

Youth With Heart... by Danny

THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who came to the Middle School party last Friday night at our house. Thanks to Diane Weathers, Keith & Kim Johnson and Rachel Huff for helping.

Thanks to Greg & Kris Walker for hosting the High School party Saturday night. Thanks to LaDawn Ragsdale & Camile Mink for helping as well.

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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

For several years we have opened the Family Life Center on New Year's eve to provide a place for anyone who wants to come, visit, and play games. The children have room to play, tables are set for different games, and we can see the old year out and the new in together. Bring snacks, drinks, and games. It all starts at 7:00 pm. Even if you can't stay up long enough to see the new in, plan to enjoy it for awhile.

THANK YOU!

Each week the children who attend the Bible Hour on Sunday evenings bring a canned food item to help those who are in need. This past week the class donated approximately 320 pounds of food to the Benevolence Center. Great job! And many thanks on behalf of all those who will receive the goods. May God always be glorified through our children.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

We had a great crowd of Christmas carolers that we took to the Hamptons this past Sunday evening. Wow! They did a great job! A great big thank you goes out to the *Blackstones*; the *Shaws*, the *Stamps*, the *Skenders*, the *Mitchells*, *Judy Yates*, *Mike Harris* and *others* for all their help in putting this event together. I appreciated it, the children appreciated it, and the residents at the Hamptons appreciated it. Let's do this again next year.

Attention all K-5th grades, don't forget to mark your calendars on January 15th as we attend the *Jumpin' Jack's Party Shack* for a time of fun, food, and fellowship. Remember to be at *Jumpin' Jack's* by 10:00 am. We will jump until 11:15 and then gather in a room for some pizza, punch, and cake until noon. Parents, remember to fill out a waiver form for this event. You may pick one up at the Visitor Center at your convenience. There is no cost for this event.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 28 *Holiday-In-The-Park @ Six Flags*
Dec. 31 **New Years Eve Party for the Teens**
Jan. 11 *"CONNECT"*
Feb. 2-4 **High School Servant Retreat**
Apr. 6-8 **LTC Convention**

STRESSFUL TIMES

Maybe it hasn't occurred to you, but God cares about your everyday worries. He says, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present our requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).

Read it again and believe! It's not so much that God is going to solve our problems, but it's the fact that He cares. He does not want us to worry about anything. Not our jobs, not our families, not our bills, nothing! Sure, we have those responsibilities, but none of them are worthy of stress. Instead, God says that if we present them to Him in prayer, He will take care of them. He may not make them go away, but He will give us the energy and wisdom to handle them. And as a bonus ... peace that we cannot even understand. Plan to hand it all over to God and make 2007 the best year every!

All of our classes seem to be going really well since we've all settled back into a regular routine after our remodeling project was completed. I had a great vision of having all of our classes (preschool through high school) pretty much arranged and organized in such a way that they would be extremely visitor friendly and easy to find, however a few monkey wrenches have been thrown into the mix and so I'll have to ask the congregation and our visitors once again to be patient as we think this process through.

I am extremely pleased with our recent attendance. We are definitely on the climb numerically and we want this to continue all throughout the remainder of this year as well as throughout all of 2007.

Teachers, you are doing a fantastic job with your classes and with the decorations in your rooms. I know that all of our students appreciate all of your time, energy and love. May God continually bless you as you labor for the cause of Christ.

Let's remember to be present for our classes on Sunday morning as well as on Wednesday evenings.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thank you for your loving concern for me during my stay in the hospital. I am doing fine and I will see all of you soon. Thank you for your prayers.

In Christian love,
Wade McDonald

To My Family at West Erwin,

What a blessing you have been in my life these past 22 years, during times of happiness and times of sadness, and that has continued with your love and concern during my recent surgery and recuperation. Thank you for the cards, telephone calls, food, visits, and especially for your prayers. As our Lord said I can say of you. "I was sick and you visited me ..." Arlene Lockhart

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

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TODAY

I woke up early today, excited over all I get to do before the clock strikes midnight. I have responsibilities to fulfill today. I am important. My job is to choose what kind of day I am going to have.

Today I can complain because the weather is rainy or I can be thankful that the grass is getting watered for free.

Today I can feel sad that I don't have more money or I can be glad that my finances encourage me to plan my purchases wisely and guide me away from waste.

Today I can grumble about my health or I can rejoice that I am alive.

Today I can lament over all that my parents didn't give me when I was growing up or I can feel grateful that they allowed me to be born.

Today I can cry because roses have thorns or ... I can celebrate that thorns have roses.

Today I can mourn my lack of friends or ... I can excitedly embark upon a quest to discover new relationships.

Today I can whine because I have to go to work or ... I can shout for joy because I have a job to do.

Today I can complain because I have to go to school or ... Eagerly open my mind and fill it with rich new tidbits of knowledge.

Today I can murmur dejectedly because I have to do housework or I can feel honored because the Lord has provided shelter for my mind, body and soul.

Today stretches ahead of me, waiting to be shaped. And here I am, the sculptor who gets to do the shaping.

What today will be like is up to me. I get to choose what kind of day I will have. Have a GREAT DAY ... Unless you have other plans.
- author unknown

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Saturday in Clyde for Hal Broadfoot, Bitsy Berryman's cousin. Services were held last Sunday afternoon for Dorothy Haynes, a member at Glenwood and known by many here. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends.

NEW ADDRESS: Ernest & Gail Bennett, 2084 Yasmeen Circle, Flint, 75762

ATTENTION LADIES:

Remember the new Wednesday night ladies class beginning January 10 entitled "Our Father in Heaven ... Teach Us To Pray." Please sign up at the Visitor Center if you plan to attend so that we can know how many to prepare for.

SPECIAL GIFTS

- ♦ **The gift of listening** - but you must really listen. No interrupting, no day dreaming, no planning your response, just listening.
- ♦ **The gift of affection** - be generous with appropriate hugs, kisses, pats on the back and handholds. Let these small actions demonstrate the love you have for family and friends.
- ♦ **The gift of laughter** - clip cartoons, share articles and funny stories. Your gift will say, "I love to laugh with you."
- ♦ **The gift of a written note** - It can be a simple "Thanks for the help" note or a full sonnet. A brief handwritten note may be remembered for a lifetime and may even change a life.
- ♦ **The gift of a compliment** - a simple and sincere, "You look great in red, or "You did a super job" or "That was a wonderful meal" can make someone's day.
- ♦ **The gift of a cheerful disposition** - the easiest way to feel good is to extend a kind word to someone; really it's not hard to say, "Hello," or "Thank you."
- ♦ **The gift of sharing the gospel** - there are people all around us that do not know God and have never obeyed the gospel of Jesus. This gift is the best!
- ♦ **The gift of friends** - friends are a very rare jewel indeed. They make you smile and encourage you to succeed. They lend an ear, they share a word of praise and they challenge us to do better. Share these special gifts!

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The high school Christmas Party will be Dec. 16 from 6:30-10:00 at Maselyn Walker's home in Bullard. Please bring a wrapped ornament.

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THE POWER OF GOD

Our world is full of pain, suffering, and sorrow, yet we must hold fast to the God we serve for He has done marvelous things. Isaiah promises that God "will wipe away the tears from all faces" (Isaiah 25:8). I remember the speaker at the dedication of the Oklahoma City Bombing said it this way: "You can only have a rainbow in your heart when you've cried the tears."

As believers in Christ, we trust our God to wipe our tears away and place his rainbow of peace in our hearts when we are hurting. Each of us has experienced the pain of living in a sinful world. We have been hurt by others, we have been touched by disease and illness, and we have

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I am so excited about two upcoming events for our Kids Kingdom ministry (K-5th grades). Parents, please mark your calendars accordingly.

First, on December 17th, our K-5th grades will gather at the building at 4:00 p.m. to travel to a local retirement facility to sing some Christmas carols to the residents. Several people have been busy making the necessary arrangements for this trip. I'd like to thank Dale and Carolyn Blackstone, Terry Shaw, Shaun and Joanna Stamps, Keith and Jennifer Skender, and Pat Mitchell for working with me on this outing. I am still in need of a bus driver for this event. If you have your CDL and would like to help us out please give me a call as soon as possible. Thanks.

Second, last night I went over to Jumping Jacks Party Shack and finalized another get together for our K-5th grades for January 15th. The 15th is on a Monday (which is a school holiday) and it will be the perfect time for this event. At least one

SERVICE PROJECT

All of those working on Service Challenge for LTC and all the teens are invited to help with the Service Project on Friday, Dec. 22. We will meet at the building at 9:30 and be finished at 4:00. Please bring money for lunch and wear something festive!

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Jan. 11	"CONNECT"

been saddened by the loss of those close to our hearts. When we shed the tears, remember that God in His power will wipe them away for He fully knows and understands the source of our pain, suffering, and sorrow.

MEDINA COIN CANS

Please plan to have your cans turned back in by Sunday, December 17. You may leave them at the Visitor Center. Thank you for your help in supporting the work at Medina Children's Home. I know they greatly appreciate it.

WINTER COATS

If you have any winter coats that you would like to get out of your closets we have people coming into the benevolence center who need them. We can use men's, women's and children's coats of all sizes. You may bring them to the foyer as you come into the building. Thank you for sharing some warmth on a cold day.

parent will need to be present at this event. Waivers must be picked up at the Visitor Center and returned to me or brought with you to the event before your child can participate. We will meet at Jumping Jacks at 10:00 a.m. sharp. We will be able to jump from 10:00 until 11:15 and at that time we will go to a party room for lunch, which will be provided by the church and Simple Simons. After the pizza we will eat a little cake and have some punch. We will finish at 12:00. Be sure to mark your calendar and let's all turn out for this event on January 15th.

