & Mary Richey
 Paul & Signa Stanley

Sunday will be another Lord's day. It will be a time to praise our God, refresh our spirits, and encourage our brothers and sisters.
 What a joy it will be to assemble together!
See you then!


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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart


"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord"
 - Revelation 14:13

C. O. Carter (1905 - 1992)

I first met C. O. Carter in the spring of 1957 and he became my father-in-law in the fall of 1958. He was a man of small stature but he stood tall in honesty, fairness, integrity, and faithfulness to Christ and His Word. He was a quiet man but he understood people, had a great knowledge of Scripture, and from behind the scenes helped more people than any of us know about. He was a good neighbor and a good friend. When anyone needed his help, he was there. C. O. Carter was a man who lived close to the earth -- he was a farmer for most of his life -- and there is something special about the faith of Christian men who live close to the earth. He was the father of three sons and three daughters, all of whom rise up and call him blessed! He served for a time as elder of the Glendale church where he attended all of his life and where, by the way, I preached one of my first sermons and one of my first meetings. When a person lives his entire lifetime in one community, knows all the people in that community, and has business and neighbor relationships with the community, it is remarkable when everyone has the highest regard for that person. Yet that is the respect the community had for C. O. Carter. He married into a large family and was admired by that family (his only surviving brother-in-law spoke recently of their relationship in glowing terms). He saw his own family grow from six children to 63, including in-laws, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and he loved them all and was loved by each one. He was preceded in death by his wife, Rosa Mai (affectionately called Duck by him and Mama Carter by everyone else), in 1985. On Tuesday, September 8, another of his sons-in-law, Jack Hilliard, and I preached his funeral and it was difficult but easy - difficult because he'll be missed by so many; easy because "blessed are the dead who die in the Lord" (Revelation 14:13).

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by
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THANKS!

Thanks to all who came to the planning meeting this past Sunday night. We had over 90 people present to look at the happenings of the next few months. It is really exciting to see the enthusiasm of this group about the youth ministry of West Erwin. We also had an opportunity to share some goals with another family from the group. Let's remember to pray for and encourage each other about those goals. Working together, we can be the kind of families God wants us to be.

MISSION TRIP REUNION

Everyone is invited to join those who went on the Mission trip to Nebraska last summer for a "Reunion" and picture party this Sunday evening in the fellowship hall. Parents and youth alike are invited to share in these great memories together. Plan to come and enjoy this memorable evening together.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

- Sep. 20 Mission Trip Reunion
 - Sep. 27 Middle School Devotional
 - Oct. 24 State Fair Trip
- **PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

REMEMBER YOUR BIBLE CLASSES!

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Pott's Team #3 will meet Sep. 21.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

It has been said that the best sermon preached is the one lived. How true that is. Albert Schweitzer once said, "Personal example is not the best way to teach, it is the only way!" Let us all work on being a better example for God.

Thank You

We want to thank the church for every expression of your love and concern at the death of our father and father-in-law, C.O. Carter. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated more than we can say. We love you.

Arlene and Jay Lockhart

Welcome, New Members

We are pleased to welcome A.Z. and Lena Hayes into the West Erwin family. They were both educators in Abilene and were members of the University church there for 44 years. They have retired to Hide-A-Way and live at 1447 Tanglewood Drive West, Lindale, 75771, phone 882-6704.



We are very glad to welcome Bob and Jane Clemmons back home. They worshipped with us several years ago and came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the family at West Erwin. Their address is Route 7, Box 334, 75707, ph. 566-3993.

Marie Styron and children, Jeanette (4th grade) and Jim (kindergarten) come to us from the Daingerfield church. Marie attended here as a teenager and we're happy to have her back home. They live at 5421 Reagan Street, 75707, ph. 561-1992.

Tim and Rashell Smyer and children, Sadie and Matthew, moved here recently from Bentonville, Arkansas. Their address is 1128 Cardwell Lane, 75701, phone 597-3516. They have been visiting with us for some time. Rashell came Sunday to place membership and we are delighted to have her and her family to join hands with us as we work together for the Lord.

FROM THE ELDERS

The West Erwin church has given financial assistance to Michael Whiting to aid him in attending the Preston Road School of Preaching. Michael was recently released from the Texas Department of Corrections where he was a leader in the services. He received an early release because of good behavior. Several of our families are actively involved in the prison ministry.



BOLES HOME TRUCK DUE

The truck from Boles Home will be in our area the week of September 21. Their special needs at this time are: COOKING OIL, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, 30 GAL. TRASH BAGS, KLEENEX, DISHWASHING SOAP, CANNED CHICKEN and for school-MAGIC MARKERS, SPIRALS and MAP COLORS. Thank you for your help in meeting these needs.

BUT ONCE

I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

Keep your heart free from hate, your mind from worry. Live simply, expect little, give much, sing often, pray always. Fill your life with love. Scatter sunshine. Forget self - think of others. Do as you would be done by - these are the tried links in contentment's golden chain.

Malcolm James McLeod

LADIES DAY PROGRAM

North Tenneha Church of Christ
September 26, 1992
9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Theme:

"Becoming a Woman of Excellence"
Registration 8 - 8:30 a.m.
Registration 8 - 8:30
Continental breakfast at 8:30
Salad luncheon at noon



Daryl Anderson
P.O. Box 9050, N-7
Tyler, TX 75711
new ph. 510-2655

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405 West Duval
Troup, Texas 75789
ph.(903) 842-4806

Tommy Lowrance family
12852 Hwy. 64 W
Tyler, Texas 75704

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

We had another great day last Sunday! Friends Day and the beginning of our seminar with Mel Weldon was delightful. 440 in Bible class, 572 in morning worship, and 454 back for worship that evening. Keep our times together a top priority in your life. The blessings you will gain - as well as we will gain - are beyond words.

West Erwin Family Singing - this Sunday, September 20, at 5:15. Come early Sunday evening for some time of singing some old songs and learning some new. We had almost 100 folks here the last time we did this. Bring your whole family. This is a wonderful way to pass on our rich heritage of acapella worship on to the next generation, not to mention the happiness we receive when we lift up our voices together in praise.

Coming up at churches in this area:

* A gospel singing sponsored by Shiloh Road Primetime will be at the Shiloh Road building on Saturday, September 26, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

* The Alpine church in Longview is sponsoring an activity for all singles and singles again on Saturday, September 26, at 6:30 p.m. Take a covered dish for a potluck meal together.

This week marks the beginning of my second year with you at West Erwin. What a year we have had together! Angela and I truly appreciate the way you have accepted us into the family here with so many expressions of Christian love. I am a blessed person. And I eagerly look forward to what the future holds as we all work together to the glory of God.

* There will be a class party for the 30-40's class at the home of Wade and Diane Weathers, 6121 Wilderness, Saturday, Sept. 19, at 6:30. R.S.V.P. appreciated.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Sept. 20 Forgiving from the Heart (Matt. 18:21-35)
- Sept. 27 What Do You Expect from Prayer? (Luke 11:5-13; 18:1-8, 9-14)

****Koinonia #6 meets this Sunday****

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	Sept. 6	Aug. 30	Ago
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Worship A.M.	472	564	486
Worship P.M.	324	1220	387
Wed. P.M.	261	276	279
Contribution	\$13,438.02	\$14,146.42	\$11,289.02
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		
Special contribution Sunday for hurricane victims \$3,981.99			
MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, Sept. 13, and Wed. P.M., Sept. 16, Ray Womack, ph. 561-5227.			

PRAYER AND CARE

Yvonne Goss, daughter-in-law of Ruth Graham, is critically ill in Boca Raton, Florida.

Maigen Leigh Blackstone, infant daughter of Jeff and Rachael and granddaughter of Dale and Carolyn, has been diagnosed with bacterial meningitis and is in Cook's Children's Hospital in Fort Worth.

Dick Higginbotham, father of Rick and Lisa and former member here, is home and doing well after triple by-pass surgery last week in Dallas.

Claudia Griffis was in Houston last week for evaluation and treatment at M.D. Anderson.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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Bob Bryant Milburn Cook
Wayne Harrison Robert Hilliard
Harold Denman Dan Cullinan

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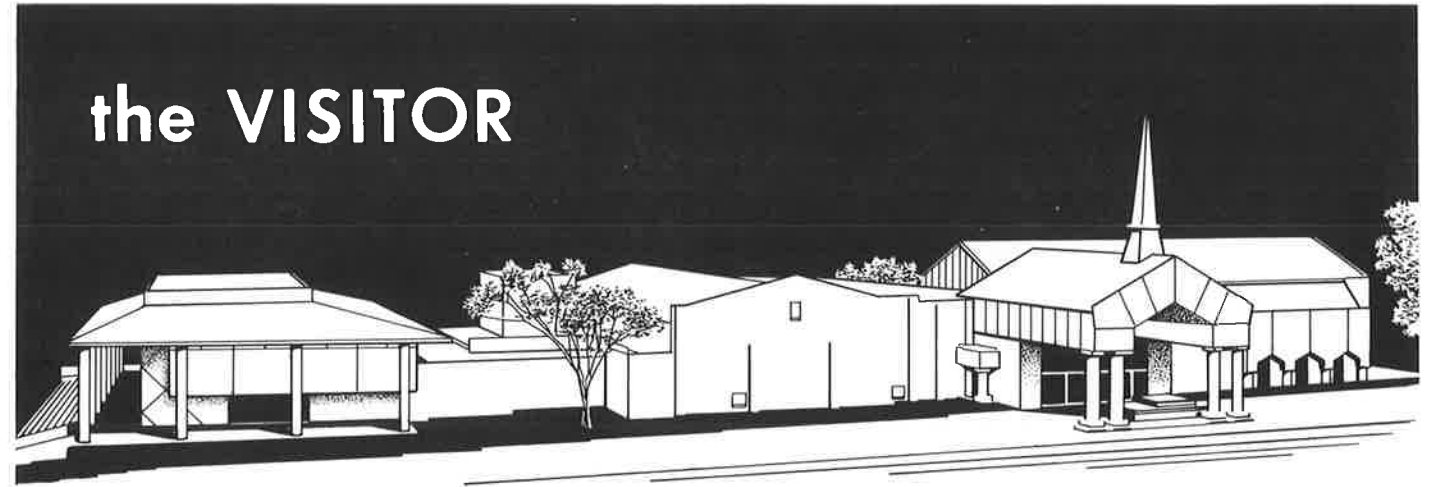
Charles & Phyllis Rachui
Foy & Mary Richey
Paul & Signa Stanley

WITH SYMPATHY

We extend our sincere love and sympathy to the Lockhart family in the death of Arlene Lockhart's father, Clarence Carter. Funeral services were held in Newburn, Tennessee on Tuesday.

We express our sympathy to Kurt Gesse in the death of his grandmother in Indiana last week.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Forest and Mary McFadden in the death of Mary's sister, Alice Hanson. Services were held in Pasadena Wednesday.



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with

MEL WELDON

WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST

September 13-16



Mel Weldon

- Sunday 9:00 A.M. - Our Partnership With God
- Sunday 10:00 A.M. - Discovering The Disease
- Sunday 6:00 P.M. - First Things First
- Monday 7:00 P.M. - The Power Behind The Person
- Tuesday 7:00 P.M. - The Power Of What You Say
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**Youth
Notes
by
Danny Snell**



FRIENDS DAY

This coming Sunday is Friends Day at West Erwin. Mel Weldon will be here giving a seminar on "Secrets for Better Living". This will be a very beneficial time for you to share with your friends. Invite them to come and be blessed.

THANKS!

Thanks to Greg & Cyndie Wagner for helping host the combined activity this past Sunday at the Sonic. We had a great turnout to enjoy food, fun, fellowship and fantastic volleyball!

Mark Gregory will be teaching the middle school class beginning this Sunday. Make plans to come to class!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to Holly Harrison For being nominated to the Youth Salute Council of Outstanding Young Leaders. She had a Photographic Display set up in Broadway Square Mall last week. That is quite an accomplishment! Way to go Holly!

PARENT - TEEN MEETING

Sunday night, Sep. 13, all middle and high school students and their parents will be meeting to discuss the fall and winter plans. Plan to be present for this important time together. If you did not receive a letter with details or you need more information, just give me a call.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

- Sep. 13 FRIENDS DAY
 - Sep. 13 Parent - Teen Meeting
 - Sep. 13-16 Mel Weldon Seminar
 - Sep. 20 High School Devotional
 - Sep. 27 Middle School Devotional
- **PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

**REMEMBER YOUR
BIBLE CLASSES!**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
McRuiz's Team #2 will meet Sep. 14.



Thank You

I don't know how people who are not Christians can weather the storms of life, I really don't. We appreciate all of our brothers and sisters in Christ who came to help during our recent tragedy. Your love, concern, prayers, cards, viists, food, telephone calls, and even hugs helped when words could not be expressed.

We love you all,
Sue & Henry Starnes



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ACCEPTANCE

Acceptance is the answer to all my problems today. When I am disturbed, it is because I find some person, place, thing, or situation --

Some fact of my life - unacceptable to me, and I can find no serenity until I accept that person, place, thing, or situation as being exactly the way it is supposed to be at this moment,

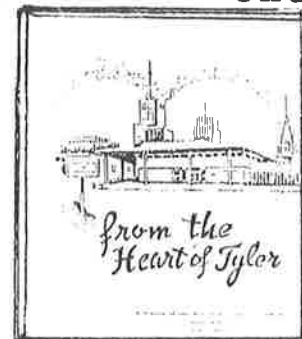
Nothing, absolutely nothing, happens in God's world by mistake.

Unless I accept life completely on life's terms, I cannot be happy.

I need to concentrate not so much on what needs to be changed in the world as on what needs to be changed in me and in my attitudes.

- Source Unknown

Church History



Over one hundred years of history of the West Erwin Church in Tyler, Texas is available in a book, From The Heart of Tyler by Nelda Browning. The book contains family names, names of preachers, teachers, elders and deacons who have served the church. The growth of

youth work, benevolent and mission work and many items of interest concerning the church (oldest among congregations of Churches of Christ in Tyler) are also presented. The cost (to cover printing and postage) is \$7.00. You may order one by writing the West Erwin Church of Christ, 420 West Erwin, Tyler, Texas 75702.

Bridal Shower

You're invited to a bridal brunch honoring

Shannon Hilliard
bride-elect of
John Donaghey

Saturday, September 12
10:00 - 11:30

Fellowship Hall

Selections: Dillards

Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

MDA Poster Child

Amanda Hunt, granddaughter of Ed and Margie Hunt, is poster child for a second time this year for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

If you are interested in participating in the Golf Tournament to be held at Echo Creek on September 19 at 9:00 A.M., please contact Allen Bobbitt, Hillard Hughes or Louis Jones.



SECRET SISTERS

If you would like to participate in the Secret Sister activities, please pick up a form on the table in the foyer, fill it out and drop it in the box provided. This is one of the activities that has been planned so that all West Erwin ladies might get to know one another better. We hope you will want to be a part of this activity. If you have any questions call Arlene Lockhart or Sherry Peek.

DECISIONS...

I once heard life described as a democratic process: "The Lord votes for me, the devil votes against me, and how I cast my ballot decides the issue." This may be a bit too simple but not too much so, for ultimately, one's own choice makes all the difference. Sooner or later every choice we make will have bearing on some other decisions we'll face. There are no little decisions. The action taken or not taken, the word said or stifled, the thought nursed or rejected will eventually make a tremendous difference on something that will confront us down there in the future somewhere. That makes it necessary to pay close attention to every choice we make in life, for every decision made rightly will ease the way to do the right thing later on. Note Ephesians 5:15-16.

- Olden Cook

(borrowed from the Pasadena church bulletin)

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

FRIENDS DAY - September 13

Mel Weldon is here for our seminar, "Secrets for Better Living." You will want to invite your friends to this as Mel gives us some very practical tips for living our lives well. Sunday, September 13, will be an extra special occasion as we have "Friends Day." Bring one or two friends with you for the combined adult class, then join us for an uplifting worship time together. There will be no Koinonia meeting Sunday so that you can treat your guests to lunch. Let's get ready for a powerful day on September 13!

Whom can you invite for Friends Day?

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

The Wednesday morning ladies Bible class begins this week at 10:00 A.M. Nelda Browning will be leading your study of "You Can Be Beautiful through the Beauty of Holiness." All of our ladies who can need to be involved in ladies Bible class. It is a truly delightful experience. A nursery is provided.

Our baby and toddler nurseries do make a difference as we reach out to our friends and neighbors. Therefore, we want to provide the best nursery possible. We are in need of persons (men and women) who would like to serve as attendants in the nurseries on a rotating basis. You will be assisting our paid attendants. Talk with me or Gail Vannoy if you would like to know more about this vital ministry.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

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****No Koinonia meeting this Sunday****

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Worship A.M.	564	515	482
Worship P.M.	1220	357	311
Wed. P.M.	276	NC	284
Contribution	\$14,146.42	\$13,806.31	\$12,898.22
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

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Prayer and Care

Dick Higginbotham, father of Rick and Lisa and former member here, had triple by-pass surgery Wednesday in Dallas.

Alice Hanson, Mary McFadden's sister, is recuperating from surgery in Houston.

William Jobson, Betty Strait's brother, is at home in Alabama recuperating from surgery.

Willard Brown, Betty Strait's brother-in-law, is critically ill with cancer in Alabama.

Craig Chapman, a young man from Terrell, is in Medical Center ICU following a car accident.

Claudia Griffis is in Houston for treatment at M.D. Anderson.

Phil Marts is continuing therapy as an outpatient in Dallas.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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Mark Cauthen John Pike

GREETERS

Stan & Earnestine Mallory

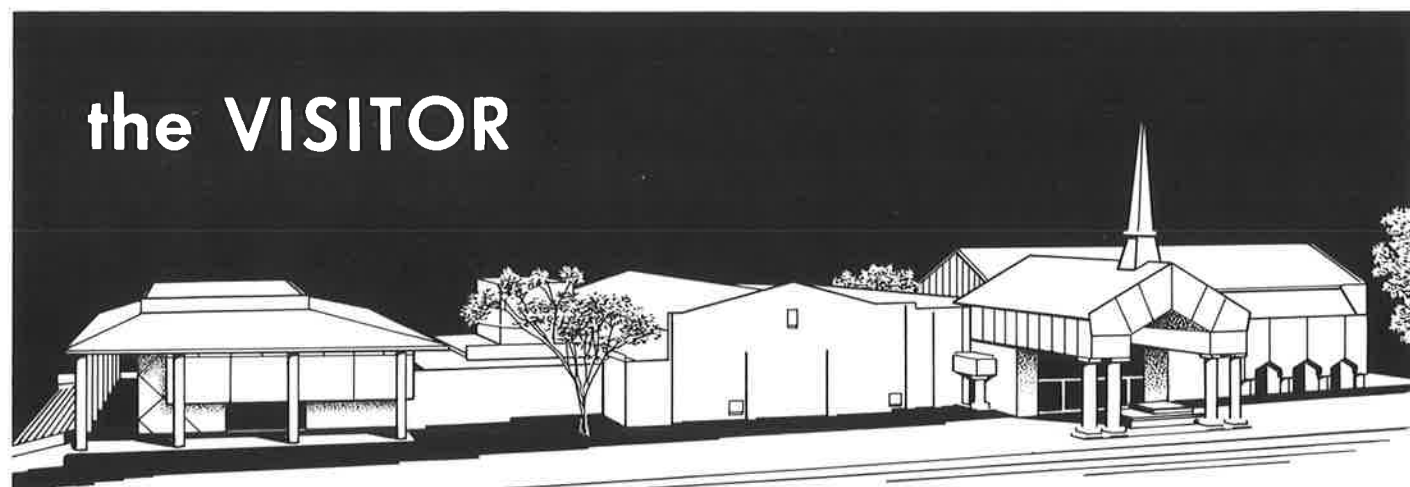
J.N. & Ginger Metcalf

Fred & Sara Powell


With Sympathy

We extend our love and sympathy to Ruth Graham in the death of her brother, Roy Howe. He died last week in Medford, Oregon after a long illness.

We extend our sympathy to Billie Bob Hickman in the death of her nephew, Charlie Bob Hunt, in Loop, Texas last week.



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From the Heart of Tyler
By Jay Lockhart

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR HURRICANE VICTIMS THIS SUNDAY!

1220!

With a great spirit of unity and love, brethren from Tyler area congregations met at West Erwin's building last Sunday night for an old fashioned singing at 5 o'clock, led by area song leaders, and a great worship assembly at 6 o'clock. When everyone was counted we had 1220 in attendance. The consensus is that the evening was a blessing to all as we worshipped God together. We owe a debt of gratitude to many people for making everything go so smoothly. First, thanks to the preachers and elders of the Tyler area for planning the meeting. Thanks to those who led us in the worship assembly. Thanks to the West Erwin deacons, and others, who helped park cars, seat people, and put out extra chairs. Thanks to those who attended the nursery. Thanks to those who conducted children's worship: Velma Lerrons, Frances McBee, Jan McDonald, Kelly Ross, Bob Bryant, Frances Phillips, Rick Higginbotham, Courtney McDonald, and Casey and Brittany Haws. Thanks to Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, Becky Blackstone, Holly Harrison, Connie, Garrett and Kimberly Sublette, Ray and Gail Vannoy, and Bobby and Cheryl Perry for conducting Bible Hour. Thanks to James Phillips for going beyond the call of duty. A special thanks to Charles Hodge for challenging us with his inspiring message. And thanks to all who attended and helped us have an overflow crowd! It was a great night of worship and fellowship--we'll do it again soon.

Mel Weldon Is Coming

September 13-16 are the dates. "Secrets For Better Living" is the theme. Mel Weldon is the speaker. We remember how helpful Mel's seminar was last year. Be planning to attend and be telling others. You won't want to miss a single session and you have friends you will want to invite and bring. Be prayerful.


Video Bible Outreach

I've told you before of the work of Del and Clara Masters in Twin Falls, Idaho. They serve small churches in the West and Northwest who have no preachers by making available to them a lending library of video taped sermons--Video Bible Outreach. For many months tapes of THE SEARCH have been a part of this ministry and Del tells me the tapes are now available in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada. It's another opportunity for outreach. Thanks to West Erwin for making this ministry possible.

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR HURRICANE VICTIMS - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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THANKS!

Thanks to Ken & Cathy Culpepper, Wayne & Lynn Harrison, Lisa Snell and Marc & Dana Tate for helping with the City Wide Devo this past Sunday night. We had a huge crowd with about 120 folks there for the evening. The singing was great and the fellowship was incredible. It is wonderful when brothers live together in unity. Thanks to all who made it such a great evening.

Thanks to Bobby Perry for teaching these past few months in the high school class. You did a great job Bobby.

Mark Gregory will be teaching the middle school class beginning Sep. 13. Make plans to come to class!

COMBINED DEVOTIONAL

All middle and high school are invited to the combined devotional this Sunday night. It will be a great evening, so don't miss it!

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

- Sep. 6 Combined Activity
- Sep. 13 FRIENDS DAY
- Sep. 13 Parent - Teen Meeting
- Sep. 13-16 Mel Weldon Seminar

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

This past Monday night, we had a large group turnout for the Visitation Dinner. It is great to see those who are interested in this program and their willingness to make a commitment to this program. Thanks to Jay Lockhart for his challenging words for the focus for this ministry and to Leon Welborn for encouraging us to get more folks involved. Let's do all we can to tell others about West Erwin. Thanks to those who have served as Team leaders and will do so again one more time. They are: Faber & Kathryn Cauthen, Henry & Becky McRuiz, Guy & Nettie Potts and Ray & Carolyn Womack. If you are interested in helping in this ministry, please let us know. Let's work as a church family to reach out to the world through the visitation ministry.

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Cauthens's Team #1 will meet Sep. 6.

Thank You

We want to thank everyone for the love that has been shown to us during this difficult time. We appreciate the cards, food and flowers that have been sent and we also appreciate all the calls of concern. Most of all we are so thankful for your prayers. Please continue to pray for us.

Glynn, Fran & Tracy Starnes
Craig & Shannon Mabry

CUB SCOUT RALLY

Cub Scout Pack #354, sponsored by the churches of Christ, will have their annual rally at the Shiloh church on September 8 at 7:00 p.m. This is for 1st - 5th grades. If interested, please call John Newman at 581-1844 or Dale Fonville at 566-5892.

Spanish-speaking Congregation

The Spanish-speaking congregation in Tyler is planning to build a building for worship services just off Highway 69 north of town. They are badly in need of funds to help them in this endeavor. If you would like to help in this good work, make your check payable to the West Erwin church for the Spanish work and give it to one of the elders or to Henry McRuiz.

BENEVOLENT REPORT

For the months of July and August 1,082 people were served through the Benevolent Center. Approximately \$4,902.50 in clothing was distributed and \$37.50 in food was given. Twenty five Bibles were given to people who requested them. This good work is possible because of your help.

VIDEO BIBLE OUTREACH

Below is an excerpt from a letter received from Video Bible Outreach. We share video tapes with them and they in turn send them to small congregations of the church of Christ with limited resources and who are without a located minister.

"Thank you for the material on the Miracles of Jesus. We will benefit much and they will be shared from time to time with congregations served by VBO.

I dubbed the lessons from the Philippian letter yesterday. There is a little congregation of five or six families at Winters, California - families who meet in their homes using mostly audio cassettes for Sunday sermons. We have loaned them a first video cassette as a trial. Please include this congregation in your prayers that we may begin a good work with them. Should that happen we will start these brethren on a study of the Philippian letter. We truly wish to introduce you to the West Coast who may not know you. What better way than with a theme of 'Blessed Be The Tie That Binds--Unity.'

We love you as He taught us how."

Special Events

BRIDAL SHOWER

You're invited to a bridal brunch honoring Shannon Hilliard bride-elect of John Donaghey

Saturday, September 12

10:00 - 11:30

Fellowship Hall

Selections: Dillard's

Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

ALL LADIES

are invited to a coffee to kick-off

Wednesday morning Ladies Bible Class

Wednesday, September 9

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

Come and bring a friend!



GOSPEL SINGING

Shiloh Rd. Church of Christ

Join in the fellowship!

Sat., Sept. 26, 1992

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

sponsored by Shiloh Primetime

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart will have their monthly covered dish supper on Thursday, September 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All who are 55 or over (you do not have to be retired) are invited to be a part of this group. Make your plans to come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship.


STUDENT HOUSING NEEDED

Lauren Brown, a 19 year old student at TJC, would like to rent a room in a Christian home. If you are interested, please call Amy Harrison at 561-3775.



We are glad to welcome Margaret Talley back home. Her new address is 9457 Orchard Dr., Tyler, 75704-9630, phone 597-6184.

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

What an incredible day of worship, unity, and love! 401 in Bible study, 562 in our morning assembly, and 1220 for the city-wide worship. That number on Sunday night includes over 30 2's - 5's in Children's Church, and over 80 Kindergartners - 3rd graders in Bible Hour. I would like to express my personal appreciation to those listed on the front page for helping in so many ways Sunday night.

Look at what's happening for our children:

***Children's Church** for 2's - 4's will resume this Sunday morning. Kelly Ross and Rick Higginbotham have been making plans for a great Fall. Frances McBee will continue the fantastic job she does with this age group on Sunday nights.

***Bible Hour** is also preparing for an exciting Fall. Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, and James and Connie Sublette always do an outstanding job with these kids. This Sunday they will expand to include the 4th graders with the K - 3rd graders in Bible Hour.

***The Timothy and Tabitha Classes** are scheduled to begin October 4. Marc Tate and Steve Linscomb work with our young men, and Dana Tate and Laurie Dawkins work with our young women as they all learn in very practical ways to be active participants in the Lord's church. This is for all 5th - 8th graders.

Pray for these classes, the teachers, and the children.

The **Wednesday morning ladies Bible class** will resume on September 16 at 10:00 A.M. Nelda Browning will be leading your study of "You Can Be Beautiful through the Beauty of Holiness." We need all of our ladies who can to be involved in ladies Bible class. A nursery is provided.

"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"

- Sept. 6 The Difficulty of Accepting God's Grace (Matt. 20:1-16)
- Sept. 13 Forgiving from the Heart (Matt. 18:21-35)

****Koinonia #5 meets this Sunday****

RECORDS	Sunday Aug.23	Sunday Aug.16	Year Ago
Bible Class	423	371	400
Worship A.M.	515	558	549
Worship P.M.	357	350	371
Wed. P.M.	NC	187	262
Contribution	\$13,806.31	\$13,755.44	\$10,432.93
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, August 30, and Wed. P.M., Sept. 2, Earl O'Quinn, ph. 561-0671.

PRAYER AND CARE

Alice Hanson, Mary McFadden's sister, had surgery Monday in Houston for a brain aneurysm. Her condition remains critical.

Ethyl Gibbs, grandmother of Serena Griffin, is experiencing complications following heart surgery. The family has requested your prayers.

William Jobson, Betty Strait's brother, had kidney surgery Tuesday in Alabama.

Willard Brown, Betty Strait's brother-in-law, is critically ill with cancer in Alabama.

Belle Cox, mother of Launa Armstrong, is in Mother Frances Hospital, room 487.

Craig Chapman, a young man from Terrell, is in Medical Center ICU following a car accident.

Claudia Griffis will be going to M.D. Anderson in Houston Monday August 31.

Phil Marts is continuing therapy as an outpatient in Dallas.

Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

Call this number for announcements, update on sick, assembly times and devotional thoughts.

MINISTERS		
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	
Harold Taylor - Missions - Ray Maxwell		
ELDERS		
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Leon Welborn
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	Ray Vannoy
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Joe McBee

ASSEMBLIES	
SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Bible School9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship10:00 A.M.	(Sept. through May)
Evening Worship6:00 P.M.	Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	
Brief Devotional - Chapel7:00 A.M.	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	
Christian Service Center9:00 A.M.	
	11:30 A.M.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Greg Wagner
 Scripture Guy Potts
 Dismiss Matt Haws

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Ray Womack

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Cooper Goodson Chris Oberg
 Ben Young Jeff Parrish
 Delbert Nelson David Frick
 Mark Cauthen John Pike

GREETERS

Stan & Earnestine Mallory
 J.N. & Ginger Metcalf
 Fred & Sara Powell

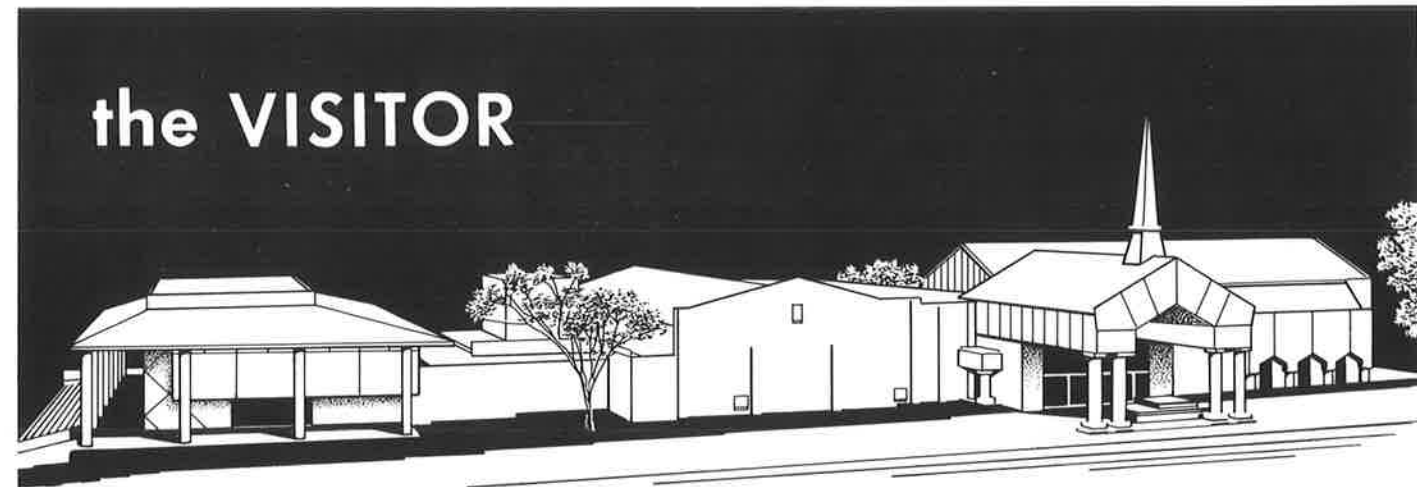
WITH SYMPATHY

We share in the sorrow of the Starnes family in the death of Chris. We extend our sincere love and sympathy to Glynn and Fran, Shannon and family, Tracy, Henry and Sue, and all the family.

Our sympathy is also extended to John D. Brem and the Haws family in the death of John D.'s sister-in-law, Sybil Brem, on Tuesday.

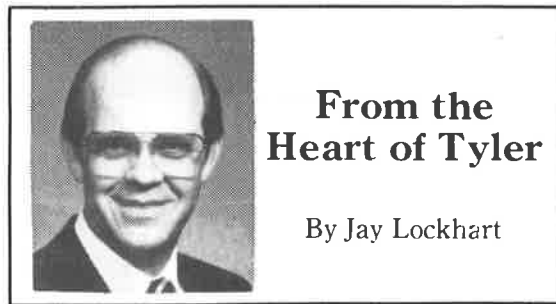
DISHES, DISHES

Please check the foyer in back of the old auditorium to see if you have dishes there.



WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST 420 WEST ERWIN TYLER, TEXAS 75702-7133 592-0809

The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

- Deacons can be here early to help direct visitors to parking, to help usher, and to be ready to set up additional chairs.
- Fully participate.
- Greet everyone.

Could You Make A Visit?

For many years West Erwin has had a lot of folks busily involved in a visitation program. Four teams have usually met once a month, eaten together, received assignments, made visits, and been given points for making real efforts to make contact with their assigned people. Ever so often the teams met for reorganization and one team was declared the winner by accumulating the most points. Many of our people have enjoyed this program, much good has been done, and it will continue. However, there are other people at West Erwin who do not wish to belong to an organized visitation team, but who could make a needed visit--perhaps to someone their age or with their interests or with their backgrounds. These visits, above and beyond what our teams can do, need to be made. If you would make an occasional visit as the need arises, come to the pot luck dinner this Monday evening at 6:30 in our fellowship hall, hear what the needs are, and then decide. You'll only be asked to do what you feel comfortable doing. So come (singles, young marrieds, middle agers, older folks) - whoever you are; come and see and then decide.


This Sunday Night!

We have been looking forward to Sunday night, August 30 for months, and now the time has arrived! Sunday evening congregations from all over the Tyler area will meet together in our building for an evening of worship. At 5:00 p.m. we will meet for about an hour of singing under the direction of area song leaders. Then at six o'clock we will be led in worship by area preachers and we will be privileged to hear Charles Hodge preach. We are expecting an overflow crowd -- it will be a great night! Please note that our nursery, children's classes (2's through 4's), and Bible Hour (kindergarten through 3rd grade) will meet as usual. Plans have been made for larger numbers than we usually have. Please note that these classes will not be available at 5 o'clock, but only for the 6 o'clock service. Here are some ways you can help on Sunday night:

- Pray for the meeting.
- Arrive early and park in the outer parking areas if you can.

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Youth Notes
by
Danny Snell



REMEMBER YOUR BIBLE CLASSES!

THANKS!

We had a great devotional this past Sunday night. We had the opportunity to work together as a team to get done a seemingly impossible task. Not surprising to me, it was possible to get the whole group over the string! It takes teamwork to make it today. You have to depend and rely on your family and God. We are all needed by each other and we need to let each other know that we are there for them. Thanks to Matt & Rhonda Haws, Mark & Janie Cauthen, Jeff & Linda Hone for hosting the Devo.

COMBINED DEVOTIONAL

All middle and high school are invited to the combined devotional this Sunday night. We will be having the whole group from all the churches here for the evening worship and we will spend the evening together as one large youth group. We will have more details Sunday. It will be a great evening, so don't miss it!

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Aug. 30 City Wide Combined Devo
Sep. 6 Combined Activity
Sep. 13 Parent - Teen Meeting

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

*****VISITATION DINNER***
MONDAY, AUGUST 31**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

This coming Monday night, August 31, everyone interested in the visitation ministry is invited to the Potluck Dinner at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. West Erwin has a very talented group of people in the visitation ministry and we need to make it even better. Let's work as a church family to reach out to the world through the visitation ministry. See you next Monday!

Thank You

Thanks so much for all the cards, calls, prayers and concern for my well-being during my eye surgery and recuperation.

With Christian love,
H. M. Minnis

To our family at West Erwin,

Words cannot express the feeling of concern you have shown us during the loss of our father and sister. It is never easy when losing a loved one but your concern has helped. Thank you for your prayers, flowers and cards.

In Christian Love,
Ed & Margie Hunt

Wonderful friends,

Our lives were enhanced by the visit of great Christians-precious old friends and sweet new ones. The love we experienced was a great gift.

We wish it were possible for you to bring a bus full of people every month, until we could see everyone in the great West Erwin church.

We can never forget all the caring gestures we have received from you in the past. God has blessed us abundantly through you.

We love you,
George & Alice Stephenson



BOLES HOME TRUCK DUE

The truck from Boles Home will be in our area the week of September 21. Their special needs at this time are: COOKING OIL, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, 30 GAL. TRASH BAGS, KLEENEX, DISHWASHING SOAP, CANNED CHICKEN and for school-MAGIC MARKERS, SPIRALS and MAP COLORS. Thank you for your help in meeting these needs.



Scott Carruth
Harding University, Box 2674
Searcy, AR 72149-0001

Foy & Edna Hodnett
Westwood Beach
21565 Shadow Wood Trail
Chandler, Texas 75758-5134

Dewey & Angela Howard
5621 Old Bullard Rd. #197
Tyler, TX 75703
phone 581-6157

Stuart & Marisa Suggs
3222 CR 1125
Tyler, TX 75704

Something to think about...

WHEN YOU WERE BORN, YOU CRIED AND THE WORLD REJOICED. LIVE YOUR LIFE IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WHEN YOU DIE, THE WORLD CRIES AND YOU REJOICE.

--Old Indian Saying

Welcome



We are very pleased to welcome E.W. "Buddy" & Jackie McDonald into our West Erwin family. They are the parents of Jim McDonald and Ruth Barnett. They live at Route 2, Box 1802, Arp, Texas, phone 859-3484.

Special Events

You're invited to a
Bridal Shower Brunch
for



Katherine Dum
bride-elect of
John Powell
Saturday, August 29
10:30-12:00

at the home of
Ernestine Mallory
7208 Pinetree Place

Selections: Pier 1, Foley's & Service
Merchandise

Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

All College Students

are invited to a
Get-acquainted ice cream supper
Campus Christian Center
Tyler Junior College
Monday, August 31
6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Come and go

You're invited to a
Baby Shower
honoring Rachael Blackstone
and baby daughter, Maigen Leigh
Sunday, August 30
3:00 - 4:30

Fellowship Hall

All Ladies

are invited to a coffee
to kick-off

Wednesday morning Ladies Bible class
Wednesday, September 9
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.



Fellowship Hall
Come and bring a friend!

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

What a great day together! 423 gathered together for Bible study last Sunday as we promoted our children's classes, and as our adults began their new series of study. This is the third largest Bible class attendance this year. Keep Bible study in your schedule every week.

WANTED: Men and women who love children, preferably the "grandparently" type. Responsibilities include giving hugs, holding little ones on your lap, showing the love of Jesus, and making the day of some little boy or girl. Interested persons may contact Rhonda Haws, Angela Howard, or Dewey Howard.

Wednesday Fall Quarter Classes

0-24 months	109	Jeanine Hughes
2 year olds	102	Cheryl Perry
3-4 year olds	105	Ginger Weathers
Kindergarten	208	Jon & Kelly Bain
1st grade	206	Gary & Julie Ables
2nd-3rd grade	204	Sherry Bobbitt
4th-5th grade	214	Carolyn Philpot
4th-5th grade	215	Cathy Culpepper
6th-12th grades	303	Danny Snell Ken Culpepper
Spiritual Riches	old aud.	Jay Lockhart
Timeless Truths	110	Don Peek
Ruth	chapel	Arlene Lockhart
Managing Money	302	Leon Welborn
Parenting	301	Hillard Hughes
Hurried Family	305	Matt Haws
T.E.E.M./Early Childhood	F.H.	Dewey Howard
Healing the Broken Places	304	Marian Rowe

**"DISCOVERING THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE"
The Parables of Jesus**

Aug. 30 Removing My Heart Mask
Luke 15:11-32; Matt. 21:28-32
Sept. 6 The Difficulty of Accepting
God's Grace Matt. 20:1-16

****Koinonia #4 meets this Sunday****

RECORDS	Sunday Aug.16	Sunday Aug.9	Year Ago
Bible Class	371	355	387
Worship A.M.	558	484	506
Worship P.M.	350	343	364
Wed. P.M.	187	214	266
Contribution	\$13,755.44	\$11,772.51	\$ 9,040.93
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, August 23, and Wed. P.M., Aug. 26, Gary Cain, ph. 581-3719.

PRAYER AND CARE

Clinton Pirtle, brother of Cathy Culpepper, got a good report from his surgery last week. He is at home and doing well.

Charlie Evans, Ellie Steele's brother, is some improved in Lubbock.

Claudia Griffis will be going to M.D. Anderson in Houston August 31 for treatment.

H.M. Minnis had eye surgery Monday. He is doing well.

Phil Marts is continuing therapy as an outpatient in Dallas.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

YOUR EXAMPLE IS POWERFUL BEYOND MEASURE

Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

Call this number for announcements, update on sick, assembly times and devotional thoughts.

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Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit Dewey Howard - Education Danny Snell - Youth Harold Taylor - Missions - Ray Maxwell	SUNDAY Bible School9:00 A.M. Morning Worship10:00 A.M. Evening Worship6:00 P.M. THURSDAY Brief Devotional - Chapel7:00 A.M. TUESDAY AND THURSDAY Christian Service Center9:00 A.M.11:30 A.M.
ELDERS Ferman Carpenter Stan Clark Leon Welborn Freeman Morgan Phil Marts Ray Vannoy James Sublette Ira Wilson Joe McBee	WEDNESDAY Ladies Bible Class10:00 A.M. (Sept. through May) Bible Class7:00 P.M. WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST 420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133 (903) 592-0809

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SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Fred Powell
 Scripture Ron Oberg
 Dismiss Jimmie Philpot

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Delbert Nelson
 Scripture John Portwood
 Dismiss Bill Butler

PRESIDING AT LORD'S SUPPER

Stan Mallory

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Heath Adams Faber Cauthen
 Joe Clark Tony Adams
 Dannie Skipper Dale Blackstone
 John Cliver Jack Garner

GREETERS

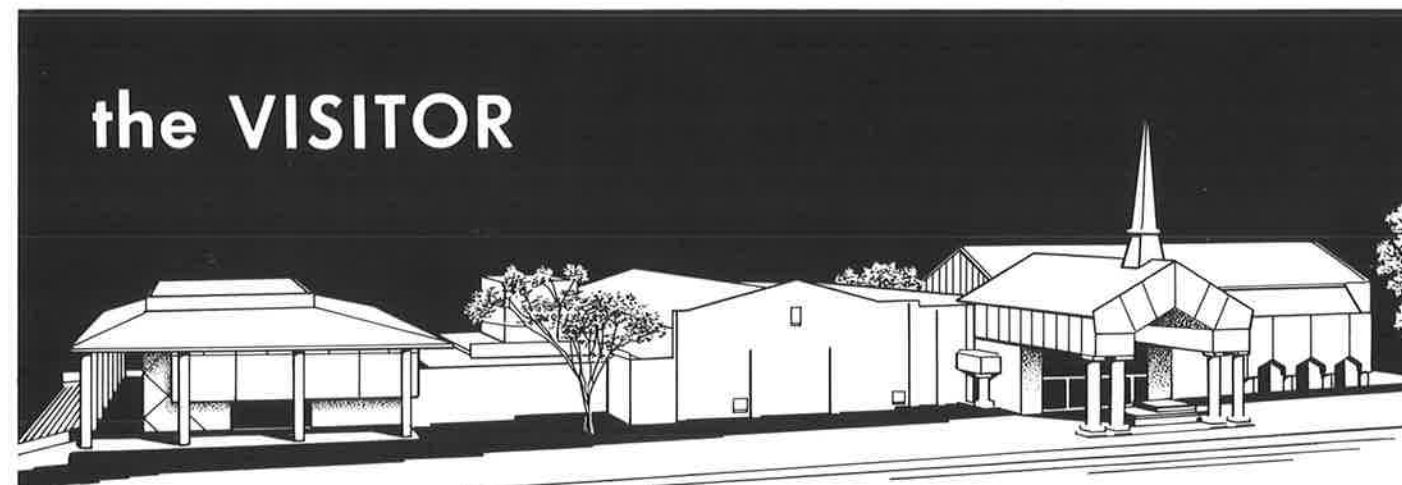
George & Ruth Hearne
 Robert & Kathy Hilliard
 Bob & May Helen May

Sermons for Sunday, August 23, 1992

by Dr. Jay Lockhart


A.M. The Wonder of His Word
 (Psalm 119:9-16)

P.M. The Wonder of His Word (2)
 (Psalm 119:97-104)



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Discovering

The Pearl Of Great Price

This Sunday marks the beginning of an exciting new study in our Sunday morning adult Bible classes. Our theme is Discovering the Pearl of Great Price. The material is the parables of Jesus. The textbook is the Bible. The teacher's guide is a new book by Eldred Echols with the same title as our theme. The application is for today. If you are not currently enrolled in one of our adult classes, Sunday is the time to begin attending. There are several classes from which to choose--some are arranged according to your age; some according to your marital status; some according to gender; and some are a mixture of all the above. Seek out a class in which you will feel comfortable and come this Sunday. We will be emphasizing the Bible School this week and we are looking for 500 at 9:00 A.M. Sunday. We can easily meet and surpass that goal with your help. Remember 499 + you reaches our goal. What can you do? Make your plans to be present and then use your phone this weekend to invite others. How about it? Can we count on you?

Summer Series Ends

We have had a fantastic summer series with speakers on Wednesday evenings from the East Texas area. Our sincere gratitude to Randy Daw, Mike Warner, Charles Hodge, Robert Oglesby, John Scott, Glen Dodds, Dan Manuel, Mike Armour, and Lynn Anderson for making the series so successful! As we return to a regular class schedule on Wednesday, August 26, choose your class from an excellent line-up and be a regular Wednesday night!

City-Wide Meeting - August 30

Sunday evening, August 30, is the date! Five and Six are the times! Wonderful will be the worship and fellowship! Great is the expectation! West Erwin's auditorium is the place! Many congregations in and around Tyler will be dismissing their services that night to be with us. Area preachers will lead the assembly in worship; area song leaders will lead singing beginning at 5 o'clock; and Charles Hodge will preach! I can't wait! You just must be here!

**Youth
Notes
by
Danny Snell**



THANKS!

We had a really great meeting this past Sunday night. All the churches in Tyler were invited to the city wide back to school prayer meeting and there were about 150 people here representing over 20 schools around the area. It was wonderful to see that even though we come from different schools, we are all united in Christ. Let's begin this year with a new unified spirit as brothers and sisters loving one another and sharing our Christianity with the world. Jesus said, "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:35)

Thanks to all who made that evening a success. Over 24 families provided food for the meal and a host of others helped. Thanks!

BIBLE CLASS PROMOTION

This Sunday is Bible class promotion and we will have a combined class of 6th - 12th grade together in the high school classroom. The Bible classes of the church are most significant to the spiritual growth of every individual. Every day we are learning about life, and for Christians it is life in the footsteps of Jesus. Let's make our Bible classes a priority this new school year and commit to learning more about our Lord. Be here this Sunday for class and church and we will learn together.

COMBINED DEVOTIONAL

All middle and high school are invited to the combined devotional this Sunday night. We have a new group of 6th graders who have come into the group and we want them to feel welcome and a part of the group. You need to bring \$2.00 for the pizza. It will be a great evening, so don't miss it!

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Aug. 23 Combined Devotional
Aug. 23 Bible School Drive

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Faber Cauthen's TEAM #4 will meet Aug. 23.

*****VISITATION DINNER***
MONDAY, AUGUST 31**

Welcome

Beatrice Holland came Sunday to make known her wish to come back home and place membership at the West Erwin church. We are very pleased to welcome her back home. She lives at 424 Top Hill Drive, 75703.



Thank You

The family of Ruby Bren acknowledges with deep appreciation your kind expression of sympathy. The beautiful flowers, the many contributions, the cards, kind words, the delicious food, your prayers, have made the loss of our mother, wife, sister, grandmother, great grandmother and aunt a little easier to bear. Her suffering was long but her peace will last forever. We weep because we hurt, we rejoice because she is at rest.



Our love,
John D. Bren
K. Max and Mary Haws
Melinda, Earl & children
Matt, Rhonda & children
Melody, Jim & children
Jonnie Steffee & family
Ruth Bell & family
Beatrice Holland & family

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thank you so much for the cards, flowers, food, calls and prayers during my hospital stay. We are going to miss all of you very much, but we won't be far away and plan to visit very often.

In Christian Love,
The Konczak Family

New Address: 1306 Oakwood, Kilgore, Texas 75662.

To the congregation of West Erwin Church of Christ,

I wish to extend this expression of love, thanks and gratitude to all the many friends, for your prayers, support and consolation during Phil's recovery. People who care always give...and mean so much; that's why they hold a special place and add a bright and glowing touch.

May God's continued blessings be upon you all.

Sincerely,
Pat Wilson
(Phil Marts' sister)



LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The Ladies Bible Class will resume at 10:00 Wednesday morning September 16. Nelda Browning will begin a study on "You Can Be Beautiful." Come and enjoy this time together and the study on the beauty of holiness.

Bridal Shower

You're invited to a Bridal Shower Brunch for

Katherine Dum
bride-elect of
John Powell



Saturday, August 29
10:30-12:00
at the home of
Ernestine Mallory
7208 Pinetree Place

Selections: Pier 1, Foley's & Service Merchandise

Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Tracy Starnes on graduating cum laude from University of North Texas with a Bachelor of Business in Strategic Management.



New Arrival

Congratulations to Dan and Marsha Richardson on the birth of a baby boy on August 13. His name is George Alan Edward Richardson and he is 20 inches long and weighed 8 lb. 4 oz.



DISCOVERY DAYS

Discovery Days is now accepting applications for the fall semester. Children ages 2-5 may enjoy a 2-day program designed especially for them. For more information call Barbara Oberg at 581-1806.

Area Events

This is your invitation to hear

Ben Foster, Evangelist
in a series of
GOSPEL MEETINGS

August 23-28, 1992
Weekday services at 7:45
Harris Chapel Church of Christ
Henderson, Texas

4th SUNDAY SINGING

Southwest Church of Christ
Hwy. 155 South-3 miles form Loop 323
Sunday, August 23 at 2:30 p.m.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Please note: Due to other activities this weekend, we will not have our Education Workday this Saturday, August 22. If you wish, contact me to set up another time convenient for you to work on your class room.