I know that our children are extremely busy at this time of the year and they are likewise extremely excited. I well remember my excitement during the Christmas season while I was growing up and then the excitement of my kids as they unwrapped their gifts under the Christmas tree. I am always mindful of the precious gifts (our children) that God has allowed us to be guardians of as we, through His Word, nurture and admonish them. May God continually bless all of us as parents as we strive to raise our children in a godly way. Remember Deuteronomy 6:4-9.



IN APPRECIATION

Below are a couple of excerpts typical of the many cards and calls of thanks (too many to print) for the poinsettias delivered last week. David Hammond was in charge of this work of love and he would like to give a special thanks to all who helped in the delivery process.

"The gift of the beautiful poinsettia will give me much pleasure this season. It will remind me of the loving family I have at the West Erwin church." "The thoughtfulness of the beautiful poinsettia is just another thing to make us love the West Erwin congregation."

Thank you for the flowers, card, and helping with the children.

Love,
The Estes & Williams family

To Our West Erwin Church Family,

We truly thank you for your concern and kindness, the cards, the wonderful food, and especially your prayers! This has been a difficult time through these surgeries and we appreciate your caring! We love you all and we pray that you and yours will be blessed with good health and God's blessings!

In Christian Love,
Archie Kennard

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Friday at Lloyd James Funeral Home for Sue Starnes, long time active, faithful member of the West Erwin church. Sue taught Bible classes most of her adult life, was an accomplished artist, was editor of the *Ladies Potpourri* for many years, and worked in the Benevolent Center as long as her health permitted. She remained devoted to the Lord's work until going to her reward on December 5. She will be greatly missed. Our love and sympathy is extended to Glynn and Fran and all the family and friends.

Services were held Tuesday at the Piney Grove Baptist church in Atlanta, Texas for Troy Griffin, Jana Hancock's grandfather. Our sincere sympathy is extended to all the family.

Services were held Wednesday at the church building for Nancy Sweeney. Our hearts were saddened by this untimely death. Our love and sympathy is extended to Mark, Kate, Patrick and all the family and friends.

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Nowadays, we think of a philanthropist as someone who donates big sums of money, yet the word is derived from two Greek words, philo (loving) and anthropos (man): loving man. All of us are capable of being philanthropists. We can give of ourselves. - author unknown

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome Mrs. Susan Hearon and her children, Emilee (age 10) and Laney (age 5), into the West Erwin family. They have been attending here for some time and we hope to be a blessing to them as they have blessed us by their coming. Their address is 1668 FM 2564, Whitehouse, ph. 839-6286.

Tommy and Jana McJunkins and their little daughter Addison (age 6) came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the West Erwin family. We know this family will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 20130 CR 173, Flint, 75762, ph. 894-6777.

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ASAP

Ever wonder about the abbreviation ASAP? Generally we think of it in terms of even more hurry and stress in our lives. Maybe if we think of it in a different manner we will begin to find new ways to deal with those rough days along the way.

There's work to do, deadlines to meet;
You've got no time to spare, but as you hurry and scurry -
ASAP - ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER!

In the midst of family chaos, "quality time" is rare.

Do your best; let God do the rest -
ASAP - ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER!

It may seem like your worries are more than you can bear,
slow down and take a breather -
ASAP - ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER!

God knows how stressful life is; He wants to ease our cares,
and He'll respond to all your needs
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Special Contribution

Sunday, Dec. 10...

Our total contribution was \$118,083.08 (\$95,036.08) over our regular weekly budget, allowing us to pay for the new bus and also have a substantial amount toward the building fund. Thanks for your generosity.



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Records	Sunday Dec. 3	Sunday Nov. 26	Year Ago
Bible Class	450	437	401
Worship A.M.	695	733	608
Worship P.M.	367	375	NC
Wed. P.M.	347	NC	NC
Contribution	\$24,133.93	\$23,990.57	\$21,624.66
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	12-3-06 Bldg. \$885.00/Bus \$10.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, December 10 and Wed., Dec. 13: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Archie Kennard had surgery Tuesday in Mother Frances due to an aneurysm and hematoma. **Wade McDonald** had surgery Wednesday at ETMC. **Samantha Means** is scheduled for more tests Monday at Scottish Rite Hospital. **Arlene Lockhart** had orthoscopic knee surgery last week. **Carl Stowers** is back home (no surgery). **Brownie Eikner**, Louis Jones & James Phillips' cousin, is in Mother Frances after a stroke. **Tommy Montandon**, Paul Montandon's dad, is in Laird Behavioral Hospital in Kilgore. Continue to remember **Nell Beard**; **Vera Beard**; **Jacque Biggar**, Teen Matysiak's daughter; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; Cheryl Coleman, Darrick Dempsey's sister; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Louise Culpepper**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mona Fergusson**, Marsha Wells' mother; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Larry Ground**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Jerry Howard**; **Keith Howard**, Jerry & Becky's son; **Sam Kennedy**, Karen Fedell's dad; **Faye Lanford**, Morris Hallman's mother; **Nicole Largent**, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter; **Dorothy Mannen**, Joy Rousseau's mother; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Shirley McClenny**; **Carolyn McCune**; **Ruth Meazell**; **W.A. Monk**; **Kay Parrish**; **Fred Powell**; **Maxine Ray**; **Mary Richey**; **Audrey Robinson**, Alan Fisher's sister; **R.J. Roddy**, Patsy Fisher's dad; **Odell Sessions**; **Judy Smith**; **Bertie Steel**, Carolyn Blackstone's mother; **Pattie Tate**; **Bill Thompson**; and **Gloria Thigpen**. (Sue Starnes passed from this life Tuesday afternoon).

MINISTERS	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth
MISSIONS	
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges
	Jeff Holland
ELDERS	
Jay Bynum	Don Durham
Ron Lott	Phil Marts
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy
	Leon Welborn
	Fred Wingate
	Dr. Aaron DuVall
	Bill Mullins

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 Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
	7:00 P.M.
	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	(903) 592-0809
	11:30 A.M.

SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship: Danny Snell
Prayer: Barry Scarborough
Scripture: Wendell Potter
Dismiss: Ray Vannoy

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Tommy Parrish

Prayer: Chris Reynolds
Scripture: Thomas Park
Dismiss: Kenneth Muncy

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Matt Kelly: Dennis Kingsbury
Odie Kennedy: Jamon Kirby
Curt Jordan: Todd Kempton
Jared Jordan: Chris Ketchum

GREETERS

D.L. & Alice Thompson & Michael Ragsdale
Mike & Dorothy Watts & Maggie Ragsdale
Charles & Linda Westerfeld & Caylee Stamps
Visitor Center: Jay & Debbie Bynum
Gene & Gwen Chandler

Pick up cards December 10 & 17: Carson Hancock, Justin Parrish, Sean Denman, Tanner Perry & Chase Mink.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, December 10:
Nursery a.m.: Debbie Bynum; Nursery p.m.: Ruth Ellis;
Toddlers a.m.: Mary June & Melanie Goodson; Toddlers p.m.: Camille & Mollie Mink; 2's: Will & Stephanie Christian; 3's & 4's: Marc & Ginger Philpot.

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- ◆ People-oriented
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SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2006

Each year in the month of December the West Erwin church has a special contribution for a special purpose. In some years the contribution has been to make up a budget deficit. In others it has been for missions. Sometimes it has been for a building program. There have been times when we gave a special gift with no specific project in mind. Whatever the purpose has been, West Erwin has always been a very generous church, "rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share" (I Timothy 6:18). Evidence of this fact over the last dozen years or so includes building and paying for a new auditorium, building and paying for a Family Life Center, and giving almost a million dollars toward our current three-fold building program which includes a new Benevolent building, and a new office and classroom complex, and a new children's wing. How generous you have been! This year, on December 10

(next Sunday), we will have our annual end-of-year special contribution which will be used for two things: a new bus and our building debt. The kind of bus we need will cost about \$97,000 and our building debt is about \$400,000. What we give next Sunday will include our \$23,047.00 weekly budget with everything above this amount going toward the purchase of the bus. Anything we give above our budget and the purchase of the bus will be applied to our building debt. So this week let us prayerfully consider what we can do and let us give according to our ability. I know we will.

- Jay Lockhart

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

- 2 Corinthians 9:8

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sunday, December 10, 2006
by **Dr. Jay Lockhart**
A.M. "Children Of Promise"
(Galatians 4:21-26)
P.M. "Freedom In Christ"
(Galatians 5:1-6)

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"The Church With Heart"

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HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITY

All of those in the high school are invited to the activity this coming Sunday night after church. Please wear shoes appropriate for running! Please bring \$3 for supper and invite a friend to enjoy this special time together.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

It is time for Signing Up for LTC! LTC has become one of the greatest things our young people participate in each year. The theme this year is from the book of Acts, "Un-Stoppable." All of those in grades 3-12 are encouraged to participate. We need your sign up sheets ASAP! We are working to put together the teams and need to get the registration finalized soon. Call if you have any questions! The deadline for signing up is Dec. 13!

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

ICE: In Case of Emergency

Since cell phones are carried by the majority of the population, a paramedic has devised a plan on how to call your contact person in case of an emergency. It's very simple and is catching on nationwide. Here's how it works. Store the word "ICE" in your cell phone address book and with it enter the name of the person you would want to be contacted and their phone number. For more than one contact name simply enter ICE1, ICE2, ICE3, etc. It would be helpful also to add the relationship with that person such as: "daughter," "son," etc. In an emergency situation, Emergency Services personnel and hospital staff would be able to quickly contact your next of kin by

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Christmas is fast approaching and I'm sure everyone's busy buying gifts and preparing for the holiday. Singing Christmas songs is an important part of this season. It seems strange that we start singing Christmas carols the day after Thanksgiving and stop singing them about midnight on December 25th. I love to watch the little ones as they sing Christmas songs. You can tell that they are really into it. Our K-5th grades will be traveling to a local retirement center on Sunday, December 17th to sing to the residents. We will meet at the building at 4:00 p.m. to load up and head out. Terry Shaw has been practicing several songs with our K-5th grades in preparation for this event. A great big thank you is extended to Dale and Carolyn

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WINTER COATS

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Blackstone, Shaun and Joanna Stamps, Keith and Jennifer Skender, and Pat Mitchell in coordinating the kids.

Teachers, be sure to have your class roll sheet organized for our kick-off date of January 7th for our visitation ministry. I hope all of our classes have been engaged in praying for this new ministry. Teachers, you must display your leadership abilities if this new ministry is to be a success. Please remember to: (1) Pray; (2) Involve God; and (3) work your roll sheet.

Kid's Kingdom (K-5th grades), mark your calendars for January 15th (school is out that Monday) for our trip to Jumping Jacks at 10:00 a.m. until noon. At 11:15 we will have lunch catered by Simple Simons. At least one parent is encouraged to attend this event with your child/children. I'm looking forward to seeing you on January 15th!



IN APPRECIATION

Dear West Erwin Family,

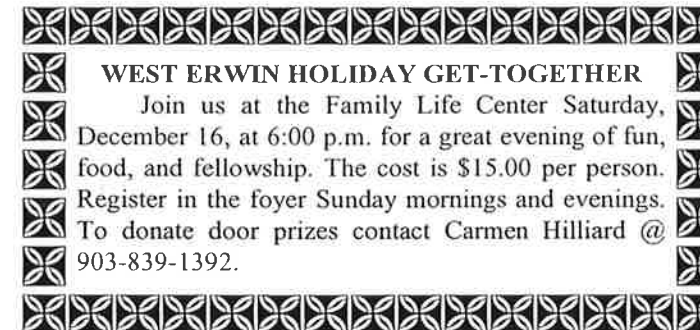
Thank you so much for the wonderful serving platters and the gift card. Kathryn is excited about her platters and she has given me free reign of the Lowe's store in use of the gift card. We just wanted to express our thanks for your generosity. We are so blessed to have a church family full of those who love us. We ask your continued prayers as we begin our new life together. May God bless you as you continue to labor for His kingdom. Thank you again.

In Christian Love,
Andy & Kathryn Baker

To the Brothers and Sisters In Christ,

We thank God for healing James. He is doing very well and getting stronger every day. Thank you to our brothers and sisters in Christ for your prayers, visits, calls, and every kind word of concern for James during this life threatening episode. It is wonderful to be a part of such a loving family at the West Erwin Church of Christ.

Love,
James & Frances Phillips



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WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Saturday at Rose Hill Cemetery for Cleo J. Wright, Mary Adams' brother. The A.C. Williams' granddaughter, friends of the Stefan Andrews, born November 11, was found dead December 2. Services were held Tuesday for Olene Franklin, a member at Glenwood and known by many here. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends.

CONGRATULATIONS

Buck and Kathleen Nowell celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary on December 7. We rejoice with them in this happy milestone in their lives.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Joe Kennedy, Suzanne Linsaisen, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Allan Thomson, Sgt. Chuck Tutt, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel.

ATTENTION LADIES:

A class will begin on Wednesday night, January 10, in the Family Life Center for ladies of all ages. The hope for this class is that through a scriptural study of prayer, all will grow and develop a richer, more intimate prayer relationship with God. If you plan to attend this class, please sign up at the Visitor Center so that we can know how many to prepare for.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome Dr. James & Mary Ruth Cox into the West Erwin family. We have been privileged to have them attend here since their recent move to Tyler. Dr. Cox is a retired physician and Mary Ruth is a homemaker. They are the parents of Donna Mullins. Their address is 1850 Stonecrest, Tyler, 75703, ph. 713-515-2483.

NEW ADDRESSES: Mary Gaiser is now residing at the Seven Winds Manor. 618 Quitman Street, #407, Pittsburg, Texas 75686. Max and Mary Haws are now dividing their time between their three children, Matt Haws and Melinda O'Quinn in Tyler and Melody Cockrell in Mansfield and their home in Taos, New Mexico.

NEW ARRIVAL!

Congratulations to Johnny and Jo Anders on the birth of a new great granddaughter! Ava Morgan Pizana was born December 1 in San Marcos to Jeremiah and Donna Pizana. She weighed 6 lb. 13 oz. and was 19 inches long. She was welcomed by big sister Megan and Don and Mary Anders are the proud grandparents.

9 out of 10

- If 9 out of 10 children who rode their bicycles on the road were run over, would you allow your child to go out in the road and ride a bike?
- If 9 out of 10 children who ate in the cafeteria at school consistently came home with severe cases of food poisoning, would you encourage your child to eat in the school cafeteria?
- If 9 out of 10 children who went to the mall were never seen again, would you allow your child to go to the mall?
- If 9 out of 10 children who played ball were injured and handicapped for life, would you allow your child to play ball?

The answers seem obvious. We love our children. Their health and happiness are our top priority. However, this is what I really want you to chew on ... Nine out of ten children whose PARENTS are Sunday morning attendees only either never become Christians, or having done so, do NOT remain faithful to the Lord. Those are the odds of your child serving the Lord if the depth of your Christianity is only Sunday morning worship. The problem is not one of attendance but one of heart. Lack of conviction rubs off. Does God come first? It will be apparent. Some parents would be ready to fight if someone told them they did not love their children. Are you willing to base their salvation on 9 out of 10? - copied

Special Contribution!

Sunday, Dec. 10...

We have collected \$42,436.52 to date for the new bus.

We need to raise about \$97,000. The amount collected above the weekly budget and the needed amount for the bus will go towards the Building Fund. Please give prayerfully!



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Records	Sunday Nov. 26	Sunday Nov. 19	Year Ago
Bible Class	437	403	412
Worship A.M.	733	695	650
Worship P.M.	375	398	376
Wed. P.M.	NC	351	NC
Contribution	\$23,990.57	\$27,420.85	\$19,533.92
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	11-26-06 Bldg. \$960.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, December 3 and Wed., Dec. 6: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Archie Kennard is at home after surgery Monday to restore circulation to his leg. Les Carruth had surgery Thursday. Carl Stowers was admitted to the VA Hospital in Dallas Tuesday for gall bladder surgery. Tommy Montandon, Paul Montandon's dad, is in Laird Behavioral Hospital in Kilgore. Cheryl Riley, Danny Riley's wife, is recovering at home following a recent heart attack. Steve Riley, Danny Riley's brother, is doing well after recent surgery. Continue to remember Nell Beard; Vera Beard; Jacque Biggar, Teen Matysiak's daughter; Henry & Mozelle Brown Brown; Delle Bullard; Cheryl Coleman, Darrick Dempsey's sister; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Louise Culpepper; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mona Fergusson, Marsha Wells' mother; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Larry Ground; Buck Hamilton; Jerry Howard; Keith Howard, Jerry & Becky's son; Archie Kennard; Sam Kennedy, Karen Fedell's dad; Faye Lanford, Morris Hallman's mother; Nicole Largent, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter; Dorothy Mannen, Joy Rousseau's mother; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Shirley McClenny; Carolyn McCune; Ruth Mezell; W.A. Monk; Kay Parrish; Doris Pearson; Fred Powell; Maxine Ray; Mary Richey; Audrey Robinson, Alan Fisher's sister; R.J. Roddy, Patsy Fisher's dad; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Bertie Steel, Carolyn Blackstone's mother; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Bill Thomason; and Gloria Thigpen.

MINISTERS			
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education		
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth		
MISSIONS			
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges	Jeff Holland	
ELDERS			
Jay Bynum	Don Durham	Dr. Aaron DuVall	
Ron Lott	Phil Marts	Bill Mullins	
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy	Leon Welborn	Fred Wingate

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	Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	7:00 P.M.	
	June-Aug 6:00 P.M.	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY		420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133	
Christian Service Center	9:00 A.M.	(903) 592-0809	
	11:30 A.M.		

**SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY**

Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer James Hardin
Scripture Mike Harris
Dismiss James Sublette

**PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Matt Haws**

Prayer Robert Hilliard
Scripture Ed Hunt
Dismiss Matt Kelly

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Rob Hilliard James Hughes
Robert Hilliard Roger Howell
Darryl Hendrix Jerry Howard
Dick Higginbotham Tim Holt, Jr.

GREETERS

Jack & Johnnie Stringer & Tanner Philpot
James & Connie Sublette & Mallori Philpot
Billy & Lynda Terrell & Chris Scroggins
Visitor Center: Phil & Linda Marts
Charles & Linda Westerfeld

Pick up cards December 3: Matthew Kimball, Braydon Kempton, Austin Millican, George Richardson, & Grant Perkins.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, December 3:
Nursery a.m.: Laurie Dawkins; Nursery p.m.: Cathy Scroggins; Toddlers a.m.: Lisa Snell & girls; Toddlers p.m.: Gary & Judy Mitcham; 2's: Shanon & Angela Seals; 3's & 4's: Mark & Melissa Frick.