THIS SUNDAY IS BIBLE CLASS SUNDAY

Promotion Sunday for our children

New adult class study begins

500 in Bible Class

Summer vacation is over and school is back in. Let's begin a great fall of Bible study together this Sunday!

Parents, help your children find their new classes as you come at 9:00. Classes for 2's, 3's, and 4's are for those children who have turned that age by September 1. We have some very capable teachers preparing for an exciting fall. Have your children here this Sunday and every Sunday through the fall.

Sunday Morning Fall Quarter Classes

0-24 months	109	Jeanine Hughes Jo Butler
2 year olds	102	Velma Lemons
3 year olds	105	Angel Gregory
4 year olds	208	Amy Pickens
Kindergarten	202	Stacey Brookshire
1st grade	206	Linda Hone Jean Oliver
2nd-3rd Grades	204	Judy Clark Fran Starnes
4th-5th Grades	215	Janie Cauthen
6-8th Grades	301	
9-12th Grades	303	Danny Snell
Single Adults	305	
20's-30's Class	110A	Hillard Hughes
30's-40's Class	301	Dewey Howard
40's-50's Class	Chapel	Ray Vannoy
50's-60's Class	F.H.	David Frick
Mixed ages	110B	Forest McFadden
Mixed Ages	106	Stan Mallory
Ladies Class	Ready Room	Sue Starnes Bernice Majors
Auditorium	Old Aud.	Ira Wilson
New Aud.	New Aud.	Jay Lockhart

TEACHERS: Remember our meeting this Sunday night after the evening assembly. We share in a sandwich supper together and then get down to business. This is for all teachers, but especially for those who are teaching during the fall quarter.

****Koinonia #3 meets this Sunday****

Records	Sunday Aug.9	Sunday Aug.2	Year Ago
Bible Class	355	361	350
Worship A.M.	484	452	507
Worship P.M.	343	278	366
Wed. P.M.	214	272	285
Contribution	\$11,772.51	\$12,149.69	\$10,536.87
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

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PRAYER AND CARE

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Joyce Morrison is recuperating from surgery at home. Ralph Old, husband of Daisy Lee Old, had surgery at U.T. Health Center last Thursday.

Ethel Gibbs, Serena Griffin's grandmother, had by-pass surgery in Dallas.

Charles Dees, husband of Jean Dees, had eye surgery on July 27. He is at home.

Clinton Pirtle, brother of Cathy Culpepper, had throat surgery Thursday in Sherman.

H.M. Minnis is scheduled for eye surgery Monday, Aug. 18. Buddy Bell is at home and doing well after surgery last week.

Charlie Evans, Ellie Steele's brother, had surgery last Friday in Abilene.

Ima Huff, Jerry Huff's grandmother, was dismissed from the hospital on Tuesday.

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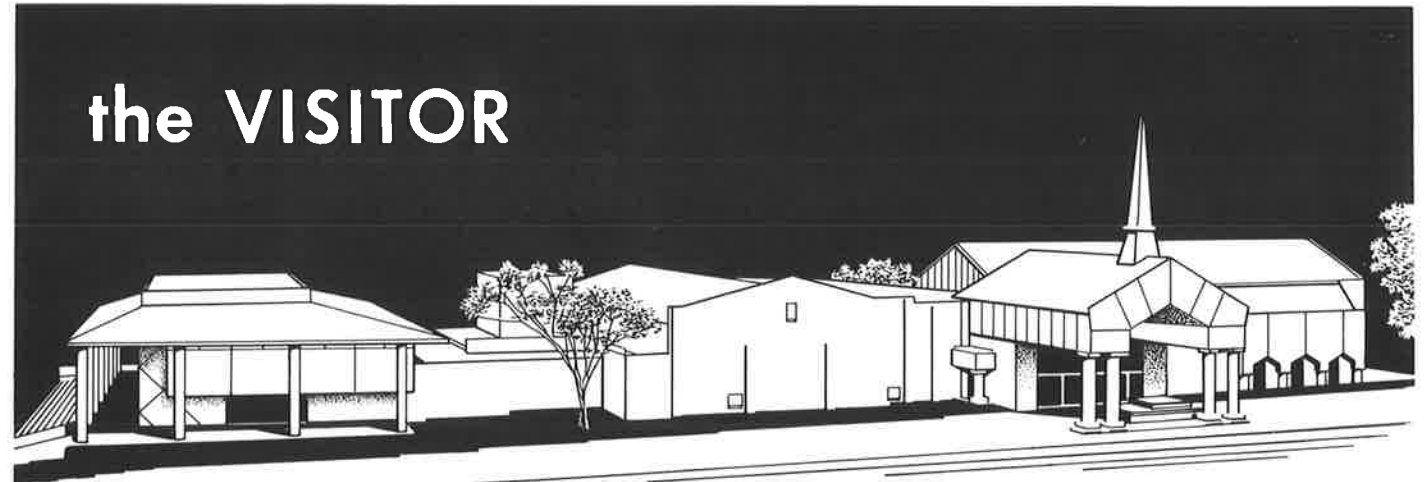
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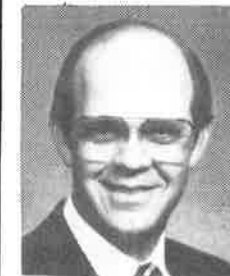
WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Thursday for Steve Yates; services were held Monday for Dr. Durwood Hendry; services for Jessie Bracey, grandmother of Julie Ables, were on Tuesday; services were held in Denver City Wednesday for Ruth Reid, Margie Hunt's sister; services are expected to be Friday for George Giddings, David Giddings' father. Our love and sympathy is extended to each of these families.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Upcoming Events

Over the next few weeks there will be three special events which need our prayerful support.

Bible School Emphasis

On August 23 we will kick off our Fall Bible classes with a new adult study and a goal of 500 in classes. The new material promises to be exciting and helpful as we study Discovering The Pearl of Great Price (The Parables of Jesus). This new material published by Sweet and written by Eldred Echols is excellent in every way--true to the Word, full of indepth insights, and with practical application. While this material was being prepared, Sweet advertised it as something special, and special it is. You just must be in Bible class during the fall quarter!

Hodge Visits

Last year during the nationwide One Nation Under God campaign, the congregations of this area rented Caldwell Auditorium and had a Sunday evening meeting together. Over 1300 attended and the singing, preaching, fellowship, and cooperation were so encouraging that we decided to have a

similar meeting periodically. With this in mind, a recent meeting of elders and preachers of Tyler and the surrounding area brought forth the suggestion that we have an area-wide meeting on August 30 and invite Charles Hodge to be our speaker. Further, it was decided to have the meeting in the West Erwin auditorium to accommodate the expected crowd. So we're counting down to August 30. What singing! What preaching! What fellowship! The schedule calls for singing led by various song leaders from the Tyler area beginning at 5:00 and the service to begin at 6:00. You won't want to miss this!

Mel Weldon Seminar

On September 13 our second seminar with Mel Weldon of San Leandro, California begins. You will remember the excellent messages presented by Mel last year. This follow up seminar will be equally as helpful, but with different material. This is an excellent time to bring friends and family into a non-threatening atmosphere, so we're going to designate Sunday, September 13 as Friends Day. Be planning and inviting. It'll be really good!

**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Allen & Sherry Bobbitt, Mark & Janie Cauthen and Matt & Rhonda Haws for hosting the middle school activity this past Sunday night. We had a great turnout at the Miniature Golf Park and had some great putts too!

Thanks to Ken Culpepper and Marc Tate for teaching this last Sunday and Wednesday.

The East Texas Summer Youth Series has come to a close this week. It has been one of the best ever with such an appropriate theme. "GO FOR THE GOLD" is an appropriate theme for life. God has a plan for our lives and we should run the race to our best ability and realize that our reward will be in heaven.

! Corinthians 9:24-25

BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER MEETING

On Sunday, Aug. 16, West Erwin will host the City-Wide Back to School Prayer Meeting. For the past several years, the Tyler churches have begun the new school year with a combined meeting of parents, teens and teachers united together to pray for the school year. Prayer will make an impact on our lives and we really need that for our schools. Plan to come this Sunday night and be a part of this important evening together.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Aug. 16 City Wide Prayer Meeting
Aug. 23 Combined Devotional
****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Womack's TEAM #3 will meet Aug. 17.

*****VISITATION DINNER***
MONDAY, AUGUST 31**



Thank You

My Christian Family,
Thank you for all the kindness and love you have shown me during my illness and surgery. I appreciate the visits, cards and food. Most of all the prayers and love.

In Christian Love,
Claudia Griffis

Just a note to say thanks to our West Erwin family for your prayers, visits, cards, flowers and the delicious food brought to us while I recuperate from surgery. Our West Erwin family is always there in a time of need.

We love you,
Foy & Mary Richey

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thanks so much for prayers, help in transportation, food, calls and cards during my eye surgery. I love you.

Aline Beard

Responses

Stephanie Maddox came Sunday to rededicate her life to the service of the Lord and to request the prayers of her church family as she is going through an especially difficult time in her life.



Sharon Ketchum
10582 Spur 164
Tyler, TX 75709-9670

Vivie Canter
Southview Nursing Center, 17-B
3505 Old Jacksonville Hwy.
Tyler, TX 75701

Spanish-speaking Congregation

The Spanish-speaking congregation in Tyler is planning to build a building for worship services just off Highway 69 north of town. They are badly in need of funds to help them in this endeavor. If you would like to help in this good work, make your check payable to the West Erwin church for the Spanish work and give it to one of the elders or to Henry McRuiz.

The Search



Each Sunday
KETK - Channel 56 - 8:00 A.M.
KLSB - Channel 19 - 7:30 A.M.
Dr. Jay Lockhart, Minister

Area Meetings

GOSPEL MEETING
South Main Church of Christ
Henderson, Texas
Speaker: Jim Mankin
August 9-12
Sun. 6:00 P.M.
Mon. - Wed. 7:30 P.M.

You're invited
to a lectureship by
John Clayton (former atheist)
August 21-22 7:00-9:00 P.M.
Crockett High School
Crockett, Texas
Sunday, August 23, 9:30 & 10:30
Grace Street Church of Christ
Crockett, Texas

CONGRATULATIONS!

Angel Gregory recently received her Master of Education degree at the University of Texas at Tyler.

Co-ed Softball

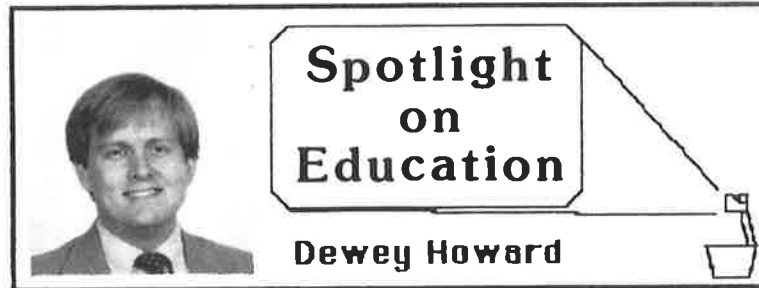
If you are interested in participating in a co-ed softball team for the coming Fall season, please contact Vicki Russell at 534-5287. The season begins on September 9 and will be on Thursday nights. Registration must be in by August 19.

BOLES HOME TRUCK DUE

The truck from Boles Home will be in our area the week of September 21. Their special needs at this time are: COOKING OIL, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, 30 GAL. TRASH BAGS, KLEENEX, DISHWASHING SOAP, CANNED CHICKEN and for school-MAGIC MARKERS, SPIRALS and MAP COLORS. Thank you for your help in meeting these needs.

SCHOOL DAYS

Because school-time is here and the Benevolent work is out of children's clothes, there is a great need at this time for all sizes in children's clothing.



OUR BEST CURRICULUM

There are many opinions regarding Bible School curriculum, and these usually center around preferences regarding printed lesson materials. However, while the printed curriculum materials are valuable and can be a valuable asset in teaching a class, the most important teaching resource in any classroom is the life and attitude of the teacher.

As I remember my Sunday School days, I really don't remember much about the literature that was used, but I do remember the teachers who made an impression on me. They were the ones who didn't just prepare a lesson and come in and deliver it to us, they radiated a special love for children. They had a smile and a joyful spirit that wasn't shattered by spilled crayons or wiggly students or questions like, "Who was God's wife?" They had a spontaneous warmth that made them want to get a class to be with their students again. They even planned extra events, like trips to the orphan's home or the nursing home, or visiting shut-ins, or having parties at their house. Some people thought they were gluttons for punishment, but we thought they were special people, and we have an enduring love and respect for them, and we owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to them.

There are no training films or articles on teaching that can build that Christlike spirit. That only comes from living with Christ, and letting Him live in you. Then you can say, like Paul, "Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me - put it into practice..."

You'll be our best curriculum.

- Lynda Dale
via Burlison, TX

GOAL FOR BIBLE CLASSES, AUGUST 23 - 500!

We will be taking "our best curriculum" very seriously this fall. Besides providing our teachers with good resources for their classes, we will be working in other ways to assist our teachers as they continue to grow in their ministry of God's word:

- ! Helpful articles via the teacher's file folders;
- ! Teacher's meeting on August 23;
- ! T.E.E.M. for early childhood teachers August 26 - October 21;
- ! T.E.E.M. for adult teachers October 28 - December 23;
- ! Teacher Appreciation Day October 11.

****Koinonia #2 meets this Sunday****

RECORDS	Sunday Aug.2	Sunday July 26	Year Ago
Bible Class	361	349	373
Worship A.M.	452	500	490
Worship P.M.	278	307	350
Wed. P.M.	272	255	236
Contribution	\$12,149.69	\$12,102.39	\$11,278.84
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, August 9, and Wed. P.M., Aug. 12, George Hearne, ph. 593-8731.

Prayer and Care

Brad Taylor is sporting a cast on his arm due to a skating accident.

Buddy Bell had surgery Wednesday at Mother Frances.

Ima Huff, Jerry Huff's grandmother, remains in Medical Center rehab, room 4418.

Ruth Reid, Margie Hunt's sister is critically ill in Denver City.

Margie Hunt's brother is doing well following by-pass surgery in Abilene.

Phil Marts is continuing therapy as an outpatient in Dallas.

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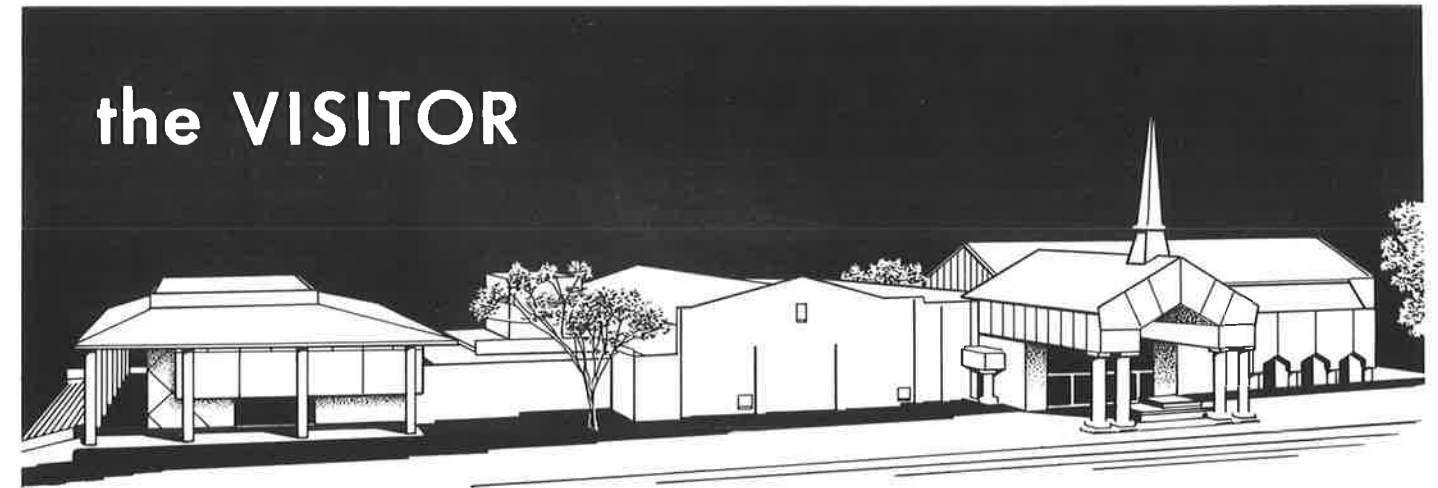
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 Bill & Ruth Meazell
 Robert & Pat Stokes


Sermons for Sunday, August 9, 1992

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
 A.M. Together We Are Invincible
 (Psalm 133:1-2)
 P.M. We Must Choose...Now
 (Joshua 24:15)



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler


By Jay Lockhart

Jeff and Brenda Holland

A few weeks ago Jeff and Brenda Holland visited with us on a Sunday evening and I told the church of their plans to go to Africa in January, 1994. We are impressed with the dedication of Jeff and Brenda, but we also like their approach. First, they are going as a part of a team -- four other couples will be going with them bringing strength, encouragement, and stability to the work. Second, the team is spending two years (1992-93) in training and preparation for the mission field. Training includes Harding Graduate School and work with Quince Road church in Memphis (first half of 1992), Graduate training in Missions at ACU (June, 1992), Camp Deer Run Missions Camp (July, 1992), Evangelistic Internship in St. Louis (August, 1992-93), a survey trip to target areas in Africa to choose the exact country and tribe for the work (1993), time with their overseeing congregation (1993), and in January of 1994 the departure for Africa. Quite a busy two years, but the Holland's dedication to

preparation is most impressive. Third, the team is experienced in mission work having worked in Africa, France, Australia, Sweden, the Northwest United States, and the entire team has spent a summer in the Kenya Missionary Internship program. Fourth, the team has decided to work in French West Africa where little work has been done to date. Fifth, Jeff and Brenda believe God has led them to each other and to the mission fields of West Africa. Sixth, the Hollands are committing ten years of their lives to this work -- allowing enough time to establish indigenous churches in the rural African environment and to train national church leaders. With such faith, training, and dedication, the Lord will surely bless this team effort with great success. Jeff and Brenda will be with us for a few days next week and Jeff will be speaking at West Erwin on Wednesday, August 12. Their greatest need right now is a sponsoring church. Hear Jeff on the 12th!

Youth Notes
by
Danny Snell



THANKS

Thanks to Tommy and Donna Lowrance for hosting the high school devo last week.
Thanks to Earl O'Quinn for driving the bus to the Summer Youth Series in Kilgore last week.
Thanks to Melvin Maples for driving this week to the SYS in Athens.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITY

All middle school students are invited to the activity this Sunday night. We will be going to the Tyler Family Fun Park. Bring \$5.00 to cover the cost of pizza and Putt-Putt. Plan to come and enjoy the evening.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

The last Summer Youth Series meeting of the year will be August 11 at the Shiloh church in Tyler. The topic is **VICTORY**. We will leave the church parking lot at 7:00 and return at 9:45. Remember to bring your donation for the Service Project for Christian Services of East Texas.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

August 9 Middle School Activity
August 11 SYS/Shiloh Rd.
August 16 City-wide Prayer Meeting
PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.


West Erwin Visitation Ministry

Guy Potts' TEAM #2 will meet Aug. 10.

For the LORD does not see as man sees;

For man looks at the outward appearance,

BUT the LORD looks at the heart.



1 Samuel 16: 7

Thank You

To our brothers and sisters in Christ at West Erwin,
Thank you so much for everything. We truly appreciate all that was done for us. The reception, all the wonderful gifts, everything was just so nice. Thanks to everyone at West Erwin who helped. We have a dear, loving Christian family here and will miss you all. Please keep Melinda and myself in your prayers. We love you all and again ... thank you.

Yours in Christ,
Doug & Melinda McKee
14046 Peyton Dr. #123
Dallas, Texas 75240

Philippians 1:9-11/John 4:35



Congratulations to Jeff and Rachael Blackstone on the birth of a baby girl, Maigen Leigh, Sunday, August 2. She is 19 3/4 inches long and weighed 7 lb. 5 oz. Dale and Carolyn Blackstone are the proud grandparents.

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart will have their monthly covered dish supper on Thursday, August 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All who are 55 or over (you do not have to be retired) are invited to be a part of this group. Make your plans to come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship.

WITH SYMPATHY

Our hearts were saddened to learn of the death of Ruby Brem early Monday afternoon. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Lloyd James Funeral Home.. We extend our love and sincere sympathy to John D., Mary and Max, Melinda and Earl, Melody and Jim, Matt and Rhonda and all the family.
Ed Hunt's father died this week in California. The funeral will be in Jennings, Oklahoma Thursday.

SOMEONE SPECIAL

Marian Rowe has been selected by Parents Anonymous of Tyler, Inc., to receive the "SOMEONE SPECIAL VOLUNTEER AWARD" for 1992. Marian donates many hours to provide services needed by children and parents. Congratulations, Marian, we are proud of the many good works that you do.

Responses



We are very pleased to welcome Nell Doty into our family at West Erwin. She has been attending here for some time now and comes to us from the Westgate church in Abilene. Her address is 13768 Teton, Tyler 75709, ph. 561-5516.

Milburn Cook, Rick Higginbotham, and Jimmie Philpot came Sunday to request the prayers of their church family that they might live as Jesus would have them live and be the kind of example they want to be.



Pauline Daughtry
3105 Terilinga Drive
Tyler, Texas 75701
ph. 593-6079


Area Meetings

You're invited to a
GOSPEL MEETING
August 9th - 12th
Oakdale Church of Christ
with
Dean Brookshire
Sun. 11 AM & 6 PM
Mon. - Wed. 7 PM

Wedding Invitation

*Melissa Brookshire
and
Mark Frick
together with their parents
Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Brookshire
and
Mr. and Mrs. David Frick
invite you to share in the celebration
when they exchange marriage vows
on Friday, August seventh
Nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at seven-thirty in the evening
West Erwin Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas
Reception immediately following*

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

BIBLE CLASS SUNDAY, AUGUST 23
Special emphasis on group Bible study
Promotion Sunday for our children
New adult class study begins
500 in Bible class

Let's have everyone here for Bible study at 9:00 that day! Discover the great rewards that are to be had by being an active part of one of our class groups.

Watch for these important dates coming up!

Education Workday	Aug. 22
Bible Class Sunday	Aug. 23
Teachers Meeting	Aug. 23
New Wed. classes begin	Aug. 26
City-wide Worship	Aug. 30
Friend's Day	Sept. 13
Mel Weldon Seminar	Sept. 13-16
Teacher Appreciation	Oct. 11
Senior Saints Sunday	Nov. 15

TEACHERS - Get Ready for the Fall!

- * Send a note to your learners describing their new class.
- * Phone each of your learners to invite them to the first session.
- * Invite your new class to a "get-acquainted" party.
- * Use ice-breaking activities to start the first few sessions.
- * Come up to the building Saturday, August 22 to prepare your room.
- * Decorate your classroom so it will be attractive and helpful to your learners.
- * Eliminate unnecessary furniture or clutter from your room.
- * Be creative with room arrangement, making it versatile for large and small group activities.
- * Get your teacher's guide early and read through the first unit of lessons.
- * Select appropriate learning activities to meet your objectives.
- * "Pray without ceasing" that God will use you in powerful and loving ways.

-- Adapted --

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Worship A.M.	500	530	549
Worship P.M.	307	345	326
Wed. P.M.	255	237	249
Contribution	\$13,295.44	\$12,102.39	\$10,249.53
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, August 2, and Wed.P.M. August 5, John Cliver, ph. 593-5075.

PRAYER AND CARE

Billie Morgan had surgery Monday at Medical Center. She is at home and doing well.

C.B. Hardin is recovering from surgery in Medical Center. Greg Reynolds, brother-in-law of Stacey Lockhart, a policeman in Jackson, TN was shot in the leg. He is doing well.

Jerry Konczak is now at home.

Ima Huff, Jerry Huff's grandmother, is in Medical Center rehab, room 4418.

Mary Richey is recuperating from surgery at home.

Leona McElroy is now in Park Place, room 219.

Phil Marts is continuing therapy as an outpatient in Dallas.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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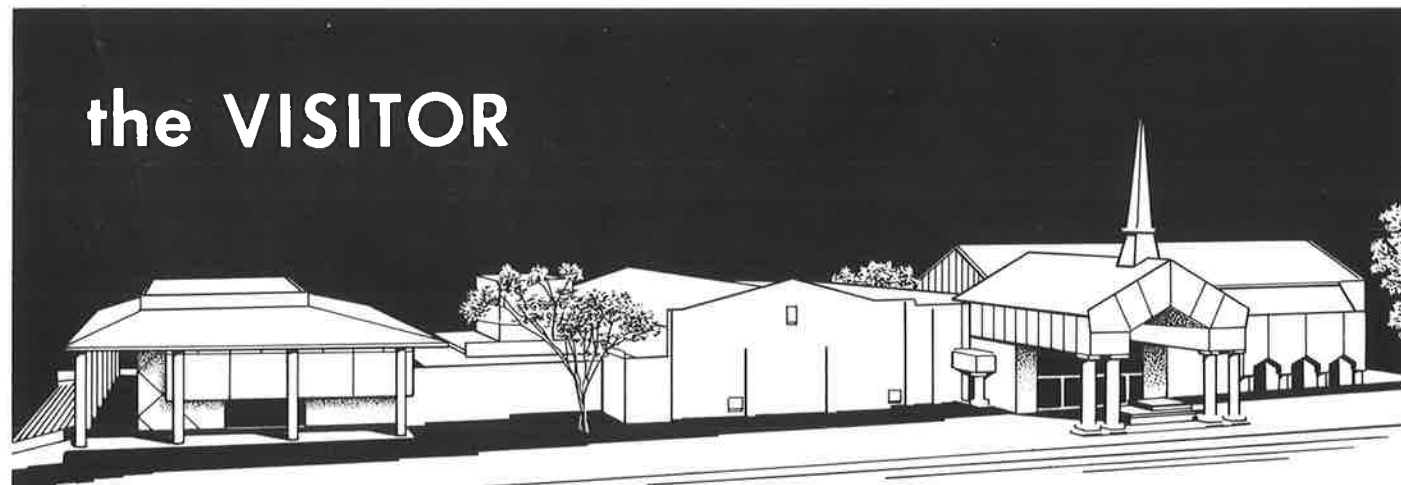
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WITH SYMPATHY

We express our sincere sympathy to Ruby Cliver and all the family in the death of her aunt, Geneva Reeves. The funeral was held Wednesday in Timpson, Texas.

FAITH - Makes all things possible.
HOPE - Makes all things bright.
LOVE - Makes all things easy.



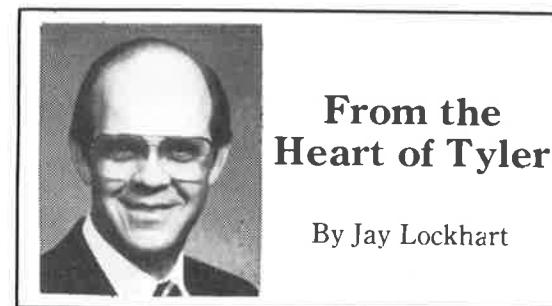
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"Therefore do not worry about tomorrow"
- Matthew 6:34

Just For Today

When Jesus said, "Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things," he was not telling us that we should never make plans, but that we should not become so burdened by the possible troubles of tomorrow that we cannot live well today. After all, today is all we have -- yesterday is past, tomorrow is future, and today is ours. So, live well today. What would happen if we made the decision to live well right now? With this in mind let me suggest some things that we can do today which will transform our lives and the lives of others. Let us resolve that just for today we will:

- Remember who you are. You are imperfect but in Christ you are becoming more like our Master, being "transformed into (his) image" (2 Corinthians 3:18). We are the beloved children of God ever taking upon ourselves the family likeness.
- Remember what you can do. Jesus said, "Without me you can do nothing" (John 15:5). Paul exclaimed, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13). Without him, nothing; through him, everything!

- Remember that failure is not fatal. You will fail, but God will forgive (Hebrews 8:12). Failure should not be fatal in the lives of those who disappoint us either -- have a forgiving, compassionate, merciful spirit toward others (Matthew 6:14-15).
- Remember to encourage others. We are to be building up, not tearing down (Romans 14:13). Those who fish for crabs tell us that a crab trap (a rectangular box) has no top on it. However, the crabs never get out because when one crab begins to crawl up the side of the trap, the others reach up and pull him back down. Hmm... Be a Barabas today: "the son of encouragement" (Acts 4:36).
- Remember to look for the good in others. The law of sowing and reaping says what you do to others will come back to you (Galatians 6:7-8).
- Remember to be positive. Be positive about yourself. Remember, "I can" Be positive about others. John Wooden, the legendary basketball coach said of his players, "I catch them doing something right." It's just as easy to be positive as negative, and if you're positive, you'll be a lot happier today.

The sign in the nursery lot said, "The best time to plant a tree was 15 years ago. The second best time is today." Just for today...

**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Cathy Culpepper for helping sponsor the trip to Soul Lift 1992. We had a great experience with over 6,000 young people at the Fair Park Coliseum in Dallas. An even larger group was present at Six Flags on Monday. It was wonderful to be a part of so many joining in a "Celebration of Praise." Thanks to all who went and made it a great trip.

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY

All high school students and friends are invited to the activity this coming Sunday night in the Fellowship Hall.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

Make plans to go to the Summer Youth Series next week in Athens on August 4. The topic is ATTITUDE. We will leave the church lot at 6:30 and return at 10:30. Bring a couple of bucks for we will stop on the way home. Remember the Service Project for Christian Services Of East Texas.

BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER MEETING

On Sunday, Aug. 16, West Erwin will host the City-Wide Back to School Prayer Meeting. For the past several years, the Tyler churches have begun the new school year with a combined meeting of parents, teens and teachers united together to pray for the school year. Prayer will make an impact on our lives and we really need that for our schools. Plan to be a part of this important evening together.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Aug. 2 High School Activity
Aug. 2-7 4-6 grade Learning To Lead
Aug. 9 Middle School Activity
Aug. 16 City Wide Prayer Meeting
****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
McRuiz's TEAM #1 will meet Aug. 3.



Thank You

Thank you for the love shown to me through the calls, cards, visits and prayers which helped me to recover from my surgery.

Barbara Valentine

Dear West Erwin Family,

The prayers, visits and cards sent during my recent stay in the hospital will always be cherished and remembered. Thank you so very much for your concern and Christian love that was so richly shown.

In Christian love,
Robert E. Hilliard & Family

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thanks so much for the wedding shower. We were over-whelmed by the love shown to us. You truly are our family. We love you and will miss you dearly. Thanks again for everything. You are wonderful people.

In Christian Love,
Melinda & Doug McKee



Zorado Sherman
Glenview Nursing Home #9-B
526 West Erwin
Tyler, Texas 75702

Randall & Denise Wilson
10733 FM Rd. 2767
Tyler, Texas 75708

Criticism

Be not concerned, nor be surprised.
If what you do is criticized:
There'll always be some folks who can
Find some fault with every plan.
Mistakes are made, we can't deny.
But only by the folks who try.

Children's Church Takes A Break

The Children's church that meets on Sunday mornings for our 2's through Kindergarten will take a break through the month of August in order to give the workers a chance to rest and plan for the Fall. The children will join us in our morning worship assemblies for the remainder of the summer. Kelly Ross, Rick Higginbotham, and others do an outstanding job with this program. Give them your full support. A class will be available for 2's and young 3's in room 102.

Wedding Invitations

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Blackstone
Mr. Pat Murphy
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perry
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their children
Cheryl Anne

to
Bobby Lee
on Saturday, the first of August
nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at two o'clock in the afternoon
West Erwin Church of Christ

420 West Erwin
Tyler, Texas
Reception following

Shelley Cherice Miles
and
Thomas Keith Patterson
together with their parents

invite you to share in their joy
when they exchange marriage vows
on Saturday, the first of August
nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Glenwood Church of Christ

Tyler, Texas
Reception following



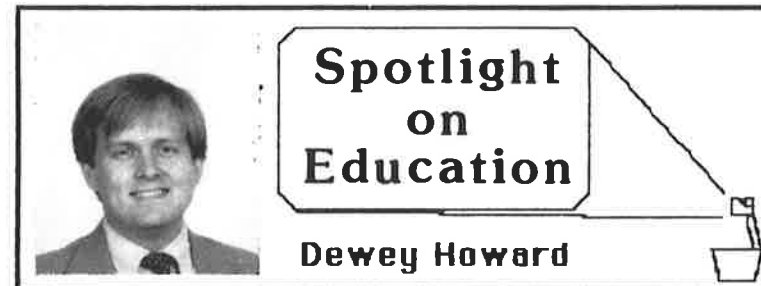
Melissa Brookshire
and
Mark Frick

together with their parents
Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Brookshire
and

Mr. and Mrs. David Frick
invite you to share in the celebration
when they exchange marriage vows
on Friday, August seventh
Nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at seven-thirty in the evening
West Erwin Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas
Reception immediately following

Watch
The Search
KETK-56 8:00 a.m.

AREA MEETING
You're invited
to a Gospel Meeting
Shady Grove Church of Christ
8 miles north of Hawkins
August 2 - 5, 7:30 p.m.
Dan Manuel, Speaker



**GOAL OF THE WEST ERWIN
EDUCATION MINISTRY**

The Education Ministry of the West Erwin church assists persons in conforming to the image of Christ by developing closer and more meaningful relationships -- with God, with self, and with others.

How we go about achieving this goal:

- * By providing Bible classes and other learning opportunities that will guide learners appropriate to their development and stages in life.
- * By providing and training teachers who will lead Bible classes effectively.
- * By challenging learners to grow in their knowledge of God's word and His will for their lives.
- * By reaching out into our community to lead the lost into a saved relationship with our Lord.
- * By providing opportunities for inter-generational gatherings and interaction.
- * By supporting the individual family units within our church family.
- * By planning opportunities for persons to encourage and help one another.
- * By providing special occasions to address specific needs and concerns of life -- e.g., workshops, seminars, retreats, etc.
- * By providing the best possible teaching resources and learning environments which are conducive to meeting our goals.

Let me encourage you to pray for and participate in the education ministry at West Erwin. So much good is happening. So much more is yet to be done. Thank our teachers. Appreciate our learners. We ARE growing together at West Erwin.

SPECIAL DAY COMING ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 23
Emphasis on Bible study through classes
Promotion Sunday for our children
New adult class study begins
500 in Bible Class

***** Koinonia #6 meets this Sunday *****

July 23, 1992	THE VISITOR		Vol.22-No.29
Records	Sunday July 19	Sunday July 12	Year Ago
Bible Class	367	396	353
Worship A.M.	530	515	535
Worship P.M.	345	310	306
Wed. P.M.	237	290	247
Contribution	\$12,102.39	\$12,960.00	\$ 9,170.20
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		
MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, July 26, and Wed. P.M., July 29, Ray Womack, ph. 561-5227.			

PRAYER AND CARE

Jerry Konczak is in Mother Frances Hospital, room 495.
 Mary Richey had surgery Tuesday at Mother Frances Hospital. She is in room 260.
 Robert Hilliard was dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital on Tuesday.
 Virginia Hillin, mother of Frances McBee, continues to improve following hip replacement surgery in Wichita Falls.
 Bill Jordan, uncle of Curt, has been dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital.
 Claudia Griffis is now at home.
 Leona McElroy will be recuperating at Clairmont.
 Phil Marts is continuing therapy as an outpatient at Baylor Hospital in Dallas.
 Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

Call this number for announcements, update on sick, assembly times and devotional thoughts.

MINISTERS		ASSEMBLIES	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	Bible School9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class10:00 A.M.
Harold Taylor - Missions - Ray Maxwell		Morning Worship10:00 A.M.	(Sept. through May)
		Evening Worship6:00 P.M.	Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.
ELDERS		THURSDAY	
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Brief Devotional - Chapel7:00 A.M.	
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Christian Service Center9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
	11:30 A.M.	(903) 592-0809

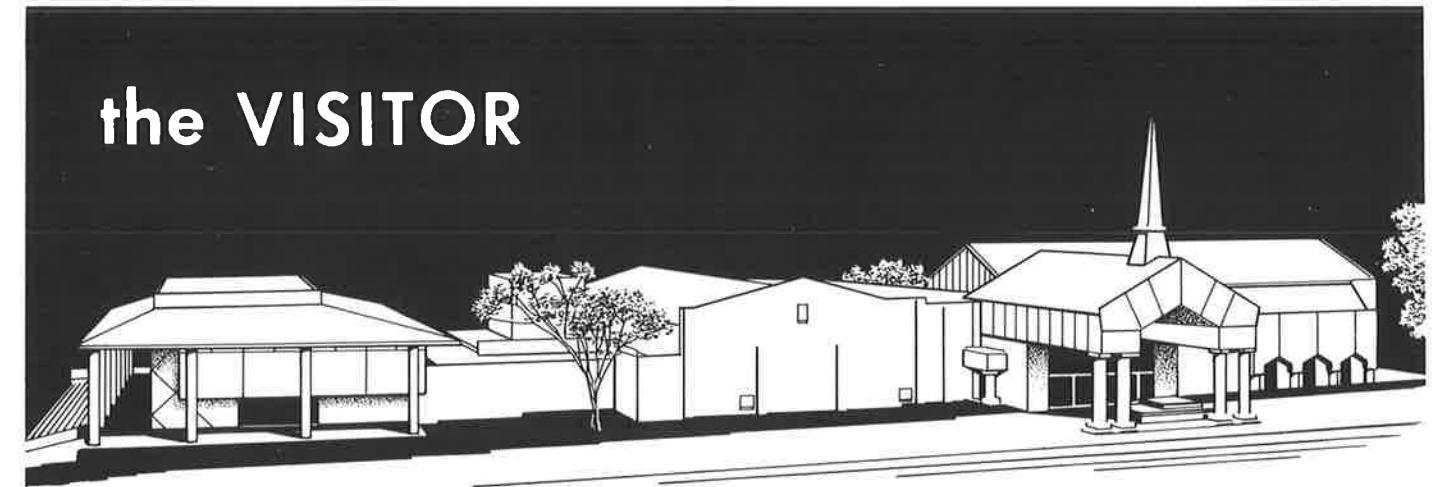
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SERVING SUNDAY

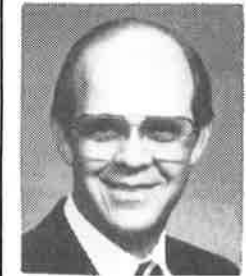
Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Don Durham
 Scripture David Newton
 Dismiss Jeff Tarpley
 6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Robert Hilliard
 Scripture Joey Garrard
 Dismiss Jeff Fennell
 PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
 Bill Bruce
 SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
 Mark Gregory Kurt Gesse
 Billie Ingram Rex Johnson
 Jerry Huff Matt Haws
 Gary Cain Elmer Miles
 GREETERS
 Tommy & Jerry Konczak
 Henry & Becky McRuiz
 Elmer & Nila Miles

Something to think about...

The happiest people are those who discover that what they should be doing and what they are doing are the same things.
 Happiness is like your shadow. Run after it and you will never catch it, but keep your face to the sun and it will follow you.



WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST 420 WEST ERWIN TYLER, TEXAS 75702-7133 592-0809
The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler
 By Jay Lockhart

Speaker for next Wednesday
Dan Manuel
Crockett Road, Palestine

West Point, Nebraska

Nebraska would be considered a part of "America's Breadbasket" -- and rightly so. The country around West Point is rolling farm country with enough wooded areas that deer are abundant. The land is divided into "sections" (one mile squares), so the fields are separated by roads which are a mile apart. Scattered here and there along those roads are clusters of farm houses, barns, and out buildings. It seems quite normal for a single farmer to have a thousand acres under cultivation. Additionally, there are many dairy farms and that part of Nebraska is a cattle feeding center with literally thousands of cattle being prepared on a regular basis for slaughter. West Point, with a population of about 3500, is the county seat and a bustling little town with farm supporting businesses and a busy cattle and hog auction. It is a western town with hats, boots, and jeans. It is in this town that the Ray Maxwells work and I am impressed with how well Ray is known in the town and how he fits in as a real native "cornhusker." The church has a very adequate building (which our young people painted while there for the VBS) with seating for about one hundred and enough classrooms and fellowship area to meet its needs for some time. I was pleased to be with this church for a brief workshop on leadership this past week and the material presented enjoyed a good reception by all who were in attendance. There are some truly fine people in the church and there are some young men who are developing into good leaders. Ray and Linda are doing a wonderful job in West Point and we can be grateful we are a part of it.

**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

The 1992 Nebraska Mission is now a part of history. And what a grand part of history it became! This was one of the best Mission Trips West Erwin has ever been involved in. A very special "Thanks" to those who went as sponsors: Frances Broome, Jimmie Philpot and Lisa Snell. Without them, we would have never made it. Our Young People did a fantastic job in teaching the best VBS that West Point, Nebraska has ever had. On our biggest day, there were 98 kids present! Our teens also worked very hard on painting their building. Needless to say, it was a very successful trip. Thanks to all of those behind the scenes who helped in the preparation and carrying out of the trip. Please continue to pray for the church in West Point and for the Maxwells as they strive to "Let their lights shine".

THANKS!

Thanks to Ken & Cathy Culpepper for hosting the middle school devo last week.

Thanks to Dale & Carolyn Blackstone, Sherry Landsdown, Delbert & Sandra Nelson and James & Connie Sublette for hosting the "Family Devotional" this past Sunday. It was a very special evening with lots of fun finding out about our families.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

Make plans to go to the Summer Youth Series next week in Kilgore on July 28. The topic is TEAMWORK. We will leave the church lot at 6:45 and return at 10:15. Bring a couple of bucks for we will stop on the way home. Remember the Service Project for Christian Services Of East Texas.

SOUL LIFT

This Sunday and Monday we will be going to Six Flags for the Soul Lift Youth Rally. We will leave at 2:00 Sunday and return late Monday night. Bring enough money for meals on Sunday night and Monday. Dress for Six Flags is modest shorts and full shirts. Wear nice clothes for the Youth Rally Sunday.

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July 28 SYS - Kilgore
Aug. 2 High School Activity
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Aug. 9 Middle School Activity
Aug. 16 City Wide Prayer Meeting
****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Faber Cauthen's TEAM #4 will meet July 26.



Thank You

Dear West Erwin family,

It would be impossible to name each person to express my gratitude and love and concern during my long illness. The prayers, visits, cards, food and all the sweet ladies who sat up with me. The love shown to my family will always be remembered with love. West Erwin is a very special place to us and we love you all. Please continue to pray for my recovery.

In Christian love,
Ann McCoy & family

Thanks for all the visits from my church friends and the lovely flower you sent on my birthday. It is so nice to be remembered.

God bless you,
Jo Northcutt

New Members

We are glad to have a picture this week of Mrs. Dan (Marsha) Richardson and little daughter Samantha so that all may know who they are. Their address is 722 Burro Drive, 75707, ph. 566-6574.



Prayer Request

Keith and Tina Harris have requested the prayers of their church family as they strive to raise their children to be faithful Christians that they may be the kind of example they need and that they will continue to grow closer as a family.

AREA MEETING

You're invited to attend
a Gospel Meeting at
The Sadler Street church of Christ
Troup, Texas
July 31 through August 2
Friday & Saturday - 7 p.m.
Sunday - 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
with
Nils Donnell
of Falfurrias, Texas

CONGRATULATIONS!

Marian Rowe, Ph.D., RN, was sworn in Monday as a member of the Texas Council on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders during a brief ceremony conducted by Smith County Judge Larry Craig. She was appointed to the statewide post by Governor Ann Richards and became the first East Texan to be seated on the 17-member board which makes policy recommendations to the legislature. We're proud of the work that Marian does as she lives her life for Christ.

Wedding Invitations

In the spirit of Christian joy
the honour of your presence is requested
at the marriage of
Miss Melinda Ann Bunt
to

Mr. Douglas Ray McKee
on Thursday, the thirtieth of July
Nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at seven-thirty in the evening
West Erwin Church of Christ
420 West Erwin Street
Tyler, Texas

"And the two shall become one"

Ephesians 5:31

Reception following in Fellowship Hall

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Blackstone
Mr. Pat Murphy

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perry

request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their children

Cheryl Anne

to

Bobby Lee

on Saturday, the first of August
nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at two o'clock in the afternoon
West Erwin Church of Christ

420 West Erwin

Tyler, Texas

Reception following

Shelley Cherice Miles
and

Thomas Keith Patterson

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invite you to share in their joy
when they exchange marriage vows
on Saturday, the first of August
nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at four o'clock in the afternoon

Glenwood Church of Christ

Tyler, Texas

Reception following

Bridal Shower

You're invited
to a bridal shower for
Melinda Bunt
Bride-elect of Doug McKee
Sunday, July 26, 1992
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Fellowship Hall



Selections: Service Merchandise
Ladies, please consider this invitation as
yours personally.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Guest editorial...

TEACHER PROOFING

Everybody knows that teaching is variable and unpredictable. In an effort to bring some consistency to the classroom many publishers of curriculum materials have responded by trying to make their materials "teacher proof." They attempt to make their instructions and resources so systematic and detailed that anyone can teach the class.

While this might avoid disasters in the classroom, it leaves a lot to be desired. As far as I'm concerned, the teacher is much more important than the curriculum. Thinking back to my college days, I remember trying to get into every class that Dr. Frank Pack taught. I didn't care what the course was called. I knew that I would be in for a learning experience because he was an excellent teacher. James A. Garfield said, "My definition of a University is Mark Hopkins at one end of a log and a student on the other." That was the way I felt about Dr. Pack.

A few years ago one of the most respected and best-known preachers of this generation was handed a quarterly and told to teach from it so there could be continuity in the curriculum. He was not opposed to the topic he was assigned, but he felt ham-strung by the quarterly. No wonder. He probably knew four times more about the topic than the one who wrote the material. To take one of our most gifted teachers and make him mediocre rather than creative and stimulating is tantamount to sin in my books.

Teachers, not printed curriculum materials, are the backbone of any good Bible class program. We need to cultivate and commend the teachers who choose to help in the teaching ministry of the church. I'm in favor of good teaching aids, but I'm even more in favor of good teachers. Such teachers ought to be looked upon as treasures. Let's encourage them by our presence and by our words.

John Gipson
Little Rock, Arkansas

Records	Sunday July 12	Sunday July 5	Year Ago
Bible Class	396	365	407
Worship A.M.	515	500	580
Worship P.M.	310	340	283
Wed. P.M.	290	435	246
Contribution	\$12,960.10	\$13,487.45	\$11,444.82
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, July 19, and Wed. P.M., July 22, Mark Waggoner, ph. 597-2111.

Prayer and Care

Virginia Hillin, mother of Frances McBee, had hip replacement surgery Monday in Wichita Falls.

Barbara Valentine was hospitalized briefly again this week but expects to go home Wednesday.

Bill Jordan, father of Curt, is in Mother Frances, room 447, following by-pass surgery.

Bob Fogarty, father of Cathy Holmes, is recuperating at home after by-pass surgery.

Claudia Griffis had surgery Tuesday at Mother Frances Hospital. She is in room 236.

Foy Hodnett is in Mother Frances, room 404.

Leona McElroy is in room 597 in Mother Frances following knee surgery Tuesday.

Addie Mae Holcomb, aunt of Nita Miller, suffered a stroke in Palestine.

Phil Marts is continuing therapy as an outpatient at Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

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Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	
Harold Taylor - Missions - Ray Maxwell		
ELDERS		
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Leon Welborn
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	Ray Vannoy
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Joe McBee

ASSEMBLIES	
SUNDAY	
Bible School	9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship	10:00 A.M.
Evening Worship	6:00 P.M.
THURSDAY	
Brief Devotional - Chapel	7:00 A.M.
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	
Christian Service Center	9:00 A.M. 11:30 A.M.
WEDNESDAY	
Ladies Bible Class	10:00 A.M. (Sept. through May)
Bible Class	7:00 P.M.
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SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements	Hillard Hughes
Prayer	Dannie Skipper
Scripture	Gary Broome
Dismiss	Archie Kennard
6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY	
Announcements	Hillard Hughes
Prayer	Jeff Parrish
Scripture	Charles Hickman
Dismiss	John Pike

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Henry McRuiz

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Mark Gregory	Kurt Gesse
Billie Ingram	Rex Johnson
Jerry Huff	Matt Haws
Gary Cain	Elmer Miles

GREETERS

Tommy & Jerry Konczak
Henry & Becky McRuiz
Elmer & Nila Miles

With Sympathy

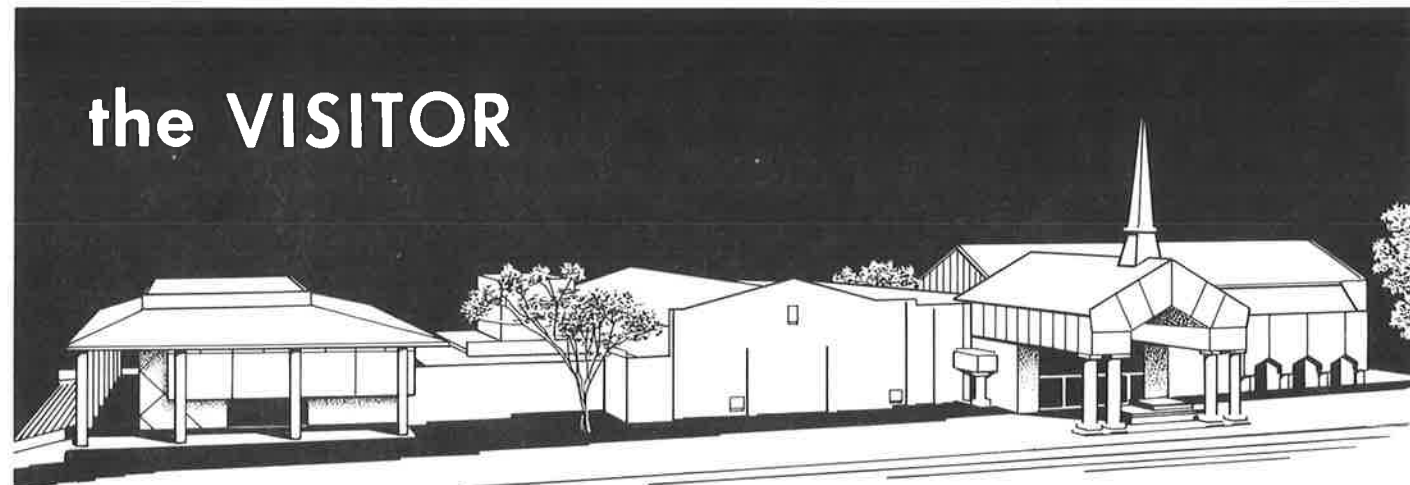
We extend our love and sympathy to Mary Gaiser in the loss of her nephew, Jack George, last week in Burnet, Texas.