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THE BIBLE SCHOOL: A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

For the past quarter of this year most of our adult Bible classes have met together in the auditorium while the third phase of our current building program was being completed. The emphasis of our studies while we met in the auditorium was "Church Growth" and the "Retention of Our Members." The West Erwin church, along with many others across the land, has experienced some encouraging growth (three times in recent years we have had over 100 new members a year added to our number), but we have noted that we have also lost several members. Of course, we lose some to moves to other cities. We lose some to death. But, we also lose some who for one reason or another just quit coming to worship. So this past quarter we have been considering ways to "close the back door;" to retain those who come to us. The basis of the material we have used over the past quarter was the results of a survey that was made among more than 1000 churches across America and what they were doing to retain members. A number of things came to light in our studies, but one thing stood out: the importance of the Sunday school in outreach and

retention. Beginning now, we want to use our Sunday morning Bible adult classes in a more effective way to help us in growth and in keeping what we have. This is a wonderful church which for the first time in history has reached the milestone of 800 members. We have over 400 families in this church with about 960 adherents (including children who are not yet members and adult relatives of our members). We want to do a better job in encouraging our members to participate in our Bible classes so that the difference in the number attending class and those who attend worship can be brought closer together. We also want to utilize our adult classes to "keep up with each other" so that we will not lose a single member to neglect now that our building program is completed and we will be back in our regular classrooms. This Sunday, wouldn't it be a great time to begin attending Bible class if you are not now enrolled, and wouldn't this be a good time to make attendance in Bible school and worship a priority? Let's keep up with each other and let's begin this week through our Bible classes. See you at 9:00 a.m. Sunday! - Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sunday, December 3, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "In The Fullness Of Time"
(Galatians 4:1-7)
P.M. "An Appeal Of Love"
(Galatians 4:8-12)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... by Danny

COMBINED DEVOTIONAL

All of those in the middle & high school are invited to the combined devotional this coming Sunday night after church. We will meet in the FLC and be finished @ 8:30. Please bring \$3 for supper and invite a friend to enjoy this special time together.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

NOTICE TO ALL KEY HOLDERS

We have recently had a record number of calls from the alarm company saying that our alarm is going off. The police have been called at times to the point they are now charging us. If you have a key to any of the buildings then it is your responsibility to know how to operate the alarm. If you aren't sure, then you need to ask for a refresher course from any of the staff members. Thank you for your help in this matter.

PICTURES AVAILABLE

Those who ordered pictures should have received their pictures in the mail. Those who did not order extra photos, you have a free 8X10 that may be picked up in the

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

I am proud to announce that our classrooms have been remodeled and we are now back in them and loving the extra space. Teachers, thanks so much for your patience during this process. I know you're going to love these classes.

There still remains a few items in our hallways, foyer, etc. that we will have to deal with over the next few weeks. Once again, please remain patient with us as we remove all of these items and get our building back in order. I stopped being surprised about clutter and the accumulation of junk years ago. My philosophy when I clean up an area is to make sure that no one shares with me the history of an item that I'm carrying to the trash bin, especially if that item hasn't been used for the last ten years or so. I'm getting in the mood to have another clean up day so, teachers, make sure all of your needed items are clearly labeled so I won't get too carried away. Once again, thanks for your patience over the last few months.

"CONNECT"

High School Students: Join us each Thursday evening from 7:00-8:00 for an uplifting time to "Connect" to God and each other. Dec. 7, we will meet at the Wicks' home. Invite a friend to join us.

HOLIDAY IN THE PARK

We are planning a trip to Holiday-In-The-Park @ Six Flags on December 27. We will have a sign up list out soon with details on times and ticket cost.

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 3	Combined Devotional
Dec. 7	"CONNECT"
Dec. 13	Deadline for LTC Sign-Up
Dec. 15	Middle School Christmas Party
Dec. 16	High School Christmas Party
Dec. 18	West Erwin Hosts Karing Kitchen
Dec. 22	Service Project
Dec. 27	Holiday-In-The-Park @ Six Flags

foyer. They have been alphabetized for your convenience. We also have two small pictures on the table. Please pick those up as well. If you have an 8X10 the two small photos will be in your envelope.

SERMON ON THE MOUNT VIA THE MESSAGE

"You're familiar with the old written law, 'Love your friends,' and its unwritten companion, 'Hate your enemies.' Let them bring out the best, not the worst. When someone gives you a hard time, respond with the energies of prayer, for then you are working out of your true selves, your God-created selves." (Matthew 5:43-44)

"In a word, what I'm saying is, 'Grow up.' You're kingdom subjects. Now live like it. Live out your God-created identity. Live generously and graciously toward others, the way God lives toward you." (Matthew 5:48)

Here is a listing of our upcoming classes for Sunday morning. Let's all try to attend. Teachers, remember that we are implementing our visitation ministry starting no later than January 7th.

Adventurers Class: FLC: Doug Yates; *Dealing With Satan*

Seekers Class: Room 403: Jay Lockhart

Searchers Class: Small Auditorium: Stan Mallory: *Ephesians*

Discoverers Class: Room 112: Brody Clark: *Thessalonian Letter*

Inquirers Class: Room 302: Ray Vannoy: *Ecclesiastes and the Post Modern*

Explorers Class: Auditorium: Forest McFadden: *Miracles in John*

Conquerors Class: Heritage Room: Roy Bench: *Let Me Introduce You to My Father*

Young Professionals: Room 306: Bill Mullins: *Creation*

Young Marrieds: Room 303: Don Crawford: *Philippians*



IN APPRECIATION

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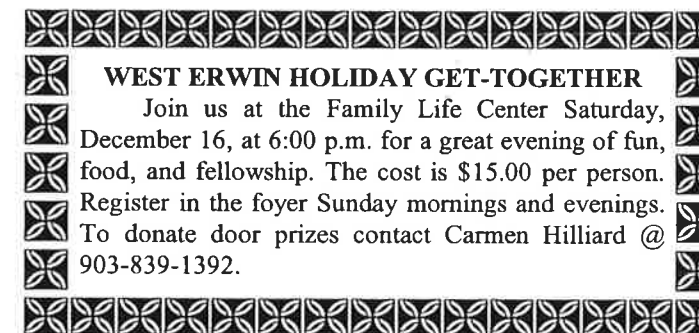
My family and I would like to express our appreciation for all the prayers, cards, food and visits during my recuperation. God has been gracious by giving us support through our dear brothers and sisters in Christ. We want to acknowledge the kindness and thoughtfulness given to us by the West Erwin family. Thank you so much for helping us during this difficulty.

In Him,
Joy, Danielle, Jordan Rousseau

WITH SYMPATHY

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Nelda Smith, who passed from this life last Friday after a lengthy battle with cancer. Services were held Sunday in Jewett, Texas.

NEW ADDRESS: Bill & Judy Smith, 709 FM 2909, Canton, 75103, ph. 567-1389.



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WSM Free Car Care

(widows & single mothers)

Saturday, Dec. 2, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
at the church building

ADULT BIBLE BOWL

The North Tenneha Church of Christ is sponsoring their 4th annual Adult Bible Bowl January 31, 2007. If you are interested in participating, please sign up at the Visitor Center. You will be given a study sheet 10 weeks in advance.

HOUSE MANAGERS NEEDED

Full time position at Christian Homes & Family Services for House Manager in the maternity home. Training, housing, and competitive salary provided. Must be active members of the Christian faith. Weekdays plus two weekends per month. Flextime schedule. Married applicants with no children at home will be considered. The husband may work outside the agency. Contact Cindy Miller @ 325-677-2205 or 1-800-592-4725 or cmiller@christianhomes.com

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are very happy to welcome Stan and Allene Smith into the West Erwin family. They came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the family of God at this place. Their address is 13795 CR 1188, 75709, ph. 597-2972.



WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Thompson Knight request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter

Jennifer Anne
to

Bobby Brent Stroupe

son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lloyd Stroupe
Saturday, the second of December, two thousand and six
at two o'clock in the afternoon
Villa Di Felicita, 7891 Highway 110 North, Tyler
Reception following ceremony

BRIDAL SHOWER

You are invited to a Bridal Shower honoring
Monica Starr

bride-elect of Chris Hartman
Sunday, December 3, 3:00 - 4:30
West Erwin Family Life Center

Selections: Target, Penney's, Bed Bath & Beyond
Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation



NEW SINGING GROUP

A new singing group at West Erwin will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, December 6 during our regular class time in the main auditorium. The group is open to anyone from high school age and up who enjoys singing. You don't need to be able to read music to participate. The group will learn some new church songs to present at a specific program in the future. Rehearsals will be held on the first Wednesday of each month, which will mean participants will only be out of their regular classes one time each month. Wayne Berryman and Kalon Ainsworth will be directing the group. West Erwin has many good singers and you are all encouraged to participate..

SHOP AND HELP

You have the opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts online at <http://www.beautipage.com/shellysustaire/> and help Brice Sustaire at the same time. His family plans to use any profits earned from these sales to purchase an in-home overhead lift system for Brice who has muscular dystrophy and is no longer able to walk or stand. This lift (approximate cost between \$10,000 - \$20,000 and not covered by insurance or by MDA) will allow anyone providing care for Brice to lift and care for him in his home for the rest of his life. Thanks for your prayers and support.

"Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply.
Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God."

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Youth With Heart... by Danny

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to several of our young people whose High School Football Teams are in the Play-offs. Robert E. Lee, Whitehouse & Chapel Hill have all advanced to the 2nd round. Way to go gang!

Congratulations to Wally Dawkins for winning his 500th Basketball game! Way to go Coach!

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KARING KITCHEN

Thanks to all who helped with the Karing Kitchen this past Monday. We served over 140 people for our annual Turkey & Dressing Meal. We appreciate you serving in this ministry.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

EPHESIANS 3:14-21

Have you ever felt powerless? Have the realities of life ever taken you hostage and caused you to feel helpless and weak? The "C" word comes up as you discuss the condition of someone very close to you. Job security suddenly is a thing of the past and now you are being put out into the field again to look for a new job. Your son decides to turn his back on his future, his wife, his children, and even his God. The person in the mirror stares back at you as a guilt-ridden sinner caught in a rut of temptation, sin and cover up. You feel powerless!

Find hope in the text above. Find hope in the fact that when our power runs out, God's power is just beginning.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Each Thanksgiving my family and I travel up to the Arkansas Ozarks to a small town (Salem) where my brother lives. That region of the country has always impressed me with its beautiful scenery, curvy roads, and its laid back approach to life. My dad and brother live just one hour from Salem, my sister lives several hours away (Iuka, MS.), and of course, we live the farthest away. We always enjoy a fantastic meal and lot of time to fellowship together. This is why Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday of the year.

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving time together. I hope you had the opportunity of sharing a common meal with friends and/or relatives. Let's take a moment at this time of the year to remember our men and women who are in the service. I have two nephews that were not able to be with their families during the Thanksgiving holiday because both of them are serving in Iraq. My prayer is that God will continue to keep them

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

Thanks to Mark Frick, Rachel Huff, Wendy Culpepper for going as sponsors this past weekend on our Middle School Retreat. Thanks also to Chris Scroggins & Patrick Garrett for helping as High School Counselors. What a great weekend we had learning about His Design, His Destination, His Deliverance & His Disciples.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 26

Nov. 30

Out To Eat
"CONNECT"

Paul assures us that God can do much more than our minds can dream. How does he do it? Paul says he does it by the power of God that is at work within us! So, the next time you feel powerless, just remember that God has an unlimited source and He is ready to drop it in your lap to be used in your life.

"Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant." - Robert Louis Stevenson

Risk more than others think is safe.

Care more than others think is wise.

Dream more than others think is practical.

Expect more than others think is possible.

- West Point Military Academy Cadet maxim

safe and out of harms way as they fulfill their duty in rebuilding and restructuring Iraq. I'm already looking forward to next Thanksgiving when we can all be together again.

For the last couple of weeks the adult teachers here at West Erwin have been engaged in meetings trying our best to devise a plan that will help our Bible classes to grow. The meetings have progressed to the degree that I believe we will soon have a new ministry in place that will help us to watch over our members and at the same time reach out to our guests. I told all of our teachers that there are basically three things that we can do to ensure that this new ministry is a success: (1) pray; (2) involve God; and (3) work your class ~ visits, phone calls; letters; e-mails. Our teachers are wonderful and they should be commended a lot more than they are but at the same time all of our teachers should realize that there is a whole lot more to teaching than simply showing up for class. *First*, they must be prepared; *second*, they must teach the class effectively; and *third* they must follow up. If we are serious about growing our classes then let's get after it and grow as He would have to grow.



IN APPRECIATION

West Erwin Church of Christ family,

Danny and I would like to thank you for all your calls, cards, gifts, thoughts and especially prayers. The prayers have been truly felt. I am at home now and continue on my road to recovery. I still have another angioplasty in about 6 weeks. Please keep us in your prayers. It is such a blessing to have such a wonderful church family.

Danny & Cheryl Riley

Dear Christian Brothers and Sisters,

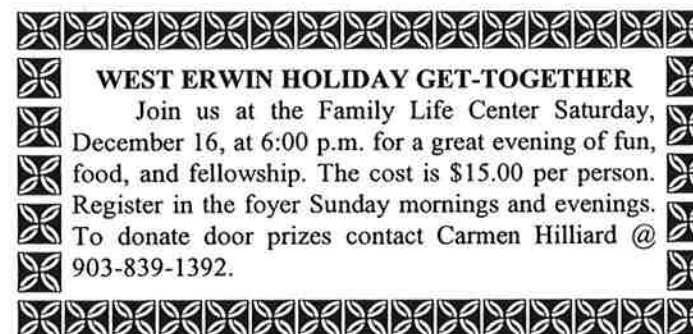
Thank you for the cards and showing of your love that you sent to me during the loss of my father.

Greg Wagner

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thank you so much for your kind words, cards, and the beautiful plant. Thank you for the prayers for the loss of my mother. It has all been a blessing.

Sincerely,
Phyllis & John Lacy



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ADULT BIBLE BOWL

The North Tenneha Church of Christ is sponsoring their 4th annual Adult Bible Bowl January 31, 2007. If you are interested in participating, please sign up at the Visitor Center. You will be given a study sheet 10 weeks in advance.



WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Charlie and Jan Weeks came Sunday to make known their wish to place their membership with the West Erwin congregation. We are very pleased to welcome them into the family here. Their address is 1501 Hillcrest Dr., Jacksonville, TX 75766, ph. 586-2829.



WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Thompson Knight request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter

Jennifer Anne
to

Bobby Brent Stroupe

son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lloyd Stroupe
Saturday, the second of December, two thousand and six
at two o'clock in the afternoon
Villa Di Felicita, 7891 Highway 110 North, Tyler
Reception following ceremony

BRIDAL SHOWER

You are invited to a Bridal Shower honoring
Monica Starr

bride-elect of Chris Hartman
Sunday, December 3, 3:00 - 4:30

West Erwin Family Life Center

Selections: Target, Penney's, Bed Bath & Beyond
Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation



WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The Wednesday morning ladies class will not meet the week of Thanksgiving, but will resume November 29 and will meet December 6 & 13, then be dismissed until after the first of the year.

NEW SINGING GROUP

A new singing group at West Erwin will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, December 6 during our regular class time in the main auditorium. The group is open to anyone from high school age and up who enjoys singing. You don't need to be able to read music to participate. The group will learn some new church songs to present at a specific program in the future. Rehearsals will be held on the first Wednesday of each month, which will mean participants will only be out of their regular classes one time each month. Wayne Berryman and Kalon Ainsworth will be directing the group. West Erwin has many good singers and you are all encouraged to participate.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Wally Dawkins on his induction into the exclusive 500 Club after his milestone 500th career win last Friday!

Congratulations to J.D. Osborn on awards recently received for outstanding service from Texas College and also as an outstanding community volunteer by the Junior League of Tyler!

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Bible Class	420	409	439
Worship A.M.	681	617	605
Worship P.M.	393	349	411
Wed. P.M.	361	355	370
Contribution	\$24,835.35	\$22,997.31	\$21,595.84
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	11-12-06 Bldg. \$140.00; bus \$40.00	
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Scripture Rex Power
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James Hardin Mike Harris
Bill Hawkins Dayne Harris

GREETERS

Bob & Barbara Paul & Taylor Lemons
Gaylan & Margie Seagler & Paige Lemons
Charles & Phyllis Rachui & Kara Murry
Visitor Center: James & Connie Sublette
Gary & Judy Mitcham

Pick up cards November 19: Bryson Bellar, Casey Bellar, Conner Clark, Jake Skender & Zach Skender.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, November 19:
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Diane Weathers & girls; 2's: Stefan & Rebecca Andrews;
3's & 4's: Brody & Kim Clark.

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PRESERVING THE LAND OF THE FREE

There is no doubt that the United States of America is the greatest country in the world. Long ago George S. Benson, the president of Harding College for many years and a great American, said that America was great for three reasons: personal liberty, economic well being, and faith in God. Our nation was built upon the principle of individual liberty. God never intended for one man to enslaved to another. In the words of the great old song about America, "God shed His grace on thee." We are the wealthiest people in the world and enjoy the highest of living standards. Our nation was built by men of faith and upon principles of faith, even though we have long departed from those principles. There is no question that as a nation we have some tremendous problems ... problems that threaten the very existence of the country we all love. However, even with our problems, this nation is worth preserving. *First*, America is worth preserving because it is a bastion of freedom and liberty. One of the great blessings of living in this country is the freedom of speech, of the press, and of religion. In America one can live where he wants, do any job he is capable of doing, and travel across the land without a

passport. Have you thanked God for your freedom lately? Thomas Paine, an early American said, "What we obtain too cheaply, we esteem too lightly." Freedom which was handed to most of us was bought and preserved by those who were willing to make the greatest sacrifice. *Second*, America is worth preserving because we are stewards of the blessings we enjoy in this country and our stewardship demands that we pass on to our posterity the blessings we enjoy. *Third*, America is worth preserving because the church in this country directly and/or indirectly supports 95% of the mission work done in the entire world. Taking the gospel to the world can better be done if America survives. So, what can we do to help preserve the country? We can pray. We can be salt and light where we are (10 righteous souls would have preserved Sodom and Gomorrah). We can elect to public office people of faith, reason, and good judgment. We can make whatever sacrifices are necessary to preserve our way of life and we can stand against any power, either foreign or domestic, that would take our liberty away. The country is worth preserving.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1

Sunday, November 19, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Rise Up, O Men Of God"
(Galatians 3:6-9)
P.M. "Two Roads, Two Destinies"
(Galatians 3:10-14)

"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... by Danny

KARING KITCHEN

West Erwin will host the Karing Kitchen on Monday, Nov. 20. If you can help, be there at 5:00. This is a wonderful ministry that serves a need in downtown Tyler.

BIBLE QUIZ

Thanks to Kim Dupree & Melissa Parrish for preparing the refreshments for the event. Our next Quiz will be in March. We will be studying Acts 15-28. Study sheets will be available soon.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

It is time for Signing Up for LTC! LTC has become one of the greatest things our young people participate in each year. The theme this year is from the book of Acts, "Un-Stoppable." All of those in grades 3-12 are encouraged to participate. We need your sign up sheets ASAP! We are working to put together the teams and need to get the registration finalized soon. If you have any questions, call me!