Sermons for Sunday, July 19, 1992

By Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. The Relection In The Mirror #1
James 1:19-27

P.M. The Reflection In The Mirror #2
John 15:5; Philippians 4:13




WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler
By Jay Lockhart

**Family Emphasis This Sunday
Be There!**

The Sermon On The Mount

For several weeks we have been studying from the greatest sermon ever preached -- Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. In this sermon Jesus lays the foundation for all that He would teach. Following the Beatitudes, those beautiful statements of blessing with which Jesus introduces the sermon and gives us the characteristics of those who would be a part of His Kingdom, and the announcement that His disciples are to penetrate a lost world as salt to save it and to penetrate a dark world as light to dispel the darkness, the Lord set the stage for the rest of the sermon with this statement: "Unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:20). The righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees was outward, for show, to be seen of men while children of the kingdom were to have a righteousness that came from the hearts which were humbly and obediently seeking to please God. So Jesus, emphasizing the

righteousness of His disciples said, "Do not be angry, do not lust, be people of your word, do not seek revenge, do more than is expected in doing good, actively love your enemies, do not do good to be seen of men, forgive so you may be forgiven, lay up treasure in heaven, stop worrying, seek God's kingdom first, stop judging motives of others, correct yourself before you try to correct others, keep up persistency in prayer, keep doing to others what you want others to do to you, enter the strait gate and walk in the narrow way, look out for false teachers, do the will of the Father, and both hear and do what I say." Simple, profound, shocking, and disturbing -- these sayings of Jesus. He is saying to us, "If you are serious about kingdom living, then this is the way you are to live." The question, yes, the big question is: are we serious about kingdom living? Read the sermon again. Is this what we are trying to be?

Next Wednesday Evening - Hear Glen Dodds!

I Don't Like Basketball...

I don't like basketball! Never have, never will! Unfortunately, my nine-year-old son loves basketball. And guess what? I love to watch him play. Often he doesn't even know I'm watching. When he goes for a lay-up...well, let me just say, Michael Jordan never looked better. I love for him to love basketball.

I don't like piano recitals! Never have, never will! Unfortunately, my eleven-year-old daughter loves piano recitals. And guess what? I love to watch her play. When she plays...well, just let me say, Beethoven never sounded any better. I love for her to love piano recitals.

I don't like the song "I'll Fly Away!" Never have, never will! But guess what? I love brothers and sisters who really like that song. So when we occasionally sing it, I rejoice in the Lord that they're experiencing something which is special to them in worship.

What kind of father would I be if I forced my son to quit playing basketball simply on the grounds that I don't like basketball? What kind of father would I be if I forced my daughter to quit playing the piano simply on the grounds that I don't like going to recitals? What kind of brother would I be if I insisted that we never sing "I'll Fly Away" again because I don't like it?

When it comes to our congregational worship services, what kind of brother or sister are you?

- Terry Bell

(borrowed from Christian Relections, San Angelo, Texas)

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

July 19 Family Night
 July 22 SYS - Glenwood
 July 26-27 Soul Lift
 Aug. 2-7 4-6 grade Learning To Lead
 ***PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
 Pott's TEAM #2 will meet July 20.

Responses

We are very pleased to welcome Mrs. Marsha Richardson into our family at West Erwin. She and her little daughter, Samantha, have been attending here regularly for some time. Their address is 722 Burro Drive, 75707, ph. 566-6574.

Melissa Marts came recently to request the prayers of her church family to strengthen her through the rough times she and her family are experiencing.



Clinton Culpepper
 10571 CR 313 E, 75706

Andre'a Rolf
 4901 Kinsey #726, 75703

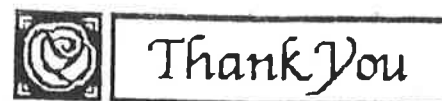
Ken Culpepper
 10579 CR 313E, 75706

Allie Wren
 3500 South Vine, #60, 75701

Sorry to lose

Mike & Vicki Cauthen
 14903 Beechmoor
 Houston, TX 77095

Helen Faye Holland
 6905 North 1st St.
 North Ridge Park
 McAllen, TX 78504



The family of H.B. Clark acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expression of your sympathy. Thank you very much for the beautiful red carnations. Your thoughtfulness was appreciated.

The Clark Family

We would like to tell you all how much we enjoyed our stay in Tyler and the opportunity to get to know you all a little better.

We'd like to send a special thanks to all who had us in their homes and for meals. Everyone was so hospitable and we really enjoyed our time together.

You're a special group of people whom we hope to know even better as we work together in the future.

Yours in Christ,
 Ray & Linda & family

Thank you so much to our church family at West Erwin for all the many expressions of love you have shown during my recent miscarriage. But most of all thank you for your positive words of encouragement. You truly were the light at what seemed to be an endless tunnel.

Love,
 Jeannie Ross



Sisters In Service

There will be a breakfast on Saturday, July 25 from 9:30 - 11:30 in our Fellowship Hall for all West Erwin ladies (all ages). Please sign your name on the sheet in the foyer if you can attend.

Can You Help?

Needed: one small size room air conditioner for elderly Christian lady. The heat and her health are not compatible. If you can help, please call Alan Fisher or Harold Denman.

Area Meetings

Back to the Bible
 GOSPEL MEETING
 Johnny Ramsey
 July 19-22

7:30 each evening
 Highway 31
 Church of Christ
 Brownsboro, Texas

1992 TATUM LECTURES
 July 24, 25, 26

Theme: Christianity is PRACTICAL!

presented by
 church of Christ
 Hwy. 43 South
 Tatum, Texas

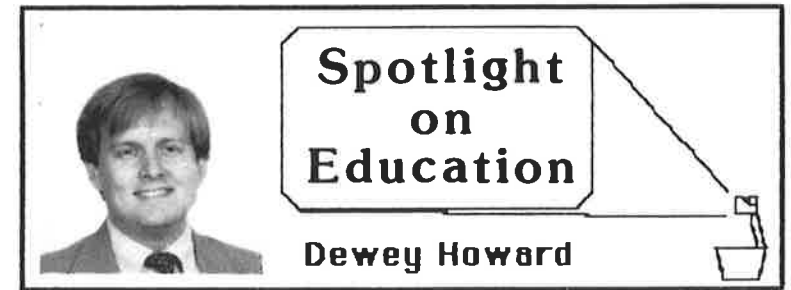
You are invited to hear

Perry Cowan
 in a series of
 Gospel Lessons
 Church of Christ

112 East South Street
 Overton, Texas
 July 19 - July 22, 1992
 7:30 each evening

MORE THANKS....

I need to mention a few more VBS workers that deserve our appreciation. My thanks to these for all the ways they served. Gussie Beaty, Nelda Browning, Bill and Nonnie Bruce, Meeta Clucas, Wini Cullinan, Mary Dawson, Peggy Garner, Faye Kennard, Opal Matthews, Becky McRuiz, Frances Phillips, Nettie Potts, Signa Stanley, and June Walker.



Spotlight
 on
 Education

Dewey Howard

"Growing In Our Families"

This Sunday, July 19, we will have a special day to celebrate the families God has given us. What a delightful day this will be! All of our families are urged to stay in town this Sunday, sit together as a family during worship assembly, and enjoy worshipping together as a family. Make your plans to be with us as we focus on our families.

PARENTS OF PRESCHOOLERS: Children's Church will not meet this Sunday morning so that your family can be together for the worship assembly. We will have a class for 2-year-olds and young 3's. And our nurseries will operate as usual. All other children ages 3 and up are invited to join us in the assembly for a special family time together.

LET'S PRAISE GOD THIS SUNDAY
 FOR OUR FAMILIES.

The ACU Summer Workshops are here! Angela and I will be going with K. Max and Mary Haws, Dana Tate, Gary and Mimi Aven, and John and Ruby Cliver to the workshops this year. We still have a few spots open if you want to go with us. But you need to call me today. Pray for our safety and a growth-filled time for all of us.

"A Giving Heart" is the title of our series of study on Sunday mornings through the end of the summer. Participate with one of our adult classes as we study and grow in our attitudes as God's faithful stewards.

July 19 Where Do We Begin?
 Mt. 6:19-21
 July 26 N.T. Principles of Giving
 Mt. 22:15-21; Ph. 4:18-19
 Aug. 2 Concepts of Healthy Stewardship
 Mt. 25:14-30
 Aug. 9 Barriers to Effective Stewardship
 Ex. 20:17; Ro. 7:7-8
 Aug. 16 A Summons to Stewardship
 2 Co. 8-9

Looking back - Thank HIM; Looking ahead - Trust HIM; Looking around - Serve HIM; Looking up - Expect HIM.

Records	Sunday July 5	Sunday June 28	Year Ago
Bible Class	365	381	344
Worship A.M.	500	522	477
Worship P.M.	340	375	
Wed. P.M.	435	282	260
Contribution	\$13,487.45	\$12,477.99	\$ 9,988.08
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, July 12, and Wed. P.M., July 15, Elmer Miles, ph. 597-9853.

With Sympathy

Many in our church family have experienced the loss of loved ones recently. Joe Clark and Joyce McClenny's father, H. B. Clark; Rhonda Weathers' grandmother; Maribelle White, niece of Marikate Davis; Leon Santos' brother-in-law, Amada Gomez; Jessie Henry, aunt of Larry Henry; Kelly Ross' grandmother, Bernice Mauhar; Lee Osborne, son of J.D. and Sherry Osborne of the Shiloh church; Stella Buckner, and funeral services were held Tuesday for Virginia Wilson, cousin of Louis Jones and Frances Phillips and niece of Modena Jones. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

Sunday will be another Lord's day. It will be a time to praise our God, refresh our spirits, and encourage our brothers and sisters. What a joy it will be to assemble together!

See you then!

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Jack & Peggy Garner
Forest & Mary McFadden
Mary Gaiser & Mary Dawson

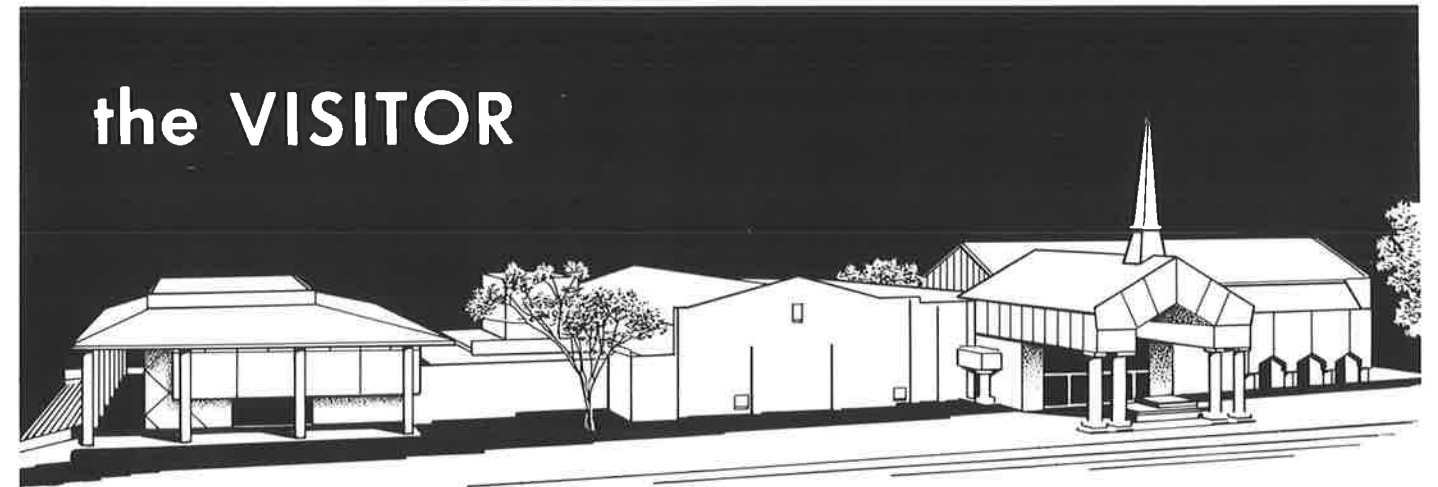
Prayer and Care

Phil Marts will be undergoing therapy as an outpatient at Baylor Hospital in Dallas for 4 to 6 weeks.

Marie Arnold had eye surgery Tuesday at Tyler Square.


Leona McElroy is a patient in Mother Frances Hospital.

Barbara Valentine is scheduled for surgery Thursday at Medical Center.




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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler
By Jay Lockhart



... and a special word of thanks to those of you who helped with our Vacation Bible School." *Chambers*

Family Day

It was decided several weeks ago that beginning in June we would have a special day of emphasis each month through November. In June we emphasized The Church As God's Family. On July 19 our emphasis for the month will be on our families. Make your plans now to be at home on the 19th and bring all your relatives, in town and out of town, to our Sunday morning classes and worship. There will be no church wide "dinner on the ground" that day, but there will be a great day of family togetherness. Be a part of Family Day, July 19!

VBS

Our Vacation Bible School was really fantastic! Many people worked diligently to get our buildings ready; our teachers did a superb job in preparing and presenting lessons; and Dewey Howard was a marvelous director. During the thirty minutes when everyone was in the auditorium following our sessions, Dewey was at his best. Add to this the fact that over 100 adults were in attendance at our Family Seminar each night and we all agree that we had a great VBS. Our average attendance for the three nights was 401. A special thanks to all who helped!

Wednesday, July 15, John Scott, Saturn Road, Garland

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

Please remember this week all those who are going on the Mission Trip to West Point. Your prayers will be coveted and your support always is appreciated. Following is a list of those going: Heath Adams, Amanda Broome, Cindy Carruth, Christina Dyson, Chantel Haney, David Haney, Angie Hendrix, Gena Henry, Jonathon Lowrance, Matt Pickens, Mandy Nelson, Marcie Nelson, Kim Sublette, Tiffany Sublette, Joanna Vannoy & Neil Vannoy. Also going as sponsors are: Frances Broome, Michael Lowrance, Jimmie Philpot, Robby Scott, Lisa & Danny Snell.

THANKS!

Thanks to all who helped with the Vacation Bible School last week. So many of you came up and helped build the tents and the Tabernacle. Journey in the Wilderness was an incredible sight and a great VBS, one of the best ever!

Thanks to Marc & Dana Tate for hosting the combined activity this past Sunday night. Dana is quite a Mario Andretti behind the wheel of a Go-Kart. It was really a fun evening.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

Make plans to go to the Summer Youth Series next week in Van on July 14. The topic is **FAN SUPPORT**. We will leave the church lot at 6:45 and return at 10:15. Bring a couple of bucks for we will stop on the way home. Remember the Service Project for Christian Services Of East Texas.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

July 12 Middle School Devotional
July 14 SYS - Van
July 26-27 Soul Lift
Aug. 2-7 4-6 grade Learning To Lead

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Womack's TEAM #3 will meet July 13.



Thank You

Thank you for your visits and prayers during my father's recent surgery.

Thank you,
Kathy Hilliard

To the church:

Thank you for your love and support in donating money for my trip to Guatemala. I have grown up in the church at West Erwin and will truly miss it next year when I leave for college. I plan on telling the entire congregation of the details on the trip. Thank you.

Love,
Scott Carruth

I want to thank everyone for your calls, cards, visits and every act of kindness and concern during our time of sorrow.

Jean Walters

Thank you very much for the study Bible you gave me. It helps me to study God's word with more understanding.

Sincerely,
Steven Mabry

To thank you and to say your kindness was very much appreciated. Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers you sent for my sister, Mary Ann Vess. Your cards and prayers were greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Glenda Turner

Benevolent Report - May & June, 1992

Approximately 600 families were given aid through our Benevolent Center in the months of May and June with clothing valued at \$3,175.00 and \$10.00 in food items. Bibles were given to 14 people who requested them.

Aid to Medina Home

West Erwin members gave a total of \$1,505.00 to aid the Medina Children's Home after their recent fire.

Wedding Invitation

*Dr. and Mrs. Jay P. Lockhart
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter*

Terry Lynn

to

Mr. John Anderson Shaw

son of

Mr. and Mrs. Jody D. Shaw

Saturday, the eleventh of July

nineteen hundred and ninety-two

at seven o'clock in the evening

West Erwin Church of Christ

Tyler, Texas

Reception following ceremony



New Members



We are very pleased to welcome Don and Norma Durham into our family at West Erwin. They live at 2108 Macbeth, 75703, ph. 561-0288. They come to us from the Highland Oaks church in Dallas.



We are glad to welcome Jeff Tarpley into our church family. He is the grandson of Mary Gaiser and lives at 211 Ridgecrest, 75701, ph. 593-9374.



We are glad to have a picture this week of Lawton and Bea Taylor so that all may know who they are. They are the parents of Danny Snell and live at 1722 Susan, 75703, ph. 509-9902.

We rejoice with the Nelson family in the decision of Marci and Mandy to put on their Lord in baptism. They were baptized by their dad on Wednesday night, June 24.

"Give me a pure heart — that I may see thee; a humble heart — that I may hear thee; a heart of love — that I may serve thee; a heart of faith — that I may abide in thee."

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

God worked in some powerful ways last week through VBS 1992! Our children became more aware of God's presence and help in their lives by participating in our "Journey in the Wilderness." Our families were made stronger through the adult seminar on "Meeting Family Needs."

Attendance was great for the three nights of VBS. Thanks to all of you for the guests that you brought. Many lives were touched because of you. To all of you who worked in so many wonderful and varied ways in VBS — THANKS! I've gotten a lot of credit, but it is your hard work and love for children that made VBS such a success for the Lord. At the risk of leaving some out, I want to mention those who worked to make VBS 1992 so delightful. Some of these deserve special appreciation for their extra hard work. And to them goes an extra measure of my thanks.

Gary and Julie Ables; Joni Armstrong; Launa Armstrong; Gary and Mimi Aven; Jon and Kelly Bain; Dale and Carolyn Blackstone; Becky Blackstone; Martha Boykin; Teri Bradshaw; Gary and Frances Broome; Amanda Broome; Pleta Butler; Jo Butler; Gary Cain; Les and Carolyn Carruth; Cindy Carruth; Janie Cauthen; Helen Chambers; Stan and Judy Clark; John and Ruby Cliver; Jan Cook; Ken and Cathy Culpepper; Casey Culpepper; Wendy Culpepper; Greg Davis; Laurie Dawkins; Don Drummond; Jeff Pennell; David and Wanda Frick; Terry and Kim Frick; Mary Gaiser; Mary June Goodson; Nicholas Goodson; Debbie Graham; Claudia Griffis; Chantel Haney; Keith Harris; Lynn Harrison; Angie Hendrix; Rick Higginbotham; Robert Hilliard; Norma Holcomb; Josh Hone; Angela Howard; Jerry and Rachel Huff; Hillard and Jeanine Hughes; Melissa Ingram; Jeff Konczak; Cynthia Johnson; Jane Jones; Jena Jones; Kim Jordan; Kim Lemons; Velma Lemons; Michelle Linscomb; Jay and Arlene Lockhart; Jay and Stacey Lockhart; Terry Lockhart; Tommy and Donna Lowrance; Michael Lowrance; Jonathan Lowrance; Archie Lowry; Misty Malone; Melvin Maples; Missy Marts; Opal Matthews; Ray and Linda Maxwell; Priscilla Mayer; Joe and Frances McBee; Jim and Jan McDonald; Forest and Mary McPadden; Mike McMinn; Alla Minnis; Elmer and Wila Miles; Billie Morgan; Paige Morris; Cheryl Murphy; Ann Nail; David Newton; Earl and Melinda O'Quinn; Jason O'Quinn; Barbara Oberg; Sherry Peek; Bobby Perry; James Phillips; Jimmie and Carolyn Philpot; Kathy Portwood; John Portwood, Jr.; Guy Potts; Fred and Sara Powell; Kelly and Jeannie Ross; Ralph and Marian Rowe; Claude and Odell Sessions; Danny and Lisa Snell; Paul Stanley; Sue Starnes; John and Susan Steffee; Michelle Steffee; Carolyn Stitt; Jack and Johnnie Stringer; James and Connie Sublette; Kimberly Sublette; Tiffany Sublette; Marisa Suggs; Marc Tate; Pattie Tate; Bea Taylor; Lynda Terrell; Roberta Tindall; Wanda Lee Turner; Ray and Gail Vannoy; Joanna Vannoy; Neil Vannoy; Lorene Venable; Mark and Martha Waggoner; Greg Wagner; Wade and Diane Weathers; Walker Weathers; Wanda Weathers; Leon and Carolyn Welborn; Cheryl Welborn; Ray and Carolyn Womack; Cookie and Manna Bakers; Tuesday Morning Sewing Ladies

Records	Sunday June 21	Sunday June 14	Year Ago
Bible Class	368	352	396
Worship A.M.	571	481	553
Worship P.M.	309	295	302
Wed. P.M.	264	243	247
Contribution	\$12,786.61	\$11,559.82	\$11,903.26
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		
Memorials for building fund	\$35.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, June 28, and Wed. P.M., July 1, Fred Powell, ph. 593-5229.

With Sympathy

Funeral services are pending in Van at this writing (Wednesday) for H. B. Clark, father of Joe Clark and Joyce McClenny.

Funeral services were held in Plainview Thursday for Rhonda Weather's grandmother.

Funeral services were held in Tupelo, Mississippi last week for Mary Ann Vess, sister of Glenda Turner.

Funeral services were held in Dallas last Saturday for Bonnie Carter, sister of Edna Hodnett.

Funeral services were held in Dallas last Friday for Samantha Kinsey, step daughter of Billie Bob Hickman's nephew.

Funeral services were held Thursday for Ruth Schwemly, a member at Glenwood and known by many at West Erwin.

Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

Take Time To Pray

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Dismiss Dennis Stansbury

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Prayer Mike McMinn
Scripture Earl O'Quinn
Dismiss Jim Mayer

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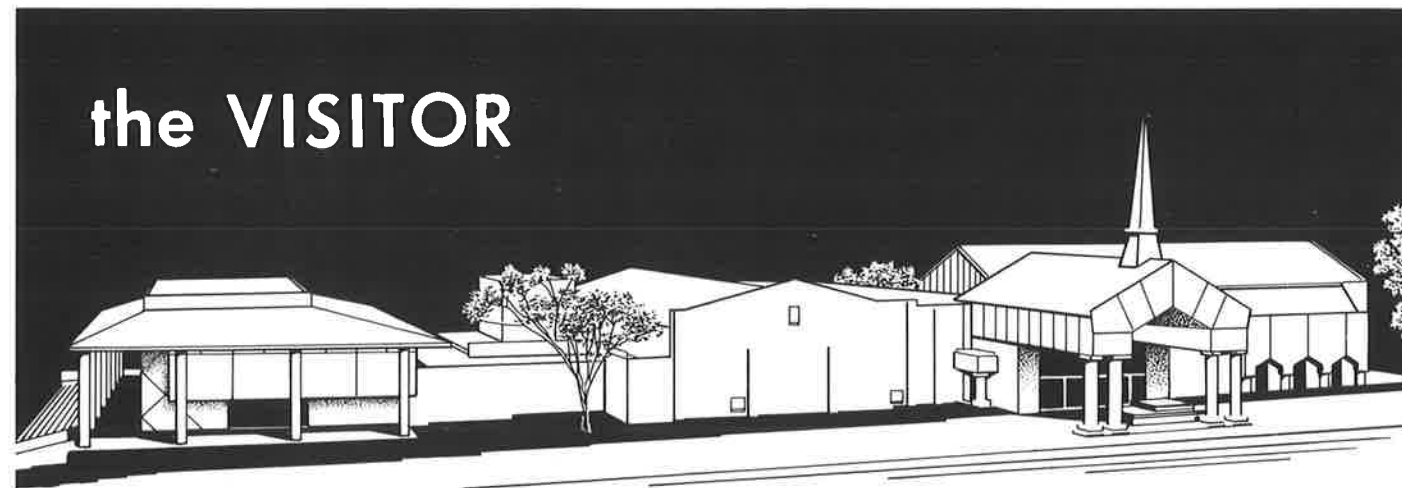
Harold & Shirley Denman
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Ron & Barbara Oberg

Prayer and Care

Foy Hodnett is a patient in Mother Frances, room 404.

Phil Marts remains in Medical Center Rehab, room 4408.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.




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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

VBS - 1992

When I was a kid growing up, VBS was a five-day, 9:00 - 11:30 A.M. class in which students studied from a special VBS book (the teacher had a Teacher's Manual and each student had a book of his own). About half way through the morning we had a break for cookies and koolaid. To be sure, we learned and teachers and helpers worked hard. But how VBS has changed! Today we hear of the one-day Market Place, e.g., our VBS of 1991, where a first century village is reproduced and students are taught in "Learning Centers" as they find themselves "visiting" the lands of the Bible. This year our theme is "Journey in the Wilderness" for children 2 years through the 5th grade and I'm just sure they will be taking a tour of the Tabernacle and meeting Moses, Aaron, and other Bible

characters as they learn some valuable lessons. Also, while many of our teens will be helping with "Journey", we will provide Bible classes for other teens: "Survival Skills For The Wilderness." Additionally, we are offering a seminar on "Meeting Family Needs" for adults. This seminar will be designed to improve relationships between family members, young and old. If your relationships are good, we'll show you how to make them better. If your relationships are not so good, we'll help you make them good. This six part seminar will include the following subjects:

- Monday: Building Relationships
A Biblical Foundation
- Tuesday: Meeting the Needs of Husbands
Meeting the Needs of Wives
- Wednesday: Meeting the Needs of Children
Building Homes for God

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THANKS!

Thanks to John & Kathy Portwood for hosting the middle school activity last Sunday. The food was great and the singing was fantastic.

Thanks to Cathy Culpepper and Lisa Snell for teaching at camp with me last week in Abilene. It was one of the best weeks of camp ever.

Thanks to David Haney for driving the van to Gilmer for the Summer Youth Series last week.

MISSION TRIP MEETING

All those who are going on the Mission Trip need to meet in room 105 at 4:00 Sunday. Bring your lessons and be prepared to work.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

We will not be going to the Summer Youth Series this week due to our Vacation Bible School. Make plans to go to the Summer Youth Series next week in Longview on July 7. The topic is **CARRYING THE TORCH**. We will leave the church lot at 6:15 and return at 10:45. Bring a couple of bucks for we will stop on the way home.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

June 29 - July 1 V.B.S.
July 5 Combined Devotional
July 7 SYS - Northside in Longview
July 10-18 Teen Mission Trip
July 26-27 Soul Lift
Aug. 2-7 4-6 grade Learning To Lead

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
McRuiz's TEAM #1 will meet July 6.

Welcome, New Members

David Newton is a welcome addition to our growing family. He comes to us from Sharpstown and lives at 2901½ West Gentry, 75702, phone 592-4861 (after 6 p.m.).



DAVID NEWTON



MICHELLE PARSONS

We are very pleased to welcome Michelle Parsons back to West Erwin. She is the granddaughter of Christine Parsons and attended church here as a child. Her address is 2808 McDonald, 75702, phone 566-4647.

We are glad to welcome Beverly Burleson into our church family. She came to place membership and ask for our prayers that she might be strengthened to live as God would have her to. Her address is 4800 Paluxy #232, 75703, phone 534-2959.

Otelia Sills came to request the prayers of her church family in behalf of the Sills family regarding decisions affecting their lives.

Medina Children's Home

The Medina Children's Home had a fire that destroyed their main shop and warehouse. Most needed at this time is food or money to help buy food. If you wish to help, drop your check with notation for Medina Home into contribution.

Supply Needs for Nebraska VBS

If you can help with supplies for the VBS in West Point, Nebraska, please bring the following supplies as soon as possible:
pint-size wide mouth mayonnaise jars (need 60)
2 quart Clorox jugs
medium-size empty vegetable cans (need 40)

New Grandchild

Congratulations to K. Max and Mary Haws on the birth of a new grandson, Taylor, born to Jim and Melody Cockrell on June 22. He weighed 7 lb. 11 oz. John D. and Ruby Brem are the great grandparents.



Thank You

Dear West Erwin Family,
Words cannot express how much we appreciate the concern and love shown us during the long illness and death of Frank. It is comforting to have such caring friends. Your prayers, visits, cards and delicious food has helped us more than you will ever know.

We also appreciate the lovely azalea plant. We especially want to thank the singers for such beautiful and comforting songs. We have heard many compliments of them.

In Christian love,
Ruth Crosser & family

Nursery Attendant

We are happy to announce that Melissa Parrish has agreed to take care of the baby nursery during the summer months. Melissa has experience in child care, including several years of working at E.T.C.A. Mothers, you can feel confident that your children are in competent hands.

**Timely Advice
For God's People**

If you are impatient,
Sit down quietly and talk with Job.
If you are just a little strongheaded,
Go and see Moses.
If you are getting weak-kneed,
Take a good look at Elijah.
If there is no song in your heart,
Listen to David.
If your faith is below par,
Read Paul.
If you are getting lazy,
Watch James.
If you are losing sight of the future,
Climb up the stairs of Revelation
and get a glimpse of the
promised land.

via The Exhorter
Mt. Juliet, TN

No Bulletin Next Week

There will be no bulletin next week due to postal regulations regarding second class mail.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

VBS 1992

It's Finally Here!



**"Journey in the
Wilderness"**

**June 29 - July 1
6:30 - 8:30 pm**

- Puppets
- Bible Stories
- Crafts
- Singing
- Refreshments

Three exciting evenings of Bible learning activities for children ages 3 through 5th grade, (classes also

available for children age 0-2 years when their parents attend the family seminar). Also a special youth program for grades 6-12.

Meeting family needs

JUNE 29-
JULY 1, 1992
6:30-8:30PM

by
DR. JAY LOCKHART



- MONDAY
"BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS"
"A BIBLICAL FOUNDATION"
- TUESDAY
"MEETING THE NEEDS OF OUR HUSBANDS"
"MEETING THE NEEDS OF OUR WIVES"
- WEDNESDAY
"MEETING THE NEEDS OF OUR CHILDREN"
"BUILDING HOMES FOR GOD"

*****KOINONIA GROUP #1 MEETS THIS SUNDAY*****

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Prayer and Care

Denise Wilson had surgery at Mother Frances on Wednesday.

Phil Marts remains in Medical Center Rehab, room 4424.

Ann McCoy is now at home. She does not need company at this time.

Ernest Bell, father of Cathy Hilliard, is in room 3527 at Medical Center.

Bill Bruce's father had heart surgery last week in Lufkin.

Jon Holland, nephew of Mary Adams, is seriously ill in Houston, Texas.

Ruby Cliver's aunt is seriously ill.

Jim Mayer's mother had surgery on Monday.

Mike Hanley, a friend of Tracy Starnes, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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 Dismiss Glynn Starnes

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

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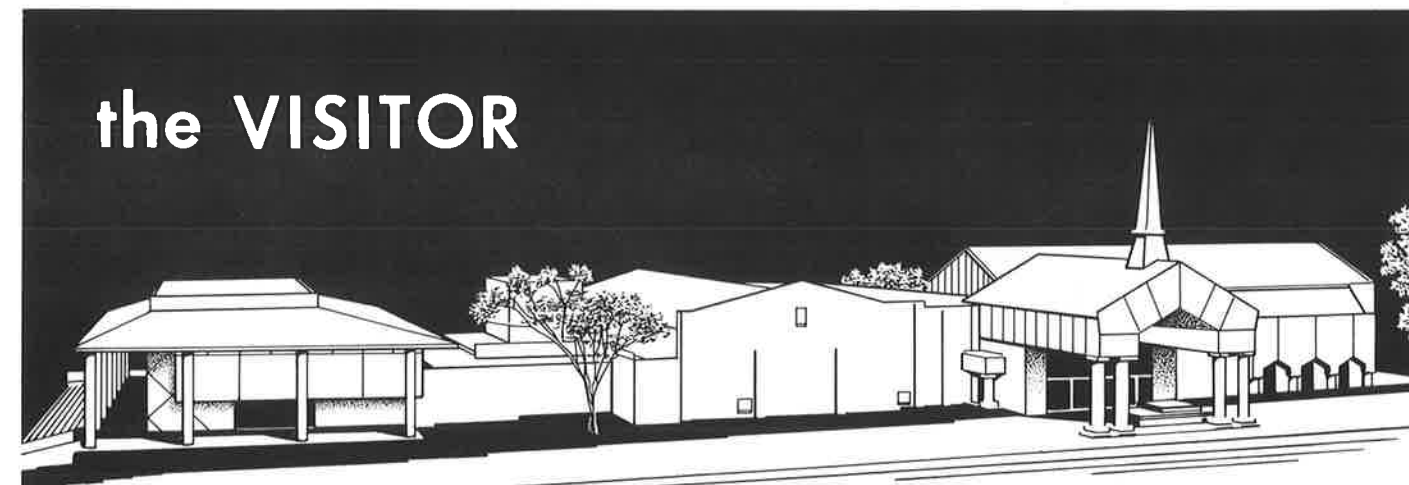
With Sympathy

Our hearts are saddened at the death of Frank Crosser last Saturday evening. Funeral services were held Tuesday at Memorial Funeral Home.

Funeral services were held in Lufkin last week for Victor Bruce, uncle of Bill Bruce.

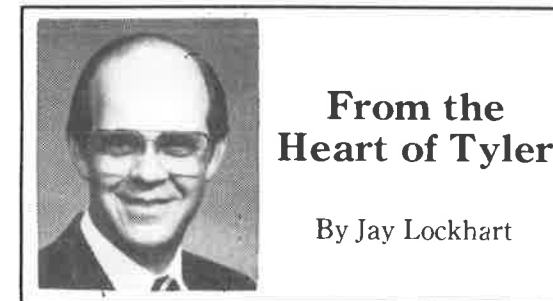
Funeral services are pending in Borger for Dan Walters, nephew of Jean Walters.

Our love and sincere sympathy is extended to these families in their loss of loved ones.



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By Jay Lockhart

visit and report June 23 - July 2. On Sunday morning, June 28, Ray will be speaking to a combined adult class in our new auditorium. You will have several other opportunities to be with the Maxwells during their visit. We welcome Ray, Linda, and their children to West Erwin!

To Guatemala

Dr. Marian Rowe and Scott Carruth will be participating in a mobile medical trip to Guatemala August 8 - 15. Last Sunday we gave the congregation an opportunity to help with Scott's expenses and the response was great. He is still a few hundred dollars short of his goal. If you would like to help give your check to one of our elders this Sunday.

Vicki Russell To Honduras

Vicki Russell is a busy young woman. She is not only active in our Singles group, but she teaches in E.T.C.A., works as a counsellor at Camp Deer Run, and engages in mission work abroad. This summer (July 10 - 19) Vicki will be in Honduras providing medical help to the people in the mornings and helping with church meetings at night. West Erwin is providing partial support to Vicki for her trip this summer. We know good will be done.

Maxwells In Tyler
 On Tuesday evening, June 23, the Ray Maxwell family is scheduled to arrive in Tyler for an eight day visit. Several years ago the West Erwin elders purposed to fully support an additional preacher in a mission location close enough to us that our people could regularly visit and the preacher and his family could visit us. Our prayers were answered when we met the Maxwells, a family already working in its native state of Nebraska and which supported itself by Ray holding a full time job in West Point in addition to working with the church. Now for over a year we have been in fellowship with the Maxwells as we have supported Ray to work full time with the church. Last summer our young people went to Nebraska for a Vacation Bible School and will return later this year for a second VBS. The Maxwells will be with us for their annual

Next Wednesday Evening - Robert Oglesby!

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by
Danny Snell**



THANKS!

Thanks to Les & Carolyn Carruth and Ray & Gail Vannoy for hosting the high school activity this past Sunday night.

Thanks to Marc Tate for teaching the middle school class Sunday.

A very big Thanks to Stan Clark for teaching this past quarter.

Thanks to all of those who made the Summer Youth Series at West Erwin a success. About 18 folks showed up to bake about 85 dozen cookies. WOW! They were great too.

Thanks to Neil Vannoy and David Haney for helping clean out some gutters at the Egbert's.

MISSION TRIP MEETING

All those who are going on the Mission Trip need to meet in room 105 at 4:00 Sunday. Bring your lessons and be prepared to work.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITY

All middle school students are invited to the activity this Sunday night. Plan to come and enjoy the evening.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

The SYS for June 23 will be in Palestine. The topic is **EQUIPMENT**. We will leave the church lot at 6:30 and return at 10:40. Bring a couple of bucks for we will stop on the way home.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

June 21 Middle School Activity
June 23 SYS at Palestine
June 29 - July 1 V.B.S.
July 10-18 Teen Mission Trip
July 26-27 Soul Lift
Aug. 2-7 4-6 grade Learning To Lead

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Faber Cauthen's TEAM #4 will meet June 21.



Thank You

Our family wants to thank you so very much for all the love you have shown us during the past few months. Your prayers, visits, food and cards touched our lives with love and warmth. The West Erwin family will always have a special place in our hearts.

Charles, Elton & Ellen McCoy

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

It is impossible to express our gratitude for your love and concern since Phil's accident. The visits, cards, flowers, food, prayers, and men who have sat with Phil have brought us through this difficult time. We have seen James 5:16 at work in our lives. One of Phil's favorite scriptures is Romans 8:28. Keeping it in mind, please continue to pray for his complete recovery.

We love you all,
Phil, Linda & Melissa

Thanks for all the cards, calls and prayers on my behalf during my recent surgery. The food was all delicious and very much appreciated. It's nice to know our Christian family is there when we need it.

Love,
Jeff, Linda, Josh & Brett Hone

Thank you for the prayers, visits, cards, flowers, and food during our loss. Your support has been a great comfort to us.

The family of Bernice Andrews

The family of Bert Harris are very grateful for every act of kindness shown to them during their daddy and granddaddy's sickness and death, for the flowers, food and especially for all the men who sat up with him.

Charles Harris and family

Thank you so much for the Bible. I have been very fortunate to grow up in such a loving and supportive church family. The Christian influence that I have gained will always be a special working part of my life.

Love,
Angie Hendrix

Boles Home

Saturday, July 25, 1992, is the official opening day for the renovated Girl Haven building on the campus of Boles Home in Quinlan, Texas. All who appreciate Christian child care should plan to be present for this notable event. Those who attend will enjoy a program of activities from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. which will include good food, quartet singing, tours and our very special guest speaker George Tipps. Please mark you calendar and plan to be present.

Tablecloth Missing

Our large white tablecloth which is used for the big table in the Fellowship Hall is missing. If you borrowed it and forgot to return it, please do so as soon as possible.

Welcome, New Members

We are very happy to welcome Lawton and Bea Taylor to Tyler and into our family at West Erwin. They are the parents of Danny Snell and recently moved here from Bandera. Their address is 1722 Susan, 75703, ph. 509-9902.

Congratulations

Congratulations College Grads!

Kim Maples received her Associates Degree in Nursing at TJC in May. She will be taking her State Board exams in July.

We are happy to have Carl Nunn back home after his graduation from the University of North Texas.

Laurie Rowe Lott, daughter of Drs. Ralph and Marian Rowe, recently received her masters degree in nursing.

Congratulations to these college graduates. We are proud of you!

New Arrivals

Congratulations to Keith and Tina Harris on the birth of a son, Dalton Keith, on Friday, June 12. He is 20 3/4 inches long and weighs 8 lb. 9 oz. Dayne is the proud big brother.

Lane and Joanna Barber have a new baby daughter, Hannah Morgan. She weighs 9 lb. 4 oz. and is 21 inches long. June Chapel is the proud grandmother and Lillian Colbert is the great grandmother.

Wedding Anniversary

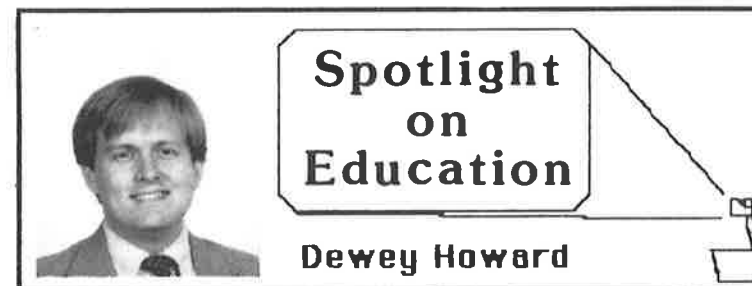
Congratulations to John D. and Ruby Brem on the 66th anniversary of their marriage on June 15.



honoring
Melissa Brookshire
Bride-elect of Mark Frick
Saturday, June 20
2:30 - 4:00
at the home of Mrs. Dannie Skipper
617 Purdue
Selections: Dillard's and Foley's
Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

Nursery Attendant

We are in need of a nursery attendant for the baby nursery for the summer months while Fleta Butler takes some time off. This will be for Sunday mornings and evenings and Wednesday evenings and is a paid position. Please call the church office or contact Gail Vannoy if you are interested.



WEDNESDAY SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES
June 24 - Robert Oglesby

"Journey in the Wilderness" News -

Set up time is here!!! Every day and evening this next week the Center and the Fellowship Hall will be open to allow you to come and set up for VBS. Get your materials ready and let's have an incredible "journey"!

VBS SUPPLY NEEDS:

- large coffee cans
- large and small scraps of cloth
- old sheets and blankets
- canvas tents (will be returned)
- large and small scraps of lumber

Bring all of these supplies to the Center this week.

PARENTS: Have you registered your children and their friends for our "Journey in the Wilderness"? Cards are available for your use on the table in the foyer. Pick one up, fill it out, and give it to me or to someone in the office. This will help us know how many to plan for during VBS.

Whom have you invited for the seminar? All of us are concerned about our families. Your friends, neighbors, and co-workers are too. Take some of the brochures with you to hand out to anyone and everyone you come in contact with.

Remember to sign up for the ACU Bible Teachers Workshop. We still have a number of spots for persons who would like to go with the West Erwin group. There is a sheet on the table in the foyer for you to reserve your spot. The dates are July 19-22.

Let the Storyteller in You Come Out -

1. Attract attention at the very beginning.
2. Create interest (visuals, word pictures).
3. Make the story seem close and at-hand.
4. Make details touchable.
5. Be ready (anticipate) for action.
6. Make hearers wait (suspense).
7. Don't get sidetracked.
8. When you are through - Stop.

***** No Koinonia meeting this Sunday *****

Records	Sunday June 7	Sunday May 31	Year Ago
Bible Class	406	372	379
Worship A.M.	504	477	505
Worship P.M.	322	310	356
Wed. P.M.	243	252	234
Contribution	\$18,555.91	\$11,783.95	\$12,037.42
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		
Memorials for building fund	\$645.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, June 14, and Wed. P.M. June 17, Elmer Miles, ph. 597-9853.

Prayer and Care

Phil Marts is in Medical Center Rehab, room 4424 and continues to show some improvement.

Ann McCoy is in Medical Center Rehab, room 4420. Brief visits only, please.

Foy Hodnett is in room 441 at Mother Frances Hospital.

H.M. Minnis is in Mother Frances, room 457. He has pneumonia.

Jeannie Ross suffered a miscarriage.

Ernest Bell, father of Cathy Hilliard, had knee replacement surgery at Medical Center Tuesday.

H.B. Clark, father of Joe Clark and Joyce McClenny, has moved to a Mineola Nursing Home.

Lawrence and Barbara Grayson, brother and sister-in-law of Jo Butler, remain in hospitals in St. Joseph, Missouri after a car accident.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

Call this number for announcements, update on sick, assembly times and devotional thoughts.

MINISTERS		ASSEMBLIES	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	Bible School9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class10:00 A.M.
Harold Taylor - Missions - Ray Maxwell		Morning Worship10:00 A.M.	(Sept. through May)
		Evening Worship6:00 P.M.	Bible Class.....7:00 P.M.
ELDERS		THURSDAY	
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Brief Devotional - Chapel7:00 A.M.	
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Christian Service Center9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
	Leon Welborn11:30 A.M.	(903) 592-0809
	Ray Vannoy		
	Joe McBee		

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 Scripture Jeff Parrish
 Dismiss Jon Bain

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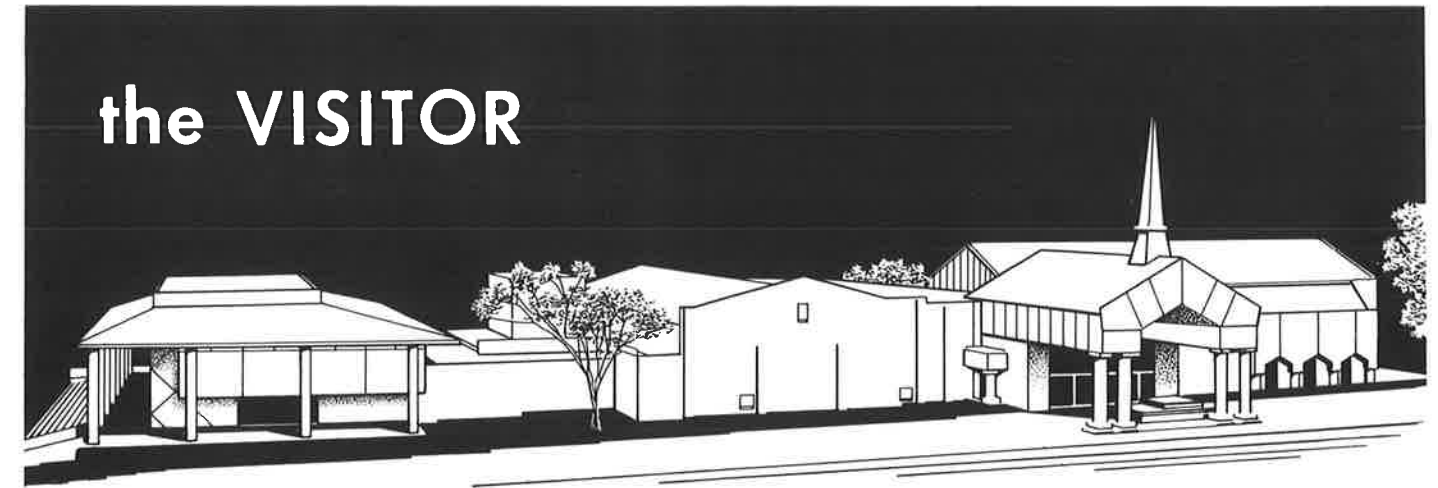
Milburn & Jan Cook
 Ken & Cathy Culpepper
 George & Dorothy Daugherty

With Sympathy

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Lloyd James for Bert Harris, father of Charles and Jimmie and grandfather of Keith.

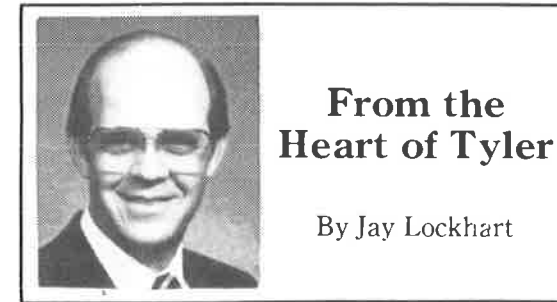
Funeral services were held Tuesday for Wayne Jones, a cousin of Carolyn Blackstone.

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to these families in their loss of loved ones.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"They were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, praising God and having favor with all the people." - Acts 2:46-47

A Great Day Of Blessing !

Last Sunday was a great day! It was a great day because it was the Lord's day. It was great because we enjoyed great worship together -- we sang great songs, prayed fervent prayers, broke the Bread of Life, communed with our Lord and with each other, and gave a great contribution. Then it was wonderful to welcome Martha Boykin and the Joey Garrards. Following our morning worship many stayed for a great meal in the Center. A great big thanks to John and Susan Steffee and Wayne and Lynn Harrison, the chairpersons of our Fellowship Committee, and to the many others who helped them "set up" for the meal. At 5:00 p.m. a good group met in our new auditorium to sing with Dewey Howard. Old songs were enjoyed and new songs were learned. We plan to meet for singing just before worship on one Sunday night each

month for awhile. Finally, following a great period of worship and study at our evening assembly, we were all encouraged by the wonderful statement of rededication and commitment by Delbert and Sandra Nelson. It really was a great day. Anticipate our family gathering and be present every time you can. You will encourage and be encouraged. Let's grow and glow and go for Him!

Gene Glaeser To Speak

We believe that we need to periodically hear from those we support in mission and benevolence. With this in mind, our elders have invited Gene Glaeser from Boles Home to speak on that work this Sunday evening at our 6:00 p.m. assembly. Hear Gene!

Next Wednesday Evening - Charles Hodge!

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who came to the Parent-Teen meeting this past Sunday. We appreciate all the support given to the Youth Ministry at West Erwin.

Thanks to Stan Clark for teaching the high school class this past quarter. It was a job well done. Bobby Perry will be teaching the high school class next Sunday.

LEARNING TO LEAD

Next week 19 of us will be gone to Learning To Lead Camp on the campus of Abilene Christian University. The following students will be going: Amanda Broome, Jenilyn Butler, Cindy Carruth, Casey Culpepper, Wendy Culpepper, Chantel Haney, Brandon Harrell, Shelley Henry, Mandy Nelson, Heather Riley, Tiffany Sublette, Matt Tate, Joanna Vannoy and Wesley Wagner. Cathy Culpepper, Lisa Snell and I will be going as teachers. Please remember to pray for all those going to camp this week.

MISSION TRIP MEETING

All those who are signed up for the Mission Trip need to meet in room 105 at 5:00 Sunday. Bring your lessons and be prepared to work.

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY

All high school students are invited to the activity this Sunday night. Plan to come and enjoy the evening.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

The SYS for June 16 will be in Gilmer. The topic is TRAINING. We will leave the church lot at 6:45 and return at 10:30. Bring a couple of bucks for we will stop on the way home.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

June 14 High School Activity
June 16 SYS at Gilmer
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****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Womack's TEAM #3 will meet June 15.



Thank You

The love shown to us during the past two weeks has only reinforced our faith in our church family. The food, flowers, visits, cards, and numerous memorials have all meant much more to us than you will ever know. Please continue to pray for us during our time of bereavement. Our consolation is in knowing that through our belief in God and His word we have a chance of one day being with him again.

In Christian love,
Lucille Carpenter
Cecille & Lowell Wiggains & children
Ferman & Jean Carpenter & children
Sylvia Carpenter & children
Angel & Mark Gregory & children

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all the cards, visits, food and prayers you have given up to this time. Especially, the prayers were and still are needed.

We love & miss you,
Frank & Ruth Crosser

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thanks to each of you for your prayers, letters, cards, telephone calls, visits, food and other expressions of love following my recent eye surgery.

Love to all of you,
Marie Arnold

Thank you for the Bible for graduation. I'm sure it will come in handy next year at Harding. I will miss all of the love and friendship of this church, but at the same time, I will be able to look forward to the visits home. To the families that helped with the senior breakfast - thank you also. It is nice to be honored like that.