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

FEAR FACTOR

It's not always easy to be a Christian in an un-Christian world. The place we live constantly challenges our faith. Usually our response is to run. Run from criticism. Run from the negative influences that surround us. So we do our best to create a safe environment. But is this what Jesus intended? He never called us to form a Christian subculture to protect ourselves from being offended or challenged. He calls us to fearlessly engage our culture with hope and the promise of the gospel.

A fellow preacher told me this story. He said, "I sat in a restaurant thinking about this 'fear factor' that had engulfed me when I noticed the waitress was wearing a

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

What a fantastic time we had at our annual Kid's Kingdom hayride on Friday, November 10th, at Wade and Diane Weathers' home. We had plenty of hot dogs, chili, chips, and desserts to go around. Wade did a great job driving the tractor and wagon as we toured the Weathers' property. After each trip concluded I noticed that there was considerably less hay on the wagon than when the trip began. Diane did a great job in hostessing this event. Our devotional thought for the evening centered on how we need to be busy as a little ant for the Kingdom of God. Thanks once again to Wade and Diane for allowing our little ones the opportunity of growing closer to each other and to God through this experience.

During the hayride I had the opportunity to talk to some parents regarding the possibility of conducting a Christmas caroling event with our K-5th grades. We might focus on our elderly members or on area nursing homes. Dale and Carolyn Blackstone will be helping us with event.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

The Area-Wide Middle School Retreat will be Nov. 17-19. We will leave on Friday @ 5:00 and return in time for church on Sunday Morning. The cost will be \$35. We will be leaving at 5:00 Friday and returning in time for church on Sunday morning.

"CONNECT"

High School Students: Join us each Thursday evening from 7:00-8:00 for an uplifting time to "Connect" to God and each other. For November, we will meet at the Wicks' home (we will not meet on Nov. 23). Invite a friend to join us.

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 17-19 Middle School Retreat
Nov. 19 Small Groups Meet
Nov. 20 West Erwin hosts Karing Kitchen
Nov. 26 Out To Eat
Nov. 30 "CONNECT"

ring on her hand that had a fish symbol on it. I thought, isn't that just like the Lord to hand me an opportunity to face my fear even if it was just a baby step forward."

The fish has been a symbol of Christ from the early days of the church. It began when the church was under heavy persecution and was driven underground. During those days Christians began a new tradition of drawing an arc in the dirt with a stick or their toe. If the other person drew a second arc opposite the first, completing the fish shape, then they both know that they were Christians and not to be afraid.

I decided to ask this waitress about her faith when she returned, he said. When she came back to the table I said, I noticed that you have a fish symbol on your ring. Are you a Christian?" She said, "No, I'm a Pisces."

"You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" (Matthew 8:26)

Sunday evening I met with the adult teachers/education committee members here at West Erwin. We've been challenged to come up with a method of reaching out to our members and our visitors through the education ministry of the church. This meeting went well but we are not ready to rush out a program at this point. All of us agreed that this important work needs to be viewed by all of our teachers as a ministry and not a program. Programs come and go but viable ministries are for a lifetime. Our teachers (giving God the glory) will be the key people in this ministry if it to be a success. I've often told our teachers that simply showing up and teaching a class isn't all there is to this important work. Yes, being prepared for the class is important. Yes, teaching the class is important. But equally important is the follow up that is done after the class concludes. That's what this new ministry will focus on and that's why it is such an important ministry. This Sunday evening (11-19) we will continue our discussion on how to formulate this new ministry. Once we hash through it all we will then enter into a time of prayer for it and after that we will put this ministry to the test by implementing it in all of our adult classes. **Meeting: Room 402 at 4:15 p.m. Sunday.**



IN APPRECIATION

We have always thought that our West Erwin family was the best in the world - now we're sure. Knowing that you were praying for Fred's recovery made the family feel more secure - and how those prayers were answered makes us rejoice. Thanks to all of you for our love and support - now and all those times in the past. What would we do without you? We love you.

Sara & Fred Powell

I don't have the words to express how much I appreciate all your kind words of condolence, cards, prayers, and the beautiful plant. I love all of you.

Dan Cullinan

We would like to thank your congregation for their wonderful support of our Food/Grocery Program. We appreciate the time and effort it takes to coordinate the receiving and storage of these items until our truck picks them up. It is through your loving gifts and donations that we are able to meet the nutritional, physical and spiritual needs of these precious children. Your donation of 40 rolls of paper towels and 500 styrofoam plates has helped Medina Children's Home provide items that are used in the daily care of children and mothers with children. Thank you for your kind remembrance. Please visit our campus when you have opportunity. You are always welcome!

George Rose

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Larry and Jane Ground on the birth of a new great granddaughter! Bailey Arin Haddock was born November 6. She weighed 6 lb. 2 oz. and was 19 inches long. Josh Grounds is the proud father.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Joe Kennedy, Suzanne Linseisen, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silbers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Allan Thomson, Sgt. Chuck Tutt, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel.

You are invited to

CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE

"A Lighting of the Campus"

at Breckenridge Village of Tyler,
5062 CR 1145, Tyler

Saturday, November 18, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for a free and fun filled afternoon!

Tours, open house, clowns & ponies, games for all ages, Christmas shopping, food and entertainment, horse & carriage parade, lighting of the Village at dusk. A project of the BVT Auxiliary. For more information, contact Linda Taylor @ 903-596-8100 or ltaylor@bcfs.net

WEST ERWIN HOLIDAY GET-TOGETHER

Join us at the Family Life Center Saturday, December 16, at 6:00 p.m. for a great evening of fun, food, and fellowship. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Register in the foyer Sunday mornings and evenings. To donate door prizes contact Carmen Hilliard @ 903-839-1392.

BAPTISM



We rejoice with Mrs. Elaine M. Fisk in her decision to be baptized into Christ last Tuesday afternoon. She was baptized by J.R. Tharpe who has been studying with her. Her address is 506 Rice Road, #225, 75703, ph. 918-704-3116.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Dennis and Reta Brand came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the West Erwin church family. They attended here years ago and we are pleased to welcome them back. Their address is 11822 CR 283, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 903-566-3132.

Jess and Charlotte Hopkins wish to place their membership with the West Erwin family. They have been attending for awhile and we know they will be an asset as we serve the Lord together. They are Shelli Garrett's parents. Their address is 10610 Hancock Drive, 75707, ph. 903-561-9539.

We are happy to welcome Paul and Carolyn Montandon into the West Erwin family. They are known by most of us and we look forward to our work together for the Lord. Carolyn is the sister of our Janice Hardaway. Their address is 1515 Jeff Davis Dr., 75703, ph. 903-581-4491

NEW ADDRESS: Chad & Amber Chauncy, 16190 Fox Run, Lindale, 75771.

NEW PHONE NUMBER: Darrick Dempsey # 903-920-1315.

SHOP AND HELP

You have the opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts online at <http://www.beautipage.com/shellysustaire/> and help Brice Sustaire at the same time. His family plans to use any profits earned from these sales to purchase an in-home overhead lift system for Brice who has muscular dystrophy and is no longer able to walk or stand. This lift (approximate cost between \$10,000 - \$20,000 and not covered by insurance or by MDA) will allow anyone providing care for Brice to lift and care for him in his home for the rest of his life. Thanks for your prayers and support.

UNDERSTANDING VALUES

The paradox of our time in history is that we spend more, but have less;

We buy more, but enjoy it less.

We have bigger houses and smaller families;

More conveniences, but less time;
more medicine, but less wellness.

We read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.

These are the times of tall men, and short character,
Steep profits and shallow relationships.

These are the days of two incomes, but more divorces;

Of fancier houses, but broken homes.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life,

We've added years to life, not life to years;

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul.

- author unknown



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PRAYER AND CARE - Fred Powell is recuperating at home. **James Phillips** is now at home. **Nell Beard** is going to pain management due to herniated discs in her entire spine. **Kevin Sustaire** had gall bladder surgery Thursday. **Archie Kennard** is scheduled for surgery Friday. **Carl Stowers** is at home after a recent hospitalization. **Mozelle Brown** cracked a bone in her hand in a fall. **Cheryl Riley**, Danny's wife, is recovering at home after suffering a heart attack last Friday. **Fleta Butler** got a good report after surgery last week. **Mona Fergusson**, Marsha Wells' mother, has been diagnosed with breast cancer. **Homer Harris**, is in ETMC rehab after a recent stroke. **Dorothy Mannen**, Joy Rousseau's mother, suffered a stroke recently. Continue to remember **Vera Beard**; **Jacque Biggar**, Teen Matysiak's daughter; **Henry Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Louise Culpepper**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Mattie Hawkins**, Kim Jordan's mother; **Jerry Howard**; **Keith Howard**, Jerry & Becky's son; **Sam Kennedy**, Karen Fedell's dad; **Faye Lanford**, Morris Hallman's mother; **Nicole Largent**, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Shirley McClenny**; **Carolyn McCune**; **Ruth Mezell**; **W.A. Monk**; **Kay Parrish**; **Doris Pearson**; **Maxine Ray**; **Mary Richey**; **Audrey Robinson**, Alan Fisher's sister; **R.J. Roddy**, Patsy Fisher's dad; **Odell Sessions**; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Bertie Steel**, Carolyn Blackstone's mother; **Don Stringer**, Jack's brother; **Pattie Tate**; **Sylvia Tharpe**; **Bill Thompson**; and **Gloria Thigpen**.