Love,
Scott Carruth

Thank you so much for the Bible. Everyone at West Erwin means so much to me, and I love you for all the care and support that you have given to me over the years. I thank the Lord for the great Christian examples He has put in my life and I hope and pray that I might become a fine Christian like those at West Erwin.

Love,
Jeff Konczak

Cherokee Childrens Home

Our Bible classes recently sent \$864.00 to the Home For Children in Cherokee. The following note of thanks was received last week:

Thank you for being a very vital part in our annual Food Drive. Each year May is a month of great blessings. Thanks to you for the support you provided for the coming year. We are excited about the future and your involvement with Cherokee Home.

God bless you in your work.

For the Children,
Danny Duggan
Development Director

Welcome, New Members



We are very pleased to welcome Mrs. Gerald (Martha) Boykin who came recently to make known her desire to work and worship with the family at West Erwin. She lives at Route 5, Box 168, 75706, ph. 882-8653.



We rejoice with Joey Garrard, who was baptized recently by George Daugherty. His wife Casey and daughter Faith (age 3) are also a welcome addition to our growing family. They live at 2725 Amy Lane, 75701, ph. 566-5078.

Delbert and Sandra Nelson came Sunday to request the prayers and encouragement of their church family. Remember them as they strive to make their lives as God wants them to be.

Bridal Shower



Gift Tea

honoring
Melissa Brookshire
Bride-elect of Mark Frick
Saturday, June 20
2:30 - 4:00

at the home of Mrs. Dannie Skipper
617 Purdue

Selections: Dillard's and Foley's
Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

WEDNESDAY SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES
June 17 - Charles Hodge

"Journey in the Wilderness" News -

Our "Journey" is coming quickly. Those of you working in various ways need to be getting your supply lists in to the Broomes as soon as possible. The excitement is building for VBS. Let's all work together to make this another VBS to the glory of God!

PARENTS: It is time to begin registering your children and their friends for our "Journey in the Wilderness." Cards are available for your use on the table in the foyer. Pick one up, fill it out, and give it to me or to someone in the office.

OUTREACH - OUTREACH - OUTREACH: That is one of the key words for this year's VBS. We want all of Tyler to come out for VBS. Take some of our brochures with you to hand out to friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, store clerks, children in the park ... anyone and everyone you come into contact with.

VBS SUPPLY NEEDS:

- large coffee cans
- large and small scraps of cloth
- old sheets and blankets
- canvas tents (will be returned)

Wednesday Summer Quarter Teachers -

0-24 months	Marisa Suggs, Stacey Lockhart
2 years	Jena Jones
3's-PreK	Cheryl Welborn
Kindergarten	Jon and Kelly Bain
Grades 1 & 2	Teri Bradshaw
Grade 3	Nonnie Bruce
Grade 4 & 5	Gail Vannoy

I appreciate all of these who are using their summer in ministry to our children in Bible study.

Remember to sign up for the ACU Bible Teachers Workshop. We still have a number of spots for persons who would like to go with the West Erwin group. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer for you to reserve your spot. The dates are July 19 - 22.

**** Koinonia #6 meets this Sunday ****

Records	Sunday May 31	Sunday May 26	Year Ago
Bible Class	372	352	366
Worship A.M.	477	518	529
Worship P.M.	310	253	252
Wed. P.M.	252	245	215
Contribution	\$11,783.95	\$17,836.05	\$11,518.33
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, June 7, and Wed. P.M. June 10, Jerry Huff, ph. 534-8975.

Prayer and Care

Phil Marts is now in CCU at Medical Center and continues to show some improvement.

Ann McCoy is in Medical Center Rehab, room 4420. She does not need visits at this time.

Foy Hodnett remains in ICU, room 123 at Mother Frances Hospital.

Prissy Jones, mother of Jena Jones, had surgery on Monday in Abilene.

H.B. Clark, father of Joe Clark and Joyce McClenny, is in Medical Center, room 2506.

Linda Hone is recuperating from surgery at home.

Betty Strait got a good report from tests this week and is now at home.

Arden Turner, husband of Wanda Lee, had surgery at Doctors Memorial on Tuesday.

Gary Cain had shoulder surgery Tuesday at Medical Center. He is in room 3531.

Walterene Satterwhite, cousin of Leona McElroy, is in ICU in Longview following surgery.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

SERVING SUNDAY

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 Prayer K. Max Haws
 Scripture Walker Weathers
 Dismiss Gary Broome

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 Prayer Brody Clark
 Scripture Charles Seaberry
 Dismiss Chris Starnes

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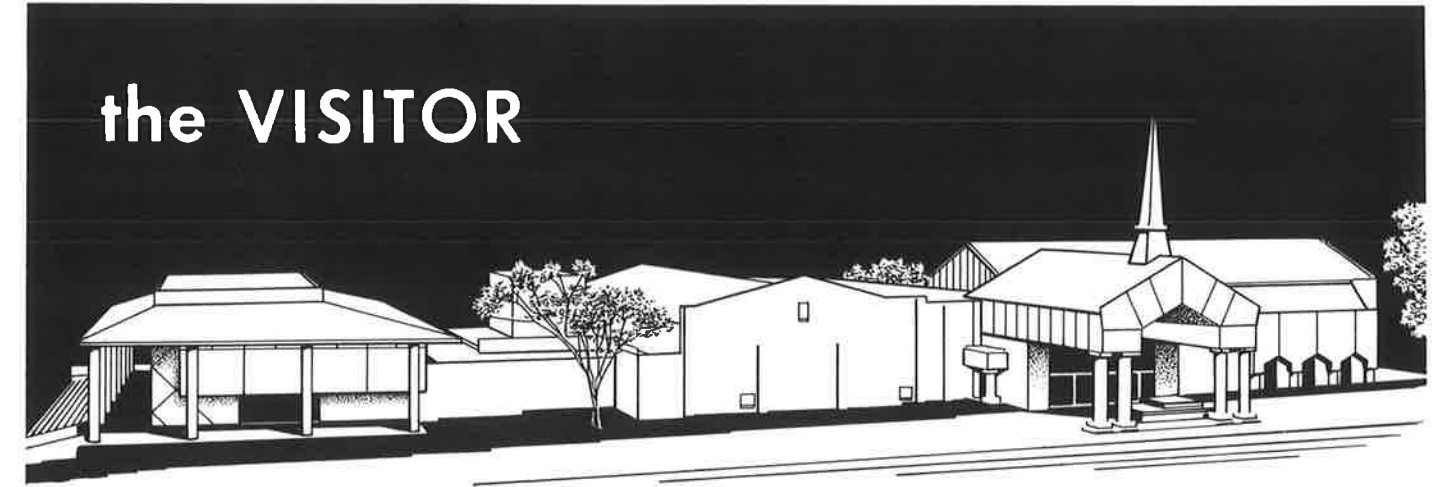
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Wednesday Fellowship Meal

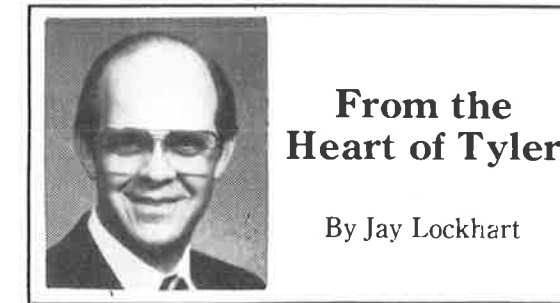
Please indicate on your attendance card Sunday if you will be participating in this week's meal. Menu for Wednesday, June 10 (catered by Hickory Fare):

Regular: - \$4.00 Small: - \$3.00
 large sliced beef small sliced beef
 sandwich/chips sandwich/chips
 all the trimmings
 tea, koolaid, or water



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

The Church - The Family Of God June 7

This Sunday is the day! All of us in town and in our places! It's going to be a good day as our emphasis for June is "Growing As The Family Of God." We are family and this Sunday we want as many of our family members as possible to be together on this special day. Here's what you can do:

- (1) Plan to be in town and to be present at 9:00 sharp for Bible classes. If you have not been attending class be assured that there is a class for you -- closely graded for children and teens and eleven adult classes for the rest of us. Choose a class and be present (see the Bible class directory in the foyer for room numbers).
- (2) Be in worship at 10:00 and be joyful and expectant as we all participate in the worship of God.
- (3) Plan to attend our pot-luck dinner in the Center immediately following our worship.

Singing At 5:00

Sunday evening we urge you to attend about an hour of singing before our evening worship. Dewey Howard will be directing us in old songs and new songs. Attend if you can.

Mike Warner Next Wednesday

We are very pleased with the line up of speakers we have for eight weeks this summer. Next Wednesday evening we will be privileged to hear Mike Warner, the talented preacher for the Shiloh Road church. Be sure to hear Mike.

MINISTERS		
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	
Harold Taylor - Missions		
ELDERS		
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Leon Welborn
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	Ray Vannoy
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ASSEMBLIES		
SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY	
Bible School	9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class
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Evening Worship	6:00 P.M.	Bible Class
MONDAY		7:00 P.M.
Brief Devotional - Chapel	7:00 A.M.	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST	
Christian Service Center	9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
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Thanks to Greg & Cyndie Wagner and Lisa Snell for hosting the Putt-Putt activity this past Sunday night.

Thanks to Bobby Perry for teaching class several times in the past few months.

PARENT - TEEN MEETING

All middle and high school students and those who are entering the 6th grade and your parents are invited to the meeting this Sunday night at the Fellowship Hall. We will eat together and discuss the plans and activities for the summer. If you did not receive a letter with the menu, give me a call. Plan to be there for this meeting.

SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

The Summer Youth Series is starting next week with West Erwin hosting the first on Tuesday, June 9. The theme for the 1992 SYS is entitled "GO FOR THE GOLD". All the topics are based on certain aspects from the Olympics which also are important for the Christian. The line up looks really great and I know this will be a super SYS. On each of the trips we will stop on the way home at some type of eating establishment for those who did not have an opportunity to eat supper or are still hungry. There will be a service project benefiting *Christian Services of East Texas*. On each of the nights money will be collected and given to Christian Services to be used for foster care of needy children in east Texas. More explanation will be given on June 9 by Chester Amidon, their director.

The SYS for June 9 will be at West Erwin. We will be baking cookies Tuesday morning for the series that night. All teens are asked to come to the building at 9:00 to help make and bake cookies. Bring a couple of dollars to order pizza for lunch. All West Erwin folks need to be here at 6:30 to help with refreshments, set up and parking.

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****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Pott's TEAM #2 will meet June 8.

Welcome, New Members



We are very happy to welcome David and Helen Chambers and daughters, Kim and Jenny, into our growing family at West Erwin. They live at 10454 CR 1292 in Flint, phone 894-7792. They come to us from the Southern Hills church in Abilene.



Thank You

I want to thank everyone who has been so thoughtful of me during my illness. All your acts of kindness are deeply appreciated.

In Christian love,
Jonnie Steffee

I deeply appreciate all the prayers, calls, cards and visits to me during my stay in the hospital and in Park Place. Thanks from the bottom of my heart!!

In Christian love,
Hazel Morgan

Words can never express the feelings we have in our hearts for each member of the West Erwin family. Your unending prayers and many expressions of love during Roy's illness and death have touched the hearts of each member of my family. Our faith has been made stronger through your prayers, friendship, love and support these past few months. We will miss Roy but will strive to be with him again in Heaven. May each of you be richly blessed as we are by being a part of this wonderful family.

In Christian love,
Chloe Clark,
Sherry & Allen Bobbitt & Children,
Brenda Crocker & family,
Wayne Clark & Family,
Randy Clark & family.

A Dedication to Daddy and Carp:

- Two elders, whose love for the Church and the Word of God never ceased.
- Two husbands, whose dedicated love for their wives, family and life were never ending.
- Two Daddy's, whose loving advice was given so patiently, whose love and memories we shall never forget.
- Two Pawpaw's, who gave of themselves tirelessly, whose example lives on within each of us, who watch over our precious children each day and night.
- Two friends, who walk hand in hand through Heaven's golden gates, who wait to greet us with open arms when our work on earth is done.

You'll always be with us.
written by Sherry Clark Bobbitt

Bridal Shower
You're invited to a Bridal Brunch honoring Cheryl Murphy

Bride-elect of Bobby Perry
Saturday, June 6
11:00 - 12:30

at the home of Wanda Weathers
3401 Heines
Selections:

Dillard's and Service Merchandise Ladies, please consider this invitation as yours personally.

Worth Repeating...

The most valuable gift you can give another is a good example.

If folks can't find happiness in themselves, there isn't much use for them to look anywhere else?

Special Event


Billie Bob Hickman was featured speaker recently for an area Ladies Day in Big Sandy. About 100 ladies attended the luncheon and day of inspiration.

HOUSEPARENTS NEEDED

Christian Homes of Abilene needs a mature Christian couple (whose children are out of their home) to work as maternity houseparents in a home for unwed mothers. Housing and salary are provided and the husband is free to seek employment outside the home. Relief time is provided. If interested, contact Charlene Walker at (915) 677-2205. (Single female applicants may be considered if no qualified couples apply.)

Benevolent Report

For the months of April and May, 815 people were served from our Benevolent Center. Clothing with an estimated value of \$3,339.00 was distributed, several bedding items were given, about \$45.00 in staple food items were dispensed. Thirty-eight Bibles (English and Spanish) were given to those requesting them.



Spotlight on Education
Dewey Howard

WEDNESDAY SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES
June 10 - Mike Warner

"Journey in the Wilderness" News -

Preparations for our "Journey in the Wilderness" are well underway! Between 50 and 60 persons attended the meeting Sunday to get started on materials and plans. Thanks to all of you who are working in various ways on our journey. All of the spots are almost filled. So get with me soon if you still want to sign up for the trip.

This Sunday we will have a number of things for you to take with you for VBS 1992. Brochures will be available to take with you to give to friends about VBS. There are separate brochures for the children's "Journey" and for the adult seminar, "Meeting Family Needs." Take as many as you need to invite persons that you know for these exciting events.

This Sunday we will also begin registering our children for VBS. Pick up a card in the foyer, fill it out, and place it in the box. This will give us an indication of how many children to prepare for.

As always we need you to bring different items from home that we can use for VBS. Check this list each week, clean out those closets at home, and bring these to the office.

- Large coffee cans
- large and small scraps of cloth
- old sheets and blankets
- canvas tents (will be returned)

Sunday Summer Quarter Teachers -

- | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| 0-24 months | Jeanine Hughes, Jo Butler |
| 2 years | Velma Lemons, Claudia Griffis |
| 3's - Pre-K | Rhonda Haws, Lisa Snell |
| | Paige Morris, Angela Howard |
| Kindergarten | Jan McDonald |
| Grades 1 & 2 | Wanda Weathers |
| Grade 3 | Kim Frick |
| Grade 4 | Ruby Cliver |
| Grade 5 | Carolyn Carruth, Kim Lemons |

Thanks to these for using their summer in ministry to our children in Bible study. (Next week: Wednesday teachers).

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Worship P.M.	252	318	295
Wed. P.M.	245	247	236
Contribution	\$17,836.05	\$11,748.37	\$10,320.95
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 31, and Wed. P.M. June 3, Earl O'Quinn, ph. 561-0671.

Prayer and Care

Phil Marts remains in ICU at Medical Center following an accident at his workplace Monday.

Ann McCoy has moved to Medical Center Rehab, room 4420. She does not need visits at this time.

Frank Crosser is now in Colonial Nursing Home in Lindale.

Marie Arnold had successful eye surgery Tuesday.

H.B. Clark, father of Joe Clark and Joyce McClenny, is in Medical Center, room 2506.

Linda Hone is in Mother Frances, room 248 following surgery on Tuesday.

Bonnie Carter, Edna Hodnett's sister, and Joyce Parker, her niece, are both ill in Dallas.

Ethyl Gibbs, Serena Griffin's grandmother, is having some heart problems.

Bert Harris is now in room 2529 at Medical Center.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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Scripture Robert Stokes
Dismiss Roy Bench

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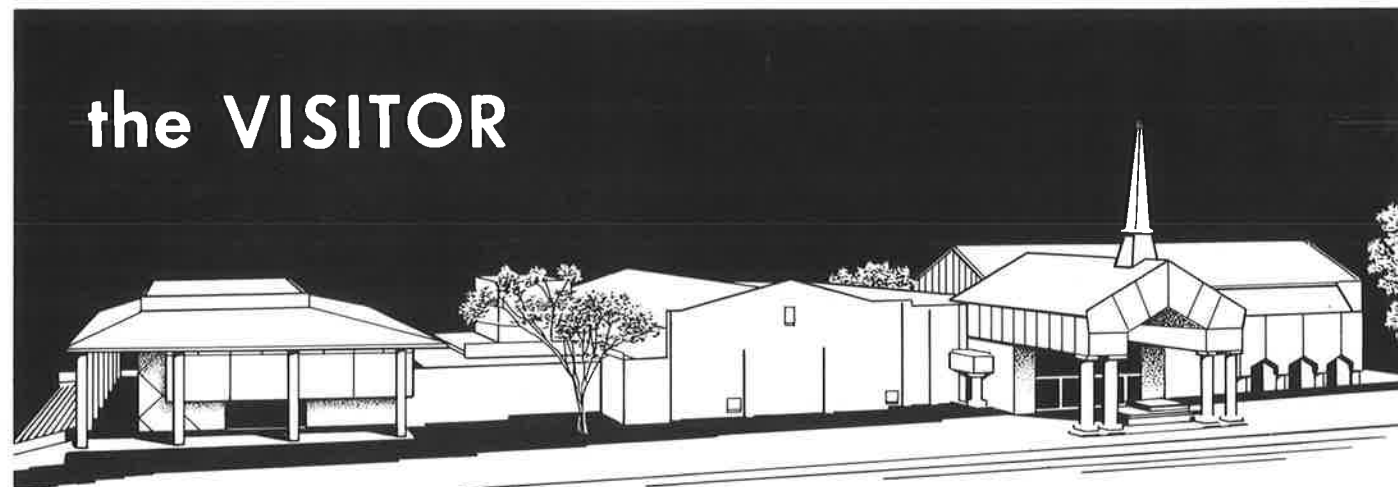
With Sympathy

Our hearts are saddened by the loss of two great men at West Erwin.

Roy Clark died early Thursday and funeral services were held in our building on Sunday afternoon.

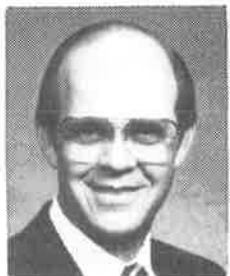
Ferman Carpenter died early Sunday and funeral services were held on Tuesday at Lloyd James Funeral Home.

We share in the sorrow of these families and express our love and sincere sympathy.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"The house of God, which is the church" - I Timothy 3:15

Randy Daw Leads Off Summer Series

Randy Daw, the talented preacher for the Johnson Street church in Greenville, will be our first Wednesday night guest speaker for the summer on June 3. We have a terrific line-up for this summer and you will want to put these Wednesday evenings in your schedule.

June 7 - Growing As The Family Of God

Each month this year, from June through November, we will have a special emphasis day. On June 7 our first major emphasis will be Growing As The Family Of God as we focus upon the church as God's family. Please make your plans to be in town and in attendance at both Bible study and worship that day. Following our morning worship we will assemble at the Center for a pot-luck meal together. As we plan for the noon meal, we are asking our families to bring food for themselves and enough for guests and to bring food that will not need refrigeration from the time we arrive at the building until we eat at noon. Our Fellowship Committee will provide tables, seating, drinks, and multiple serving lines to expedite service. Bring appropriate foods, including desserts and let's have a great day together June 7.

Hughes - Linscomb Selected

Beginning last Sunday, your elders have asked Hillard Hughes to make announcements at our Sunday assemblies for the next three months and we have asked Steve Linscomb to be his back-up. This decision was made so that all our members will know who to contact with late breaking news and to enable us to move more quickly from our necessary announcements into our worship. We sincerely appreciate all those who have performed this important work in the past and ask for your support as we continue to move forward at West Erwin.

Ray Vannoy
Chairman of Elders

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Youth Notes

by **Danny Snell**



THANKS!
 Thanks to all who made the Jr. Sr. Banquet such a success. Your donations were very much appreciated. Dr. R. E. Bellows, the Hypnotist, did a fantastic job entertaining the crew.

Thanks to those ladies who hosted the Senior Breakfast this year. It was really special. They are: Carolyn Blackstone, Carolyn Carruth, Judy Clark, Linda Marts, Connie Sublette, Gail Vannoy and Carolyn Welborn.

Thanks to Ken & Cathy Culpepper, Tommy & Donna Lowrance and Wayne & Lynn Harrison for hosting the Devo last week.

Thanks to Ken Culpepper, Bobby Perry and Stan Clark for teaching in the Youth Classes.


COMBINED DEVO
 All middle and high school students are invited to the combined devo this coming Sunday night. Plan to be a part of this fun time together.

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
 McRuiz's TEAM #1 will meet June 1.

"GO FOR THE GOLD"

"Run in such a way as to get the Prize." 1 Cor. 9:24



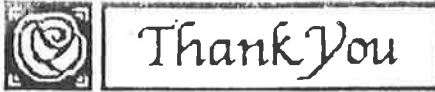
"But we do it to get a crown that will last forever." 1 Cor. 9:25

1992 EAST TEXAS SUMMER YOUTH SERIES

June 9 West Erwin - Tyler Will To Win	July 14 Van Fan Support
June 16 Gilmer Training	July 21 Glenwood - Tyler Endurance
June 23 Crockett Rd. - Palestine Equipment	July 28 Chandler St. - Kilgore Teamwork
June 30 Alpine - Longview Desire	August 4 Eastern Hills - Athens Attitude
July 7 Northside - Longview Carrying the Torch	August 11 Shiloh Rd. - Tyler Victory

TUESDAYS 7:30

Service Project Benefiting Christian Services of East Texas. Money raised will help in Foster Care of needy children in East Texas.



Dear West Erwin Church of Christ,
 I would like to thank everyone for all of your thoughts and prayers for my recovery. All of the cards and calls really helped to brighten my days. Thanks again for all of your love and concern.

In Christian love,
 Sheila Stafford


 Thank you for the beautiful flowers. During a time like this we realize how much our friends really mean to us... Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered by the family of Bernice Andrews.

Video Outreach - Update
 The following letter is from the folks at Video Bible Outreach in Twin Falls, Idaho where we send video tapes on a regular basis.

"Yesterday was West Erwin day in the video lab. I visit with you in a special way as the sermons are readied for the dubbing. Your opening remarks are meaningful to me as I know you better. Often a clip of your encouragement or humor is included. If it helps me, more than likely it will warm other brethren also.

Recently a loaned cassette (James series) was returned by a little Montana congregation. A letter was enclosed with the following paragraph: 'We've really enjoyed the James study. It is amazing how he can take such a small amount of text and cover it so thoroughly without repeating himself. He just keeps getting better and better.'

What more can I say except to end this as they did ... 'Take care and God Bless.'



Medina Truck Due
 The Medina Children's Home Grocery Truck will be in our area the week of June 1 - 5. Catsup is the item designated for West Erwin (500 36 oz. bottles is a 6 month supply). Cash donations are appreciated also as it is used to purchase milk, meat, fruit and vegetables. Thank you for your support.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

May 31.....Combined Activity
 June 7.....Parent - Teen Meeting
 June 9.....Summer Youth series at West Erwin
 June 14-19.....Learning to Lead Camp
 July 10-18.....Teen Mission Trip
 July 26-27.....Soul Lift
 August 2-7.....4-6 grade Learning to Lead

Area Events

You are invited to attend our Gospel Meeting
 Broad St. Church of Christ
 Mineola, Texas
 June 5 - 7
 Speaker: Neale Pryor
 Fri. - 7:30
 Sat. 8:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
 Sun. - 10:00, 10:50 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

 11th Annual Singing with Ray Walker
 June 7 - 10, 1992
 Sun. 10:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
 Mon. - Wed. 7:30 p.m.
 Lake Shore Drive Church of Christ
 Waco, Texas



Bridal Shower

You're invited to a Bridal Brunch honoring Cheryl Murphy
 Bride-elect of Bobby Perry
 Saturday, June 6
 11:00 - 12:30
 at the home of Wanda Weathers
 3401 Heines
 Selections:
 Dillard's and Service Merchandise
 Ladies, please consider this invitation as yours personally.

Early Childhood Conference
 Barbara Oberg will be speaking at Tyler Junior College for a conference on Early Childhood. The subjects will be Music In The Classroom and The Many Ways Of Story Telling. The conference is sponsored by T.J.C., Texas Dept. of Human Services and Trinity Valley Junior College.

Congratulations - College Graduates
 Mike Holcomb, husband of Norma, graduated with highest honors from Le Tourneau University in Longview with a degree in Business Management.
 Cheryl Welborn graduated from Abilene Christian University with a B.S. in Elementary Education. She is the daughter of Leon and Carolyn Welborn.




Spotlight on Education
 Dewey Howard

FORGET ABOUT A SUMMER SLUMP THIS YEAR. GET READY FOR OUR SUMMER SURGE!

Education Workday - this Saturday, May 30.
 It is time to clean out the old and put up the new for the summer quarter. The building will be open beginning at 9:00. So come and go when you can to help us get ready for the new quarter.

WEDNESDAY SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES
Every Wednesday this summer
 We have an exciting line-up of speakers this summer. We have asked them to bring one of their favorite lessons to share with us. This is a treat that none of you will want to miss. These men have a love for Christ that shines in their preaching and in their lives. Notice the schedule below and plan now to be with us every Wednesday evening. Think about who you can bring with you. And get ready for our summer surge!

June 3	Randy Daw
June 10	Mike Warner
June 17	Charles Hodge
June 24	Robert Oglesby
July 1	VBS 1992
July 8	VBS Follow-up
July 15	John Scott
July 22	Glen Dodds
July 29	Dan Manuel
August 5	Mike Armour
August 12	Lynn Anderson

Our "Journey in the Wilderness" is only about a month away! This will be another VBS that our children (and adults) will never forget. We still have plenty of opportunities for you to be involved. Come talk to me soon if I have not already talked with you.
 We will have a VBS meeting in the old auditorium for everyone involved on Sunday, May 31 at 5:15. We need everyone to be in attendance at this meeting. There is a lot of important information that we need to go over.

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Contribution	\$11,748.37	\$11,651.41	\$12,759.68
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 24, and Wed. P.M. May 27, Elmer Miles, ph. 597-9853.

Care and Prayer

Ann McCoy continues to show some improvement in Mother Frances Hospital, room 467.

Winifred George, Mary Gaiser's sister-in-law, is at home following surgery last Friday.

Hazel Morgan is recuperating at Park Place Nursing Center.

Ruth Pierce, mother of Faye Kennard, has returned home after being hospitalized last week.

Marie Arnold is scheduled for eye surgery on Tuesday, May 26.

Bonnie Carter, sister of Edna Hodnett, is ill in Dallas.

Joyce Parker, Edna Hodnett's niece, is seriously ill in Dallas.

Bert Harris remains in Medical Center Rehab Center.

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Prayer Faber Cauthen
Scripture Jerry Huff
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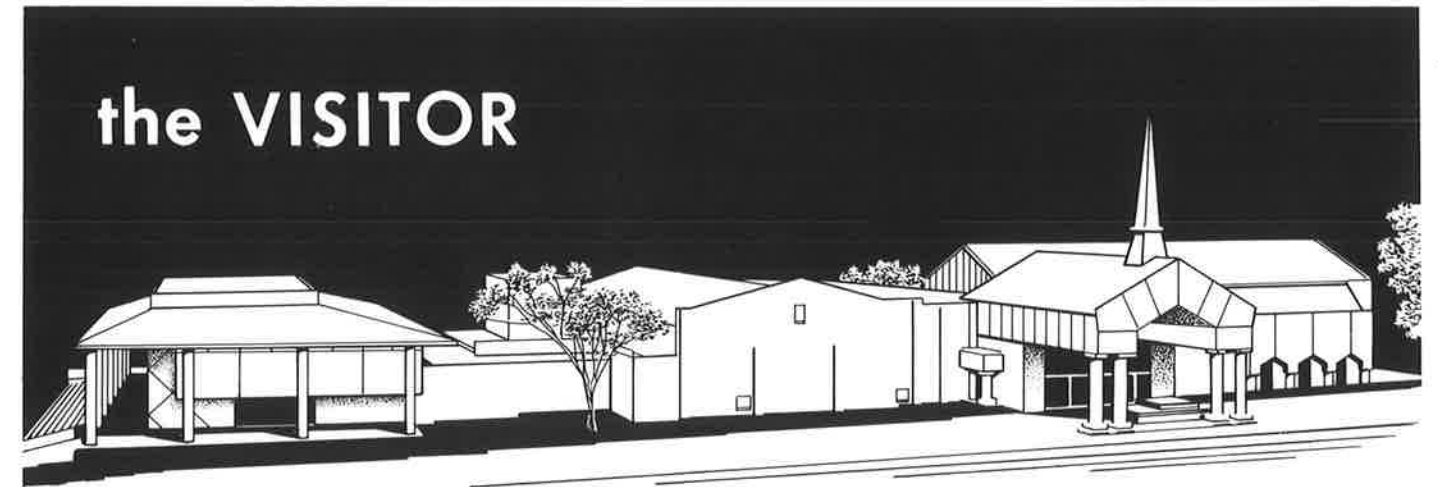
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Wednesday Fellowship Meal

Please indicate on your attendance card Sunday if you will be participating in this week's meal. Menu for Wednesday, May 27 (catered by Shipley):

Adult: - \$3.75 Child: - \$2.75
Variety of Deli sandwiches
Chips Donut
tea, koolaid or water



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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"It is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful" - I Corinthians 4:2

Stewards Until The End Of Time

It's the greatest thrill in the world -- leading someone to the Lord. Many have experienced it. Perhaps it was by formal teaching -- a Bible study was set up, the friend or relative was taught, and they obeyed the gospel. It might have been more informal -- someone is invited to worship, or to a study conducted by someone else, or perhaps Christ was seen in the life of another and questions were asked resulting in obedience. It doesn't matter how it happened, the fact remains that this is the greatest thrill of all -- leading someone to Jesus. Now, suppose you could be responsible for bringing people to the Lord even after you die! Yes, suppose you could be involved in teaching people until Jesus comes! Impossible? No! It's not only possible, but probable if we take a few simple steps. We can teach people as long as the world stands if we practice good stewardship while we live and when we die.

Why not remember the Lord's church in your will? That's right! Leave a portion of your estate to the church; designate that the principle be invested and that the earnings be used for preaching the gospel and you can be involved in teaching people the word of the Lord until the world ends. Many of us practice good stewardship right now as we give liberally to the cause of Christ, but what happens when we die? Normally our stewardship would stop, but not if we remember the Lord's work in our wills. Think about it! It's the right thing to do, isn't it?

"... even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid again and again when I was in need. Not that I am looking for a gift, but I am looking for what may be credited to your account (emphasis mine -- J.P.L.)" - Philippians 4:16-17.

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Thank You

Thank you for the lovely spray of pink and white carnations you sent for our mother. It was a wonderful thought. Also, my mother did and I do appreciate your care that you give to my Aunt Aline Beard. May the Lord bless your membership is our prayer.

Sincerely,
Edna & T.K. Chapman

I love my brothers and sisters in Christ. You mean so much to me. Thanks for the love shown to me in the death of my sister and all the year.

I love you,
Aline Beard

My sincere thanks to all who wrote and sent cards while I was a patient at Terrell State Hospital. I must have got 35 or 40 cards while I was there. That was an excellent ministry to the other patients and staff at the hospital. They all commented on how many cards I was getting. I love you all.

In Christian love,
Nita Miller



Discovery Days

Discovery Days is now accepting enrollments for its summer session. Children ages 22 months through kindergarten and 1st grade through 5th grades are invited to be a part of this two day program. For more information contact Barbara Oberg at 581-1806 or the church office.

Congratulations

Congratulations to our Dr. Marian Rowe who was named recipient of the Humanitarian Award at the Volunteer Awards reception April 30. Sponsored by the Volunteer Center of Tyler, the awards recognized service and activities in Smith County during the past 12 months. The Humanitarian Award recognizes the volunteer "whose spirit of caring has enhanced service to a program which addresses human need." The ceremony, held at the Tyler Museum of Art, was in conjunction with National Volunteer Week.

"Sisters In Service"

Our Ladies Love Fiesta was a muchas grande event! One hundred ladies attended, the decor was bright and beautiful, the food was delicious and in abundance, entertainment was superb and the fellowship was outstanding. Thanks to everyone!

Our Sisters In Service logo was introduced and a questionnaire was presented to aid in seeking the involvement of everyone in the work of our women's ministry. Don't forget to return it and become involved.

If you missed this event, be sure not to miss the next one. Check the women's ministry bulletin board in the main foyer on a regular basis and watch for the logo on announcements. May God bless our service and fill us all with His love and the desire to share it.

Response

Carolyn Welborn came Sunday to ask for the prayers of her church family that she have a gentle loving spirit and a pure heart.

New Address

We are glad to have an address now where Robert and Jody Hawkins can receive mail. We wish them well as they travel about the country seeking to be of service to churches wherever they are. Their mailing address is 6110 Pleasant Ridge Road, Suite 3436, Arlington, Texas 76016.

Area Events

You're invited
to hear

The Gospels Quartet

at the
Shiloh Road Church of Christ

Saturday, May 23, 1992

7:00 P.M.

Singles & Singles Again
May 23, 1992 at 6:30 P.M.

Alpine Church of Christ
610 East Loop 281

Longview, Texas

Bring a covered dish

Come and enjoy

fellowship and games!

Wedding Invitation

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley O. Mallory
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Angela Rose

to

Mr. Grant Alan Moreland

on Saturday, the twenty-third of May

nineteen hundred and ninety-two

at half past ten in the morning

West Erwin Church of Christ

Tyler, Texas

Reception and Light Brunch

immediately following ceremony

Willow Brook Country Club

Tyler, Texas

CONGRATULATIONS

1992 SENIORS



SCOTT CARRUTH



DAVID HANEY



ANGIE HENDRIX



JEFFREY KONCZAK



RACHEL WATKINS



Not Pictured
STEVEN MABRY

Scott Carruth, a graduate of Whitehouse High School, was in Varsity soccer (4 years) Captain (2 years) All District (1 year), F.C.A. (4 years), Soldiers for Jesus (2 years), National Honor Society (3 years), NHS student of the month, Who's Who Among American High School Students (3 years), Spanish Club (2 years), Campus Beautification, Bank Board Advisory Committee/Secretary, D-FY-IT (4 years), Computer Club and Basketball. Scott received McDonald's Ray A. Kroc Achievement Award, is in the top 10% of his class, graduating with honors. He received the Presidential, Computer Science, and LTC scholarships. He plans to attend Harding Christian University and major in Physical Therapy. Scott is the son of Les and Carolyn Carruth.

David Haney, the son of David and Cathy Haney, is a graduate of Robert E. Lee. David was active in the Spanish Club, Technology Students Association, and the Future Farmers of America. He received first place in a Regional Drafting competition at T.J.C. and received second place in State competition in Waco. He plans to attend T.J.C. and major in Computer Assisted Drafting.

Angie Hendrix is the daughter of Darryl and Rhonda Hendrix. She is a graduate of Robert E. Lee High School and was in French Club, Art Club, Jets/Jaz, Swat Team, D-Fy-It, A/B Honor Roll,

Tyler Youth Seminars, National Honor Society and Who's Who Among American High School Students (1988-1991). She was awarded the Kilgore College Art Portfolio Competition Scholarship and the Free Enterprise Educational Institution of Texas Scholarship. She will major in Art at A.C.U.

Jeffrey Thomas Konczak is an honor graduate at Robert E. Lee High School. He played on the soccer team for 3 years, was in Jets/Jaz, D-Fy-It, and was in Mexican League Soccer 4 years. He was in National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, was selected to the National Youth Leadership Organization on Military Defense, Tyler Youth Leadership Organization, and was awarded a scholarship with the U.S. Army R.O.T.C. Jeff, the son of Tommy and Jerry Konczak, will major in Zoology at the University of Texas in Austin.

Rachel Watkins was a January graduate of T.I.S.D. While in High School, she participated in volleyball, track, T.A.F.E., Pep Squad, Drill Team, Spanish Club, Student Council (2 years), A-B Honor Roll (2 years) and National Honor Society. She was Vice President of her Freshman class and was voted most friendly in her sophomore year. Rachel is the daughter of Darryl and Jeanie Wood. She is enrolled at T.J.C. where she is majoring in Biology.

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Prayer and Care

Ann McCoy is in room 467 at Mother Frances Hospital. Hazel Morgan remains in Mother Frances Hospital, room 406.

Jeanine Hughes will be on crutches for awhile due to a fractured hip.

Sheila Stafford was hospitalized last week but is now at home.

Bert Harris remains in Medical Center Rehab Center. Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

With Sympathy

Funeral services were held May 1 in Comanche, Oklahoma for Curtis Gilmore, brother of Helen Beard. Helen is in Oklahoma but expects to be back in a week or so. We extend our sincere sympathy to her.

LOVE

"Love is not something you feel It's something you do."

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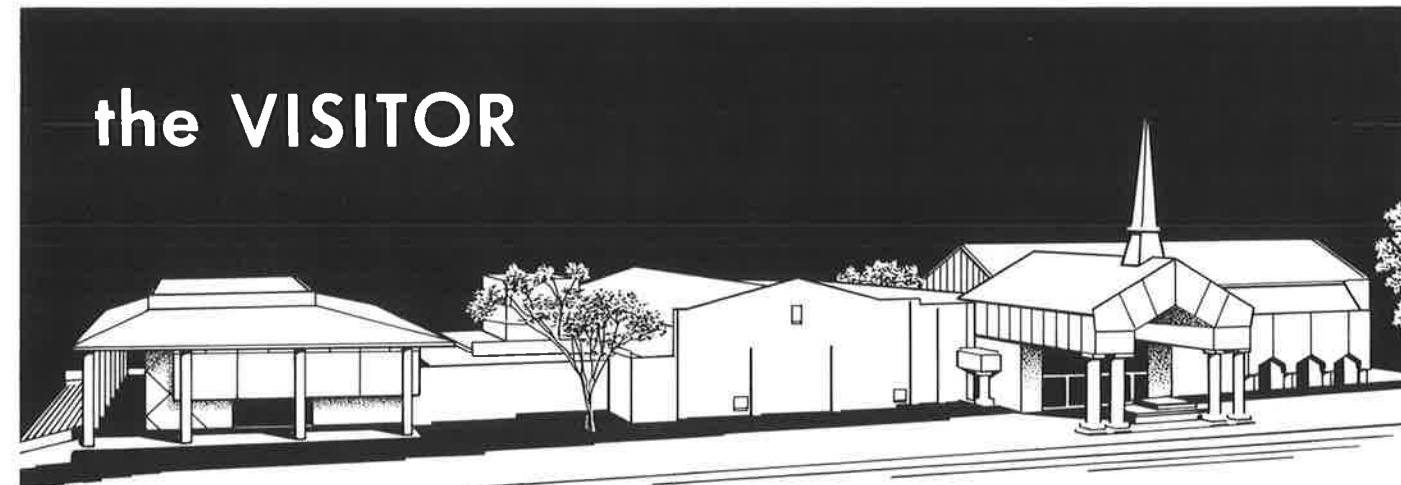
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J.N. & Ginger Metcalf
Fred & Sara Powell
Foy & Mary Richey

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Adult: - \$4.25 Child: - \$3.25
¼ roasted chicken 1 piece chicken
cole slaw/baked beans cole slaw/baked beans
bread bread
tea, koolaid or water



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"I press toward the mark ..." - Philippians 3:14

A Summer Surge

Beginning with June, the first month of summer, we are planning an exciting and meaningful summer and fall for the West Erwin church. One Sunday each month will be designated as a time of special emphasis and the first Sunday in the series will be June 7 when we will focus upon Growing As The Family Of God. The day will feature some church family opportunities for growth. More details will be shared soon, but mark your calendars now -- be in your place June 7.

On Wednesday nights during most of the summer we will have guest speakers from the East Texas area for all our adults and Dewey Howard, our Educational Minister, has arranged an impressive slate of speakers including such men as Mike Warner, Charles Hodge, Robert Oglesby, Dan Manuel and others. A full list of speakers will be published soon. We're in for a treat!

As we enter the summer and a new quarter in our Bible School, why not enroll in one of our classes if you are not now attending? My friend, Clarence DeLoach, who preaches for the church in Dickson, Tennessee, recently wrote: "The Bible School is: The friend of childhood, The inspiration of youth, The strength of middle age, The comfort of declining years. The Bible School has: God's day for its time, God's house for its place, God's book for its text, God's glory for its aim. The Bible School: Builds character, Instructs the mind, Warms the heart, Encourages the faint, Shields the tempted, Points the way to all." Be one of over 400 in Bible School this Sunday and let's go on to have over 500 in classes by this fall!

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

A special Thanks to all who helped with the Mothers' Day Special this past Sunday. Our Moms are very important to all of us and I'm glad we could have something just for them. Thanks to Carolyn Philpot for organizing the event and working so hard to make it happen. The list of folks who helped is endless but several were in charge of certain areas. They were Kim Sublette, Amy Pickens and Angie Hendrix.

JUNIOR - SENIOR BANQUET

We still are in need of funds for the annual Jr.-Sr. Banquet that will be next weekend. If you can help in any way, please turn in your donation to the "Youth Fund" by Wednesday. You may give that to me or drop it in the wooden box labeled YOUTH by the offices. Juniors and Seniors, please RSVP to me by Sunday if you plan to go.

COMBINED DEVO

All middle and high school students are invited to the combined devo this coming Sunday night. Plan to be a part of this fun time together.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

May 17	Combined Activity
May 23	Jr.-Sr. Banquet
May 24	Baccalaureate
June 9	Summer Youth Series
June 14-19	Learning to Lead Camp
July 10-18	Teen Mission Trip
July 26-27	Soul Lift
Aug. 2-7	4-6 grade Learning To Lead

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

****ALL: Remember the Jr.-Sr. Banquet**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Womack's TEAM #3 will meet May 18.



Thank You

To our West Erwin Family,
We want to thank you for the calls, cards, prayers and expressions of love and concern in the loss of our loved one, Edna Wilson.

Love you all,
Clinton & Louise Culpepper
and family

For all your prayers, cards, flowers and every demonstration of concern during my dad's illness and death, we thank you. Our association with the West Erwin Christians has been a blessing to us.

Stan & Judy Clark

To Stan's Church Family,

Thank you all for caring. All the cards helped so much and the flowers were very beautiful. Your thoughtfulness was truly appreciated.

Love,
Judy Mauldin and Family

Thank you for each act of love and kindness you have shown to me during my recent illness and hospitalizations. I appreciate your phone calls, visits, cards and prayers for my recovery. Please continue to pray for me.

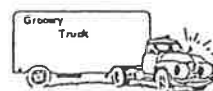
Allie Wren

Thank you for the flowers, cards, calls, Jay for his kind words, and all the kindnesses shown after the death of my mother.

In Christian love,
Helen Wright

In Appreciation

The elders would like to publicly thank Elmer Miles for his work in taking care of the building while James Phillips was on vacation. Because of the special events during that time, there was much to be done and Elmer took care of every detail in a capable and cheerful manner. We appreciate you, Elmer!



Medina Truck Due

The Medina Children's Home Grocery Truck will be in our area the week of June 1 - 5. Catsup is the item designated for West Erwin (500 36 oz. bottles is a 6 month supply). Cash donations are appreciated also as it is used to purchase milk, meat, fruit and vegetables. Thank you for your support.

Annual Golf Tournament

Please contact Allen Bobbitt, Hillard Hughes, Louis Jones or Phil Marts if you would like to participate in the annual West Erwin Golf Tournament. The tournament will be on May 30, beginning at 1:00 at Echo Creek. You must be registered by May 23.



Nita Miller
216 South Fannin, #E
Tyler, TX 75702

Stephanie Maddox
724 Bean
Kilgore, TX 75662

Roberta Tindall
5100 Sweetbriar, #517
Tyler, TX 75703
phone 534-9191

Wedding Invitation

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley O. Mallory
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Angela Rose

to

Mr. Grant Alan Moreland

on Saturday, the twenty-third of May
nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at half past ten in the morning
West Erwin Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas

Reception and Light Brunch
immediately following ceremony
Willow Brook Country Club
Tyler, Texas

Bridal Shower

You are invited
to a gift tea
honoring
Terry Lockhart
bride-elect of John Shaw
at the home of
Mrs. Edgar Bullard
4011 Pinedale
Saturday, May 16
2:30 - 4:30

Selections: Dillards & Service
Merchandise
Ladies, please consider this your
personal invitation.

Area Meeting

This is your invitation to hear
Jimmy Allen
on a soul stirring series of
Gospel Meetings
May 17 - 20, 1992
Sunday A.M. 9:30 & 10:30
Sun. - Wed. P.M. 7:30 P.M.
"A Survey Of Romans"
Mon. - Wed. A.M. 9:30 - 11:30
Frankston Church of Christ
Frankston, Texas

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

YOU ARE THE KEY TO REACHING THESE GOALS!

600 in Sunday morning worship
500 in Sunday morning class
400 in Sunday evening worship
300 in Wednesday Bible study

SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES

Wednesday nights through this summer.

Our "Journey in the Wilderness" is close at hand. If you have not yet planned to go with us, call me today and reserve yourself a spot. This will be another VBS that our children (and adults) will never forget.

We will have a VBS meeting in the old auditorium for everyone involved on Sunday, May 31, at 5:15. We need everyone to be in attendance at this meeting.

West Erwin is an exciting place to be!

Our fellowship is growing stronger. Our Bible study is growing deeper. Our outreach is growing wider. Our ministry is growing more fruitful.

Over the next few months, a number of exciting activities will be coming our way. These are guaranteed to help us continue in our growth. Look for these. Support these. Participate in these.

June 3	Wednesday Summer Speaker Series begin
June 9	Summer Youth Series meets at West Erwin
June 23	The Ray Maxwells begin a visit with us.
June 29	VBS at West Erwin begins
July 10	The youth leave for their mission trip
July 19	Our teachers leave for Bible Teachers workshop at ACU

Get a calender so that you can mark these dates along with others to come.

Koinonia noon meals and blood drive:

May 17	Group 2	May 31	Group 4
May 24	Group 3	June 7	Group 5

May 7, 1992	THE VISITOR		Vol.22-No.19
Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	May 3	Apr.26	Ago
Bible Class	353	394	354
Worship A.M.	504	569	479
Worship P.M.	337	340	239
Wed. P.M.	255	235	235
Contribution	\$13,017.27	\$12,352.09	\$10,591.36
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 10, and Wed. P.M. May 13, Ray Womack, ph. 561-5227.

Prayer and Care

Ann McCoy has moved to room 467 in Mother Frances Hospital.

Hazel Morgan is scheduled for angioplasty at Mother Frances Hospital on Wednesday.

Allie Wren has moved to Briarcliff Nursing Center, #80-A.

Bert Harris remains in Medical Center Rehab Center. Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

With Sympathy

Funeral services were held Thursday for Bernice Andrews, a long-time member of West Erwin.

Funeral services were held Wednesday in Whitehouse for Verde Adams, uncle of Wanda Frick.

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to these families in their loss of loved ones.

Information Hot-Line ph. 534-4462

Call this number for announcements, update on sick, assembly times and devotional thoughts.

MINISTERS		
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit		
Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth	
Harold Taylor - Missions		
ELDERS		
Ferman Carpenter	Stan Clark	Leon Welborn
Freeman Morgan	Phil Marts	Ray Vannoy
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Joe McBee

ASSEMBLIES	
SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Bible School 9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.	(Sept. through May)
Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.	Bible Class 7:00 P.M.
MONDAY	
Brief Devotional - Chapel 7:00 A.M.	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	
 12:00 P.M.

Serving Sunday

Announcements Steve Linscomb
 Prayer Stan Clark
 Scripture Bobby Perry
 Dismiss Jeff Parrish

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Steve Linscomb
 Prayer Clinton Culpepper
 Scripture George Daugherty
 Dismiss Ed Hunt

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Marc Tate

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

David Taylor Ron Oberg
 Fred Powell John Steffee
 Robert Stokes Billy Terrell
 Robert McLemee Jimmie Philpot

GREETERS

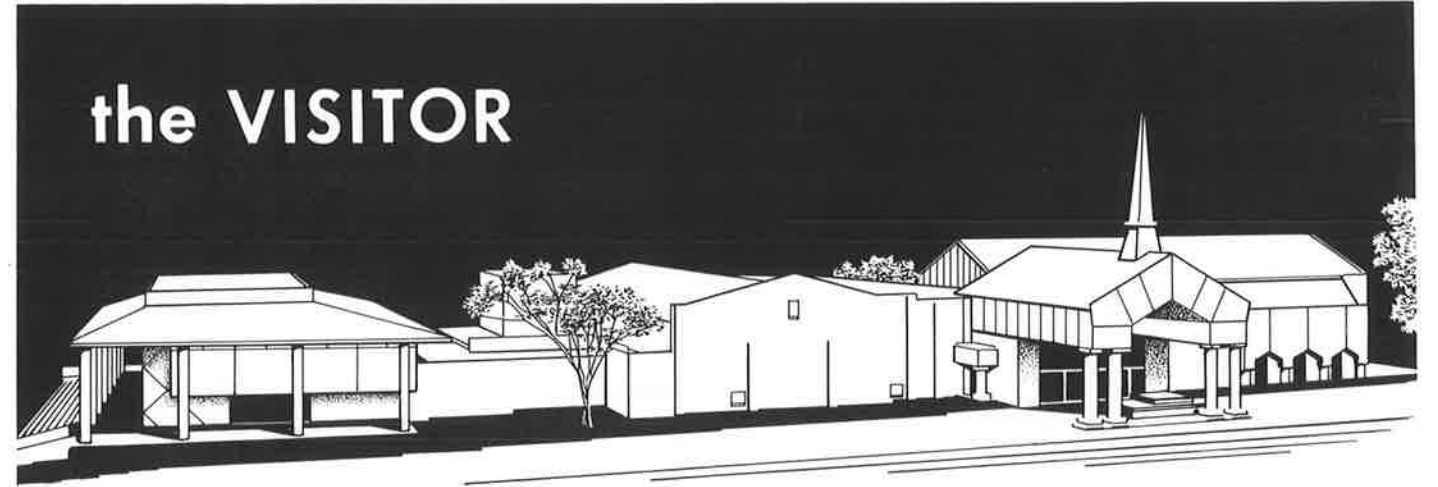
J.N. & Ginger Metcalf

Fred & Sara Powell

Foy & Mary Richey

Baptized Into Christ

Sonny and Kathy Holmes were baptized into Christ on Tuesday morning by George Daugherty. They have two children, Geoffory (2), and Rlynea (1), and live at 3100 Hwy 31 E, #260, 75702. We welcome them into our family at West Erwin.




WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"And the Lord added to their number day by day ..."
 - Acts 2:47

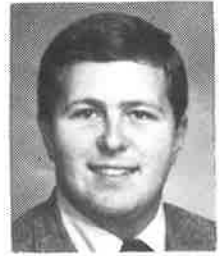
Can The Church Grow?

It is thrilling to read of the beginning and growth of the church in the book of Acts. On the first day of the church's existence there were 3000 (Acts 2:41). Then the church grew to 5000 (4:4), then multitudes were added (5:14), and finally the numbers were multiplied (6:7). It is thought that the church in Jerusalem might have been over 100,000 members in those early days. Can the church grow today? We remember the 1950's and 1960's when the church was the fastest growing religious group in America. We remember the 1970's and the 1980's when our growth was stagnant and we were actually in decline. Now, what will the 1990's bring? We cannot decide for our brotherhood, but we can decide for ourselves. Of course, we know that "God gives the increase," but we also know there must be planting and watering by God's people. Can the church grow? Yes, but only if we change our emphasis. We can grow:

1. If we focus upon teaching the gospel to others. Note the word "focus," for you see we may focus on many things and miss the main thing. We must emphasize reaching people. Our focus must not be buildings, getting our way, infighting, or "holding the line." Our emphasis must be reaching people;
 2. If we are faithful in the presentation of the never changing gospel and are continually searching for better methods in reaching the lost, in edifying the body, and in worshipping "in spirit and in truth;"
 3. If we make a diligent effort to "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" by exercising the attitude of lowliness, meekness, longsuffering, and forbearing one another in love (Ephesians 4:2-3);
 4. If we begin to live by the principle of Jesus, that it is "more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35); and
 5. If we invite people to our assemblies, go out of our way to welcome them, and abandon our own comfort as we seek to meet their needs.
- Think about it. We can grow. And we are growing.

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THANKS!

Thanks to those of you who went to Briarcliff this past Sunday: Cindy Carruth, Jonathon Lowrance, Matt Pickens, Neil & Joanna Vannoy. Thanks also to Jerry & Rachel Huff and Gail Vannoy for helping. Jerry and the guys did a great job leading the worship.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to David Haney for a recent Architectural Drafting project. Last weekend he went to the State Contest in Austin and received a 2nd Place Rating for getting 85 out of 100 possible points! That is really great! Congrats David, on a job well done!

Congrats to Christopher Bobbitt for completing several Scouting accomplishments including the JOYFUL SERVANT Badge and the ARROW OF LIGHT. Christopher is in Boy Scout Troop 354. Way to go Christopher!

Congrats to Amanda Broome for being inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at Moore Middle School. Great going Amanda!

ATTENTION!

All middle and high school students are asked to meet at the Fellowship Hall this Saturday morning at 9:00 to prepare for the Mothers Day Banquet.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

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****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Pott's TEAM #2 will meet May 11.

**THE YOUTH AT WEST ERWIN
INVITE THEIR
MOTHERS
TO A SPECIAL EVENING
IN THEIR HONOR
SUNDAY, MAY 10, 1992
7:00 PM
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.**

Welcome, New Members



We are glad to have a picture this week of Bill and Nonnie Bruce, and twin daughters, Neelie and Natalie, so that all might know who they are. They are a welcome addition to our growing family. Their address is Route 2, Box 2229, Chandler, 75758, phone #852-7642.



Thank You

Dear Family;

I've thought for the past 10 months that the Lord guided me to Tyler, Texas to become a part of your family. Now I know without a doubt. There could be no greater love between sisters and brothers than what Megan and I have found at West Erwin.

Everyone has been so great in showing love to Megan. And her teachers are to be commended, as I can see the spiritual growth in her.

We also wish to express our thanks to everyone for all the love and concern shown us through the many beautiful cards, visits, food, and especially all your prayers on our behalf.

In Christian Love,
Sister Wanda Lee Turner
Megan and Arden

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We are so overwhelmed by your outpouring of love! The money has been a God-send in allowing us to pay off hospitals and doctors that would have taken years. We love you and appreciate you so much. God has blessed us with Lester's return to health and a wonderful Christian family.

In Christian Love,
Lester & Nancy Warburton
Jimmy, Joshua, Laura & Jeffrey

Discovery Days

As a measure of their appreciation the parents of Discovery Days gave a dinner for the elders, church staff, teachers and their spouses. A special thank you goes to Paige Morris for organizing the event, Julie Ables for assisting, and Jim McCoy for an entertaining evening. This was an enjoyable time and would not have been possible without the many things these people have done.

Barbara Oberg, Director

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart will have their monthly covered dish supper on Thursday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All who are 55 or over (you do not have to be retired) are invited to be a part of this group. Make your plans to come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship.

Annual Golf Tournament

Please contact Allen Bobbitt, Hillard Hughes, Louis Jones or Phil Marts if you would like to participate in the annual West Erwin Golf Tournament. The tournament will be on May 30, beginning at 1:00 at Echo Creek. You must be registered by May 23.

Wednesday Morning Ladies Class

The Wednesday morning ladies Bible class will meet May 6 and 13, then will close out the year with a luncheon on May 20 at the home of Fern Bench. All the ladies are encouraged to attend. You'll be glad you did.

Special Events

You're invited
to a Bridal Tea
honoring

Mrs. Alan Dale (Toni) Hamblett
Saturday, May 9

1:30 - 3:00

at the home of Carolyn Womack
1608 Yosemite

Selections: Foley's and Dillard's

You are invited
to a gift tea
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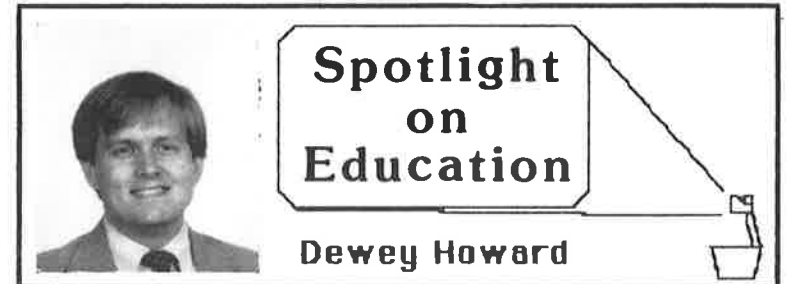
Terry Lockhart
bride-elect of John Shaw

at the home of

Mrs. Edgar Bullard
4011 Pinedale

Saturday, May 16
2:30 - 4:30

Selections: Dillard's & Service Merchandise
Ladies, please consider these invitations
personally yours.



Education Ministry Workday: May 30.

Our attendance is up at each of our times together! That means more and more souls are coming together for Bible study and fellowship. Keep making our classes and assemblies an important part of your week -- every week.

Are you tapping into "The Power to Be"? Our Sunday morning adult classes are studying the lifestyle of Jesus to discover ways to be like Him. Be a part of this study each week and watch yourself become more like Jesus.

A new class is coming for those with marriage in their future. "A Resume for Husbands and Wives" will begin May 17 in room 307. David Frick will lead this four week study of how to have a lifelong, life-filled marriage. This class is for anyone who is planning a marriage, or would just like to get a head start on preparing for a good marriage.

Several have discovered the benefits of our new teacher file boxes. These are an effective way of keeping the communication flowing among members of the education ministry. Check yours on a regular basis. They are located in the hallway by my office door.

Teachers and helpers are needed for the summer quarter. If you can help in one of our classes, contact your coordinator or me as soon as possible.

No Koinonia Group meeting this week due to Mother's Day. Enjoy some time with your families. The noon meals and blood drive will continue next week.

- Group 2 May 17
- Group 3 May 24
- Group 4 May 31
- Group 5 June 7

Wednesday Fellowship Meal - menu for
Wednesday, May 13 (catered by McDonald's):
Regular Meal - \$2.50 Small Meal - \$1.50
Hamburger & Chips Small Burger
all the fixings Chips
Apple pie Box of cookies
Tea, koolaid, or water

Records	Sunday Apr.26	Sunday Apr.19	Year Ago
Bible Class	394	393	330
Worship A.M.	569	658	463
Worship P.M.	340	246	360
Wed. P.M.	235	250	244
Contribution	\$12,352.09	\$12,283.78	\$11,363.28
Special Contribution	\$4,286.09		
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, May 3, and Wed. P.M., May 6, Mark Waggoner, ph. 597-2111.

Prayer and Care

Ann McCoy is some improved in ICU at Mother Frances Hospital.
 Aline Beard had eye surgery on Wednesday at Medical Center Hospital.
 Roy Clark is receiving another round of radiation treatment.
 Odell Sessions had day surgery on her knee last Friday at Medical Center.
 Onie Mason, Billie Morgan's mother, had surgery last Thursday in Shreveport.
 Bert Harris remains in Medical Center Rehab Center.
 Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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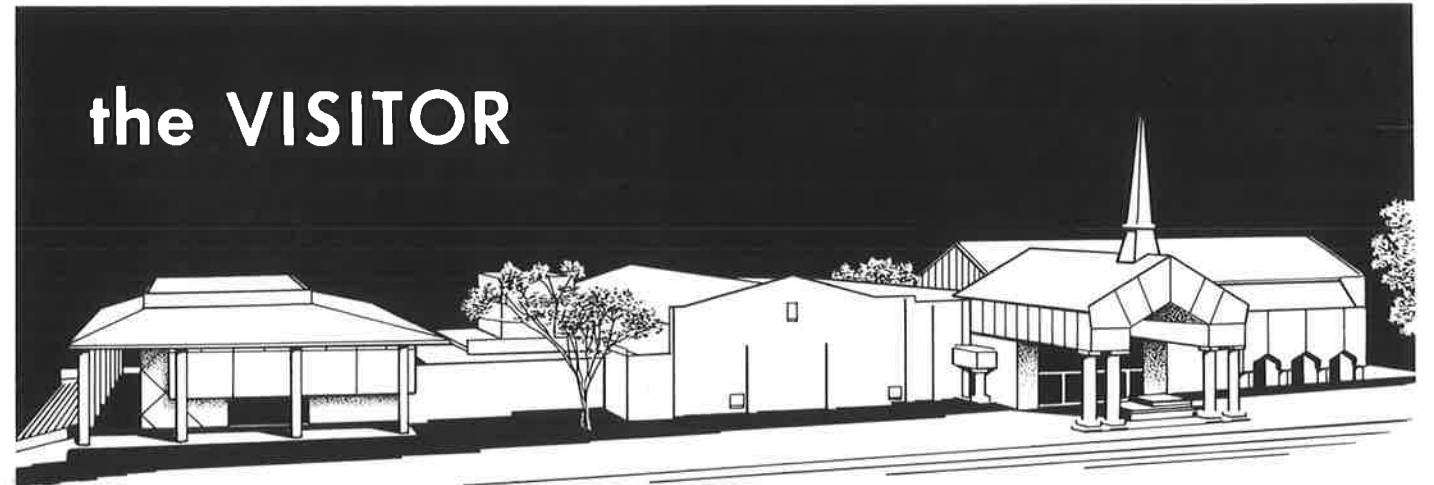
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			WEDNESDAY Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A.M. (Sept. through May) Bible Class 7:00 P.M.		
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Serving Sunday

Announcements Freeman Morgan
 Prayer Wayne Harrison
 Scripture John Steffee
 Dismiss David Haney, Jr.
 6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Freeman Morgan
 Prayer David Haney
 Scripture Ron Oberg
 Dismiss Jim Mayer
 PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
 C.B. Hardin
 SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
 Bill McCain Doug McKee
 Steve Linscomb Forest McFadden
 Jon Bain Matt Pickens
 Hillard Hughes Neil Vannoy
 GREETERS
 Bob and May Helen May
 Forest and Mary McFadden
 Marc & Dana Tate


Learning To Love

Audio tapes of Willard Tate's "Learning to Love" seminar will be available in the church office. There is no charge for these tapes, but if you want to cover the cost, the tapes are \$1.00 each.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"I exhort first of all that ... prayers ... be made for ... all who are in authority"
 - I Timothy 2:1-2

A Day Of Prayer

I have never seen more unrest and dissatisfaction concerning elected officials than we are witnessing in this election year. Many are not satisfied with the present administration's economic policies. Others are unimpressed with the alternative. Then there is the bank scandal in Congress. We have a confidence crisis in government. I saw a bumper sticker recently that read: "Don't re-elect anybody." People all across America are being called upon for a National Day of Prayer on May 7. When has there been a time that we needed to pray for "all who are in authority" more urgently than now? We need to pause each day and pray for our elected officials. We need to remember to pray for them in our church assemblies. On May 7, we need to place special emphasis upon praying for our nation. Remember, throughout the day, to pray.

Harold Taylor To Preach

We welcome Harold and Betty Taylor to West Erwin this Sunday as Harold will be preaching at both assemblies. Harold has been supported by West Erwin for the past 8 years in his important work of helping churches across the country and in foreign lands in leadership training, in recognizing and using talents, and in personal evangelism. It's always a joy to have the Taylors visit us and we're glad to have Harold preach for us a few times every year as his schedule will allow.



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by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Jeff & Linda Hone and Marc & Dana Tate for hosting the activity this past Sunday. It was a great night at the Tyler Family Fun Park with lots of golf and batting to go around.

Thanks to Jimmie Philpot for helping to rid the new building of weeds last week. It sure looks nice!

It was really a great meeting last weekend with Willard Tate. All of us learned a lot more about "Learning to Love". Now, lets put it into action everyday.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to David Haney for a recent Architectural Drafting project. He entered it in the Regional Contest at TJC last week and won 1st place in the House Plans Division. Not only was David's drawing great in that division, he won The Purple Ribbon for being the best in all the classes of winners. This weekend he will be going to the State Contest in Austin. (Good Luck Dave). Congrats on a job well done!

BRIARCLIFF WORSHIP SERVICE

On Sunday May 3, all teens and families are invited to the Briarcliff Retirement Center to conduct the afternoon worship service. We will leave after church Sunday morning and go out to eat at the Airport for one of their famous burgers. After lunch we will take Communion to the Nursing Homes and then to Briarcliff at 3:00 for the Worship Assembly. All teens and families are invited to go with us.

MOTHERS' DAY SPECIAL

Moms and dads of the youth group, please mark your calendars for a very special activity on Sunday, May 10. Plan to be present that night after the evening assembly for an evening meal in your honor. More details will follow.

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West Erwin Visitation Ministry
McRuiz's TEAM #1 will meet May 4.

Welcome, New Members

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Thank You

Dear West Erwin family,

Brother Lockhart, Brother Phil Marts, the two ladies classes and all our friends, we appreciate your cards, telephone calls, food and concern during my time of trauma and uncertainty. All our prayers were answered, all tests were negative. We love you.

Foy & Mary Richey

I want to thank my dear friends at West Erwin for being so caring during these last few weeks of my illness. Your prayers were felt and your calls, cards, flowers and food were so much appreciated. I am so glad to once again be able to attend our worship.

With my love,
June Walker

Area Meetings

Gospel Meeting

Church of Christ
Chandler Street
Kilgore, Texas
May 3 - 6

with Mark Howell
of Houston, Texas

Services: Sunday - 9 & 10 AM; 6 PM

Weekdays - Noon & 7 PM

The Pine Tree Church of Christ
Longview, Texas

Invites You To Hear
David Litton's seminar

"Biblical Principles of Financial Management"

Friday, May 1, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 2, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

(Nursery will be provided)

The Search



Each Sunday

KETK - Channel 56 - 8:00 A.M.

KLSB - Channel 19 - 7:30 A.M.

Dr. Jay Lockhart, Minister

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Thursday School

Registration is now underway for
ages nursery through 3 years at the
Glenwood Church of Christ Thursday
School. Call 592-3858 for more
information.

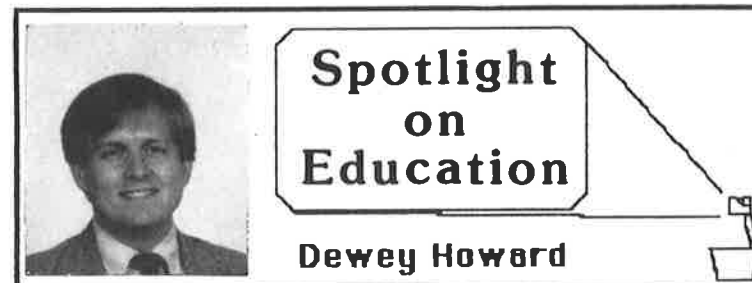


Rob and Carmen Hilliard moved this
week. Their new address is P.O. Box
471271, Aurora, Colorado 80047-1271.
They will be greatly missed but we
wish them well in their new home.



New Grandbaby

Congratulations to Fred and Betty
Strait who are the proud grandparents
of Skylar Michelle, born April 24 in
Lubbock to Cheri and Dwaine Strait.
She is 20 inches long and weighed 8
lb. 8 oz. Rozener Strait is the great
grandmother and Sheila Taylor is the
proud aunt.



Spotlight on Education

Dewey Howard

WE CAN REACH THESE GOALS!

600 in Sunday morning worship
500 in Sunday morning class
400 in Sunday evening worship
300 in Wednesday Bible study

Do you study God's word and praise His name
with the West Erwin family every chance you
get? You need us as much as we need you.

This Wednesday, May 6, Phil Hatton from the
Crockett Road church in Palestine will be here
to share with us lessons from the hymns we
sing. He has gathered several slides and
stories concerning many of our hymns from a
trip that he and his wife took to Great
Britain a year or so ago. Be a part of this
enjoyable and inspirational lesson.

A special thanks to all of you who helped
in various ways with the "Learning to Love"
seminar. To all of you who helped with child
care, greeting, refreshments, promoting, and
inviting: you made for a wonderful weekend.
If you missed Willard Tate's lessons, be sure
to get the tapes from the church office. His
lessons are some that we all need to hear.

If marriage is in your future, would you
like a relationship that will last a lifetime?
A class to help is coming in May.

Koinonia noon meals and blood drive:

May 3	Group 1	May 31	Group 4
May 17	Group 2	June 7	Group 5
May 24	Group 3		

The Wednesday fellowship meal menu for
Wednesday, May 6 (catered by Grandy's):

Regular: (\$3.75)	Small: (\$2.00)
Country fried steak	Country fried steak
Green beans	1 vegetable
Mashed potatoes	
2 rolls	1 roll
Tea, Koolaid, or water	

Indicate on your attendance card Sunday
whether you will be participating in this
week's meal.

Records	Sunday	Sunday	Year
	Apr. 19	Apr. 12	Ago
Bible Class	393	366	330
Worship A.M.	658	519	463
Worship P.M.	246	332	360
Wed. P.M.	250	213	244
Contribution	\$12,283.78	\$10,890.51	\$10,762.05
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 26, and Wed. P.M., April 29, Keith Harris, ph. 839-3826.

Prayer and Care

Ann McCoy remains in ICU at Mother Frances Hospital. She is some improved.

Mary Richey got a good report from her biopsy last week.

Lillie Knight is in Medical Center, room 2513. She suffered a stroke.

Jo Northcutt had eye surgery on Wednesday. She is in Southview Nursing Center.

Wanda Lee Turner was admitted to Mother Frances Hospital on Wednesday.

Bert Harris, father of Charles and Jimmie and grandfather of Keith, has moved to Medical Center Rehab Center.

Allie Wren is in Mother Frances Hospital. She has moved to room 571.

Nita Miller has returned to Terrell State Hospital. She hopes to be back soon.

Stephen Pickle, son of Sallyann Pickle, remains on dialysis in Ada, Oklahoma. The family appreciates your prayers and believes they have made a difference.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

Serving Sunday

Announcements Mike Cauthen
 Prayer Harold Browning
 Scripture Matt Haws
 Dismiss Dale Blackstone

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Jeff Hone

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 Steve Linscomb Forest McFadden
 Jon Bain Matt Pickens
 Hillard Hughes Neil Vannoy

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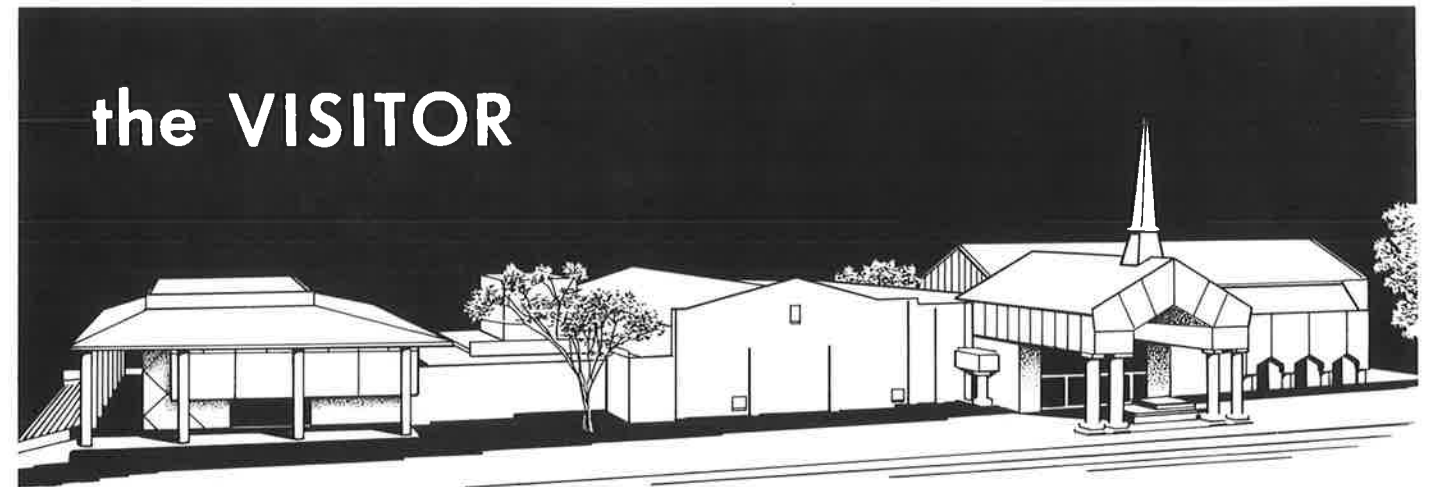
Bob & May Helen May
 Forest & Mary McFadden
 Marc & Dana Tate

With Sympathy


Our hearts were saddened to learn of the death of Loyd Rutledge last Thursday. Funeral services were held at Lloyd James Funeral Home on Saturday afternoon.

Funeral services were held Thursday in Marshall, Texas for Gene Mauldin, stepfather of Stan Clark.

Our love and sincere sympathy is extended to these families in their loss of loved ones.



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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"Let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" - Matthew 16:24

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Dying To Self

In a recent sermon we talked about how we can put into practice the all important principle of dying to self. Several folks asked for a printed copy of what was said. The list follows:

When you are forgotten or neglected and your heart hurts from the oversight, but you can continue to have the joy of of salvation, you are learning the principle of dying to self.

When your good is evil spoken of, your wishes are ignored, your advice is disregarded, your opinion is ridiculed, yet you refuse to let anger arise in your heart and will not even defend yourself but take it all in silence, you are learning the principle of dying to self.

When you can lovingly and patiently bear any annoyance, you are learning the principle of dying to self.

When you can be content in any circumstance, you are learning the principle of dying to self. When you never care to refer to yourself in conversation or to record your own good works and when you love to be unknown, you are learning the principle of dying to self.


When you see a brother prosper and can truly rejoice and thank God for his prosperity even though you have needs of your own, you are learning the principle of dying to self.

And when you can place every loyalty (family, job, as well as self) under the Lordship of Christ and declare Him to be Lord of all, you have learned the principle of dying to self.

-- Adapted

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Youth Notes
by
Danny Snell



LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST
Congratulations to all the young people from West Erwin who participated in the LTC Convention last weekend. Our gang did such a fantastic job in each of their areas of competition. All of our Bible readers received either a Silver or Gold Certificate. The Bulletin Boards did real well too, receiving Silver and Bronze Awards. The Choruses both received Silver Awards. The Scrapbook received a Bronze Award. The Puppet Team received a Gold Award and Medals for their performance. Congrats to all of the following who participated in LTC: Amanda Broome, Cindy Carruth, Scott Carruth, Casey Culpepper, Jay Culpepper, Wendy Culpepper, Adam Goodson, Chantel Haney, Shelley Henry, Jason O'Quinn, Garrett Sublette, Kimberly Sublette, Tiffany Sublette, Ashley Tate, Matt Tate, Joanna Vannoy & Wesley Wagner. Thanks also to the following adults for going as sponsors and making the weekend happen: Ken & Cathy Culpepper, James & Connie Sublette, Marc & Dana Tate and Lisa Snell. Thanks also to Stacey Lockhart, Angela Howard, Paige Morris and Gail Vannoy for coaching.

BRIARCLIFF WORSHIP SERVICE
On Sunday May 3, all teens and families are invited to the Briarcliff Retirement Center to conduct the afternoon worship service. Plan to come.

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Moms and dads of the youth group, please mark your calendars for a very special activity on Sunday, May 10. Plan to be present that night after the evening assembly for an evening meal in your honor. More details will follow.

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****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**
West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Faber Cauthen's TEAM #4 will meet Apr. 26.

Welcome, New Members
Ruth Graham, mother of our Jay Graham, placed membership with us on Sunday. She lives at 1720 Susan, 75703, phone #509-1411. We are very pleased to welcome Sister Graham into our family.
Lila Herder came Sunday to request the prayers of her church family in helping her to trust in her Lord as she makes important decisions in her life.
We are glad to have pictures this week of some of our newer members.



Ruth Graham Sherry Landsdown & Kristina Dyson



Tim & Beverly Perry Amanda Broome

Thank You
Dear Christian family,
Ruth and I would like to thank you for all you have done for us during my surgery and recuperation, the visits, calls, cards and most of all your prayers. We appreciate your love and concern.
George Hearne

The family of Celestine Clinkscales acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expression of your sympathy. Thank you for the lovely meal and the flowers.
Sledge, Nelson, Tanya and family

Discovery Days
Discovery Days was pleased to host our Week of the Young Child luncheon and art show. The 66 people who attended this event included parents, grandparents and children. We are proud of Discovery Days and the children in our care.
Barbara Oberg, Director


West Erwin Ladies
Please sign up no later than Sunday, April 26, to attend the "Love Fiesta" Mexican dinner hosted by the ladies classes at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 30.

Special Events
 You're invited to a Bridal Brunch honoring Angela Mallory bride-elect of Grant Moreland Saturday, April 25 from 12:30 - 2:00 at the home of Carolyn Welborn 504 Hyde Park
Selections: Dillard's, Bath Shoppe and Service Merchandise.

You are cordially invited to a come and go reception to visit with Mattie Ware April 26, 2 - 5 p.m. at the home of Nella Ware 2101 Old Omen Road (parking across the street) Please consider these invitations as yours personally.

Area Meetings
You are invited to a Gospel Meeting To Hear Robert Jackson New Minister University Church of Christ 922 Old Omen Road April 26 - 29 Sun., 9:30. a.m., 6:00 p.m. Mon. - Wed. 7:00 p.m. *****
SINGING - April 26
Whitehouse Church of Christ 2:30 p.m.
All who enjoy singing, please come.

Spaghetti Supper
Cub Scout Pack 354, sponsored by members of churches of Christ is having their annual spaghetti supper at the Fellowship Center of the Glenwood Church of Christ on Saturday, May 2, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Adult ticket will cost \$2.50; children's tickets will be \$1.00 - either may be purchased at the door or obtained from any scout or committee member. Plan to come and enjoy a delicious dinner and help our scouts have a successful fund-raising effort.

Spotlight on Education
 Dewey Howard

"Learning to Love"
with Willard Tate
This Friday (7-10 PM) and Saturday (9-12 AM)
Childcare provided up through 3rd Grade

Teachers of Grades 1-5: This Sunday, April 26, at 5:30 in the chapel, we will have an important meeting. This is for everyone who is, has, or would like to teach in that department. Make your plans to be here and give your input in your education ministry.

Ladies: Have you been coming to the Wednesday morning ladies' Bible class? If not, you have no idea what you are missing. 30-40 women gather each week to encourage one another and to study the Bible together. **Fern Bench** has done an outstanding job of leading this class. Make it a part of your week, every week, from 10:00 to 11:00 on Wednesdays.

In case you haven't found it yet, we now have a new means of getting news and information out in the education ministry. There are two file boxes sitting on a table by the office complex. These file boxes contain a folder for each teacher and helper in the education ministry. Check your folder on a regular basis. Several have already found their folder. Be sure to find yours!

Remember your next Koinonia noon meal.
After each of these meals, you will be given an opportunity to give blood toward the West Erwin account with Stewart Blood Center. The blood center will set up in our fellowship hall for your convenience.

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Wednesday fellowship meal -- Menu for Wednesday, April 29 (catered by Jason's Deli):
Deli sandwich (a variety to choose from)
Chips Pickle wedge
Mint Tea, Koolaid, or water
Regular: \$4.25 Small: \$2.75
Indicate on your attendance card Sunday if you will be participating.

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Worship A.M.	519	529	438
Worship P.M.	332	325	325
Wed. P.M.	213	251	231
Contribution	\$10,890.51	\$11,661.63	\$10,665.01
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 19 and Wed. P.M., April 22, Gary Cain, ph. 581-3719.

Prayer and Care

Ann McCoy remains in ICU at Mother Frances Hospital. Mary Richey had surgery on Wednesday at U.T. Health Center.

Wanda Lee Turner was admitted to Mother Frances Hospital on Sunday but was able to go home Tuesday.

Gene Mauldin, stepfather of Stan Clark, is seriously ill in a Marshall hospital.

Raymond Brock, Judy Clark's father, is doing well after surgery last Friday in Longview.

Bert Harris, father of Charles and Jimmie and grandfather of Keith, is in room 403 at Mother Frances Hospital.

Allie Wren is in Mother Frances Hospital, room 404. Jonnie Steffee and Ben Young are ill at home with shingles.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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Serving Sunday

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 Prayer Ira Wilson
 Scripture Stan Clark & Don Peek
 Dismiss Walter Farrer

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
 The young men participating in the Leadership Training for Christ will present Scripture readings and prayers.

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE

Danny Snell

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

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 Jerry Huff Jay Lockhart, Jr.
 Bob May Jim Mayer
 Dr. Mark Morris Josh Hone

GREETERS

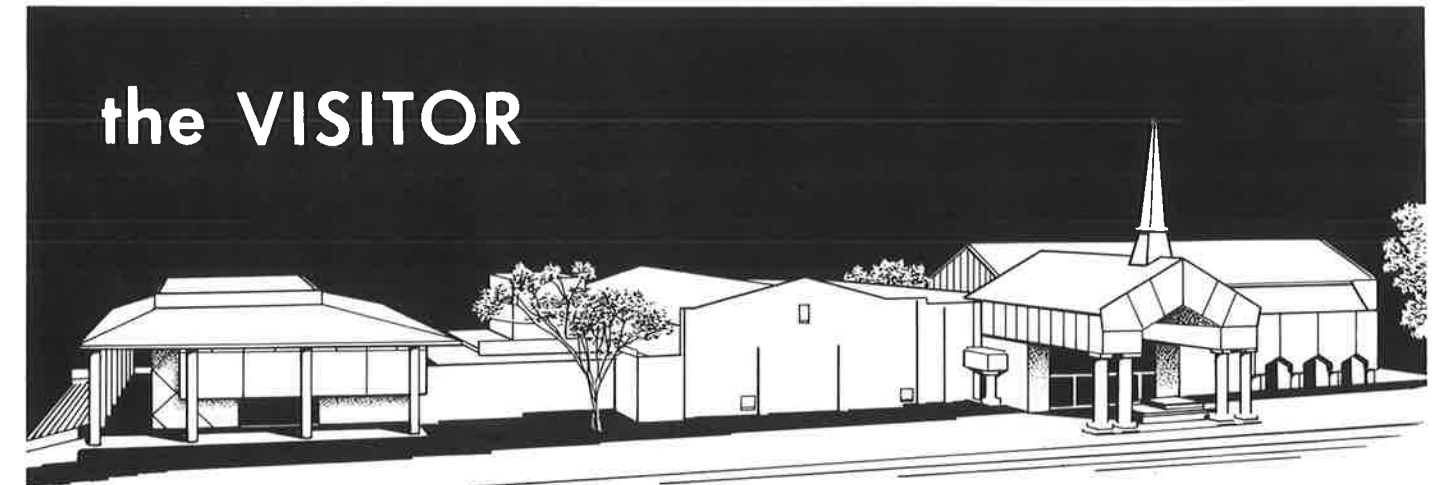
Matt & Rhonda Haws
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With Sympathy

Funeral services were held last Saturday for Edna Wilson, aunt of Clinton Culpepper.

Funeral services were held at Burks-Walker-Tippit last Saturday for Celestine Clinkscales, wife of Sledge Clinkscales.

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From the Heart of Tyler
 By Jay Lockhart

Plan To Attend

A Relationships Seminar

Friday, April 24, 7 - 9 p.m.

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"LEARNING TO LOVE"

(Childcare provided)

with

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Notes**
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As most of you are reading this bulletin, 27 of us from West Erwin will be in Dallas for the annual *Leadership Training For Christ* Convention. This year, over 2,200 young people will be participating in the various areas of competition. Our young people will represent West Erwin well by their presentations. Please pray for them to do their best and to grow and learn from this great experience.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to *Amanda Broome* who made the greatest decision ever this past Monday. *Amanda* confessed Jesus as Lord and was baptized by her father. WOW! We are so proud of you *Amanda*. May God richly bless you as you continue to follow Him.

Congrats to *Angie Hendrix* for winning a recent Regional Art Portfolio Competition at Kilgore College. Great Picture in the Newspaper, *Angie!*

BRIARCLIFF WORSHIP SERVICE

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****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Womack's TEAM #3 will meet Apr. 20.

Welcome, New Members

We are glad to welcome *Sherry Landsdown* and her daughter, *Kristina Dyson*, into our family at West Erwin. They formerly worshipped with the Lake Dallas Church of Christ. Their address is 525 Sutherland, ph. 534-9925.

Amanda Broome was baptized into Christ by her dad on Monday afternoon. We rejoice with *Amanda* and her family in this decision.



Thank You

To our brothers and sisters at West Erwin, We want to express our deep heart-felt thanks for all the kindnesses shown us in my recent illness and surgery - the many cards, flowers, visits, food and especially the prayers. The loving encouragement was beyond expression.

In Christian love,
Robert & Jody Hawkins

Thanks so much for the meal you brought on Monday, April 6th. We appreciate all you do for us. Thanks again!

In Christian love,
Deanna Smith

Tri-C Correspondent

The following is an excerpt from a letter received from Bob Ragon:

I am leaving (March 30) for the Ukraine. I want to thank all of you for your love and kindness while the Lord allowed me to be with you.

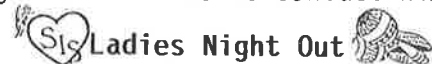
Please give a special hello and embrace to the Thursday group - Henry, Sherry, Billie and Anita. They were super and it was just good "medicine" for the soul. It was Sherry who helped me attain the information needed to go.

Thanks also to those who labored to find my place and pick me up. It was appreciated. The time was short but the memories will be very long. It is such a good feeling when your brethren believe in you - you try harder. Thank Jim Armstrong for letting me teach his class.

May God bless you and remember the lost soul' is more important than anything else - also the saved soul.

Because of Him,
Bob Ragon

Bob's address is available in the church office if you would like to contact him.



Don't forget the "Love Fiesta" for each and every West Erwin lady on Thursday, April 30, at 7:00 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. Make your plans to be there!

Area Meetings

You are invited to a
Gospel Meeting
To Hear
Dave Miller
of Bedford, Texas
Corinth Rd. Church of Christ
Jacksonville, Texas
April 26 - 29
Sun., 9:30. 10:20 a.m., 6:00 p.m.
Mon. - Wed. 7:00 p.m.

The Gilmer Church of Christ
Invites you to a
Gospel Meeting
April 20 - 22 (Mon. - Wed.) 7:00 p.m.
with

Randy Daugherty
from Corsicana, Texas

NEWS FROM WEST POINT, NEBRASKA

The following is a letter from the Ray Maxwell family in West Point, Nebraska: To the brethren who assemble at West Erwin; Greetings from the heartland of America. I send greetings with this letter from the brethren who assemble here with us in West Point. I want to thank you for your letters of encouragement and notes of kindness. They really give us a boost as we labor.

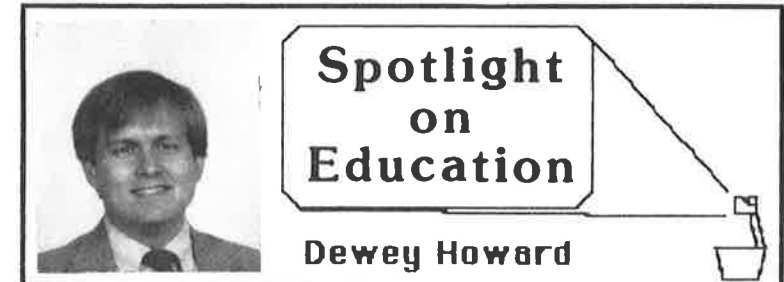
We have our ups and downs here with the church as with any other place. We had a family leave and another family move back to the area. We now have 36 people in attendance when jobs allow. I have been encouraged by the growth of the body here in their desire to study as well as their giving. I hope and pray that they will not grow complacent, but continue to excell.

We are already preparing for our VBS this summer with your group from Tyler. We have the material picked out and have it here to prepare the crafts and teaching aids. We are really looking forward to your coming again this year. There has been nothing but good come from our labors together in our VBS.

Linda and the children are doing okay. Courtney had a low level for the thyroid test and it was corrected by medication. Michael has a mild case of the chicken pox. He had a very mild case when he was little but it must not have been enough to stimulate an immunity. The rest of us are healthy and enjoying the warm spring-like weather. We just completed one of the mildest winters on record. The coldest temperature we had was only 8 below zero. When we usually have a week of 20 below weather, it was nice to have a break.

Linda and I want to thank you again for your prayers and letters that you have sent in our behalf. They are an encouragement to us. I thank you also for the support that enables us to labor for the Lord. I bid you God Speed in your labors for Him there in Tyler.

In His service,
The Maxwells



Koinonia has been powerful! Each week the groups grow in number, in fellowship, in visitors, in ministry, and in so many other ways.

Koinonia will take a break this Sunday due to the Easter weekend -- no group will meet for a noon meal. The noon meals will resume with Group 6 meeting next Sunday, April 26.

Beginning April 26, each group will have a special opportunity to help us fill our blood account with Stewart Blood Center. They will be at our building for each of the next six meetings to take blood. After you eat lunch with your Koinonia group, you will be given a chance to give blood. It does not take long. And you will be performing a very important and life-giving service.

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The time has come to start gearing up in earnest for VBS 1992. It's time to prepare materials, plan lessons, work out skits and puppets, sew the costumes, make the advertisements, and so on and so on and so on. Have we got an exciting "Journey" planned! I hope you have already signed up in a spot. If not, I or someone else will be calling you to help in some way. May God bless us as we minister to His children.

There will be a meeting of all teachers of grades 1-5 on Sunday, April 26, at 5:30. This is for everyone who is, has, or would like to teach in that department.

The Wednesday fellowship meal is a delightful way to begin our Bible study time together. The meal is served from 5:45 to 6:45 every Wednesday evening. The menu for Wednesday, April 22 (catered by Hickory Fare):

- Sliced beef Bar-B-Q Sandwich
 - Chips
 - Dessert
 - All the extras
 - Tea, Koolaid, or water
- Regular: \$4.00 Small: \$3.00**

Records	Sunday Apr.5	Sunday Mar.29	Year Ago
Bible Class	302	380	425
Worship A.M.	529	542	675
Worship P.M.	325	265	308
Wed. P.M.	251	216	204
Contribution	\$11,661.63	\$11,701.93	\$14,608.96
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 12 and Wed. P.M., April 15, Gary Broome, ph. 592-2289.

Prayer and Care

Ann McCoy is in Mother Frances Hospital following by-pass surgery last week. She is improving.

Bert Harris, father of Charles and Jimmy and grandfather of Keith, is in room 403 at Mother Frances Hospital.

Phyllis Rachui was hospitalized for several days but is now at home.

Leslie G. Carruth, Les' dad, is doing well following surgery in Lewisville last week.

Barbara Armstrong, aunt of Danny Snell, had surgery for an aneurysm last Friday in Austin.

Al Linscomb, Steve Linscomb's father, had surgery in San Antonio on Tuesday.

Stephen Pickle, Sallyann's son, is on hemodialysis, while awaiting a kidney transplant in Ada, Oklahoma.

The following note was received from the Crossers:

Dear Church Family;

As things now stand, it looks like we will be unable to attend services for some time, but we will be there in thought and spirit. Pray for us.

In Christian love,
Frank & Ruth Crosser

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

Serving Sunday

Announcements Dr. Roger Knight
Prayer Jamon Kirby
Scripture Lee O'Neal
Dismiss Wade Weathers

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Assembly Dr. Roger Knight
Prayer James Sublette
Scripture John Cliver
Dismiss Scott Carruth

Presiding at Lord's table

Joe McBee

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Billie Ingram Rob Hilliard
Jerry Huff Jay Lockhart, Jr.
Bob May Jim Mayer
Dr. Mark Morris Josh Hone

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Matt & Rhonda Haws
Max & Mary Haws
Larry & Sandra Henry

Something to think about...

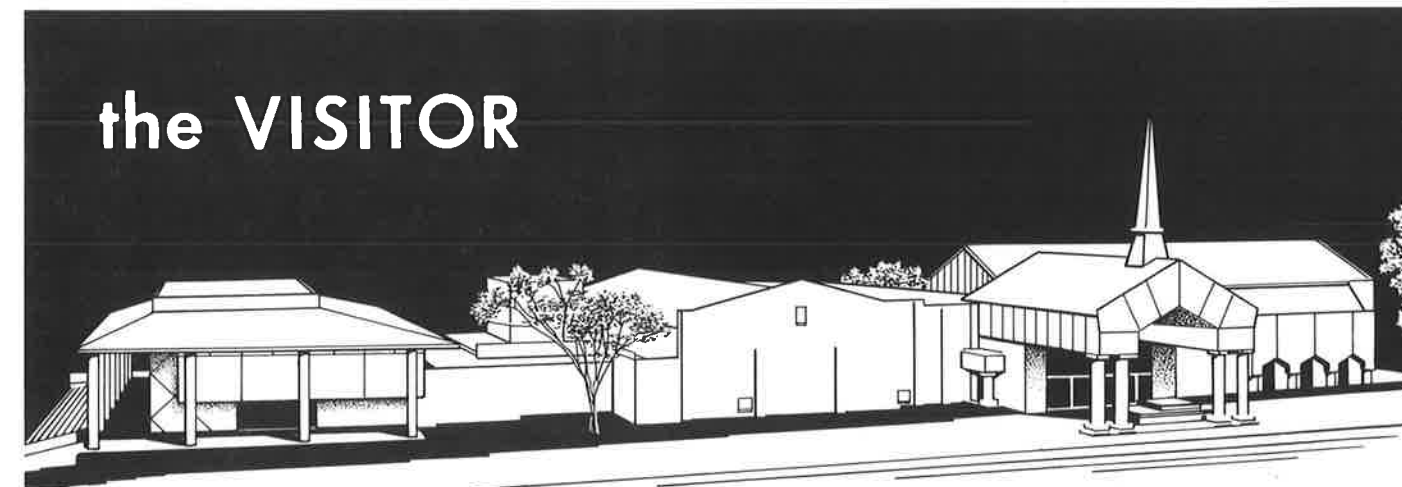
What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us.

Sermons for Sunday, April 12, 1992


By Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. Children Of The Kingdom and Retaliation (Matt.5:38-42)

P.M. Taking Up The Cross (Matt. 16:24-26)



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By Jay Lockhart

Tate is a 1954 graduate of Corner, Ala., High School. He received a B.A. degree in Bible from Alabama Christian in 1961, a B.S. degree in social science from Auburn University in 1963 and an M.Ed. degree in secondary education from Troy State University in 1965.

Tate was born Dec. 23, 1935. He is married to the former Bobbie Campbell, and the couple has two children, Mark and Elisabeth, and four grandchildren.

Introducing Willard Tate

Willard Tate is associate professor in the Department of Communication at Abilene Christian University. He is a special lecturer in the university's "Life Learning Skills" program designed to help students improve their self-image, basic academic skills and study habits. He previously was the university's men's head basketball coach.

Tate is also minister for the Hamby Church of Christ near Abilene. He was an elder and minister in Alabama before moving to Abilene in March 1973. He had been athletic director and head basketball coach at Alabama Christian College for 13 years.

He is a frequent speaker at lectureships, workshops and special meetings on personal development for churches, youth groups, schools, businesses and other professional organizations.



Willard Tate's "Learning to Love" seminar


**Fri. April 24, 7 - 10 p.m.
Sat., April 25, 9 a.m. - noon**

Each of us has needs in our life to love and be loved. These needs are evident in our relationships with ourselves, other people and God. Love is the special ingredient needed in each of these three relationships. The quality and character of these relationships determine our happiness and success.

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Youth Notes
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

What a great weekend we had at the Central Texas Teen Summit in College Station. There were over 450 people there from all over Texas to participate in the activities centered around the theme, I GIVE UP! Jeff Walling and Ronnie Norman spoke on the necessity of truly surrendering to Jesus. It was a great weekend! Thanks to Larry & Sandra Henry, Cathy Culpepper and Lisa Snell for going as sponsors.

Thanks to all who devoted these past few months to LTC preparation. The following are just a few names of those who have worked on LTC: Ken & Cathy Culpepper, Marc & Dana Tate, James & Connie Sublette, Lisa Snell, Paige Morris, Angela Howard, Gail Vannoy, Stacey Lockhart, Sandra Henry and a host of other parents. Next week is the Grand Finale! Please pray for those participating: Amanda Broome, Scott Carruth, Cindy Carruth, Casey Culpepper, Jay Culpepper, Wendy Culpepper, Adam Goodson, Chantel Haney, Shelley Henry, Garrett Sublette, Kimberly Sublette, Tiffany Sublette, Ashley Tate, Matt Tate and Joanna Vannoy. These folks are working really hard for the Convention. Following is the list of areas they are participating in: Bible Reading, Speech, Puppets, Chorus, Bulletin Boards, Scrapbook and Video Speech.

LTC folks, don't forget about our workday this Sunday.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Last weekend at the Summit 3 of our young people requested our prayers. They are Kristina Dyson, Abby Cliver and Shelley Henry. Please pray for these young people that they may continue to surrender to Jesus and grow in their faith.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

- Apr. 12 L T C Devo
- Apr. 17-18 L T C
- May 10 Special Mothers Day Activity
- May 23 Jr.-Sr. Banquet
- May 24 Baccalaureate
- June 9 Summer Youth Series
- June 14-19 Learning to Lead Camp
- July 10-18 Teen Mission Trip

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Pott's TEAM #2 will meet Apr. 13.

In Appreciation



To my Fellow Christians and West Erwin Family,
Words cannot be said enough in thanking you for your concern for my family's emotional and spiritual needs during my recent stay in the hospital. Your visits were very much needed and appreciated. The get well cards also helped my spirits and the solid green wall they were taped to. I will be out of work for the next 6 - 8 weeks, so pray that Nancy can put up with me being stuck at home. I also want to thank those who brought food over during the past month. Time does not permit individual thanks at present, so I'll say thank you to all those that helped in one way or another. Your continued prayers on our behalf will be most appreciated.

In Christian Love,
The Warburton Troop

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
We are amazed at your outpouring of love shown on the loss of our eldest and beloved son, Dan. For your gifts of calls, cards, flowers and food, we are so grateful. We feel drawn even closer now by your prayers.

With great affection,
Sam and Lamern Bailey

Dear West Erwin church,
May He bless you with the goodness and the happiness you share! I thank God for you.

Love,
Elizabeth & Hoyt Hughes

A big West Erwin thank you to the following mothers and daughters for volunteering to keep the toddler nursery on Sunday mornings: January - Carolyn and Becky Blackstone; February - Sandra and Gena Henry; March - Rhonda and Angie Hendrix; and for April - Connie and Kimberly Sublette. If you would like to help in this work, please call Gail Vannoy. There is a need for additional rocking chairs in the baby nursery. If you have a rocking chair in good condition that you are not using and would like to donate or loan to the church, please call the church office.

Area Meetings

WOMAN TO WOMAN

The Eastern Hills Church of Christ in Athens, Texas, is presenting a Bible study seminar for women on April 7, 14, 21, & 28. Woman to Woman is designed to help women re-evaluate and establish healthier emotional and spiritual attitudes toward these lifetime concerns.

The Pine Tree Church of Christ
Longview, Texas
Invites you to hear
Minister-Gerontologist
Virgil Bently
speak on

"The Beauty of Age"

April 10, 11, 12, 1992

Friday, 7:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon;
Sunday, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome, New Members



We are very pleased to welcome Frank and Serena Griffin and little daughter, Katherine, into our family at West Erwin. Frank put on his Lord in baptism last Wednesday evening and Serena made known her wish to work and worship with the West Erwin church. They live at 304 Walnut Street in Chandler, mailing address P.O. Box 1283, Chandler, 75758, phone (903) 849-3923.

Put a Little Spice in Your Life!
WHAT: "Love Fiesta" Mexican Food
WHEN: Thurs., April 30
WHERE: Fellowship Hall
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
Ladies Night Out!
ALL AGES
ADDITIONAL MEXICAN FOODS
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EASTER EGG HUNT

Cub Scout Pack 354, sponsored by members of churches of Christ will host an Easter egg hunt at Southside Park on April 18 at 1:00 p.m. Children ages 2 - 11 will hunt Easter eggs. Lunch will be available from 11:00 - 1:00 at a nominal charge to fund the hunt. Bring your own basket and come join in the fun!

Young Married's Class

The young married's class, taught by Jay Lockhart, Jr., has started a new study on "Why Has This Happened To Us?" If you are not presently enrolled in a class, join us for this series of lessons which we believe will be helpful in our every day living.

Spotlight on Education

Dewey Howard

Wednesday Fellowship Meals begin April 15.

For those of you who work and have a hard time getting everything done and getting to class on Wednesday evening, and for those of you who just like to get together with fellow Christians as often as you can: a meal will be offered in our fellowship hall before the Wednesday evening services. The meal will be served from 5:45 to 6:45, and will be catered by a different food service each week. Besides a regular-size meal, we will also offer a smaller meal for children and adults who would like a lighter portion.

Each week we will publish the menu and price for the Wednesday night meal in the weekly bulletin and in the Sunday update. Then each Sunday we will ask you to indicate on your attendance cards if you will be participating in the meal that week so that we can order the appropriate amount of food.

Let me encourage you to participate in the Wednesday fellowship meals as often as you can. This will be a wonderful way to begin our time together as we study God's word each week.

MENU FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15
Catered by Grandy's

- Regular meal - \$4.00**
Fried chicken (2 pieces)
Corn Mashed potatoes
Roll Peach cobbler
Tea or water

- Small meal - \$2.50**
Fried chicken (1 piece)
Mashed potatoes
Roll Peach cobbler
Tea or water

The time to get hard at work on VBS 1992 is coming very near. Sign up now to get your top choice for a place to be involved.

Is marriage in your future? Would you like to have God's ideal for your marriage? A special discussion class is coming in May. Look for it!

***** Koinonia Group #5 meets this Sunday. *****

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Bible Class	380	357	347
Worship A.M.	542	500	436
Worship P.M.	265	325	324
Wed. P.M.	216	250	200
Contribution	\$11,701.93	\$12,278.24	\$9,687.98
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, April 5, and Wed. P.M., April 8, Fred Powell, ph. 593-5229.

Prayer and Care

Ann McCoy had by-pass surgery on Tuesday at Mother Frances Hospital.

Ruth Barnett had tests on Monday.

At Linscomb, Steve Linscomb's father, is scheduled for surgery in San Antonio on April 7.

Continue to remember Stephen Pickle, Sallyann's son, who is on hemodialysis, while awaiting a kidney transplant in Ada, Oklahoma.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.



TIME CHANGE - SPRING FORWARD

It's that time again! Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, April 5. Spring FORWARD one hour on Saturday to be on time for Bible class on Sunday!.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Leon Welborn
Prayer Jim McCoy
Scripture Larry Henry
Dismiss Foy Richey

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Leon Welborn
Prayer Greg Wagner
Scripture Archie Lowry
Dismiss Curt Jordan

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Larry Henry Keith Harris
Wayne Harrison Matt Haws
Robert Hilliard Jeff Hone
Curt Jordan Chris Oberg

Presiding at Lord's table

Faber Cauthen

GREETERS

Jimmie & Ruth Harris
Keith & Tina Harris
Rob & Carmen Hilliard

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Sunday A.M.

2'sCynthia Johnson & Janie Cauthen
3's & 4's.....Wanda Turner & Julie Ables
Sun. P.M.Vicki Russell

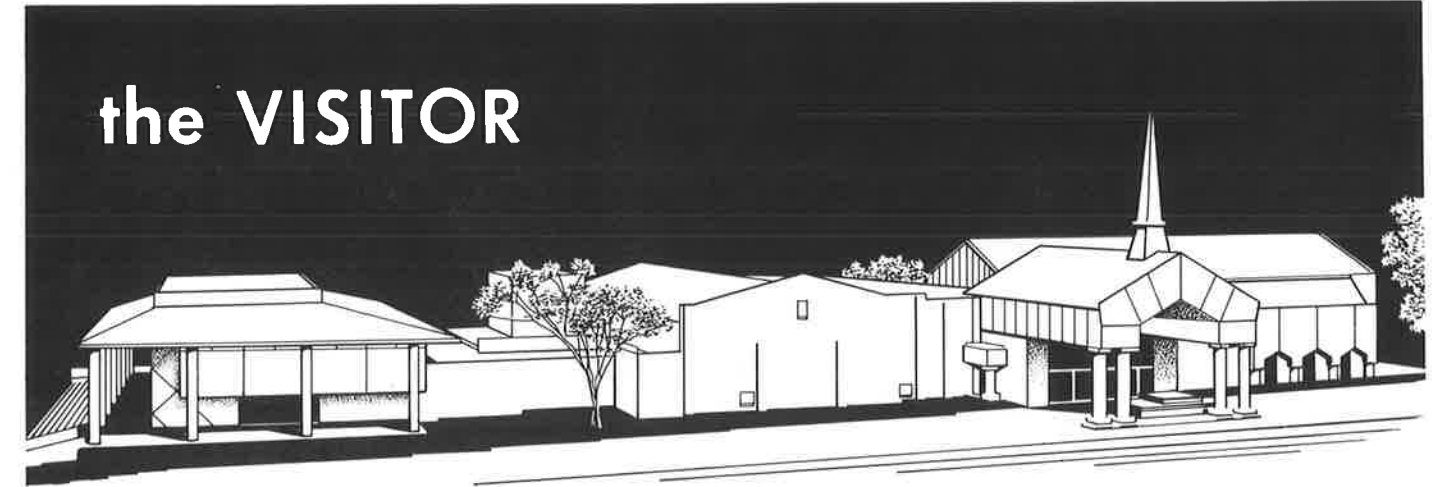
West Erwin Ladies

Save this date! - April 30 at 7:00 p.m. Each and every lady is invited to a "Love Fiesta" Mexican dinner at the Fellowship Hall hosted by the ladies classes. If you need a babysitter, please call the church office.

ASSEMBLIES

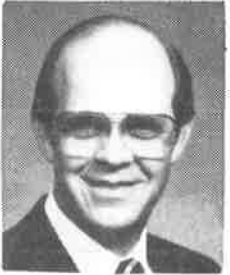
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Dr. Terry Johnson To Speak

This Sunday Dr. Terry Johnson, President of Oklahoma Christian University, will preach for both assemblies at the West Erwin church and will teach the Bible class in the new auditorium at 9:00 A.M. I will be with the Johnson Street church in Greenville for a meeting, April 5 - 8. Johnson has distinguished himself as an outstanding educator during the nearly two decades he has served as President of O.C.U. He has visited West Erwin before and our people know him as an outstanding preacher. We welcome Terry and his wife Marty to West Erwin!

Springtime Special Of THE SEARCH

The Springtime special of THE SEARCH, "Light After Darkness" will be seen on KETK, channel 56 (position 10 on the cable), on Saturday night, April 18th at 7:30. Watch and tell everyone!

Willard Tate Is Coming

The West Erwin elders have announced that Willard Tate, an associate professor in the Department of Communication at Abilene Christian University, has accepted their invitation to present his LEARNING TO LOVE Seminar at West Erwin on April 24 and 25. There will be two three hour sessions, one on Friday night and one on Saturday morning. This widely acclaimed seminar was designed by Tate to demonstrate that success, happiness, feeling good about yourself, and loving yourself and others are inseparately joined together. LEARNING TO LOVE is a personal development seminar which teaches people that the better they love the better they live. In addition to valuable lessons about why love changes lives, the seminar teaches people how to love. Tate has designed this seminar for everyone who wants to get more out of life. So mark your calendars and don't miss this: LEARNING TO LOVE, April 24 - 25.

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THANKS!

Thanks to Dale & Carolyn Blackstone for hosting the devo this past Sunday night in their home. The food was great and the fellowship was fantastic too! Thanks to Dale for the lesson reminding us that we are all still sinners.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to Misty Malone for being selected as an Officer in Robert E. Lee's Southern Belles. Way to go Misty!

CENTRAL TEXAS TEEN SUMMIT

We will be going to the Central Texas Teen Summit in College Station and Bryan. We will leave at 4:00 Friday and return late Saturday. Please pray for our safety.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All of the LTC participants and coaches will meet this Sunday all day. We'll eat lunch together at the KOINONIA group and then work together the rest of the afternoon. You need to bring clothes to change into and whatever other LTC supplies you will need. If you have any homework to be done, bring that too and you will have an opportunity to do it. Please try and make every effort to be there.

HELP!

We need some help for our scrapbooks for LTC. Several of our teens are making a scrapbook for the Convention and need pictures and other scrapbook type stuff of various things our church kids have been involved in over the past year. Please bring your items to my office ASAP.

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Thank You

Dear West Erwin Family,
I thank you for your expressions of sympathy. Your love has helped me through more than one time of distress.

I love you all,
Marikate Davis

Response

Vivie Canter came recently to request the prayers of her church family in her behalf.

Missing!

We are missing a garage door opener for the "Center". If you have used this and forgot to return it, please return it to the church office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Benevolent Needs

There is an urgent need for clean clothes for children and teenagers, boys and girls. Your help is greatly appreciated.



Discovery Days

April 5 - 11 is the National Week of the Young Child. Children all over the nation will celebrate this in various ways. Discovery Days will participate by their annual art show, luncheon and balloon release. Parents, grandparents and friends are invited to attend this event on Thursday, April 9. Those who are not able to attend are encouraged to view the art on display. Discovery Days is proud of their children and those associated with this program.

Barbara Oberg, Director

Friends of Children

"Friends of Children", ladies auxiliary for Christian Services of East Texas, will meet Sunday afternoon, April 12, 3:00 p.m. at the Glenwood Church of Christ Fellowship Center.

Wedding Invitation



Ms. Sandra Leonard Mayfield
and

Mr. Larry Leonard
together with

Ms. Dorothy Hamblett
and

Mr. Dale Hamblett

request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their children

Toni Ann

and

Alan Dale

on Saturday, the eleventh of April
Nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at seven o'clock in the evening
Green Acres Baptist Church

1612 Leo Lynn

Tyler, Texas

Reception following ceremony
in Church Fellowship Hall

Area Meetings

You are invited
to a series of Gospel Lessons
with

Jack Orbison from Jacksonville, TX
April 19-23, 1992
Church of Christ
Hwy. 43 South
Tatum, Texas

Morning Services: Sun. 10:00 & 11:00
Evening Services: Sun. - Thurs. 7:30

Tenth Annual
Sing into Spring
Church of Christ
517 Bremond Street
Franklin, Texas
April 24, 1992
7:00 P.M. - Midnight

There will be lots of congregational singing and for your enjoyment, the "Sounds of Glory", the "Gospelairens", and the "Lamplighters". Come and join together in song to praise God.

ATTENTION PARENTS!

Parents Night Out
Tri-C

Friday, April 10
6:30 - 9:30

FREE

RSVP by April 8, at 593-3331

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Let's have 500 in Bible study Sunday!!!

"The Power To Be" -- Do you want to live like Jesus? Do you want to have his attitudes, his virtues, his distinctiveness, and his behaviors as a part of your own life? "The Power to Be" will help you do just that. This Sunday in our adult Bible classes, we will begin a study of the lifestyle of Jesus as it is portrayed in the gospel of Mark. We will focus on the many traits of Jesus that made him so unique in his world. Then we will challenge ourselves to put on those traits so that we, too, will be unique in our world. Join us every Sunday morning for this study.

TEACHERS, HELPERS, AND OTHERS

in the education ministry. There are now a couple of file boxes in the hallway by the office complex. These boxes have a folder with your name on it. We will be using these boxes as a means of communication within the education ministry. Be sure to check your folder on a regular basis. In it you will always find something good and useful.

(I tried very hard to get everyone's name in the box. But if I missed yours, please let me know.)

The sign ups for VBS 1992 are going well.

But there are still several places for you to become involved. As time for VBS draws near, we will be getting together with the areas of responsibility to help one another plan and prepare. Sign up sheets are in the hallway between the old auditorium and the education wing.

Just a reminder:

Education Planning Team meets this Sunday, April 5, in my office at 4:45.

Bible Class Coordinators meet this Sunday, April 5, at the Gary Broomes' house after the evening assembly.

Koinonia Group Leaders meet next Sunday, April 12, in the chapel at 5:00.

***** Koinonia Group #4 meets this Sunday. *****

Records	Sunday Mar.22	Sunday Mar.15	Year Ago
Bible Class	357	356	409
Worship A.M.	500	512	560
Worship P.M.	325	324	412
Wed. P.M.	250	296	286
Contribution	\$12,278.24	\$10,374.83	\$11,941.57
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, March 29, and Wed. P.M., April 4, Fred Powell, ph. 593-5229.

Prayer and Care

Sue Starnes will be in Mother Frances for tests on Friday.

Elizabeth Hughes was in Mother Frances Hospital but is now at home. Her condition will be treated with medication.

Alfred Cox, uncle of Claudia Griffis, is in Titus Hospital in Mt. Pleasant.

Lester Warburton is in Medical Center Hospital, room 2261.

Jody Hawkins is in Medical Center Hospital, room 4473.

With Sympathy

Graveside services were held at Rose Hill Cemetery on Tuesday for Dan Bailey, son of Sam and Lamern Bailey.

Debbie Graham's uncle, H. C. Fuller, died last Friday in Fort Worth, Texas.

Funeral services were held for Louise Carroll, Marikate Davis' sister-in-law, in Godley, Texas last Thursday.

We express our love and sincere sympathy to these families in their loss of loved ones.

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Prayer Alan Fisher
Scripture Lowell Wiggains
Dismiss Jack Stringer

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Sermons for Sunday, March 29, 1992

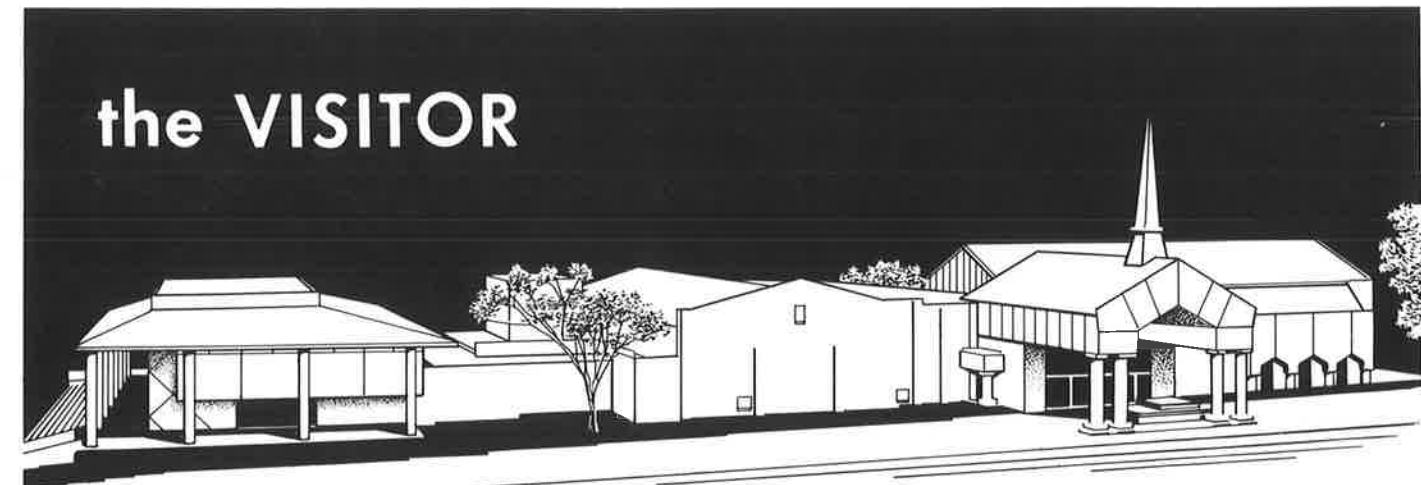
By Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. Children Of The Kingdom & Oaths

(Matthew 5:33-37)

P.M. The Meaning Of The Cross

(Luke 23:33-38)



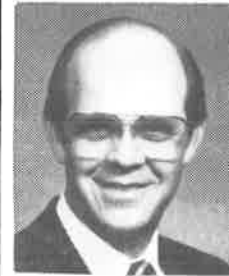
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

"I bowed down heavily, as one who mourns for his mother"
- Psalm 35:14

Reflections On The Death Of My Mother

It doesn't seem like she's gone. It seems as though I could dial the number I have dialed so many times before and the same soft and tender voice should answer -- but she is gone and she will not answer. My brother called to say, "Mom died this morning at 8:12." It was March 12 -- a date etched indelibly upon my mind. My mother is gone. What thoughts surge through my mind in this time -- a time like none has ever been -- or will be? First, I think of my dad -- a gentle giant of a man who provided the best care for Mom in her illness that a man could provide -- who was there for her in death as he had been there for her in life for almost 60 years. Next, I think of my mother -- a teacher in life (of 2nd grade in public schools for eleven years and of children and women in the church for over forty years and of my dad, my brother and me); a wife and mother who was so proud of her three men who towered over her in only one way -- we were physically taller; a friend to many and an example to all; a Christian, inside out; and now a victor over the last enemy. Additionally, I think of the legacy she left us, summed up in the words of our Lord, "He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much." Next, I think of myself and how hard it is to say that final good-bye and how the pain lingers still. Additionally, I think of friends who reach out to us when our hearts ache and I remember how important they are to us. Finally, I think of our faith -- our faith which believes the words of Jesus who said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life ...," and the words of Paul who said, "Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." It's good to think, to be alone with our thoughts, and to remember. Thanks, Mom, for the sweet memories.

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COMBINED ACTIVITY

All middle and high school students are invited to the combined activity this coming Sunday night. Make plans to come and bring a friend to enjoy the evening.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats this week to **Becky Blackstone** for being selected as one of Lindale's Varsity Cheerleaders. That is a great accomplishment and we're proud of you Becky!

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Thank You

I want to thank everyone for their care and concern for me, the calls, cards, visits and most of all your words of encouragement and your prayers.

Cora Hughes

To our West Erwin Family:

Thank you for every act of kindness and every word of love during the illness and death of Mother. We appreciate you more than we can express. We love you.

The Jay Lockhart family

I want to thank a loving West Erwin family for the cards, calls and prayers during my recent surgery.

God Bless You,
Lila Herder



Frances Atkins has moved to Villa Residential Care, 3323 Garden Valley Road, 75702.

Area Meetings

The Troup Church of Christ will host a meeting with Jack Evans, President of Southwestern Christian College, April 1-5 at 7:00 p.m. daily. Friday, April 3, has been set aside for West Erwin to come as a group. A special Sunday afternoon service will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. on April 5, at the West Erwin building featuring The Southwestern Christian College chorus and Jack Evans will preach. Other singing groups are invited to take part in this program.

Gospel Meeting

April 5-8, 1992
Sunday 9:30, 10:30, & 6:00 P.M.
Mon. - Wed. 7:00 P.M.
David P. Brown, speaker
Gladewater church of Christ
Quitman & Center Streets
Gladewater, Texas

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request the honor of your presence
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1612 Leo Lynn
Tyler, Texas

Reception following ceremony
in Church Fellowship Hall

**If You're Not
Presently Enrolled**

**In One of Our
Bible Classes**

**NOW
ENROLL
NOW**

Bulletin Boards

Paige Morris and Stacey Lockhart are working to organize and coordinate the use of our bulletin boards around the building. They would appreciate your input. Certain bulletin boards will be dedicated to specific ministries and programs of the West Erwin church. Others will be used to announce special events or class activities. If you have any ideas for them -- or would like to reserve a board for an activity -- or would like to help do bulletin boards -- or anything at all; contact Paige or Stacey. There is a place in the foyer for you to give your input.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

***** Koinonia Group #3 meets this Sunday. *****

LET'S BOOST SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Ways Sunday School Can Grow:

» The focus of Sunday School must be on reaching out. We can grow and build a great Sunday school when we are concerned about reaching those outside the church as well as teaching those who are already inside. We need to want every person within the area of our building, and every family and friend with whom we associate, to be a part of learning the Bible. The church has as its divine mission reaching others, and I am convinced that one of the best ways to do this is through the teaching program.

» The Sunday school will grow as we effectively assimilate people in our classes. When a visitor or stranger comes, we need to make that person feel welcome. When they obey the gospel or place membership with us, we need to help them in making friends and soon feeling "at home." The Sunday school classes can build bridges of friendship between people. Most of our classes are small enough that we can get to know people, and we need to make them feel that they are truly involved. The Sunday school can provide a place for each person, regardless of his age or interest.

» The Sunday school will grow if we believe it can grow. We need excited enthusiastic members believing in the value of teaching the Bible in organized classes. We need people who are excited about coming on Sunday and bringing others with them. We need teachers who are dedicated, and artists who can create bulletin boards that blaze with color and instruct spiritually. We need students who are eager to hear God's Word and make it a part of their lives. But most of all, we need to believe that we can grow.

Let's all boost Sunday school!

Jim Mankin
Abilene Christian University

Records	Sunday Mar.15	Sunday Mar.8	Year Ago
Bible Class	356	414	409
Worship A.M.	512	544	560
Worship P.M.	324	418	412
Wed. P.M.	296	222	286
Contribution	\$10,374.83	\$14,473.46	\$11,941.57
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, March 22, and Wed. P.M., Mar. 25, Elmer Miles, ph. 597-9853.

Prayer and Care

Lester Warburton was admitted to Mother Frances Hospital on Wednesday.

Jody Hawkins was admitted to Medical Center Hospital on Monday. She had gall bladder surgery on Tuesday.

Meagan Morris, daughter of Mark and Paige Morris, is scheduled for a tonsillectomy at Tyler Square on Thursday.

Jeff Warburton, Ruth Pierce, and George Hearne have all been dismissed from the hospital.

Shelly Smith, niece of Janie Cauthen and granddaughter of the Jim Pauls, was in a head-on collision and is recovering in Sulphur Springs.

Nettie Epperson, sister of Jessie Smith, had surgery Friday at Medical Center Hospital.

Nita Miller is in Terrell State Hospital.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

4th Sunday Singing

The Bullard Church of Christ will be hosting the 4th Sunday Singing on March 22 at 2:30.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Danny Snell
Prayer Don Ingram
Scripture John Portwood
Dismiss Leon Santos

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Danny Snell
Prayer Ed Hunt
Scripture Clinton Culpepper
Dismiss Tommy Konczak

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Alan Fisher Wally Dawkins
Jeff Konczak Jamon Kirby
David Haney Don Ingram
George Daugherty Luke Ingram

Presiding at Lord's table

Ira Wilson

GREETERS

Mary Gaiser & Pattie Tate

George & Dorothy Daugherty

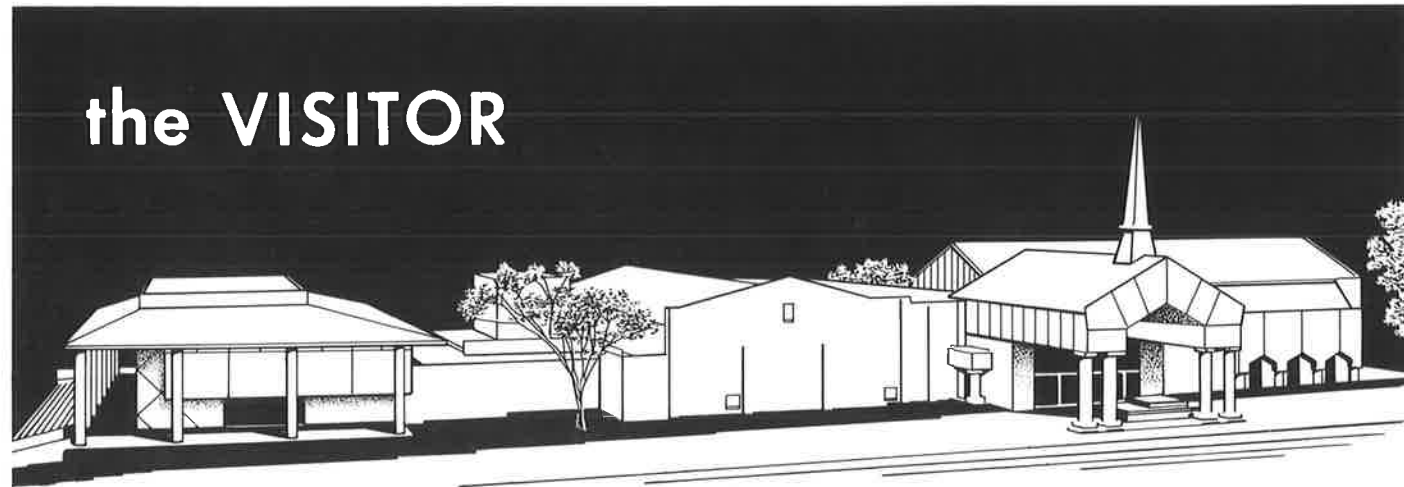
Jack & Peggy Garner

New Babies

Kayli Ann Hicks was born on March 17 and weighed in at 8 lb.10 oz. Wayland and Wendi Hicks are the proud parents.

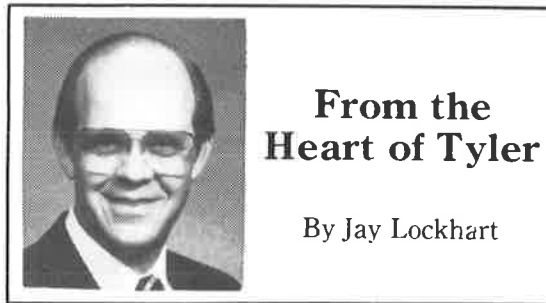
Walker and Rhonda Weathers are the proud parents of a baby girl, born March 18. She has been named Grace Marie. Don and Wanda Weathers are the grandparents and June Walker is the great grandmother.

Congratulations to proud grandparents, Jim and Launa Armstrong, on the birth of Taylor Ray Armstrong on March 16 in Dallas, Texas. Parents are Von and Stacey Armstrong.



WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST 420 WEST ERWIN TYLER, TEXAS 75702-7133 592-0809

The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Did You Know You Go To Montana?

Del and Clara Masters live in Twin Falls, Idaho, and have begun what must be a unique ministry for a Christian couple. That part of the country is a mission field with many small churches and few preachers. The church in Twin Falls has men who travel regularly to outlying areas to serve congregations as guest preachers. But back to Del and Clara. They conceived the idea of forming a video tape library from which small churches in their area can borrow tapes to help them in Bible classes and worship services. This ministry, called Video Bible Outreach, Inc., has already encouraged isolated brethren to start local congregations in their towns and has edified and strengthened many smaller churches who have no located preachers.

We are regularly sending videos of THE SEARCH to Del and Clara who make copies for the lending library and then return our tapes to us. Here are two excerpts from recent correspondence.

"Clara and I continue to pray and thank God for our fellowship with you and West Erwin.

A small congregation in Montana began the series (on the book of James) last month for their mid-week classes. The church in Logan, Itah (fewer than 12) returned Peter and Cornelius with a note 'Excellent'. Another little church up north started "What About Peter and Cornelius" last month. We eagerly wait and pray His will for continued blessings in 1992."

We share the story of Del and Clara to impress upon our minds the fact that THE SEARCH is a local television ministry that has reached far beyond the borders of our area -- videos are used in the great Northwest and the Midwest on a regular basis and audios have gone as far as England, Saudi Arabia and Africa.

"Your labor is not in vain in the Lord" (I Corinthians 15:58).

"I seek for the fruit which increases to your account" (Philippians 4:17).

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Harold Taylor - Missions	

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

What a great City-Wide middle school devo we had this past Sunday! Teens from Broadway, Glenwood, Shiloh Road, University, Whitehouse and West Erwin met together for an evening filled with food, fun and great Christian fellowship. The Minnesingers from Lubbock Christian University presented a program in song. These guys and gals were really good too. A special THANKS to Larry & Sandra Henry, Ken & Kathy Culpepper and Greg & Cyndie Wagner for hosting this great evening. Thanks also to Mike & Vickie Cauthen, Jeff & Linda Hone, Dewey & Angela Howard, Ray & Gail Vannoy and Bill & Virginia Chambers (Glenwood) for hosting these College students in their homes Sunday night.

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats this week to Joe McBee, one of our Elders, for retiring from Southwestern Bell Telephone. March 17 was his last day, but he will officially retire the end of March. Joe has been with Southwestern Bell for 43 years and 40+ of those years were with Perfect Attendance! WOW! That is a great accomplishment and we're proud of you Joe!

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All of the LTC participants and coaches will meet this Sunday at 5:00 in Room 105 for our meeting.

HELP!

We need some help for our scrapbooks for LTC. Several of our teens are making a scrapbook for the Convention and need pictures and other scrapbook type stuff of various things our church kids have been involved in over the past year. Please bring your items to my office ASAP.

CENTRAL TEXAS TEEN SUMMIT

We will be going to the Central Texas Teen Summit in College Station and Bryan. The dates are Apr. 3 & 4. The theme is "I GIVE UP" and it focuses on the need to surrender to God. Jeff Walling and Ronnie Norman are the key speakers. This will be a neat weekend, so don't miss out.

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July 10-18 Teen Mission Trip

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

Faber Cauthen's TEAM #4 will meet Mar. 22.



Thank You

Dear Friends;

We want to thank you for your gifts of love and concern, your prayers, flowers, and food during the recent loss of our son and brother, Richard "Buddy" McCarley. It helps to know we have such good Christian friends. West Erwin will always be special to our family, it's "home" to us. Please keep us in your prayers.

In Christian love,
Pat, Jim & Vicki & Family

Thanks for the cards, calls, and prayers in my behalf during my recent surgery.

Henry McRuiz

Dear West Erwin Church Family,

Thank you so much for every kindness shown during the loss of our son, John Alan. The red carnations, your prayers, cards, visits, calls, food and concern have been greatly appreciated. We have been overwhelmed by your expressions of love and concern.

John & Virginia Pike & Family

I want to thank all of you who helped me collect supplies for the East Texas Teachers Training Workshop. A very special thanks to Delle Bullard and Gary and Frances Broome who made teaching such a joy.

Barbara Oberg



A Worthy Woman

Lela Lockhart, Jay's mother, died on Thursday, March 12. Funeral services were held on Sunday in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

The following is an excerpt of a tribute to Sister Lockhart written several months ago by a friend. "Lela has taken seriously Paul's admonition in Titus 2:3-5 for the older women to exhibit exemplary behavior so they can in turn teach the younger women. She has willingly accepted invitations to speak at ladies' inspiration days and lectureships and has frequently traveled to many states conducting teacher-training workshops for pre-school teachers. Her love of people and her life of service have made an impact on all who know her."

She made this world a better place for having been here. One of the greatest tributes to her teaching is shown through her son's (our preacher) dedication to preaching the gospel. Our love and sympathy are extended to Jay and Arlene and all the family in their loss.



Congratulations!

Congratulations to the 1992 West Erwin Men's Basketball Team. They finished in 1st place in the Smith County Baptist Basketball League, Medium Division II. They also placed 2nd in the Smith County Basketball League Tournament, Medium Division. Team members are: Billy Terrell, coach, Daryl Anderson, Jody Bolin, Gary Cain, Jeff Fennell, Kurt Gesse, Jerry Huff, Joe King, J.N. Metcalf, and Bo Wiegrefe. All Tournament Honors went to Jeff Fennell and Bo Wiegrefe.



Singles and Singles Again

March 28, 1992, 6:30 P.M.
Alpine Church of Christ
610 East Loop 281
Longview, Texas
Bring Covered Dish!
Come Have Fun!
Fellowship!
Games!



Security

For security reasons the doors on the north side of the building (by the offices) will be locked after services begin on Sunday and Wednesday evenings.

Area Meeting

The Troup Church of Christ will host a meeting with Jack Evans, President of Southwestern Christian College, April 1-5 at 7:00 p.m. daily. Friday, April 3, has been set aside for West Erwin to come as a group. A special Sunday afternoon service will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. on April 5, at the West Erwin building featuring The Southwestern Christian College chorus and Jack Evans will preach. Other singing groups are invited to take part in this program.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Attendance goals for our times together:

Sunday A.M. Worship	600
Sunday A.M. Class	500
Sunday P.M. Worship	400
Wednesday Class	300

We need to be together on a regular and consistent basis. You need us as much as we need you to grow and mature in Christ. Our children need the consistent nurture and role modeling of Christians. As we live in a world that is hostile to the values and teaching of our Lord, we need to "spur one another on toward love and good deeds."

Remember to pick out a spot to be involved in this year's Vacation Bible School. Several have already done so. As time for VBS draws near, we will be getting together in the different areas of responsibility to plan and help one another prepare. Sign up sheets are in the hallway between the old auditorium and the education wing.

The East Texas Teachers Training Workshop

was a wonderful experience last Saturday. A host of teachers gathered from all over the East Texas area. Our own Barbara Oberg was the presenter for the 2's and 3's class. I was not in her class. But I did see the wealth of the materials she made available for her sessions, and I heard good things from those who listened to her. God has truly blessed West Erwin with talented individuals. And Barbara is to be commended for her hard work, her creativity, and her dedication to teaching our young children.

The next time that you see Kelly Ross, Rick Higginbotham, or Velma Lemons, let them know how much you appreciate all that they do for our preschoolers in the Sunday morning Children's Church. They go the extra mile every week as they lead our children in worship to God and in learning from God's word. They have been doing a wonderful job with our kids. Praise God for those who work with our children!

*** Koinonia Group #2 meets this Sunday. ***

Records	Sunday Mar.8	Sunday Mar.1	Year Ago
Bible Class	414	438	394
Worship A.M.	544	509	560
Worship P.M.	418	282	380
Wed. P.M.	222	217	207
Contribution	\$14,473.46	\$11,283.67	\$12,317.66
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, March 15, and Wed. P.M., Mar. 18, John Cliver, ph. 593-5075.

Prayer and Care

Jeff Warburton, infant son of Lester and Nancy Warburton, has been hospitalized with viral meningitis but is expected to go home Wednesday.

George Hearne is doing well after having by-pass surgery last Friday at Mother Frances Hospital. He is in room 442.

Foy Hodnett is now at home.

Ruth Pierce, mother of Faye Kennard, had surgery on Tuesday at Mother Frances Hospital.

Leslie G. Carruth, father of Les Carruth, is scheduled for surgery later this month in Lewisville, Texas.

Cora Hughes fell recently and injured her back. She is at home.

Alma Biggs is now at her son's home in Van.

Ruth Dobbs had eye surgery Monday morning at Medical Center.

Nita Miller was back in Tyler briefly but has returned to Terrell State Hospital.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

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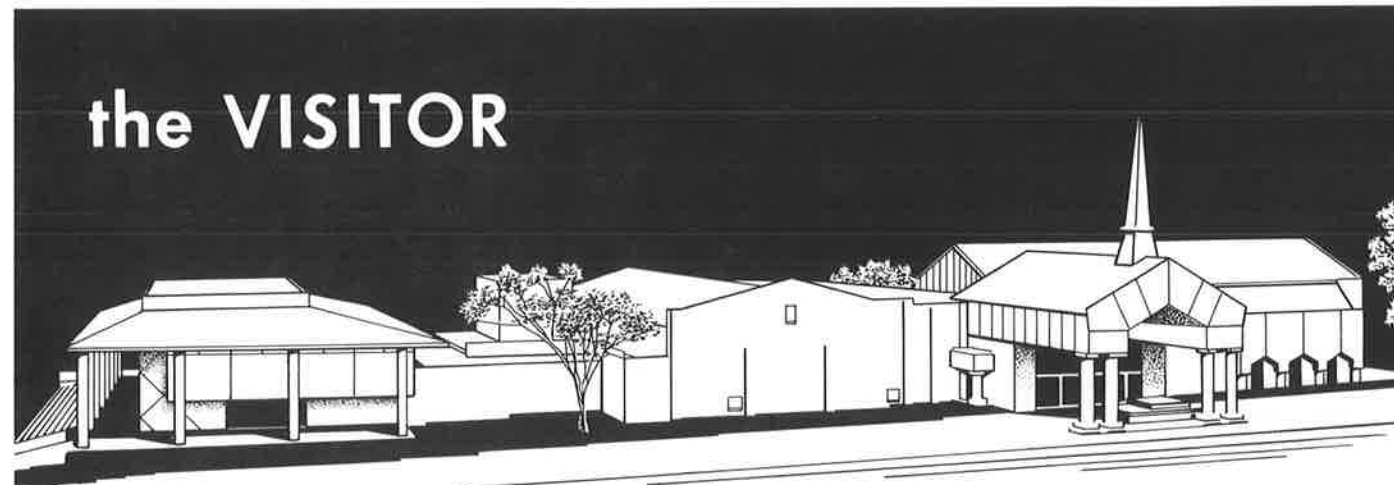
Jack & Peggy Garner

Congratulations

Congratulations to Ginger and Wynne Weathers on the birth of Wendy Dawn on March 7. Don and Wanda Weathers are the proud grandparents and June Walker is the happy great-grandmother.

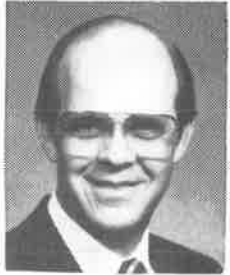
Sympathy

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to Cora Hughes in the loss of her brother, Pat Still. Funeral services were held last Saturday in Henderson.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

McRuiz to Mexico

(Recently our Henry McRuiz made a 3400 mile mission trip into Mexico with Bill and Cora Franklin, from the White Rock church in Dallas. Excerpts from a letter we received from Bill follow).

Dear Brothers:

This is just a short note to let you know how much my wife, Cora, and I appreciate your making it possible for Henry McRuiz to go with us on the trip to Mexico just concluded. This trip would not have been possible without Henry, because I had determined we would not go if I could not find a competent, pleasant translator to go with us. Because the trip would not have been possible without Henry, I offer the same appreciation on behalf of the White Rock congregation. How else would the people of Mexico have received the van load of clothes, the literature, the crayons, and the encouragement they received from being with brothers and sisters from afar.

Henry did a good job, always ready to do everything he was asked to do, but really doing more than that. One of the main reasons I wanted him to go with us was to help us seize upon the many opportunities that I anticipated would be afforded along the roadways to speak to individuals about the Gospel. The opportunities were there, in the volume that I had anticipated, but other factors prevented us from taking advantage of them. However, the few that were used came at times when they were least expected.

We were able to speak personally to every man who receives his support through White Rock and West Erwin. This is not possible when we fly down because some of the points are not served by air. None of the men speak English, and I speak very little Spanish, so it is not hard to understand why I wanted Henry. And it is necessary that whoever goes with us relate well with the many different groups and cultures that we deal with.

Thanks again for your support of the work in Mexico, not with just your money, but in sending your concern through people.

In Christian love,
 Bill Franklin

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THANKS!

Thanks to Darryl & Rhonda Hendrix for opening up their home and to Jimmie & Carolyn Philpot and Linda & Amy Pickens for hosting the high school devo last Sunday.

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

CITY WIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVO

All middle school students and friends are invited to the devo this Sunday night. All of the Tyler churches will be coming. A singing group from LCU will be singing and it will be a great evening together. Plan to come and be a part of this fun evening together. We will be finished shortly after 9:00 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the following folks who recently competed in SOLO & ENSEMBLE Contests: Amanda Broome, Cindy Carruth, Adam Goodson and Shelley Henry. All of these teens recieved a 1st division rating in their area of competition. Several received more than one Medal. Way to Go Gang!

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All of the LTC participants and coaches will meet this Sunday at 5:00 in Room 105 for our meeting. Any changes in your events need to be made by Sunday because the final registration forms will be sent off this Monday.

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Womack's TEAM #3 will meet Mar. 16.

In Appreciation



I would like to thank each of you for the many prayers, calls and cards, also the food during my illness. I am so thankful for my church family.

In Christian Love,
Elva Williams

Thank you for the prayers, phone calls, and cards for our family during their accident and sickness. Everything is much improved at this time.

We love you.
Jim & Priscilla Mayer

I want to thank the West Erwin church for the beautiful flowers, and each of you for the cards, letters, prayers and other expressions of sympathy for me in the recent death of my brother.

In Christian love,
Earle Arnold

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thank you for your continued interest in Jeff and all our well-being during the last months' illness rampage through our house. It was a comfort to know your prayers were with us.

In Christian love,
Les & Nancy Warburton

Dear West Erwin friends,

The students at the Campus Christian Center at Tyler Junior College would like to express their appreciation for the lunch you provided on Monday, February 24. As always, these meals are enjoyed and very much appreciated. Thank you once again!

In Christian Love,
Deanna Smith
Tri-C Correspondent

"I Know Something Good About You!"

"Wouldn't this old world be better,
if the folks we meet would say:
'I know something good about you,'
And then treat us just that way!
Wouldn't things here be more pleasant,
if the good that's in us all,
Were the only things about us,
that folks bothered to recall!
Wouldn't it be fine and dandy,
if each hand clasp warm and true,
Carried with it this assurance:
'I know something good about you!'
Wouldn't life be lots more happy,
if we'd praise the good we see,
For there's such a lot of goodness,
in the worst of you and me!
Wouldn't it be nice to practice this fine
way of thinking, too?
You know something good about me,
I know something good about you!"

Author Unknown

Welcome, New Members



We are delighted to welcome Jon and Kelly Bain and children, Amber and Cameron, into our family at West Erwin. Their address is Route 2, Box 874, phone 595-1083. They formerly worshipped with the Eastern Hills church in Athens.



We are very happy to have a picture this week of Jeff Fennell so that all may know who he is. He placed membership with us last week. His address is 7101 Waljim Road, Apt. 205, phone 534-9555.

Gospel Meeting
Church of Christ
Crockett Road
Palestine, Texas
March 15 - 18
Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Monday-Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Dr. Jay Lockhart, Speaker

* * *
A Christian shows what he is by what he
does with what he has.
* * *

"Hugging Is Healthy"

It relieves tension
Combats depression
Reduces stress
Improves blood circulation
It's invigorating
It's rejuvenating
It elevates self-esteem
It generates good will
It has no unpleasant side effects
It is nothing less than a miracle drug.



**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

**EAST TEXAS
TEACHERS TRAINING
WORKSHOP**

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1992
8:30 A.M. — 12:30 P.M.

GLENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST
TYLER, TEXAS

The Koinonia Program completed its first rotation of meetings last Sunday. We have had a fine beginning for this ministry of "inreach" to the West Erwin family. The number of persons who came to their first meetings is very encouraging: Group 1 - 88; Group 2 - 56; Group 3 - 48; Group 4 - 55; Group 5 - 47; Group 6 - 72. Start looking forward to your next noon meal. Group 1 meets this Sunday.

Sign ups for VBS 1992 have begun! Many have already picked out a place to be involved this summer. And there are many other places left. Sign up lists are in the main hallway between the auditorium and the education wing.

The reviews from the ladies retreat last weekend have been delightful. A wonderful time of fellowship, growth, and recreation was shared by all who participated! Over 70 women attended the retreat and helped to make it such a beautiful experience. 48 ladies worked in special ways to organize and bring about this year's ladies retreat. (Please let me know if I left out any names.)

Fern Bench * Carolyn Blackstone * Melissa Brookshire * Frances Broome * Nelda Browning * Jo Butler * Carolyn Carruth * Vickie Cauthen * Wini Cullinan * Cathy Culpepper * Shirley Denman * Patsy Fisher * Kim Frick * Tina Harris * Lynn Harrison * Mary Haws * Rhonda Haws * Ruth Hearne * Billie Bob Hickman * Helen Faye Holland * Angela Howard * Mary Hunt * Nerene Ingram * Jane Jones * Jena Jones * Jerry Konczak * Laverne Keith * Arlene Lockhart * Stacey Lockhart * Terry Lockhart * Linda Marts * Opal Mathews * Priscilla Mayer * Billie Morgan * Paige Morris * Frances McBee * Sandra Nelson * Melinda O'Quinn * Melissa Parrish * Carolyn Philpot * Jeannie Ross * Lisa Snell * Fran Starnes * Sue Starnes * Susan Steffee * Connie Sublette * Gail Vannoy * Carolyn Welborn

Thank each of these and let them know what an outstanding job they did.

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Alma Biggs is now in the Medical Center Rehab center, rm. 4413. She may have brief visits after 4:30.

Nita Miller called to express her appreciation for all the cards she has received. She hopes to be back soon.

Continue to remember these and others in our family and loved ones of our family that are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.



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 Scripture Lowell Wiggains
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 Scripture Mike McMinn
 Dismiss Keith Harris

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 Harold Denman Walter Farrer
 David Frick Don Drummond

Presiding at Lord's table
 Paul Stanley

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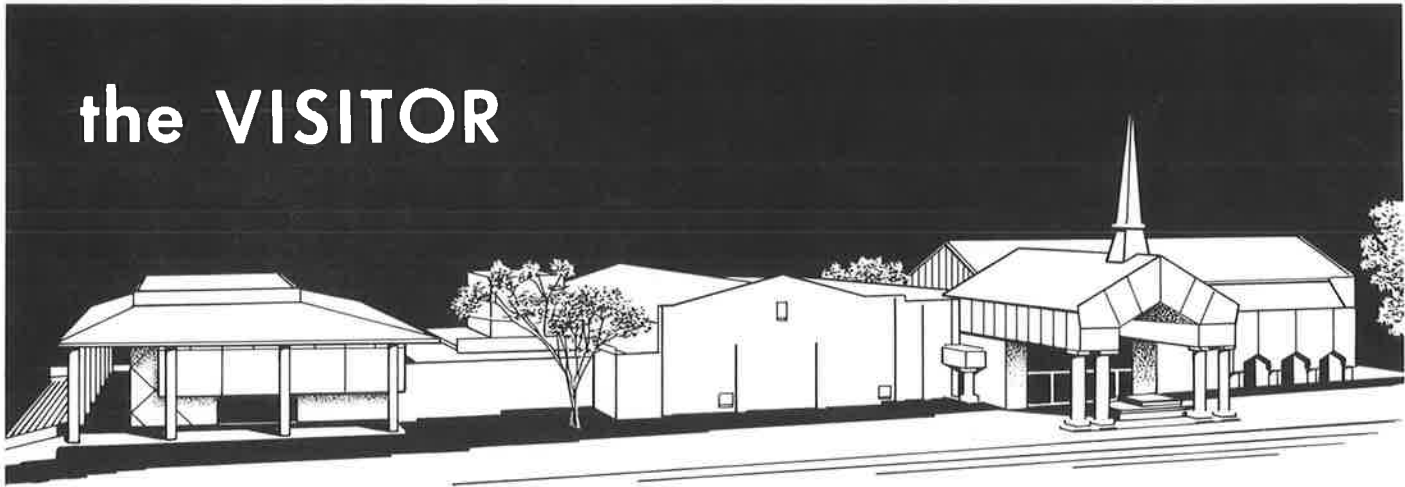
Harold and Shirley Denman
 Alan and Patsy Fisher
 David and Wanda Frick

SYMPATHY

Funeral services were held last Sunday for I.W. Arnold, brother of Earle Arnold.


Our hearts were saddened to learn of the death of John Alan Pike, son of John and Virginia Pike, on Tuesday. Funeral services are pending at Memorial Funeral Home at this time (Wed.).

We extend our sincere love and sympathy to these families in their loss of loved ones.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler
By Jay Lockhart

"You are those who justify yourselves" - Luke 16:15

Justifying My Behavior

Imagine that XYZ-TV covered the events in Jerusalem 2000 years ago -- events recorded in Acts: "There was quite a commotion in Jerusalem today as someone by the name of Stephen lost his life. All the circumstances surrounding his death are unclear at this time, but it seems he died in an accident. The report is that Stephen was making unfounded accusations against religious leaders of Jerusalem and as they tried to defend themselves Stephen was accidentally struck in the head by a rock and did not regain consciousness. One of the religious leaders said in an interview at the scene that Stephen was making blasphemous statements and loud accusations and really deserved what he got. The high court in Jerusalem, the Sanhedrin, exonerated all of its members and any others who might have been involved and the official cause of death has been listed as accidental. This is XYZ-TV reporting live from Jerusalem"

Here's how Dr. Luke, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit recorded the event: "And they were unable to cope with the wisdom and the Spirit with which he was speaking. Then they secretly induced men to say, 'We heard him speak the blasphemous words' ... And they began gnashing their teeth on him and when they had driven him out of the city, they began stoning him, ..." (Acts 6:10-15; 7:54-58).

It is always easy to justify one's behavior to one's self and to others. One may be filled with anger, bitterness, and malice; one may use his telephone as a gossip line; one may spread hatred and division; and then justify his behavior because However, Jesus put it this way: "You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of men, but God knows your hearts; for that which is highly esteemed among men is detestable in the sight of God" (Luke 16:15).

Lockhart's auditorium class is growing. This Sunday: The Inspiration of Scripture.

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THANKS!

This past Sunday night, a bunch of our teens engaged in some fun and unusual activities. From the scene that night it would seem that our teens are very talented. Some can even put their ankles behind their head and can do the Hawk Dive. Ask one of them about that great talent! Thanks to Les & Carolyn Carruth and Ray and Gail Vannoy for hosting the Devo. Thanks also to Ray for reminding us that Jesus wants us "to be like little children" in our enthusiasm and sincerity for following Him.

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund. LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST**

All of the LTC participants and coaches will meet this Sunday at 5:00 in Room 105 for our meeting.

HIGH SCHOOL DEVO

All high school students and friends are invited to the devo this Sunday night. Plan to come and be a part of this fun evening together. We will be finished at 9:00.

CENTRAL TEXAS TEEN SUMMIT

We will be going to the Central Texas Teen Summit in College Station and Bryan. The dates are Apr. 3 & 4. The theme is "I GIVE UP" and it focuses on the need to surrender to God. Jeff Walling and Ronnie Norman are the key speakers. This will be a neat weekend, so don't miss out. Please sign the list by Sunday, March 15.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Mar. 8 High School Activity
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Apr. 3-4 Central Texas Teen Summit
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June 14-19 Learning to Lead Camp
July 10-18 Teen Mission Trip

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

Pott's TEAM #2 will meet Mar. 2.

Welcome New Member

We are very happy to welcome Jeff Fennell into our family at West Erwin. He comes to us from the North Street church in Nacogdoches. His address is 7101 Waljim Road, Apt. 205, phone 534-9555.

The Search



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SEARCH viewers write us ...

A friend loaned me one of your tapes on "Building Bridges To The Bereaved" and it has helped me a lot as I just lost my daughter to cancer. She had two small children and I am trying to help them and their dad and deal with my own hurt as she was not only my child, but also my best friend. The hurt is so deep. Thank you for your help.

Grand Saline, Texas

Please send me all the transcripts on "Grief". It has helped me more than anything since my only son died.

Henderson, Texas

We enjoy and feel we benefit from your broadcast each Sunday. The series you just completed on dealing with grief was one I have not heard from the pulpit in some 40+ years of attending services. Thank you for your instruction and advice on how to better deal with this situation both from a personal standpoint and also how to better minister to others.

Longview, Texas

We sure do enjoy the preaching and hope that you can continue this work as you do so much for the Lord. I know it is pleasing to God.

I request that you send a tape to our daughter because she cannot get the program.

Jefferson, Texas

Please send the tapes of your series on "Grief". I recently lost my husband of 55 years and though I am at peace with his destiny, I still miss him greatly.

Thank you and God bless you for the work that you are doing for Him.

White Oak, Texas

New Pictorial Directory

Picture-taking for our new church directory will begin on Tuesday, March 17. Dates are March 17-21, and 24-25. Please reserve an appointment time as soon as possible. Each family photographed will receive a complimentary 8X10 portrait and a copy of the directory at no cost! See you at the sign-up table.



Young at Heart

The Young at Heart will have their monthly covered dish supper on Thursday, March 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All who are 55 or over (you do not have to be retired) are invited to be a part of this group. Make your plans to come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship.