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SO RUN THAT YOU MAY OBTAIN THE PRIZE

The Apostle Paul likened the Christian life to an athletic event in several passages. In I Corinthians 9:24 he said that as Christians we are running in a race and then said, "Run in such a way that you may obtain it (the prize)." During the Summer Olympics, which take place every four years, I like the running events -- the races. And in a very close race around the track I have often thought, "How good it would be if one of the contestants would just leave the track, cut across the field and win the race." Of course, such is impossible and a runner who did it would be disqualified. Everyone knows that "if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules" (2 Timothy 2:5). Even a little child knows this and will say to his playmate who breaks the rules, "That's not fair!" In athletics one cannot change the rules to fit his own desires. A football player who is knocked out of bounds a yard short of a touchdown could have made it had the field been one yard wider, but he can't move the out-of-bounds marker! A baseball player who is thrown out by just one step at

first base can't move the base a few feet closer! A basketball player who makes the winning goal one second after time runs out can't add time to the clock! We all understand these things, but do we see the implications in regard to religion? God has set forth in His word how we are to live the Christian life and he has said, "Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard" (2 Timothy 1:13). If we are to run the Christian race successfully so that we may receive the prize, we must compete lawfully -- we are not at liberty to change the "rules" just to fit our human desires. We cannot add to the length of the field or take away from it. We cannot make the playing field wider or more narrow. We cannot move the base closer or further back. Moses said to ancient Israel, "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it" (Deuteronomy 4:2). Solomon said, "Do not add to His words, lest He rebuke you, and you be found a liar" (Proverbs 30:6). The best advice I could give to anyone is "to run lawfully" in order "that you may obtain the prize." Are we listening?
- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sunday, November 12, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "When To Stand And When to Yield"
(Galatians 2:1-5)
P.M. "Crucified With Christ"
(Galatians 2:19-21)

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

BIBLE QUIZ

The East Texas Bible Quiz begins this Sunday. We will meet together on Sunday, Nov. 12 for lunch and work until 2:30. West Erwin will host the area young people for the Bible Quiz which is from 2:30-4:00. Parents, you can leave your kids with me until church at 5:00. Please bring money for lunch at Wendy's. Study Hard!!!

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It is time for Signing Up for LTC! LTC has become one of the greatest things our young people participate in each year. The theme this year is from the book of Acts, "Un-stoppable." All of those in grades 3-12 are encouraged to participate. We will meet for a short time after church in the Family Life Center. If you plan to participate in LTC, please be present at the meeting.

COMMUNITY

..... *by Don Crawford*

Remember the old advertisement for Pepsodent: "You'll wonder where the yellow went when you brush your teeth with Pepsodent." If you read this article -- sing the jingle to me next time you see me.

I'm thinking about the church and I'm wondering where the evangelism went. I read the book of Acts. Evangelism is everywhere. And I'm wondering. When I finish reading chapter 28 I pray, "Lord, do it again!"

Have we become so disenchanted with the idea of evangelism? Is evangelism uncomfortable? Perhaps the root of our discomfort is our own failure to distinguish

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 **Douglas L. Yates**

A few years ago I developed a plan to use the Bible School ministry to help us in an outreach effort here at West Erwin. This particular plan called for us to restructure our small groups, taking our cells from our classrooms, and then having those cell groups to check on absenteeism and visitors, etc. It was similar to the ministry that I developed in Decatur, Alabama with the church that I worked with there. This new utilization of the Bible School ministry was looked at but it was decided at that time we would keep the small groups the way they were structured and so we shelved our plan. Recently the topic has been brought back to the forefront. Jay has been teaching a combined adult class on Sunday morning and in his class he has been emphasizing retention of our members. One of the greatest tools we have at our disposal in retaining members is our Bible School ministry. It is time tested and it would do us good to utilize it as a way to edify the believers and reach out to the lost. So, I would like to

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

The Area-Wide Middle School Retreat will be Nov. 17-19. We will leave on Friday @ 5:00 and return in time for church on Sunday Morning. The cost will be \$35. Please sign up by Sunday!

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between Jesus Christ and Dr. Phil. Dr. Phil offers advice. Jesus offers good news. Advice is trying to figure out what's inside a person's heart and telling them what they should do. If it works, it was good advice. But where do we get off thinking we can know what's in a person's heart? The good news of Jesus Christ has to do with what He did on the cross. Therefore, evangelism has nothing to do with judging another person's heart. Evangelism has everything to do with telling people what Jesus has done for them. This is our mission. We were given this prime directive "to go and make disciples." Paul says it's simply planting the seed. God will see to it that it is watered. God will cause it to grow. Telling people what Jesus did should be the easiest thing in the world to do. What have we done? Where has the evangelism gone? When, where, and with whom will Acts 29 begin?

request that this congregation enter a time of prayer regarding this matter. During your prayer time throughout any given day, please include this thought and ask God to help us in this matter. I've already set up a time for our adult teachers, along with the education committee, to meet and discuss the formulation of a plan. We will not formulate a plan with one meeting but instead, over the course of the next 1 1/2 months, we will try our best to come up with a suitable plan of attack. We will not be restructuring the small group ministry but rather developing an outreach effort through our classrooms. Teachers and education committee members, it is extremely important that you attend our meeting on **November 12, 2006**. We will meet in the new office complex (room number will be announced later) at **3:55 p.m.** We will keep minutes at this meeting and all suggestions/comments/etc. will be looked at and evaluated carefully. I'm excited that we have come to the realization that we can grow through our Bible School ministry. Remember, keep this effort in your thoughts and prayers and let's grow as God would have us to grow.



IN APPRECIATION

Thank you so much for the lovely plant honoring our mother and her life. (George Daugherty's sister)

Benton Barber
Teresa Hahel & family

Thanks to my church family for your prayers, cards, phone calls and food during my recent illness.

Nella Ware



NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Mike and Rebekah Carnathan on the birth of Davis Buel Carnathan on October 31! He weighed 8 lb. 10 oz. and was 21 inches long.

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held Friday in Wichita, Kansas for Margaret Rouse, Phyllis Lacy's mother. Services were held Sunday in Fruitvale for John Porter Williams, Sr., Cassandra Estes' dad. Services were held Sunday in Hawkins for Greg Wagner's dad. John W. Cullinan, Dan Cullinan's brother, died Monday in Florida. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

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ATTENTION PARENTS of K-5th graders: Remember our 4th annual Kid's Kingdom Hayride beginning at 5:30 p.m. November 10th at the home of Wade & Diane Weathers.

ADULT TEACHER'S MEETING

Sunday, November 12th at 4:00 p.m. in room 402 (in the new office complex). All past and present teachers of adult classes are asked to attend this meeting as we formulate plans to encourage visitation through our Bible Class ministry.

ADULT BIBLE BOWL

The North Tenneha Church of Christ is sponsoring their 4th annual Adult Bible Bowl January 31, 2007. If you are interested in participating, please sign up at the Visitor Center. You will be given a study sheet 10 weeks in advance.

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A short course in Human Relations

- The six most important words:
"I admit I made a mistake."
- The five most important words:
"You did a good job."
- The four most important words:
"What is your opinion?"
- The three most important words:
"If you please."
- The two most important words:
"Thank you."
- The one most important word:
"We."
- The least important word:
"I."



ELDERS, DEACONS, PREACHERS MEETING

There will be a meeting for all deacons, elders and preachers on Monday, November 13 at 6:30 p.m. at El Charro on Fifth Street. Make your plans to be there.

Check out our website!

www.westerwin.com

To access all the interactive features congregational members are encouraged to join. To obtain schedules of events, prayer requests, hospital lists, class lessons, etc. will require a user name and password. We believe this site will be a valuable tool to keep our congregation informed as well as an outreach to the world. If you have information or photos, please email us at webadmin@westerwin.org

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Worship A.M.	722	692	556
Worship P.M.	493	410	470
Wed. P.M.	335	365	NC
Contribution	\$23,645.72	\$22,269.86	\$19,141.52
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	10-29-06 Bldg. \$3,640.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, November 5 and Wed., Nov. 8: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Fred Powell is recuperating at home! James Phillips is now in Health South Rehab. Carl Stowers is in the VA Hospital in Dallas. Mozelle Brown fell and cracked a bone in her hand. Kevin Sustaie is scheduled for gall bladder surgery Nov. 9. Archie Kennard is scheduled for surgery Nov. 10. Fleta Butler, former West Erwin member now living in Hurst, got a good report after surgery Tuesday. Homer Harris, a gospel preacher in East Texas for 67 years, is in ETMC due to a stroke. Margaret Rouse, Phyllis Lacy's mother, is critically ill in Wichita, Kansas. Continue to remember Vera Beard; Jacque Biggar, Teen Matysiak's daughter; Henry Brown; Delle Bullard; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Louise Culpepper; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; Mattie Hawkins, Kim Jordan's mother; Lee Hodges, Keith Hodges' dad; Jerry Howard; Keith Howard, Jerry & Becky's son; Sam Kennedy, Karen Fedell's dad; Faye Lanford, Morris Hallman's mother; Nicole Largent, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Shirley McClenney; Carolyn McCune; Ruth Meazell; W.A. Monk; Kay Parrish; Doris Pearson; Maxine Ray; Mary Richey; Audrey Robinson, Alan Fisher's sister; R.J. Roddy, Patsy Fisher's dad; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; Bertie Steel, Carolyn Blackstone's mother; Don Stringer, Jack's brother; Pattie Tate; Sylvia Tharpe; Bill Thompson; and Gloria Thigpen.

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	11:30 A.M.