Area Meetings

**Gospel Meeting
Church of Christ**

Crockett Road
Palestine, Texas
March 15 - 18

Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Monday-Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Jay Lockhart, Speaker

**Gospel Meeting
Alpine Church of Christ**

610 East Loop 281
Longview, Texas

Johnny Ramsey, preaching

March 8-11, 1992

Sunday, 9-10 and 6

Mon. - Wed., 7 p.m.

Tues. 10:00 a.m.



**Ninth Annual
Song Fest**

March 13, 1992, 7:00 p.m.

Eastern Hills Church of Christ
1200 East Corsicana Hwy. 175 East
Athens, Texas

Group and Church Singing
Public Welcome!

Free Refreshments

Babysitting Provided

BOLES HOME TRUCK DUE

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Items needed: TRASH BAGS (at least 30 gallons), REFRIED BEANS, CANNED FRUIT, and FABRIC SOFTENER SHEETS.

Your willingness to help is appreciated.

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

*** Koinonia Group #6 meets this Sunday. ***

VBS 1992 - "JOURNEY IN THE WILDERNESS"

Remember to pick up one of the handouts explaining plans for VBS this year. Avoid the Spring rush by signing up early. Do so now so that we can go ahead and start making more definite plans for the summer. If you have any questions or comments concerning VBS, please don't hesitate to call me. Sign up lists are in the main hallway between the auditorium and the education wing.

Last weekend, I met with our Bible class coordinators and with our education planning team. West Erwin is truly blessed with individuals who have dedicated themselves to work in these areas. I am very excited about working with them as we continue to serve through the education ministry. Last week I listed our coordinators. This week I want to let you know who our planning team is.

Ray Vannoy
Don Peek
Jim McCoy

Ira Wilson
Kelly Ross
Mark and Paige Morris

Our coordinators and planning team are here to serve the Lord by serving you. Give them your thoughts and opinions concerning our educational efforts at West Erwin. And pray for them, as you do for me, as together we all grow in service to God.

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8:30 A.M. — 12:30 P.M.**

**GLENWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST
TYLER, TEXAS**

The workshop is only one week away. It is a chance for growth that you will not want to miss!

Records	Sunday Feb.23	Sunday Feb.16	Year Ago
Bible Class	390	426	371
Worship A.M.	522	543	475
Worship P.M.	330	320	304
Wed. P.M.	248	208	219
Contribution	\$12,704.02	\$11,340.81	\$10,142.92
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, March 1, and Wed. P.M., Mar. 4, David Haney, ph. 581-2670.

Prayer and Care

Foy Hodnett is in Mother Frances Hospital, room 443. Leslie Carruth, father of Les Carruth, had a mild stroke and is hospitalized in Lewisville, Texas.

Roy Clark is now at home. Elva Lee Williams was dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital on Tuesday.

Alma Biggs has moved temporarily to The Clairmont, room 125-B.

Ruth Pierce, mother of Faye Kennard and grandmother of Marc Tate and Joni Smith, is now at home in Rusk, Texas.

T.J. Parrish, Sr., grandfather of Jeff Parrish, is in Doctors Memorial Hospital.

Continue to remember these and other loved ones of our family who are ill and those of our family who are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

New Grandbaby

Congratulations to Dannie and Sue Skipper who have a new grandson, born February 26 in Searcy, Arkansas to Rick and Susan Pratt. Collin Isaac weighed in at 9 lb. 4 oz.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Dannie Skipper
Prayer Robert Hawkins
Scripture Jamon Kirby
Dismiss Jim McDonald

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Dannie Skipper
Prayer Ben Young
Scripture Jay Graham
Dismiss Charles McCoy

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Roy Bench Harold Browning
Mark Cauthen Milburn Cook
Harold Denman Walter Farrer
David Frick Don Drummond

Presiding at Lord's table

Phil Marts

GREETERS

Harold and Shirley Denman

Alan and Patsy Fisher

David and Wanda Frick

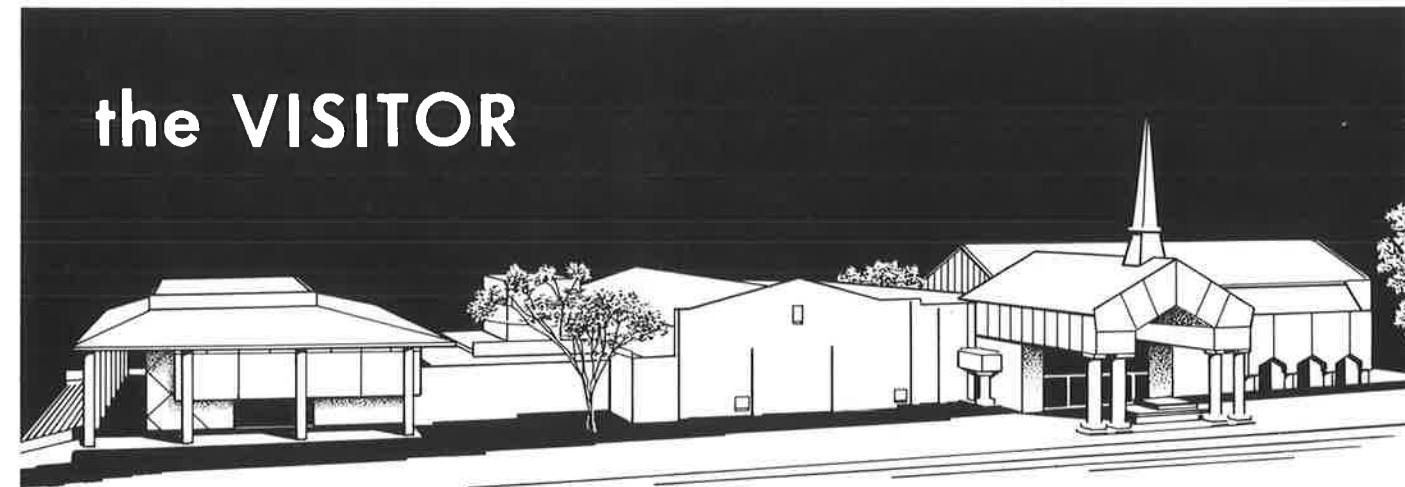
Sympathy

Bill Toohey, uncle of Kurt Gesse, died last week in Chicago.

Graveside services were held Wednesday for Sadie Wells.

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to these families.

Remember "Young at Heart" Thursday, March 12 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall.



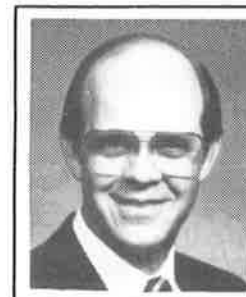
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Where's The Emphasis?

What should the emphasis of the church be? A single question with an obvious answer ... or is it? We have a lot of programs and activities ... all of which are good ..., but where should the emphasis be? The primary work of the church is this and only this: the salvation of the souls of men. To this end we preach the gospel, care for the needy, and edify the body of Christ (the church) (Mark 16:15-16; Galatians 6:10; Ephesians 4:16). Everything we do from building a building, to Bible classes to worship, to KOINONIA (fellowship) groups, to visitation, to Bible Hour, and on and on must be for the accomplishment of one goal: the salvation of men. It's easy to get sidetracked and to be so involved in "the program" that we forget what our purpose is. And all of our programs cannot be substitutes for reaching the lost for Christ. It's a little bit like the elderly lady who was on a tour of London and visited Westminster Abbey. The guide was

telling of the illustrious history of the Abbey and of the famous people buried there. The little old lady interrupted to ask, to the embarrassment of all, "Any souls been saved here lately?" Good question! A member of the church moves to a city and all the churches in town fall all over themselves in an effort to get the new person to place membership. Fine! But how much effort is being put forth to find, teach, and win souls to Christ? Have we lost our focus? Evangelize! Evangelize! Evangelize! Yes, we need to reach out to the newcomer, but let's "teach all ... baptizing them ... teaching them to observe all things" (Matthew 28:19-20). As Jesus said about other issues, "These things you ought to have done, and not left the others undone." Do you want to grow a church? Evangelize!

Goals

Everything is going up! Attendance in Bible classes (Sunday and Wednesday), in Ladies Bible class (Wednesday), and in Worship (Sunday morning and night) is moving in the right direction. Remember and work for our goals: Sunday morning worship - 600; Bible classes - 500; Sunday night - 400; Wednesday night - 300. Be involved!

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Danny Snell**



THANKS!

We had a great middle school devo this past Sunday night. Joanna Vannoy (Our resident Golf Pro) won the Golf Putting contest with a commanding 25 points! Thanks to our hosts: Gary & Frances Broome and James & Connie Sublette and also to Ken & Cathy Culpepper and Lisa Snell. Thanks also to James Sublette for the very thought provoking devotional message. It is a powerful message about how our life is like a wagon and our faith is the tongue that directs the wagon through life.
****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congrats to Matt Pickens for being inducted into the National Honor Society at Lindale High School this week. Great going Matt!

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All of the LTC participants and coaches will meet this Sunday at 5:00 in Room 105 for a very important meeting. Parents are invited also.

COMBINED DEVO

All middle and high school students and friends are invited to the devo this Sunday night. Plan to come and be a part of this fun evening together. We will be finished at 9:00.

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McRuiz's TEAM #1 will meet Mar. 2.



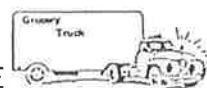
We rejoice with John Shaw in his decision to be baptized into Christ on February 20. His address is 1028 East Earle, phone 597-2627. We are very pleased to welcome John into our church family.



ETCA

East Texas Christian Academy is now collecting items for their annual Baubles and Bargains Auction and Garage Sale to be held in March. Anyone having items they would like to donate (old or new), (large or small) please drop them by the school office as soon as possible or call 561-8642 and we will arrange to pick it up.

Thank you for your help.
ETCA Board and PTF



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Attention College and Singles

Some plans are being made to take a group of college and young singles on a VBS mission trip to Baton Rouge, Louisiana this summer. Before we can plan further, we need to know how many would be interested in such a trip. Please contact Kelly Ross or Dewey Howard by **March 8** if you or someone you know is interested.

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Thank You

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the cards and prayers on my behalf during my recent illness and stay in the hospital. Also Bill and I want to express our thanks for the meals that have been furnished to us.

We love you all,
Elizabeth & Bill Endsley

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your concern and prayers and for your thoughts, words, and deeds of thoughtfulness during and since W.C., my husband, underwent by-pass heart surgery. We are thankful he is doing well.

May our God of Love bless you richly.
Helen Beard

I want to express a warm thank you for all you did for me during my recuperation. The visits, cards, phone calls and food meant more to me than you'll ever know.

God Bless You,
Ann McMinn

Thank you for the new Bible. I will love and cherish it for the rest of my days. I would like to thank the elders for having the Timothy class. Thanks to Steve, Marc, and Scott for teaching and encouraging us to work hard. I would like to thank the congregation for allowing us to conduct the services and all their words of encouragement.

In His love,
Nicholas Adam Goodson

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LADIES RETREAT

"Reaching Your Spiritual Potential"
March 6 & 7, 1992
Fri. 7:00 p.m. - Sat. 12:00 noon
Special speaker: Sherley Foster
Ladies, mark your calendars, be involved, be enthusiastic, be uplifted, be there!

**Spotlight
on
Education**

Dewey Howard

***** Koinonia Group #5 meets this Sunday. *****

VBS 1992 - "JOURNEY IN THE WILDERNESS"

Sign up lists to help with this year's VBS are in the main hallway between the auditorium and the education wing. There is a place for everyone to be involved. Pick up one of the sheets explaining ways you can be involved. And then select a job that you can do.

Parents of preschool-age children: We are making a change in our Wednesday night Bible classes for your children. Ages 3 through pre-K will meet together in room 202. And Kindergarten children will meet in room 201. Age 2 will meet as usual in room 102. Please make a note of these changes and help your children find their correct class room.

On Wednesday, March 4, we will repeat our eight-week adult electives. There are four excellent classes from which you can choose. Each class (except "The Search") will present the same lessons given during the past eight weeks. Talk to other adults from different classes, and determine which group you would like to join for the next eight weeks.

ANNOUNCING: Our new education coordinators.

- Beginners - Jeanine Hughes
- Early childhood - Rhonda Haws
Angela Howard
- Primary - Steve and Michelle Linscomb
Marc and Dana Tate
- Youth - Danny Snell
- Adults - Dewey Howard
- Workroom - Gary and Frances Broome
- Bulletin Boards - Paige Morris
- Women's Ministries - Fern Bench

- Angela Howard
- Jane Jones
- Arlene Lockhart
- Billie Morgan
- Sherry Peek

Pray for these persons. Give them your support and your ideas. I will be sharing more concerning how they will be helping us in the future.

Records	Sunday Feb.16	Sunday Feb.9	Year Ago
Bible Class	426	380	375
Worship A.M.	543	573	494
Worship P.M.	320	354	390
Wed. P.M.	208	254	258
Contribution	\$11,340.81	\$10,553.95	\$10,965.56
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, February 23, and Wed. P.M., Feb. 26, Keith Harris, ph. 839-3826.

Prayer and Care

Roy Clark is in Mother Frances Hospital for blood transfusions but expects to go home on Wednesday.

Elva Lee Williams and Alma Biggs are patients in Mother Frances Hospital.

Ruth Pierce, mother of Faye Kennard and grandmother of Marc Tate and Joni Smith, is hospitalized in Rusk, Texas.

Nita Miller is in Terrell State Hospital. She would appreciate getting mail. That address is available in the church office.

Continue to remember Lela Lockhart, Jay's mother; C.O. Carter, Arlene's father; Al Linscomb, Steve Linscomb's father; Jim Mayer's father, brother, and aunt; along with those in our church family who are ill at home, receiving treatment, our shut-ins and those in nursing homes in prayer and care.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Bob Bryant
Prayer Charles Rachui
Scripture Dr. Mark Morris
Dismiss Wade Weathers

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Bob Bryant
Prayer Lowell Wiggains
Scripture Alan Fisher
Dismiss Mark Waggonner

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Tony Adams Dale Blackstone
Gary Broome Edgar Bullard
Scott Carruth Mike Cauthen
John Cliver Clinton Culpepper

Presiding at Lord's table

Phil Marts

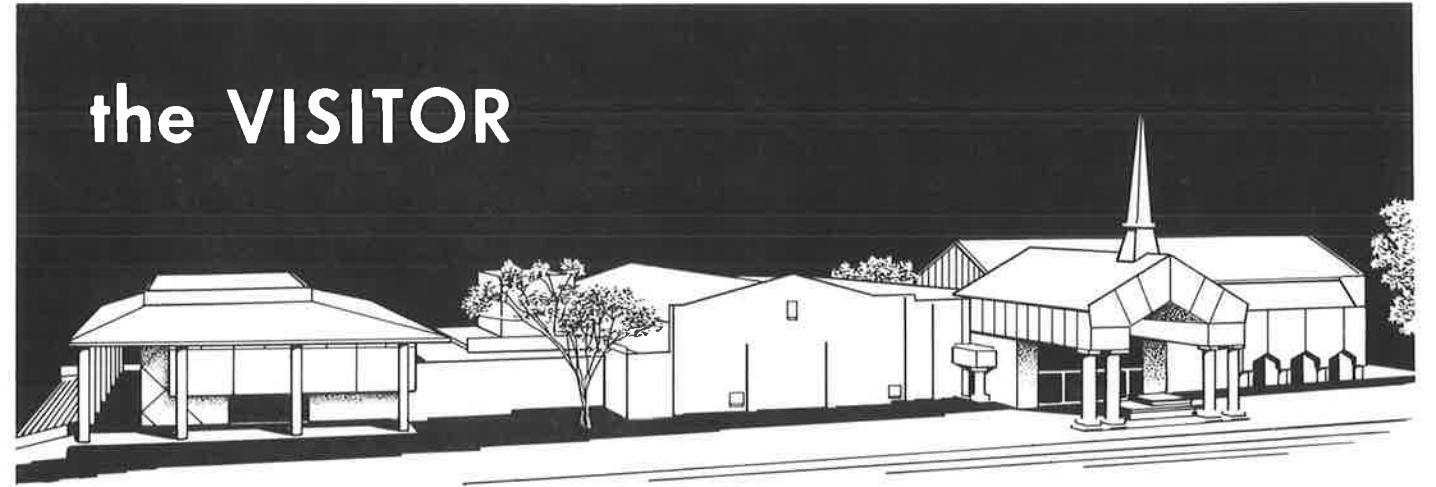
GREETERS

Edgar and Delle Bullard
Milburn and Jan Cook
Ken and Cathy Culpepper

"It is required in stewards
that one be found faithful" -
I Corinthians 4:2

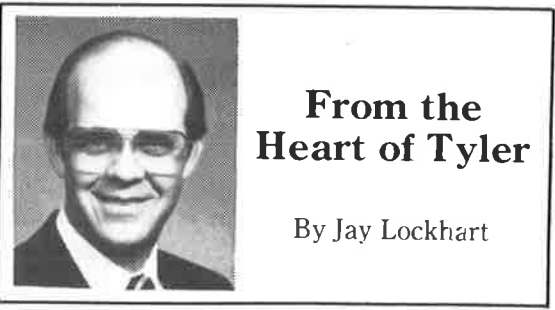
Sermons for Sunday, February 23, 1992

A.M. The Righteousness of The Kingdom
Dr. Jay Lockhart
P.M. The Timothy Class Presentation



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By Jay Lockhart

has prospered" (I Cor. 16:2); "God loves a cheerful (lit. - hilarious) giver" (II Cor. 9:7). Think about it and give to God first -- you'll live better on what's left than you will on all of it without God. And think about this: why not be a good steward while you live and after you die by putting the Lord's church in your will. If you will a portion of your estate to the church and designate that the interest be used for missions, you can quite literally preach the gospel until Jesus comes! We can be good stewards while we live and when we die.

Good Stewards

It has been estimated that the "Baby-boomers" (those born between 1946 and 1964) give less than 2% of their income for the Cause of Christ and that the rest of us give a hefty 3%. By no standard -- Old Testament, New Testament, or pagan -- is this acceptable giving. The Patriarchs, with so little light, tithed; the nation of Israel with less light than we have, tithed; Jesus tithed (he lived under the law of tithing, didn't he?); and the church of Jesus Christ, living in the full light of God's completed revelation with far greater blessings than any who lived before, gives 3%! Are we commanded to tithe? No! The tithe commandment ended when God took away the Law (the first covenant) that He might establish the Gospel (the second covenant). However, we should ask ourselves, did God take away the law of the tithe that we might give less? God put us on our honor: "As a man purposes, so let him give" (II Cor. 9:7); "As God

New Pictorial Directory

We need a new Picture Directory of our West Erwin Family! The current directory was made in 1989 and is far out of date. On March 17-21 and 24-25 Olan Mills will take our pictures. Sign up sheets will be posted soon. Note these facts: (1) everyone gets a free 8X10; (2) there is no obligation or pressure to buy portraits; (3) you will, through the marvel of electronics, be able to view your pictures immediately after they are taken (you do not have to return to view proofs); (4) pictures will be made in the late afternoon and early evening; and, (5) there will be a 30 day turn-around (we are promised our directory within thirty days after the pictures are made!) We want everyone in this directory. Make your plans!

Jay Lockhart's class studies "How The Universe Began" this Sunday in the new auditorium.

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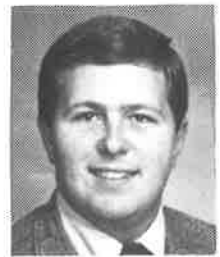
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Danny Snell



THANKS!

Wow! The Lock-in this past weekend was really great. Over 40 teens and friends gathered together at the YMCA to enjoy a night of fun and fellowship. Thanks to all who made it such a fun night. Thanks to those who came as sponsors (even if they couldn't stay awake all night!): Dale & Carolyn Blackstone, Ken & Cathy Culpepper, David Haney, Lynn Harrison, Lisa Snell, Marc & Dana Tate.

****PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund. CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congrats to Becky Blackstone for being inducted into the National Honor Society at Lindale High School this week. Great going Becky!

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All teens and parents are reminded to sign up for LTC. You need to know what categories you want to participate in. The detailed rule book and other information is posted on the north wall by my office. I will be here Sunday at 5:00 to help you answer any questions you may have about the rules and convention. Several have already signed up, but if you have not yet done so, please do that by this Sunday. The LTC convention is one of the most exciting things we have been involved in and this year will be no exception. Plan on LTC.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVO

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Dear Jay Lockhart,
You will never know how very much you have helped me; words cannot express. Your series of lessons on "How Can I?" came to me when I lost my husband to death and helped me so much.

Now you have come again to my rescue with your lessons on "Here Am I". I have shared it with young and old and it has helped them too. Please send the "Upreach" magazine you mentioned.

May you continue to have good health and God give you a long life. You make the Word of God live in so many lives.

May the Lord bless you and your family.

In Christian love,
Fruitvale, Texas

We enjoy the lesson every Sunday morning with you on channel 56. We pray God will continue to bless you and your work for Him.

Diana, Texas

SHILOH HOMECOMING

The Shiloh Road Church of Christ will be celebrating their 15th anniversary with a family reunion Saturday evening, February 29 at 7:00 with a reception for all members, both past and present and with a special day of worship, Bible classes and lunch on Sunday, March 1. Everyone is welcome to come share in this celebration. Former members are especially urged to come as special guests.

In Appreciation



To my church family,

Thank you for your calls, cards, visits and most of all, your prayers while I was in the hospital and during my recuperation.

In Christian love,
Christine Parsons

I want to thank everyone for all the cards, calls, prayers, visits, and each act of kindness shown me while I was ill. I love all of you and know for sure we have one of the finest churches in Tyler, that is filled with loving and caring Christians that strive daily to do God's will.

Gloria Thigpen

Words can't express how much your prayers meant to me and our family during my surgery and my stay in the hospital. May God bless you in many ways for your kindness. Once again, thanks very much.

Stephanie Muller & family



Wedding Invitation

Praising God for His goodness to us
we, Rachael and Jeff
Joyously invite you to witness
the uniting of our lives into one
on Saturday, the twenty-second of February
nineteen hundred and ninety-two
at two o'clock in the afternoon
Your presence will be a blessing
to us and our parents
Mr. and Mrs. Rex Nunn
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Blackstone
Mr. and Mrs. Stan Prichard
West Erwin Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas

Reception immediately following



Baby Shower

You're invited
to a baby shower
honoring
Wendi Hicks

Sunday, February 23, 4:00-5:30

Fellowship Hall

Selections: Storkland

Ladies, please consider this your
personal invitation.

BOLES HOME TRUCK DUE

The Boles Home grocery truck will be in our area the week of March 9-13. Items needed are listed below. However, if there are other items that you would like to donate they are greatly appreciated and will be gladly accepted as well.

Items needed: TRASH BAGS (at least 30 gallons), REFRIED BEANS, CANNED FRUIT, and FABRIC SOFTENER SHEETS.

Your willingness to help is appreciated.

Attention Ladies

The retreat date is getting close! Deadline for sign-up and payment of \$25.00 fee is February 23. Don't be left out of this special time for fun and growth.



**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Koinonia Group #4 meets this Sunday.

VBS 1992 - "JOURNEY IN THE WILDERNESS"

Our "journey" this year takes place on three exciting evenings -- June 29 through July 1. This VBS promises to be one of our most exciting yet. Not only will we be doing some of the things that have always made VBS at West Erwin a special time, but we will also be adding a few features to hopefully make VBS even better than ever.

Outreach to the community will be one of our primary goals this year. To that end, we will be adding an adult seminar to this year's VBS activities. Jay Lockhart will present some very timely messages on the family. We will be inviting the whole town - men, women, and children - to join us for an exciting adventure in God's word.

This Sunday, February 23, we will have a very important interest meeting to get this year's VBS underway. We will have a place for everyone to be involved -- teaching, helping, preparing materials, setting up, working puppets, painting, doing artwork, sewing, hosting the adult seminar, etc., etc., etc. Please make your plans to be at the meeting in the old auditorium after the evening assembly for more information.

The East Texas Teacher Training Workshop is only three weeks away. There are classes for teachers of all ages. Our own Barbara Oberg is one of the presenters this year. Brochures for the workshop are on the table in the foyer. It all happens on Saturday, March 14, 8:30 to 12:30, at the Glenwood church building.

I would like to take one more opportunity to thank Barbara Oberg and Connie Sublette. They have served well as coordinators over our preschool and primary Bible classes. They have asked to be replaced as coordinators so that they can concentrate on other ministries that they are involved in here at West Erwin. Appreciate these ladies for their service. Next week I will announce our new class coordinators.

Records	Sunday Feb.9	Sunday Feb.2	Year Ago
Bible Class	380	421	375
Worship A.M.	573	574	494
Worship P.M.	354	348	390
Wed. P.M.	254	225	258
Contribution	\$10,553.95	\$11,939.50	\$10,965.56
Building Fund	\$247.00		
Weekly Budget	\$13,500.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, February 16, and Wed. P.M., Feb. 19, Gary Cain, ph. 581-3719.

Prayer and Care

Alma Biggs was taken to Mother Frances Hospital on Wednesday morning.

Continue to remember Lela Lockhart, Jay's mother, and C.O. Carter, Arlene's father, both of whom are seriously ill at this time; also those in our church family who are ill at home, receiving treatment, our shut-ins and those in nursing homes in prayer and care.

Sympathy

Graveside services were held Sunday in Mount Sylvan for Jack Norris, brother-in-law of Pattie Tate.

Funeral services were held Monday at Burks Walker Tippit for Dorothy Snipes, a former member at West Erwin.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Burks Walker Tippit for Richard (Buddy) McCarley, son of Pat McCarley, a former member at West Erwin.

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to these families.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements C.B. Hardin
Prayer Jeff Hone
Scripture Faber Cauthen
Dismiss Neil Vannoy

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements C.B. Hardin
Prayer Greg Wagner
Scripture Wayne Harrison
Dismiss Jerry Huff

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Tony Adams Dale Blackstone
Gary Broome Edgar Bullard
Scott Carruth Mike Cauthen
John Cliver Clinton Culpepper

Presiding at the Lord's table

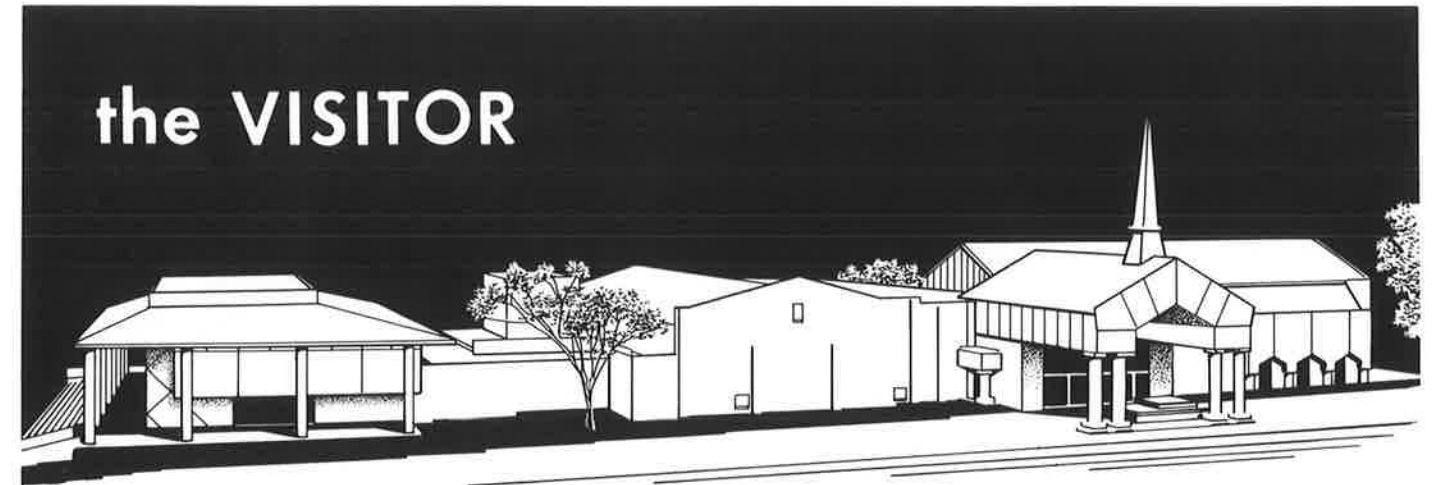
James Sublette

GREETERS

Edgar and Delle Bullard
Milburn and Jan Cook
Ken and Cathy Culpepper

New Baby

Congratulations to Nancy and Lester Warburton on the birth of a baby boy on February 9. He is 20 inches long, weighs 6 lb. 5 oz. and has been named Jeffrey Edward. Proud siblings are Jimmy, Joshua and Laura and happy grandparents are John and Ruby Cliver.



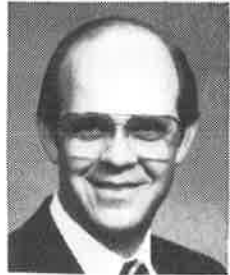
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

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			- 12:00 P.M.	(903) 592-0809

That New Adult Class

The new class I began last Sunday in our new auditorium got off to a good start, especially since we started it in the middle of a quarter and without much fanfare. If you are not now attending Bible study on Sunday morning, we would like to encourage you to consider this class this Sunday. "We Believe And Therefore Speak" is our theme as we probe what and why we believe what we do and seek to examine the practical aspects of these beliefs as they pertain to our lives.

Let's Set Some Goals

To be productive and happy in our lives we need to have some goals. In our personal lives we need to have the big goal, e.g., going to heaven. Then we need secondary goals, e.g., what am I planning to do next week, next month, and next year to help myself reach the big goal. Finally, we need immediate goals, e.g., what am I doing

right now to assure myself that I will reach my secondary goals and ultimately, my big goal. Goals are important in the church, too. We need a big goal for what the church will hopefully be in the future. We need secondary goals for the next year, the next decade, and the next century. Such things as how many people we hope to reach with the gospel, how many church members who have fallen away will we reclaim, and what methods of outreach we will use. We also need some immediate goals. What classes will we offer? How can we improve our worship? What can I do today to advance the cause of Christ and the growth of the church? Let's set some reachable goals today! Let's start with these: 600 in worship; 500 in Bible classes; 400 on Sunday night; and 300 in Wednesday classes. We have interesting classes for everyone and our worship is inspiring, so let's go! Start this Sunday. Let's set and reach some goals ... not simply for numbers, but for souls!

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to all who came to the meeting this past Sunday night. It was a great meeting with lots of plans set for the spring and summer.

***PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All teens and parents are reminded that this Sunday is when we need to sign up for LTC. You need to know what categories you want to participate in. The detailed rule book and other information is posted on the north wall by my office. I will be here Sunday at 5:00 to help you answer any questions you may have about the rules and convention. The LTC convention is one of the most exciting things we have been involved in and this year will be no exception. Plan on LTC.

LOCK-IN

All middle and high school students are invited to a LOCK-IN. We will be starting Friday evening at 7:30 at the church building and going out to eat. If you can't make the 7:30 meeting, then meet at 9:00 when we go to the YMCA. You need to tell me if you can't work with those times. We will be finished at 7:30 Saturday morning at the church. Please bring a snack food and money for supper on Friday night. You may bring one friend, your favorite game and appropriate clothing. All facilities will be available except the weight room. There will be a time to swim, separate of course, so bring whatever clothing you might need. Plan to come and enjoy this fun time of fellowship together.

AREA WIDE HIGH SCHOOL DEVO

High school students from all over the Tyler area will be gathering together at the University church on Feb. 16. We will all go together on the bus after the Sunday evening assembly and return to the building by 9:00. Plan on being a part of this Christian gathering.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Feb. 14 Combined Lock-In
Feb. 16 Area-Wide High School Devo

West Erwin Visitation Ministry

Womack's TEAM #3 will meet Feb.17.

Welcome New Member

We are happy to have a picture of John Alan Pike this week so that all may know who he is. He was baptized February 2 by Danny Snell. His address is Route 11, Box 424, phone 593-3092. We welcome him into our church family at West Erwin.



MEN'S BUSINESS BREAKFAST
Saturday, February 15, 8:30 A.M.
Fellowship Hall

All men of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

ATTENTION LADIES

The ladies of the South Main church in Henderson invite the ladies to their LADIES DAY, Saturday, February 22. Registration begins at 8:30 with our program starting at 9:30. A brunch will be served at 10:45. The last session will be over at 12:30. Special speaker will be Elsie Huffard, a teacher at Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, Tennessee. She will give an unusual program on LIVING BIBLE CUSTOMS, showing artifacts, costumes, and demonstrating some customs of Bible times.



Thank You

Dear West Erwin family,

I want to thank everyone for all the cards, calls and prayers during Daphne's illness and after her death.

I'd also like to thank the "Lunch Bunch for the delicious meals each Tuesday.

I love you all,
Leona McElroy



The following note and new address was received from the Scott Epperson family.
West Erwin Christians:

Just a line or two to let you know that our move was successful. We pray that your "Homecoming" on January 26 was great and that the gospel of Jesus will be preached and the new building will be filled with Christians.

We just wanted you to know how much our membership and friendship at West Erwin meant to us.

We will miss Tyler and the Christians there, but in our years of moving we have learned that our paths will cross again.

We pray for the growth of His church in Tyler and may God bless you.

In Christian Love,
Scott and Donna
Jeremy, Jessica & Hattie
P.O. Box 246
Buda, Texas 78610

Baby Showers



You're invited to a brunch (baby shower) honoring Ginger Weathers Saturday, February 15 10:30 - 12:00 Jane Jones' home 1507 Kensington

Selections: Storkland and Toys 'R Us Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.



You're invited to a baby shower honoring Wendi Hicks

Sunday, February 23, 4:00-5:30 Fellowship Hall

Selections: Storkland Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.



Wedding Invitation

Praising God for His goodness to us we, Rachael and Jeff joyously invite you to witness the uniting of our lives into one on Saturday, the twenty-second of February nineteen hundred and ninety-two at two o'clock in the afternoon Your presence will be a blessing to us and our parents
Mr. and Mrs. Rex Nunn
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Blackstone
Mr. and Mrs. Stan Prichard
West Erwin Church of Christ
Tyler, Texas

Reception immediately following



Ladies Retreat

"Reaching Your Spiritual Potential"
March 6 & 7, 1992
Friday evening 7:00 - ????
Saturday morning 8:00 - 12:00
Special speaker: Sherley Foster

Deadline for reservations is February 23. If you need transportation, contact the church office. All ladies are encouraged to be a part of this uplifting time together!

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Koinonia Group #3 meets this Sunday for a noon meal after the morning assembly. You are asked to bring food for a potluck meal together. Please remember to bring a little extra for any guests that we may have. Group #2 had 56 persons together for its first gathering Sunday. And we have had guests at both meals thus far. Let's keep the excitement going as we learn to have koinonia with one another.

Help is needed for Children's Worship for our preschool children on Sunday mornings. They especially need men to help with the "preaching" part on a rotating basis. Kelly Ross is doing an outstanding job of coordinating this ministry. Please contact him if you can help in any way.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

The dates are now set for Vacation Bible School 1992! June 29 through July 1 will be an exciting three days as we take our children and their friends on a "Journey through the Wilderness." We have a variety of ways for everyone to be involved. The "journey" this year will be conducted in the evening, so even those of you who work during the day can be a part of the actual VBS events. There will be an important interest meeting on Sunday, February 23, after the evening assembly. Please make your plans to stay so that you can get more details concerning VBS 1992.

10 "DON'TS" FROM YOUR CHILD:

1. Don't spoil me.
2. Don't be afraid to be firm with me.
3. Don't let me form bad habits.
4. Don't correct me in front of people if you can help it.
5. Don't protect me from consequences.
6. Don't nag.
7. Don't forget that I cannot explain myself as well as I should like.
8. Don't be inconsistent.
9. Don't put me off when I ask questions.
10. Don't forget that I can't thrive without lots of understanding and love -- but I don't need to tell you, do I?

-- Selected --

Records	Sunday Feb.2	Sunday Jan.26	Year Ago
Bible Class	421	750	393
Worship A.M.	574	952	555
Worship P.M.	348	No P.M. Service	318
Wed. P.M.	225	259	197
Contribution	\$11,939.50	\$12,418.93	\$11,110.45
Building Fund	\$680.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, February 9, and Wed. P.M., Feb. 12, George Hearne, ph. 593-8731.

Prayer and Care

Lela Lockhart, Jay Lockhart's mother, remains in serious condition in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

Christine Parsons expects to be dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital on Wednesday.

Gloria Thigpen was dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital on Tuesday.

Pray for Al Linscomb, Steve Linscomb's father, that his cancer treatment be effective.

Ruth Reid, sister of Margie Hunt, is critically ill in Andrews, Texas.

Stephanie Muller was hospitalized for surgery last week but is now at home.

We learned that Foy Richey fell and broke his leg in LaFeria, Texas.

Continue to remember these and other relatives and friends of our family who remain in hospitals and are receiving treatment and those of our family who are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Paul Stanley
 Prayer K. Max Haws
 Scripture Ray Womack
 Dismiss Harold Browning
 6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Paul Stanley
 Prayer Rob Hilliard
 Scripture Scott Carruth
 Dismiss Charles Hickman

GREETERS

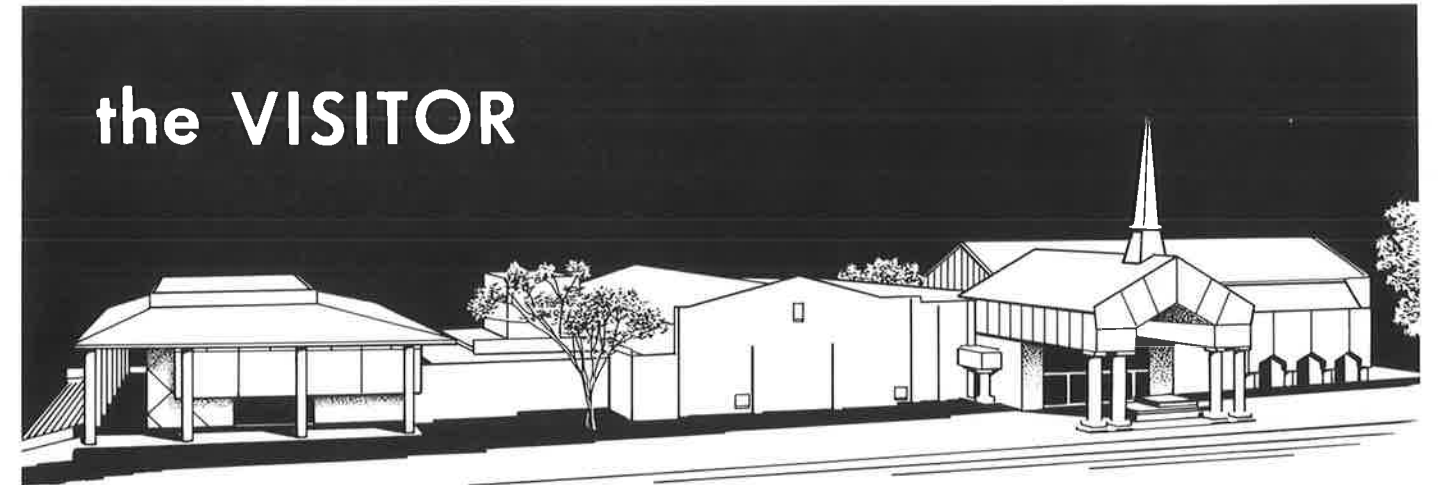
Dan and Wini Cullinan
 Clinton and Louise Culpepper
 Robert and Kathy Hilliard
 Charles and Billie Bob Hickman

ATTENTION SINGLES

There will be a Valentine party for all singles on Friday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. at the Melvin Maples' home in Chandler. Contact Kelly Ross for details.




Daphne McElroy, wife of Leona McElroy's grandson, Roger, died on Sunday evening. Funeral services were held on Tuesday in Nashville. We extend our sincere sympathy to Leona and all the family.



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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

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James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Joe McBee	Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.		
			- 12:00 P.M.		

New Class This Sunday

This Sunday I will begin a new class in our new auditorium entitled We Believe And Therefore Speak based upon II Corinthians 4:13. A good sub-title for what we hope to accomplish in the class would be Luke's opening statement in his gospel record: "Things Which Are Most Surely Believed Among Us". We will be examining some of the basic tenets of the Christian religion. Why do we believe what we believe about God, the Bible, Christ, the Holy Spirit, the church, worship, and salvation? What is the place of faith, of tradition, of opinion in religion? What is the relationship between faith and reason? These are some of the issues with which we will be wrestling. Now, who is the class for? Basically, anyone. However, especially the class is for those who are not now enrolled in one of our other classes; those who are not now attending regularly; those who are visiting with

us; those who would benefit from this kind of study; and those of every age group who would care to attend. That's broad enough, isn't it? We will be meeting at the front of the new auditorium, southeast of the back entrance. Let me try that again -- northeast of the pulpit. One more time -- come down the center aisle and turn left near the front!

Two Special Ladies

On January 26, we recognized several people who have been connected with West Erwin for many years. I want to congratulate in a special way two of our ladies: Modena Jones has been at West Erwin longer than any current member. She was baptized here in 1925 and has been a member ever since. Leona Hardin was baptized in 1926 and has been here continuously for sixty-six years! What a record these two wonderful women has established. Congratulations!

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THANKS!

Thanks to Les & Carolyn Carruth for letting the high school group meet in their home last Sunday. We had a good group there with many good things said and opinions expressed. The Lord has blessed this church with really great teens and parents.

***PARENTS: Remember the Youth Fund.**

PARENT & TEEN MEETING

All teens and their parents are invited to the meeting this coming Sunday, Feb. 9 for our regular planning session. Several things will be discussed including: plans for Sunday evening activities, Leadership Training For Christ, Learning to Lead Camps, Mission Trip and other important future plans. Please plan on coming to this eating meeting. Your letter will give the menu and what you need to bring.

LOCK-IN

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AREA WIDE HIGH SCHOOL DEVO

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IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Feb. 9 Parent-Teen Meeting
Feb. 14 Combined Lock-In
Feb. 16 Area-Wide High School Devo

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
Pott's TEAM #2 will meet Feb.10.

*Buried With
Christ*

We rejoice with John Alan Pike in his decision to be baptized into Christ last Sunday evening. He is the son of John and Virginia Pike and lives at Route 11, Box 424, phone 593-3092. We welcome him into our church family at West Erwin.



Thank you for our invitation to Homecoming - Bible Hour. We enjoyed the program and were especially impressed with the enthusiasm and Bible knowledge of the young people. The successful work of the Blackstones (Dale and Carolyn) and Sublettes (James and Connie) and the full support of the parents was clearly evident.

Your Elders



Video Outreach

The following is an excerpt from a letter from Video Bible Outreach, Inc. This is a non-profit donation supported organization serving small congregations of the Church of Christ of limited resources and who are without a located minister. We send video tapes to them on a regular basis.

Dear Brother Lockhart,

Be happy with us. VBO will begin a new work with the Serria Church of Christ at Truth or Consequences, New Mexico (assembly of about 30). This congregation does not have a located minister and may not for awhile.

Last Sunday one of our members who had just returned from Hawaii told us of another small congregation on Maui that is without a minister. The congregation leadership asked that we send them information about our lending library. Please pray for the success of these two beginnings. VBO will always remain a little personal ministry, serving a few congregations at a time. This is good, however, because one of our goals is to "get fired". We would hope to be replaced with a located minister. This has happened in the past and we praise God for it. A small congregation in Montana is currently using Jay Lockhart's series on James for their midweek Bible study. God is ever presenting opportunities, isn't He?

We love you as He taught us how,
Del and Clara Masters



Bridal Shower

You are invited to a bridal shower honoring Rachael Nunn bride-elect of Jeff Blackstone

Sunday, February 9 from 3:00 to 5:00 at Gail Vannoy's home 3323 Teakwood
Selections: Foleys & Dillard's
Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

Baby Shower



You're invited to a brunch (baby shower) honoring

Ginger Weathers
Saturday, February 15
10:30 - 12:00
Jane Jones' home
1507 Kensington

Selections: Storkland and Toys 'R Us
Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

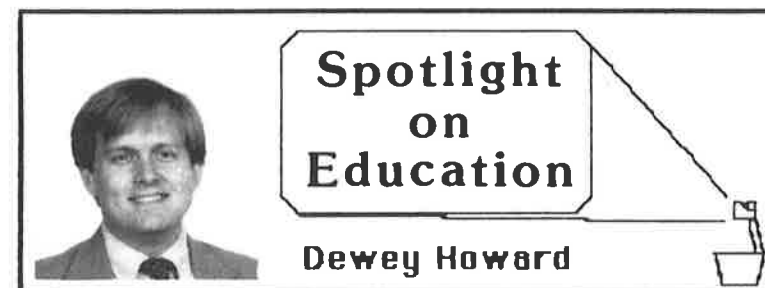
YOUNG AT HEART

The Young at Heart will have their monthly covered dish supper on Thursday, February 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All who are 55 or over (you do not have to be retired) are invited to be a part of this group. Make your plans to come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship.

ETCA

East Texas Christian Academy is now collecting items for their annual Baubles and Bargains Auction and Garage Sale to be held in March. Anyone having items they would like to donate (old or new), (large or small) please drop them by the school office as soon as possible or call 561-8642 and we will arrange to pick it up.

Thank you for your help.
ETCA Board and PTF



**Spotlight
on
Education**

Dewey Howard

421 in Bible class last Sunday!!! That is the largest attendance we have had in some time. The number is important only because it means that you are taking advantage of opportunities to study and grow in your knowledge of and relationship with God. It means that our teachers of all age groups are glorifying God by preparing lessons that make a difference in our lives. It means that God is actively at work in the life of the West Erwin family. Continue to make Bible class a part of your routine each week!

A new adult class begins this Sunday. "We Believe and Therefore Speak" is designed to provide spiritual nourishment to those who are young in the faith. Jay Lockhart will lead this study in the new auditorium. New Christians, newcomers to West Erwin, and visitors are especially encouraged to be a part of this class group.

KOINONIA got off to a great start last Sunday as 88 members of Group 1 had lunch together. **Group 2** meets this Sunday for a covered dish lunch in the fellowship hall after the morning assembly. Members of Group 2 are asked to bring a little extra food with them to provide for guests who may join us at our meal.

What a marvelous Homecoming Bible Hour had last Sunday night! Our children are growing strong in their knowledge of God and of His word. If Sunday night was any indication, they would certainly put many of us adults to shame on a test of Bible knowledge. Congratulations to all of the boys and girl who earned awards of various kinds. Thanks and appreciation goes to Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, James and Connie Sublette, Ray and Gail Vannoy, and Mike and Vickie Cauthen for working so effectively and lovingly with our children through Bible Hour.

VBS organization meeting - this Sunday, February 9, at 5:00 in my office. If you cannot attend, please talk with me this next week.

Records	Sunday Jan.26	Sunday Jan.19	Year Ago
Bible Class	750	361	354
Worship A.M.	952	502	490
Worship P.M.	No P.M. Service	348	343
Wed. P.M.	259	218	232
Contribution	\$12,418.93	\$12,507.60	\$10,492.66
Building Fund	\$506.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, February 2, and Wed. P.M., Feb. 5, Gary Broome, ph. 592-2289.

PRAYER AND CARE

Signa Stanley had day surgery on Wednesday at Mother Frances Hospital.

Gloria Thigpen is a patient in Mother Frances Hospital. She has pneumonia.

Al Linscomb, Steve Linscomb's father, will be undergoing tests in San Antonio. The family has asked for our prayers in his behalf.

Ruth Reid, sister of Margie Hunt, is critically ill in Andrews, Texas.

Ann McMinn was dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital on Tuesday after having had surgery last Friday.

W. C. Beard, husband of Helen Beard, was dismissed from Mother Frances Hospital on Friday.

Kelly Ross had additional oral surgery on Tuesday.

Elizabeth Endsley is now at home.

Daphne McElroy, wife of Leona McElroy's grandson, Roger, is in serious condition in a Nashville hospital.

Continue to remember these and other relatives and friends of our family who remain in hospitals and are receiving treatment and those of our family who are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

SERVING SUNDAY

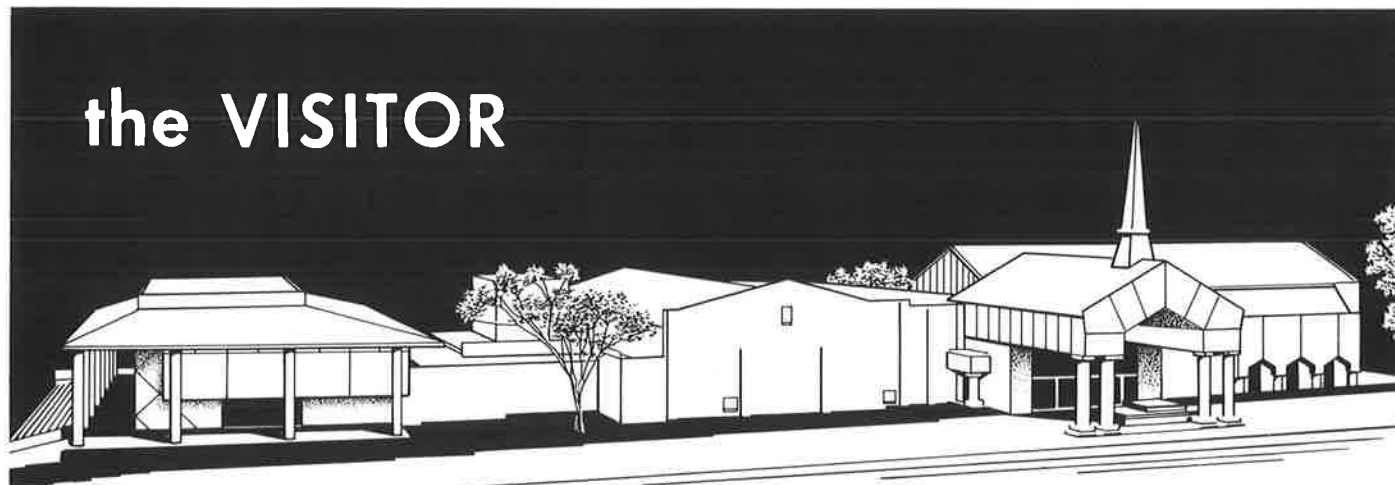
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Dismiss Lester Warburton

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Steve Linscomb
Prayer John Cliver
Scripture John Pike
Dismiss Josh Hone

GREETERS

Dan and Wini Cullinan
Clinton and Louise Culpepper
Robert and Kathy Hilliard
Charles and Billie Bob Hickman



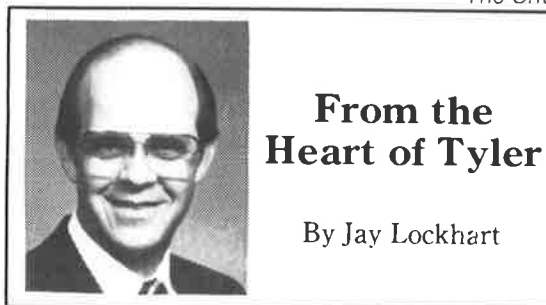
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

952 !!!

To our knowledge, the largest gathering on any Sunday morning of a local congregation of the church in its one hundred seven year history in Tyler took place last Sunday at the new West Erwin building when 952 people assembled for worship. People from many places gathered together to celebrate this significant milestone in our history. The entire day was inspirational and everything proceeded like clockwork ... well, almost everything! So many of our people worked so hard to make the day a success. Thanks to our elders for their leadership in promoting the day. Thanks to Harold Taylor, Ferman Carpenter, Mike Biggs, and Mike Warner for the roles they filled in the day. Thanks to Gary Ables, Dewey Howard, and the other brothers who led singing. Thanks to John and Susan and Michelle Steffee, to Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, to Wayne and Lynn Harrison, to Connie Sublette and Carolyn Carruth, and to our deacons and many other brothers who worked so hard to prepare for

and serve our lunch. Thanks to Don Drummond and Sam Bailey for putting the day on video tape. Thanks to Stacey Lockhart for her work on our bulletin boards. Thanks to James Phillips for his special service beyond the call of duty in preparing our building for Sunday. A special thanks to Freeman Morgan for the countless hours and the abundance of energy he put into our building program as chairman of our building committee. A special thanks to Carolyn Welborn, Sue Skipper, Billie Morgan, June Walker, Wanda Weathers, and Jane Jones for adding to the beauty of our building by making good selections of interiors. Thanks to the members of West Erwin who gave of themselves to make our building program a reality and who with excitement and enthusiasm assembled last Sunday to praise God, to remember Jesus, and to encourage one another. Most of all, thanks be to God for His abundant blessings in all of our efforts to serve Him. Now let's use Homecoming '92 as a stepping stone as we reach for the stars in building for Christ.

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Dewey Howard - Education	Danny Snell - Youth
Harold Taylor - Missions	

ELDERS

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Freeman Morgan	Phil Maris	Ray Vannoy
James Sublette	Ira Wilson	Joe McBee

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**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

We had a great retreat this past weekend in Lone Star. We now more clearly understand Jesus on the Cross. Thanks to those who went: Heath Adams, Scott Carruth, David Haney, Angie Hendrix, Gena Henry, Marcie Nelson, Matt Pickens, Kim Sublette. Thanks also to Vicki Russell for going as a sponsor.

Even though the Superbowl turned out to be a bomb, we all had a great time at the Konczaks. Thanks to Tommy and Jerry Konczak for opening up their house to us and thanks to Ken Culpepper for helping.

Homecoming '92 was really incredible. God has richly Blessed this church with fantastic people who believe in the church. This new era that West Erwin is beginning is exciting and God's Light will shine from the Heart of Tyler.

***PLEASE NOTE:** Date Change for Parent Teen Meeting to Feb. 9.

Paul said, "But one thing I do: **Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.**"
Phillippians 3:13

HIGH SCHOOL MEETING

All high schoolers are needed to come to the Carruth's Sunday night after church. Please make plans to be there.

IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Feb. 2 High School Meeting
Feb. 9 Parent-Teen Meeting
Feb. 16 Area-Wide High School Devo

West Erwin Visitation Ministry
McRuiz's TEAM #1 will meet Feb.3.

In Appreciation



Thanks so much for the prayers and all concerns during my hospitalization.

In Christian love,
Ila McLemee

Dear West Erwin Family,

It would be difficult to express in words our deep gratitude for the many ways so many of you blessed our lives at the death of my brother, Joe Morris. The many phone calls, visits, cards, flowers and the delicious food is so very much appreciated. Having a caring church family means we are never alone in our sorrow. Thanks so much.

Patsy Young

Dear Members of the West Erwin Church,

Thank you so much for the pink carnations sent in memory of my cousin, Kathleen Carroll. As you know, the West Erwin Church of Christ was a very special part of Kathleen's life, and she considered the members as her family.

After Joe died, Kathleen wanted to remain in Tyler. The gifts of your time and love allowed her to do so. I will always be grateful for your kindness.

Sincerely,
Carolyn McLean

Dear West Erwin Family,

In God's perfect time, in God's perfect way-He gave me friends like you.

Thank you for your prayers for so many months and for your expressions of care during Joe's illness and after his death. During his illness, Joe was fully convinced that prayers added quality to his life and that prayers were being answered. His family still believes that and we all thank you.

With love,
Marian & Ralph

FROM THE ELDERS ...

January 26th was another great day in the history of West Erwin. It was great because so many were present to worship with us. It was great because so many have given of their resources and talents in looking forward to this day. It was great because so many did whatever was required to have the facilities ready and make the day go so smoothly. It was great because everyone was so excited and enthused about what God had accomplished. It was great because you make it such a pleasure serving you.

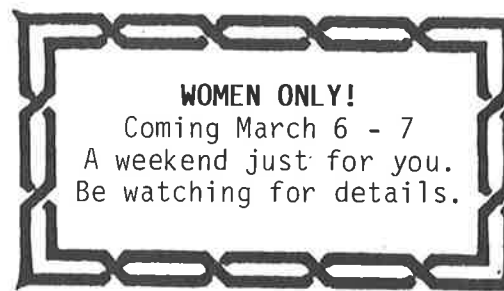
Your Elders



You are invited
to a bridal shower
Honoring
Rachael Nunn
bride-elect of
Jeff Blackstone

Sunday, February 9 from 3:00 to 5:00
at Gail Vannoy's home
3323 Teakwood

Selections: Foleys & Dillard's
Ladies, please consider this your
personal invitation.



WOMEN ONLY!

Coming March 6 - 7
A weekend just for you.
Be watching for details.

YOUNG AT HEART

The Glenwood Church of Christ
invites our Young at Heart group
to a chili supper
Monday, February 3 at 6:30 p.m.
in their Fellowship Center

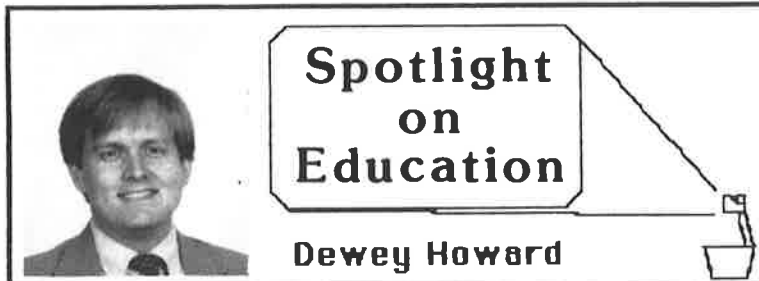
*If You're Not
Presently Enrolled
In One of Our
Bible Classes*



CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

The South Main church in Henderson is hosting a Christian Stewardship Financial Workshop on January 31, from 7:30 to 9:30 & February 1, from 9:00 to 11:45.

David Litton, minister of involvement at the Shiloh church in Tyler, will conduct the workshop. He will share Biblical concepts about money management.



**Spotlight
on
Education**

Dewey Howard

The Christian Education Conference that I attended last week in San Antonio was a great experience. Angela and I sat in on classes concerning teaching young children, ministering to families, leading worship, and organizing women's programs. We picked up a number of good ideas that you will no doubt see sometime in the future. I want to thank the elders and the church here for giving me opportunities like this to learn and grow in my ministry to you and for the Lord.

KOINONIA GROUPS - Our new program for fellowship and ministry to the West Erwin family begins this Sunday, February 2. The congregation is divided into six groups, and each group will have lunch together on one of the next six Sundays. I will be explaining Koinonia to you better at these lunches. Group 1 meets this Sunday, and you will be contacted this week if you are in Group 1. Otherwise, you will need to check the lists in the foyer on Sunday to find the group that you are in. We need every member involved in a Koinonia Group this year. Let's grow together as a family in 1992!

Bible Hour will be celebrating their Homecoming this Sunday night in the fellowship hall following the evening assembly. All Bible Hour kids and their parents and grandparents are encouraged to come. Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, and James and Connie Sublette are to be commended for coordinating the work that they do with our children each week. Let them know how much you appreciate them this Sunday night.

Young mothers, mothers-to-be, and others interested in the attended nursery: I need to have a brief meeting with you this Sunday after the evening assembly. There are some plans being made to improve what we offer in our baby and toddler nurseries. But we need your input. Please meet with me at the front of the auditorium to discuss some of these things Sunday night.

We will have a VBS organizational meeting next Sunday, February 9, at 5:00 in my office. This is for anyone interested in serving in some type of leadership capacity for VBS 1992.



Records	Sunday Jan.19	Sunday Jan.12	Year Ago
Bible Class	361	393	400
Worship A.M.	502	511	520
Worship P.M.	348	304	375
Wed. P.M.	218	245	232
Contribution	\$12,507.60	\$10,777.51	\$11,507.68
Building Fund	\$668.00		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, January 26, and Wed. P.M., Jan. 29, Melvin Maples, ph. 849-3747.

Prayer and Care

W. C. Beard, husband of Helen Beard, is in Mother Frances Hospital following heart surgery last week.

Melba Moore was hospitalized last week but has returned to Woodcreek Nursing Center.

Kelly Ross had oral surgery on Tuesday.

Gene Mauldin, stepfather of Stan Clark, is now at home. He will begin chemotherapy soon.

Jack Young, Cathy Haney's father, is at home in Brownwood following surgery last week.

Elizabeth Endsley remains in University Park Hospital.

Daphne McElroy, wife of Leona McElroy's grandson, Roger, is in serious condition in a Nashville hospital.

Continue to remember these and other relatives and friends of our family who remain in hospitals and are receiving treatment and those of our family who are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

New Baby

Congratulations to Ray and Carolyn Womack who are the proud grandparents of Daniel Evan Burke, born January 15 at Mother Frances Hospital to Meredith and Bill Burke. He weighed in at 7 lb. 14 oz. and is 21 inches long.

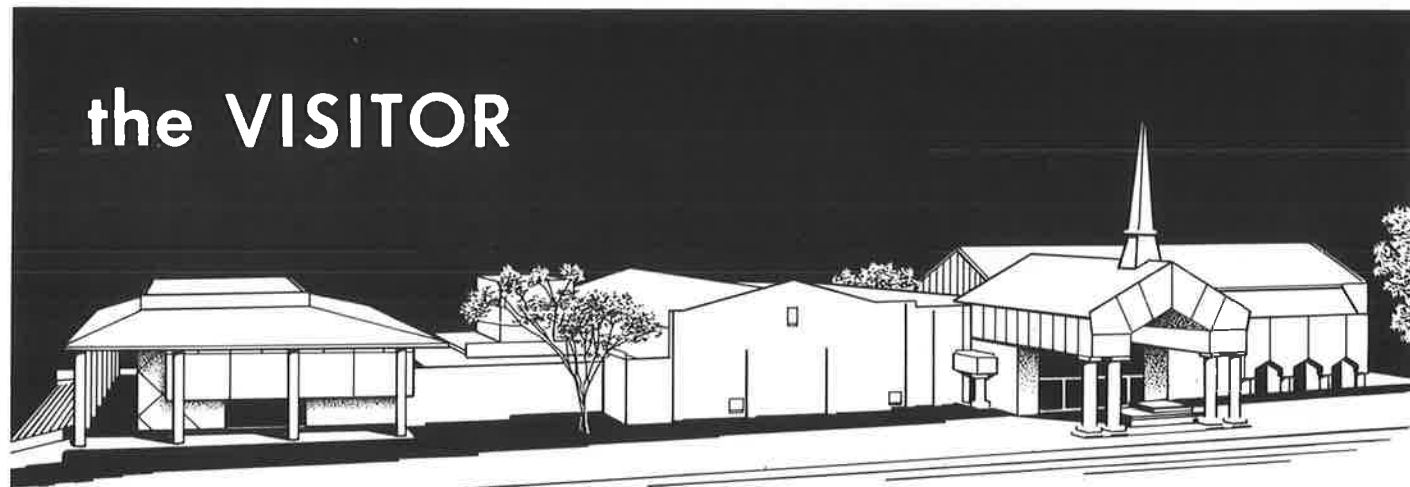
Sympathy

Marian Rowe's brother, Joe Lemmons, died Tuesday in Brownwood. Funeral services will be held at the Austin Avenue church on Friday at 2:00 p.m.

Joe Morris, brother of Patsy Young, died suddenly on Wednesday in Fort Worth. Funeral services are pending at this writing (Wed.).

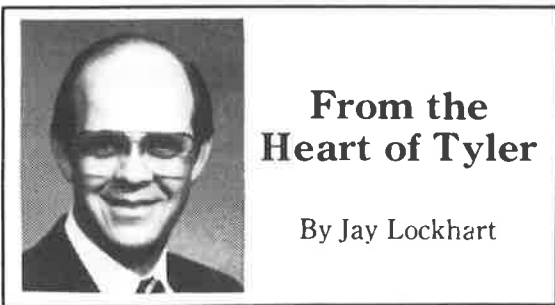
We extend our love and sincere sympathy to these families in their loss of loved ones.

*HE KNOWS,
HE LOVES,
HE CARES...*



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From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

This Is The Day!

This Sunday is the day we've been waiting on for so long! Our first day in the new auditorium will be a milestone in the life of the West Erwin church as we fill the building to its capacity on its opening day. It will be a time of worship, fellowship, and dedication as we begin together a new era in our history. We look forward to many visitors, to seeing a host of former members; to hearing Mike Warner, Mike Biggs, and Ferman Carpenter, Jr. We anticipate fervent prayers, inspirational singing, participation in the body and blood of Jesus, the grace of giving, and the exhortation of the Word. Please take note of the schedule for the day and the suggestions for making the day go smoothly:

- At 9:00 a.m. all adults and teens will assemble in the new auditorium for worship. We will be singing with Dewey Howard and hearing Mike Biggs and Ferman Carpenter.
- At 10:00 a.m. we will have our assembly for worship. Gary Ables will lead the singing and the speakers will be Mike Warner at the Lord's table and your preacher.
- At 11:30 a.m. we will meet in the Center for a meal together.
- Following the meal, about 12:30, we will meet in the auditorium for singing and some special activities which will include Harold Taylor and a proclamation from the Mayor of Tyler. This assembly will conclude by 1:15 to 1:30 and we will be dismissed for the day.
- Park in the lots south of Elm Street if you can.
- Arrive early and greet everyone you see.
- Participate enthusiastically in the worship and all the activities of the day.
- Let's be praying that our building will be an effective tool to help us do a better job in the service of the Lord.
- Let's rededicate ourselves now to faithfulness and service.
- Let's remember that the church is "us", not "they", and that "we", not "they", are able to do the work. **See you Sunday!**

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THANKS!

Thanks all of those who came to the youth activity this past Sunday. You guys did a great job cleaning the classrooms and sorting cards. It was really pleasant to see what a great attitude you had while working. Thanks to Greg & Cyndie Wagner, Amy Pickens and Lisa Snell for serving as sponsors.

SERVANT-LEADER RETREAT

January 24-26 is the date for the Servant-Leader Retreat in Lone Star. We will be leaving Friday evening at 5:30 and returning early Sunday morning in time for "Homecoming '92". You need to bring a sleeping bag, towel, clothing, notebook and a Bible. You will also need to bring clothes for church on Sunday. The cost will be \$22.00 per person.

SUPERBOWL PARTY

All middle and high school students are invited to the Konczaks this Sunday for the Superbowl party. It will start at 5:00 and end at 9:00. Bring \$2.00 (pizza) and a finger food, either snack or dessert.

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- Jan. 26 Homecoming '92
- Jan. 26 Super Bowl Party-Konczaks
- Feb. 2 Parent-Teen Meeting
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West Erwin Visitation Ministry

We had a great turnout for our visitation dinner this past Monday. Over 60 people came and a bunch more want to be involved. Thanks to all who are making this ministry work. McRuiz's TEAM #1 will meet Feb. 3. Remember our PURPOSE.

In Appreciation



Dear Christian Friends,
Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers sent from the church at the death of my mother. We are also so appreciative of all the cards, food and concern expressed during this occasion.

In Christian love,
Jamon & Clay Kirby

The love and kindness that you have shown during the illness and loss of my mother has meant so much. I thank you for the visits, the flowers, the calls, the food and the cards that were sent. I love and appreciate my West Erwin family so very much.

Donna Maples

For all the prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, food and many words of concern and acts of kindness during the six years of Bernie's illness and death, we are ever grateful. You are wonderful people and we love you.

Sincerely,
Vera Beard and Children

To Our West Erwin Family,
I have hoped and prayed for a long time for the new auditorium at West Erwin. Sunday, January 26, will become a reality of prayers and dreams. Also I have prayed during the time of construction of the building that I would be back to my door to greet and help those who need help getting into the service, but this will not be possible by Sunday. However, I do plan to be present for the opening services.

Thanks to all my West Erwin family for the many calls, cards, visits, food and most of all your constant prayers. Your love has been an inspiration for me during my illness. Please continue to pray for Chloe and myself.

Our love in Christ,
Roy Clark

ETCA

East Texas Christian Academy is now collecting items for their annual Baubles and Bargains Auction and Garage Sale to be held in March. Anyone having items they would like to donate (old or new), (large or small) please drop them by the school office as soon as possible or call 561-8642 and we will arrange to pick it up.

Thank you for your help.
ETCA Board and PTF

**Benevolent Center
1991 Annual Report**

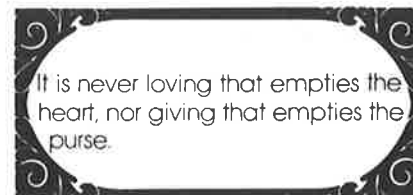
In 1991 657 families were served from our Benevolent Center. This included 1638 children. Clothing valued at \$22,824.00 was given and \$470.50 in food was dispensed. Eighty Bibles (English and Spanish) were distributed. Additional aid was given in the areas of utilities, repairs, rent, medical help, and food certificates in the amount of \$1,850.00. This is just a part of the service to our community through the West Erwin church Benevolent Center.

(There is a need currently for large size paper or plastic bags.)



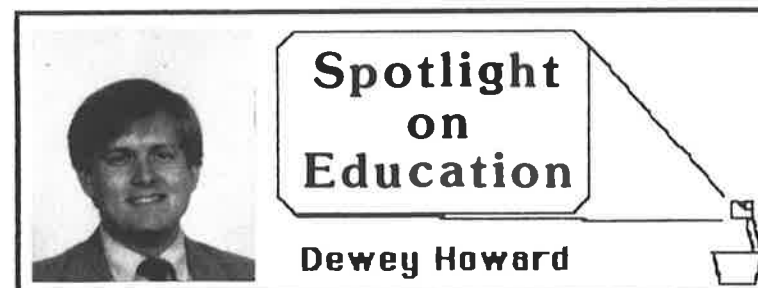
CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF EAST TEXAS
"Friends of Children"
Ladies Auxiliary
Invites You To A
Membership Tea
Shiloh Church of Christ
Fellowship Area
Sunday, February 2, 3:00 p.m.

"Friends of Children" is a volunteer organization helping Christian Services of East Texas



The Scott Epperson family has now moved to the Austin area. Scott, Donna, Jeremy, Jessica, and Hattie were a vital part of our family here and will be greatly missed. We wish them the best in their new home.

Jean Walters has moved to Woodcreek Nursing Center, 810 South Porter, Tyler 75701.



As we begin a new era in the life of the West Erwin family, let's use our future together to the praise and glory of God. Consider the following article, and let's leave some of our problems and failings -- my problems and failings -- in the eras of the past.

❖❖ KICK 'EM OUT ❖❖

Don't you think the church would be much better off if we could get rid of certain members! We all realize that problems in the church don't come because of pressure from the town's people or even from our state or national government; it comes from within. If we could just develop a good system that would get rid of the problem causers, I know the church would benefit in great ways

I also don't think we need to beat around the bush. Just kick 'em out. Get rid of those undesirables. If they haven't changed by now, they never will; so let's just be done with with them. I would like to personally recommend the following members be kicked out of the church and never allowed to return:

- Sister Lipsa Draggin
- Brother Luke Wahrn
- Sister G. Ima Tardy
- Brother Hurry N. Rushout
- Brother I. Neverspeak
- Sister Athing I. Neverdo
- Brother Elways Complainin
- Sister Ima Barely Cummin

If you happen to see any of these former members have nothing to do with them. Any association could be harmful to your own spiritual growth.

Adapted by Jim Brown
Altus, OK



I want to personally thank those of you who helped get our songbooks ready for the new auditorium. Your service is greatly appreciated: Sara Powell, Pattie Tate, Roberta Tindall, Martha Waggoner, Marc and Dana Tate, Jean Oliver, W.A. and Opal Mathews, Bernice Majors, Wanda L. Turner, Charles and Ann McCoy, Guy Potts, Don Peek, Elmer Miles, Jim Armstrong, Helen Holland, Henry and Becky McRuiz, Jay and Stacey Lockhart, Claude and Odell Sessions, Greg Wagner and Keith Harris.

Records	Sunday Jan.12	Sunday Jan.5	Year Ago
Bible Class	393	388	419
Worship A.M.	511	504	556
Worship P.M.	304	363	385
Wed. P.M.	245	NS	216
Contribution	\$10,777.51	\$11,616.80	\$11,813.28
Building Fund	\$702.00		
Weekly Budget	\$13,503.88		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, January 19, and Wed. P.M., Jan. 22, Elmer Miles, ph. 597-9853.

PRAYER AND CARE

Ila McLemee was dismissed from Medical Center on Wednesday after having had surgery last Friday.

June Walker was admitted to Mother Frances Hospital on Tuesday for tests.

Gene Mauldin, stepfather of Stan Clark, had surgery in Marshall. His condition is serious.

Jack Young, Cathy Haney's father, had cancer surgery in Brownwood, Texas on Monday.

Elizabeth Endsley remains in University Park Hospital.

Daphne McElroy, granddaughter-in-law to Leona McElroy, is in intensive care in a Nashville hospital.

Continue to remember these and other relatives and friends of our family who remain in hospitals and are receiving treatment and those of our family who are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

LOSS OF LOVED ONES

Our hearts were saddened to learn of the death of Kathleen Carroll last Friday.

Funeral services were held on Monday for Hazel Blanton, mother of Donna Maples.

Funeral services were held in Gladewater on Sunday for Ethel Kirby, mother of Jamon Kirby.

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to these families.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
Prayer Alan Fisher
Scripture Kurt Gesse
Dismiss Curt Jordan

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Hillard Hughes
Prayer David Frick
Scripture Larry Henry
Dismiss Rick Higginbotham

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Wayne Harrison Rob Hilliard
George Hearne Jeff Hone
Jerry Huff Josh Hone
Billie Ingram Don Ingram
Presiding at the Lord's table

Stan Clark

GREETERS

Elmer and Nila Miles
Fred and Sara Powell
Robert and Pat Stokes

The man who does things makes many mistakes, but he never makes the biggest mistake of all - doing nothing! - Ben Franklin

MONDAY PRAYER SESSION

When? Monday mornings at 7:00 a.m.
What? To discuss our lives together and to pray to the Lord about our needs.
Why? Because we love the Lord and each other!
Join us.


SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 1992

By Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. The Fullness Of Joy #2
(I John 1:1-10)
P.M. The Suffering Servant Of Jehovah
(Isaiah 53:1-6)



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Observers Or Participants?

As far as we know the first century church did not own property -- the church met in the temple and in private homes in Jerusalem and in other cities. That the church met regularly, even daily, but especially on the first day of the week is evident from Scripture (Acts 2:42-47; Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:2). Paul discussed the assembly of the church in I Corinthians 10-16 and shows us that the "whole church" came together to sing, pray, teach, give, and to observe the Lord's Supper. The writer of Hebrews exhorted the early Christians to attend the assemblies regularly (10:25) to "draw near" in praising God (10:22); "hold fast our profession" in remembering Christ (10:23); and to "exhort" (encourage) each other (10:24). Since we must assemble to obey God and since every command of God carries with it the authority to do whatever is necessary to carry out the command, we have the authority to provide church buildings. The Bible command to

assemble gives authority for a place, but God has left us free as to what kind of place we will provide. It could be a temporary "tabernacle" like the church in Tyler provided in its early days. It could be a rented place. It could be under a tent or tree. Or, it may be a building like we are opening on January 26! Here are some things to remember as we enter our new building: (1) Since no one has chosen "his seat" yet, choose yours closer to the front; (2) greet everyone you see; (3) be on time; (4) stay awhile; (5) be an enthusiastic participant and never an observer; (6) invite others to come with you; (7) decide to be present at every assembly; (8) be patient as we adjust to our new surroundings; (9) be upbeat and positive about everything you see in the new building (it is well-built and beautiful and many people have worked hard to make it so); and (10) don't even think about being any place but at West Erwin on January 26!

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THANKS!

Thanks to Angela Howard and Lisa Snell for sponsoring the trip to Dallas this past Saturday.

*** Thought for the Day:**

*"Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
his right hand and his Holy arm
have worked salvation for him.*

*The Lord has made his salvation known and
revealed his righteousness to the nations,
He has remembered his love
and his faithfulness to the house of Israel."*

Psalm 98:1-2

Thanks be to God for Jesus Christ.

SERVANT-LEADER RETREAT

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West Erwin Visitation Program

For many years the West Erwin church has had an active visitation program. And now we are asking everyone who has an interest in visitation to be involved. On Monday evening, January 20 at 7:00, we will be having a dinner for all of those who are interested in the visitation work of West Erwin. Please contact Danny Snell if you are interested in helping in any way with this ministry.



Thank You

Thank you so much for your many kindnesses, cards, calls and prayers. You are wonderful Christian friends and hold a special place in our hearts.

Thank you for the lovely music. It was very comforting.

Vera Beard & Family

NEW ZIP CODE REQUIREMENTS

The United States Postal Service is going to require zip code +4 on all mailouts. Please send us your zip +4 at your earliest convenience so that we may continue to send THE VISITOR to you. Thank you for your help.

ETCA

East Texas Christian Academy is now collecting items for their annual Baubles and Bargains Auction and Garage Sale to be held in March. Anyone having items they would like to donate (old or new), (large or small) please drop them by the school office as soon as possible or call 561-8642 and we will arrange to pick it up.

Thank you for your help.
ETCA Board and PTF



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YES, we plan to attend

HOMECOMING - '92
at West Erwin Church of Christ
January 26, 1992

The number (including yourself) staying for lunch _____ Signed _____

WOMEN ONLY!

Coming March 6 - 7
A weekend just for you.
Be watching for details.

SINGLES and SINGLES AGAIN

You are invited to a
Potluck Supper
January 25 at 6:30 p.m.
for

Singles and Singles Again
Alpine Church of Christ
610 East Loop 281
Longview, Texas 75601
Bring a covered dish
and join the fun,
fellowship and games.
(ph. 903 758-5363)

CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF EAST TEXAS

"Friends of Children"

Ladies Auxiliary
Invites You To A
Membership Tea

Shiloh Church of Christ
Fellowship Area

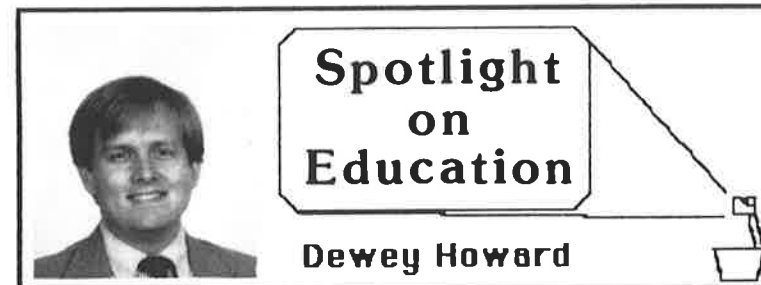
Sunday, February 2, 3:00 p.m.

"Friends of Children" is a
volunteer organization helping
Christian Services of East Texas

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...

W. Clement Stone, founder of
Success magazine said:

"There is very little difference
in any of us; but that little
difference makes a big difference.
The little difference is attitude,
and the big difference is whether it
is positive or negative."



**Spotlight
on
Education**

Dewey Howard

KOINONIA -> Target date: February 2

By the time that you receive this bulletin, Angela and I will be on our way to San Antonio for the annual Christian Education Conference. This is perhaps the best workshop among churches of Christ for persons who work in the education ministry. It is always a wonderful time of growth, renewal, and fellowship. Please keep us in your prayers while we are away. I will be sharing more with you next week.

We need several persons -- young people and adults -- to help unpack song books and place them in the new auditorium. There are also song sheets that need to be glued in the front and back covers. Come and help if you can this Saturday, January 18, at 9:30 in the Heritage Room.

Our new Wednesday adult electives got off to a great start last week. I appreciate all of the positive comments that you have made. Wednesday nights are a special time with Bible study together and the brief devotional that follows. And the fellowship we have had after we dismiss has been tremendous! (I wasn't sure we would ever get home last week.) Make Wednesday nights the peak of your week. We need you to be here as much as you do!

WINTER 1992

WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS TEACHERS

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Beginners | Angela Howard/Denise Wilson |
| 2 & 3-Year-Olds | Launa and Joni Armstrong |
| 4 & 5-Year-Olds | Michelle Linscomb |
| Grades 1 & 2 | Gary and Julie Ables |
| Grade 3 | Vickie Cauthen |
| Grades 4 & 5 | Wally and Laurie Dawkins |
| Youth | Danny Snell/Ken Culpepper |

Appreciate and pray for these teachers.

Study for class this Sunday:
1 Corinthians 1:10-17; 3:1-23

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Records	Sunday Jan.5	Sunday Dec.29	Year Ago
Bible Class	388	421	396
Worship A.M.	504	527	534
Worship P.M.	363	355	380
Wed. P.M.	No services at West Erwin		252
Contribution	\$11,616.80	\$10,331.26	\$16,287.99
Building Fund	\$1,017.00		
Weekly Budget	\$13,503.88		

MINIBUS DRIVER for Sunday, January 12, and Wed. P.M., Jan. 15, John Cliver, ph. 593-5075.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Ray Womack
 Prayer David Daughtry
 Scripture Ken Culpepper
 Dismiss Mark Gregory
 6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
 Announcements Ray Womack
 Prayer Wally Dawkins
 Scripture Jack Garner
 Dismiss Charles Hickman

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Wayne Harrison Rob Hilliard
 George Hearne Jeff Hone
 Jerry Huff Josh Hone
 Billie Ingram Don Ingram

Presiding at the Lord's table

Stan Clark

GREETERS

George and Dorothy Daugherty

Harold and Shirley Denman

Don and Nerene Ingram

CHURCH RULES

If you open it.....close it.
 If you turn it on.....turn it off.
 If you unlock it.....lock it.
 If you break it.....repair it.
 If you can't fix it.....report it.
 If you borrow it.....return it.
 If you use it.....don't abuse it.
 If you make a mess.....clean it up.
 If you move it.....put it back.
 If you don't know how to operate it-
leave it alone.
 If it belongs to someone else and you
 want to use it, please -
get permission before taking it!
 ...Borrowed

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 1992

By Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. The Fullness Of Joy
 (Matthew 5:1-12)

P.M. There They Crucified Him
 (Luke 23:26-34)

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Elizabeth Endsley is a patient at University Park Hospital.

Continue to remember these and other relatives and friends of our family who remain in hospitals and are receiving treatment and those of our family who are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

WITH SYMPATHY

Funeral services will be held in Lindale on Friday for George Neyman.

Funeral services are set for Friday at Lloyd James Funeral Home for Joe Hubbard, a former Tylerite.

Both these men were nephews-in-law to Modena Jones and Janie Hicks and cousins to Louis Jones and James Phillips. We extend our sincere sympathy to these families.

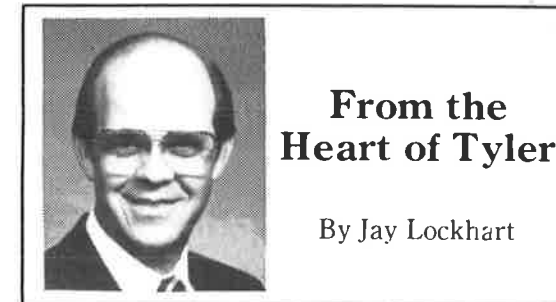
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(Sept. through May)	
Bible Class	7:00 P.M.

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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Attention West Erwin Members!

We are hopeful that every one of our members will be present for our Homecoming '92 on January 26 for all of the activities of the day. At our Sunday assemblies over the next two weeks we will be asking you to include on your attendance card the number you will be bringing to our opening service in the new building and how many, including yourself, will be staying for lunch. Be contacting your family and friends who are not members of West Erwin and be prepared to give us this number over the next two weeks. If you are unable for some reason to be present on the next two Sundays but will be here on the 26th, please call our church office and give us the number of people who will be with you.

The Schedule For Homecoming '92

The day's activities for Homecoming '92 will begin at 9:00 a.m. with classes for preschool through sixth grade and worship with two speakers, Ferman Carpenter and Mike Biggs, and Dewey Howard leading the singing. We will continue at 10:00 a.m. with worship during which Mike Warner will preside at the Lord's Supper, Gary Ables will lead the singing, and the sermon will be delivered by your preacher. Immediately following the 10:00 a.m. worship we will have a catered lunch together in the Center with an afternoon singing and a dedication service from 12:30 to 1:15. We will then be dismissed for the day. Plan to be with us.

**Youth
Notes**
by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

Thanks to Ken & Cathy Culpepper and Marc & Dana Tate for hosting the combined devo last Sunday night.

Thanks to all the guys who helped in painting the "Center" last weekend. It really looks great!

*** Thought for the Day:**

It has been said, "People rarely succeed at anything unless they have fun doing it."

In this new year, lets remember that Jesus "came that we may have life, and have it to the fullest."

ICE SKATING - DALLAS

All Middle and high school are reminded of the trip to Dallas this coming Saturday. We will be leaving at 8:00 a.m. and returning at 9:00 that night. We will be ice skating and shopping at the Galleria and Prestonwood Malls. The cost will be \$7.00 at the most (less if enough skate). We will be eating lunch and supper out so, be financially prepared. Invite a friend to enjoy this fun trip.

SERVANT-LEADER RETREAT

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IMPORTANT YOUTH DATES

Jan. 12 Shopping/Skating Trip-Dallas
Jan. 24-26 Servant-Leader Retreat
Jan. 26 Super Bowl Party-Konczaks

The Search



Each Sunday
KETK - Channel 56 - 8:00 A.M.
KLSB - Channel 19 - 7:30 A.M.
Dr. Jay Lockhart, Minister

TV Viewers Write Us...

The following excerpts are from letters received from viewers of THE SEARCH:

I am writing to see if you will send me the lessons for the past three Sundays. I listen to THE SEARCH almost every Sunday and I think it is wonderful. It has helped me in my Christian life and is still helping me.

Tyler, Texas

Your sermon this morning meant so much to us. Will you please send us a copy? That sermon should be preached many times to give Christians reassurance of their salvation. How happy we are to know these truths! God bless you in your work for His glorification.

Rusk, Texas

I want to thank you very much for the sermons you sent to me recently. They have helped me in some hard problems and I appreciate it very much.

Hallsville, Texas

Workday at the "Center"

A special thanks to the following men who gave of their time and energy to paint and clean the "Center" this past Saturday: Gary Ables, Les Carruth, Don Drummond, Terry Frick, David Haney, Keith Harris, Wayne Harrison, Matt Haws, Rob Hilliard, Dewey Howard, Steve Linscomb, Jay Lockhart, Jr., Melvin Maples, Elmer Miles, Don Peek, James Phillips, Danny Snell, Jack Stringer, John Steffee, Marc Tate, and Greg Wagner.

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YES, we plan to attend

HOMECOMING - '92
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The number (including yourself)
staying for lunch _____

Signed _____



Thank You

A special thanks for all the cards, calls, visits, flowers and food during the illness and at the death of our Grandpa.

We love you all,
The Dale Blackstones

Dear Church Family,

Thanks so much for the visits, cards, phone calls, flowers, food, concern and prayers. Your thoughtfulness and friendship is appreciated very much at a time like this.

In Christian love,
Amy Harrison & Family

NEW SONGBOOKS

The songbooks for our new auditorium are in and ready to be placed in the pews (when they arrive). We will need help unpacking songbooks on Saturday, January 18. If you will be able to help, please let Dewey Howard or the church office know.

Benevolent Outreach

Below is a letter received from the Chimala Mission where our benevolent group sends packages regularly. This is just one part of the work done by our members who work at the Benevolent Building each Tuesday and Thursday. Dear Christians,

Thank you so very much for the recent shipment of goods you sent our way. All of the items were so desperately needed and the "little touches from home" make working in difficult fields easier. You will never know how much you are helping spread the gospel in this part of the world.

There are 18 missionaries now here at Chimala, each of whom have their own special job. We would find it impossible to stay here if it weren't for the support of people such as you. Please pray for us daily and know how much your gifts mean to us.

In Him,
The Staff at Chimala Mission

**Spotlight
on
Education**



Dewey Howard

Our new Sunday morning adult series is underway. Come with open Bibles and open hearts as we endeavor to make West Erwin "A Place to Belong." Remember that our Sunday mornings together start at 8:30 in the fellowship hall for a time of fellowship. Coffee and juice will be served.

Study for this Sunday:

1 Corinthians 2:6-16

SPECIAL CLASS SERVANTS - That is what we are calling persons who will be involved in special ways to help our Bible classes to grow and meet needs that come up from time to time. Most of our adult classes have been passing around sign up sheets. Dedicate yourself to one or more of the assignments, and help our class groups be more and more effective.

WINTER 1992

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS TEACHERS

Beginners	Jeanine Hughes/Jo Butler
2-Year-Olds	Velma Lemons/Claudia Griffis
3 & 4-Year-Olds	Sue Skipper
Kindergarten	Jim and Priscilla Mayer
Grades 1 & 2	Marian Rowe
Grade 3	Fran Starnes/Judy Clark
Grade 4	Ruby Cliver
Grade 5	Stephanie Maddox
Middle School	Danny Snell
High School	Stan Clark

Thank these teachers next time you see them.

Which, do you think, needs the most preparation, the sower or the ground? I would have the sower come with clean hands, but I would have the ground well-plowed and harrowed, well-turned over, and the clods broken before the seed comes in. It seems to me that there is more preparation needed by the ground than by the sower, more by the hearer than by the preacher.

Charles H. Spurgeon

Records	Sunday Dec.29	Sunday Dec.22	Year Ago
Bible Class	421	324	419
Worship A.M.	527	455	495
Worship P.M.	355	328	350
Wed. P.M.	311	249	218
Contribution	\$10,331.26	\$11,835.63	\$11,454.86
Building Fund	\$5,487.00		
Weekly Budget	\$13,503.88		

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PRAYER AND CARE

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Clara Riley is in Medical Center Hospital, room 2502.

Hazel Blanton, mother of Donna Maples is seriously ill in Medical Center Hospital.

Frank Crosser has been hospitalized for tests.

Shirley Eldridge, known by many at West Erwin, now living in Edmond, Oklahoma, has been diagnosed with cancer.

Continue to remember these and other relatives and friends of our family who remain in hospitals and are receiving treatment and those of our family who are ill at home, shut-in, and in nursing homes in prayer and care.

SYMPATHY

We share in the sorrow of Vera Beard and family in the loss of Bernie Beard, on Christmas day. Bernie served this church well in years past as a deacon and as treasurer.

Funeral services were held last week in Pritchett for Lester Blackstone, grandfather of Dale Blackstone and father of Bill Blackstone.

We extend our love and sincere sympathy to these families in their loss of loved ones.

SERVING SUNDAY

Announcements Forest McFadden
Prayer Louis Jones
Scripture Jay Lockhart, Jr.
Dismiss Archie Kennard

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Announcements Forest McFadden
Prayer Tommy Konczak
Scripture Tommy Lowrance
Dismiss Archie Lowry

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Jamon Kirby Bob May
Luke Ingram Jim Mayer
Rex Johnson Bill McCain
Kevin Maples Jim McDonald

Presiding at the Lord's table

Glynn Starnes

GREETERS

George and Dorothy Daugherty
Harold and Shirley Denman
Don and Nerene Ingram

Work-Day

There will be a work day at the "Center" on Saturday, January 4, 1992, beginning at 9:00 A.M. Please wear your work clothes and help us paint and clean. All help will be appreciated.

SERMONS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 1992

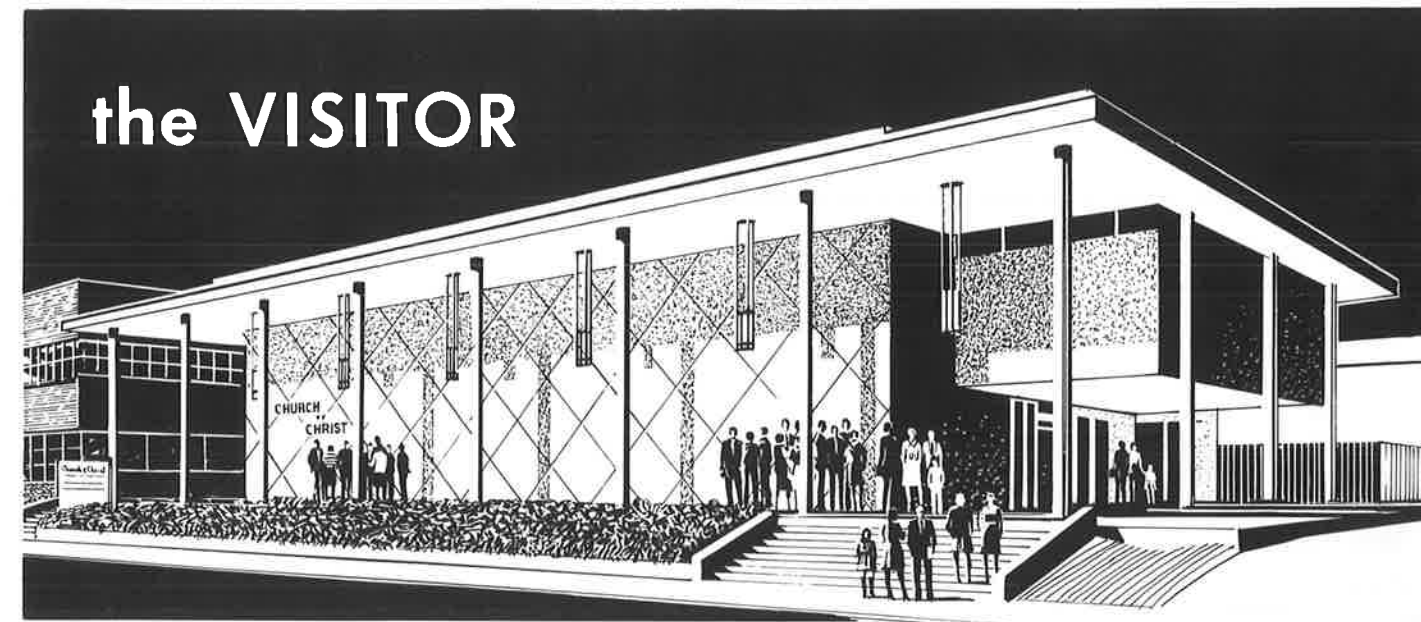
By Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. I Am Resolved
(Philippians 3:10-16)

P.M. When Revival Comes
(Habakkuk 3:1-2)

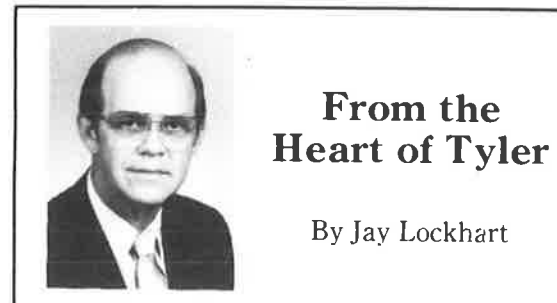
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The Church With A Heart In The Heart Of Tyler



From the Heart of Tyler

By Jay Lockhart

Homecoming

We are planning for a truly great day at West Erwin on January 26. We are inviting former members from around the country to be our guests for the day. If you are not currently a West Erwin member and you can be with us for Homecoming, please send in the form at the bottom of this page at your earliest convenience and be with us on January 26 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. for classes, worship, dinner, and the dedication of our new building!

YES, we plan to attend

HOMECOMING - '92
at West Erwin Church of Christ
January 26, 1992

The number (including yourself)
staying for lunch
Non-West Erwin members

Signed _____

Building Update

It's really exciting to see the progress being made on our new building. On Monday morning the painters were finishing up and the carpet was being laid. Our pews are scheduled for delivery on January 14, so we are right on schedule for our first day in our new auditorium January 26!

Good Crowd

It was good to have so many visitors with us last Sunday. Even with the inconvenience of having some of our parking area taken up with building materials, we had one of the largest crowds in recent times.

Youth Notes

by
Danny Snell



THANKS!

It was a real treat to have the Ray Maxwell family here in Tyler for a few days. Thanks to Ray for teaching the youth classes Sunday. We are really blessed to have such a fantastic missionary in Nebraska. They are doing a great work for God in that state.

Thanks to Kelly Ross for teaching class last Sunday.

* Thought for the Day:

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one: I in them and you in me. May they be brought to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."

John 17:20-23

Let us begin the new year with this prayer of unity that Jesus expressed. Why not be recognized by the world as a church of God's people who exemplify unity.

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Holiday Remembrances

Many calls and notes of appreciation have been received in response to the fruit baskets and poinsettias given by the church during the holidays. Gifts of love were sent to the following:

Bernice Andrews, Frances Atkins, Earl and Marie Arnold, Aline Beard, Vera Beard, Beulah Bedford, Thelma Bennett, Gussie Beaty, Vera Boss, John D. and Ruby Brem, Stella Buckner, Mary Butler, Vivie Canter, Kathleen Carroll, Mary Cash, Mozelle Cash, Roy Clark, Celestine Clinkscales, Lillian Colbert, Alma Biggs, Zona Crone, Pauline Daughtry, Marikate Davis, Dorothy Davis, Mary Dawson, Ruth Dobbs, Ford & Tommie Egbert, Bill & Elizabeth Endsley, Mary Gaiser, Leona Hardin, Adela Scogins, Katie Heath, Janie Hicks, Foy & Edna Hodnett, Gladys Holcomb, Helen Holland, Lois Hoppers, Cora Hughes, Dorris Humble, Modena Jones, Pauline Kennedy, Lillie Knight, Myrtle Land, Ann Layton, Mary Locke, Bernice Majors, Homer and Evelene McCarty, Leona McElroy, L. W. MacFall, Penny McDonald, Nita Miller, H. M. Minnis, Hazel Morgan, Melba Moore, George & Sybil Neyman, Jo Northcutt, Jean Oliver, Christine Parsons, Clara Riley, Loyd Rutledge, Bessie Sawyer, Zorado Sherman, Gwen Shuford, Henry & Sue Starnes, Rozener Strait, Denise Sadler, the Ronald Sills family, Jonnie Steffee, Monroe Sublette, Pattie Tate, Roberta Tindall, Edythe Trentham, Grace Walker, Jean Walters, Bessie Willis, Allie Wren, Doc Wright, Moselle White, June Walker, Elva Lee Williams, and Lorene Venable.

DISCOVERY DAYS

Discovery Days will begin its spring semester in January. If you have a child between the ages of 2 and 4, may we invite them to be a part of our program. For more information, call Barbara Oberg at 581-1806 or the church office at 592-0809.

In March I will be presenting a conference at the East Texas Teacher's Training Workshop at the Glenwood Church of Christ. In order to prepare for this the following things are needed. Please save large oatmeal boxes, Pringles cans, old style brush hair rollers, egg cartons, empty film containers and felt scraps and fabric trims. Thank you for your help.

Barbara Oberg

Ladies Bible Class resumes Wednesday 10:00 A.M., January 8. They will be studying the book of James.



Huff Completes Singles Work

At the end of 1991 Jerry Huff brings to a close his work with the West Erwin Singles Group, a work which he began in the fall of 1990 at the request of our elders. We wish to thank Jerry for all that he did with our Singles and look forward to having him and his new wife Rachel, continue to serve in other areas of our work.

Welcome New Member



We are happy to welcome Jeff and Melissa Parrish into our church family. They live at 5207 Hollytree, #604, Tyler 75703. They are a welcome addition to our Young Marrieds at West Erwin.



Wedding Anniversary

January 8, 1928 - 1992

James J. and Ellie Steele

We congratulate the Steeles on this significant milestone in their lives.



Thank You

I want to thank everyone for all the cards, flowers, phone calls and visits while I was in the hospital.

Kathleen Carroll

Thank you for your prayers, cards, and visits during the illness and death of my beloved Cone.

In Christian Love,

Eleanor Birdwell

The family of Lester Blackstone acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expression of your sympathy. Your thoughtfulness and expressions of sympathy are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your prayers, visits, flowers, and food during the illness and loss of our loved one.

In Christian love,

Christine Blackstone

Harvey Blackstone & family

Bill Blackstone & family

We want to thank you for the meal you provided for us the week of finals. It was enjoyed by everyone. The support you have given us throughout the year is greatly appreciated.

May God Bless You,

The Tri-C Students and Staff

Spotlight on Education



Dewey Howard

HAPPY NEW YEAR! And may 1992 be filled with every spiritual blessing from our Lord Jesus Christ. Make this year your closest year to the Lord yet. Make a new commitment to Bible study. Start a daily Bible reading program. Become involved in one of the ministries at West Erwin. Encourage a fellow Christian who is struggling. Lead someone you know to Christ. Each of us has 366 days in 1992. Let every one of those days be used to the glory of God!

Our children's Bible class teachers are doing an outstanding job of leading them in the study of God's word. They are to be commended for the time and love that they put into their work. Have you shown your appreciation to your child's teacher lately? If not, why not do so this week?!

The 5th Grade class is making a room change beginning this Sunday. This class will now meet in room 215 on Sundays and Wednesdays.

This Sunday, January 5, we will begin a study in 1 Corinthians, "A Place to Belong." Join us in the fellowship hall at 8:30 for fellowship and coffee. Then be a part of our morning Bible study at 9:00 to discover how we can make West Erwin a refuge in Christ away from this hostile and injurious world.

Wednesday night, January 8, is the beginning of an all new series of Bible studies. Select the elective that will meet your needs the best and grow, Grow, GROW!

- * "Letters to Churches" (Book of Revelation)
Phil Marts
- * "Blessed Assurance!" (Book of 1 John)
Dewey Howard
- * "Confronting our Setbacks"
Jay Lockhart
- * "Marriage and Family Enrichment"
Ray Vannoy
- * "Salvation and Spiritual Growth"
Jim McCoy
- * "Caterpillars or Butterflies" (for women)
Ladies in the class
- * "Submission"
Carolyn Womack