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10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer Gaylan Seagler
Scripture Vance Metcalf
Dismiss Jay Bynum

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Jim Sizemore

Prayer Jim Hartt
Scripture Blake Lockhart
Dismiss Curtis Pruett

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Preston Haile Paul Hancock
Dan Haile Michael Hall
Tom Hale David Hammond
Sonny Hale Todd Hancock

GREETERS
Gary & Judy Mitcham & Colt Keeney
Lon & Loriece Gibson & Jessica Keeney
Carlos & Emma Morgan & Haylee Lowry
Visitor Center: Billy & Lynda Terrell
Tom & Beverly Hale

Pick up cards November 5: Trey Jackson, Caleb Grounds, Jeffrey Scarbrough, Nicolas Means, & Keaton Conder.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, November 5:
Nursery a.m.: Frances Broome; Nursery p.m.: Pam Lott;
Toddlers a.m.: Mary Scarborough & Kim Jordan; Toddlers p.m.: Amber Chauncey & Donna Mullins; 2's: Cassandra & Amy Estes; 3's & 4's: Heath & Kandi Adams.

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THERE MAY YET BE ENOUGH TIME

It was *Arnold Toynbee*, the British historian, who suggested that there had been twenty-six civilizations in all of history up to and including the 1930's. Toynbee pointed out in his *A Study of History* that most civilizations last about two hundred years and then begin to decline. He believed that history confirmed his conclusion that most civilizations are not destroyed by external invasion but by internal decay. Earlier in Edward Gibbon's *Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire* (published in five volumes between 1776-1788) the author noted the reasons for the fall of Rome and nearly every one of those things is seen in America today. Add to this the fact that Al Qaida sees America as decadent, lazy, fat, in decline, and a nation that is ready to die and it becomes rather easy to see the trouble we are in as a nation. It is almost unbelievable to note that in the United States of America we no longer have a sense of what is

good and bad, decent and indecent, moral and immoral. As a nation, we kill unborn babies, argue in favor of same-sex marriages, and seem to be unaware that there are those who would like to kill us. We want God out of our lives, have an ever increasing national debt that runs into trillions of dollars, and think that America will always prosper and be blessed. Have we forgotten that God has said, "Righteousness exalts a nation but sin is a reproach to any people" (Proverbs 14:34)? Is there any hope? Oh, yes! Let us be salt and light. Let us return to God. Let us allow Him to transform us. There may yet be time. There may yet be enough salt and light to penetrate the darkness and save us from sharing the destiny of the twenty-six civilizations that have gone before us. There may yet be enough of us who come to our senses and who will seek the God who will bless our nation as "the land of the free and the home of the brave."

- Jav Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sunday, November 5, 2006
Andy Baker, guest speaker
Adult Bible Class
A.M. Worship
P.M. Worship

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... by Danny THANKS!

What a fun time we had at the Fall Festival this past Sunday. The food was wonderful! Thanks to Dale & Carolyn Blackstone who took care of all the eats. Thanks to all of the teens and adults who helped make it happen!

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LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

It is time for Signing Up for LTC! LTC has become one of the greatest things our young people participate in each year. The theme this year is from the book of Acts, "Un-stoppable." All of those in grades 3-12 are encouraged to participate.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

MAYBE SO, MAYBE NOT

There once was a village that had among its people a very wise old man. One day, a farmer from the village went to the wise man and said in a frantic tone, "Wise man, help me! A horrible thing has happened. My ox has died and I have no animal to help me plow my field. Isn't this the worst thing that could possibly happen?" The wise man replied, "Maybe so, maybe not." The man hurried back to the village angry because the wise man could not see that this was the worst thing that could have happened.

The next day, a strong young horse appeared on the farm. The farmer caught the horse and used it to replace the ox. Plowing the field had never been easier. He went back to the wise man to apologize. "You were right, wise man. Losing my ox wasn't the

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I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

One of the highlights of the year for me is quickly approaching. It's our annual **Kid's Kingdom Hayride**. Our little ones (K- 5th grades and their families) really enjoy this event. We will have a ton of our folks, along with visitors, to this event. There will be a lot of activities going on, a lot of food (if you call hot dogs food) being consumed, and a lot of hay being thrown at this event. I'm extremely thankful to *Wade and Diane Weathers* for hosting this year's hayride. Wade and Diane live just off Highway 110 on CR 2167 (Jim Russell Road) close to Whitehouse, TX. Their address is 9797 CR 2167. We are looking forward to a big turnout for our annual hayride on **November 10th**. If it is pouring down rain on November 10th save your goodies because the hayride will be moved to November 11th (same time and same place). Most of the food items will be provided, but we are asking that our parents sign up at the Visitor Center so that some items can be bought. We'd also like to invite all of our K-5th grade teachers to

BIBLE QUIZ

The East Texas Bible Quiz will begin in a few weeks. This year we will be studying the book of Acts. Nov. 12 & Mar. 4 are the quiz dates. West Erwin will host the Sunday, Nov. 12 quiz from 2:30 to 4:00. Quiz #1 will be over Acts 1-7 and quiz #2 will be over Acts 8-14. We will do both of those on Nov. 12. Keep watching for more details! This is a wonderful opportunity to study His Word! Take advantage of it! We will meet together on Sunday, Nov. 12 for lunch and work until 2:30, after which we will Take the Quiz.

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A few days later the farmer's son was riding the horse and was thrown off. He broke his leg and would not be able to help with the crop. "Oh no!" said the farmer, "now we will starve to death." So he went to the wise man and told him what happened. This time, I'm sure that this is the worst thing that could possibly have happened." To which the wise man replied, "Maybe so, maybe not." The next day troops arrived to take every able bodied man to the war that had just broken out. The farmer's son was the only one in the village who didn't have to go. The others would surely die.

We don't know what's going to happen -- we just think we do. James 4:14 says it this way in *The Message*. "You don't know the first thing about tomorrow." Jesus said, Why worry? Just seek his kingdom and his righteousness and let God work (Mt. 6:33-34)

this event. It is a time for great food, fun and fellowship so be sure to be present at the Weather's home beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Wow! The little ones sure have been active as of late. This summer they had 3 devotional/activities that they participated in (June, July, & August) in the Family Life Center. Back in June we had our *Summer Extravaganza* which specifically focused on this age group. Thanks to *Dale and Carolyn Blackstone* and others we just completed our 14th annual **Fall Festival**. Now it's time for our 4th annual **Kid's Kingdom Hayride**. Then sometime in December I hope that some of our parents/teachers will step up and organize a **Christmas Caroling** venture to a couple of our nursing homes. Sometime over the Christmas break I want to take the little ones to **Jumping Jack's Party Shack** for some fun jumping in their inflatable playground and having pizza for our meal. Keep your eyes and ears open for an upcoming announcement regarding this event. Things are going well with our Kid's Kingdom ministry. Classes are being taught, devotionals being held and activities are being planned and implemented. Let's give God the glory as this ministry continues to grow.



NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Vance and Jamie Metcalf on the birth of a baby boy on October 23. His name is Logan James and he weighed 7 lb. 9 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long. He was welcomed by big sisters Hannah, and Haley, and big brother, Luke.

"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."

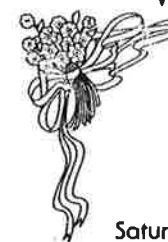
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UPCOMING MARRIAGE

Andy Baker and Kathryn Haschke will be married in Austin on November 11. West Erwin has helped to support Andy, son of our Kay Baker, for the last two years while he was attending the School of Biblical Studies in Austin. We would like to extend our best wishes to Andy and Kathryn as he begins his new work with the University church in San Marcos. If you would like to contribute toward a gift, please contact Debbie Bynum, Donna Mullins, or Gail Vannoy.

BAPTISM



We rejoice with **Toby Kennedy** as he made the most important decision in his life. He was baptized into Christ last Wednesday evening by his dad. He is the son of Odie and Dolores Kennedy and lives 17472 Creekside Drive, Lindale, 75771, ph. 882-6513.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome **Gaylan and Margie Seagler** into the West Erwin family. This dedicated Christian couple will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 12687 FM 850, 75707, ph. 903-566-1958.

Keith and Kim Johnson and their boys, **Brady** (6th grade) and **Cameron** (kindergarten), are a welcome addition to the West Erwin family and we look forward to our work together for the Lord. Kim is the daughter of Gaylan and Margie Seagler. Their address is 12236 South Hillcreek, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 871-8909.

We are delighted to welcome the **Garrett family, Carl and Shelli** and their lovely daughters, **Chelsea** (17), **Meleah** (14) and **Collene** (12) into our growing family. This family has been attending for some time and we hope to be a blessing to them as they have blessed us by their coming. Their address is Route 2, Box 1214, Bullard, 75757, ph. 894-4317.

Danny Riley came Sunday to make known his desire to be a part of the West Erwin church. He also requested prayers for forgiveness and for strength to renew a right relationship with God. His address is 18210 CR 2195, Whitehouse, TX 75791.

Phone # Correction: Deloris Bundy 903- 534-1120

HELP NEEDED

Do you remember what it felt like to be home with preschoolers? Here is your chance to help. A group of moms are meeting twice a month for a Bible study. We need a couple of responsible adults to watch our children while we spend some time in god's Word. We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays fro 10:00 to 12:00 at the Shiloh Road Church of Christ. The position pays \$10.00 per hour. If you are interested, please contact Angela Seals at 903-894-3833.

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HE MISSED THE POINT

In the August, 2006, issue of The Christian Chronicle a report was made on the Unity Meeting that had occurred between representatives of the churches of Christ and the Christian church. The basic issue in the meeting was the use of instrumental music in worship. While those who were involved found the ground for unity between the two groups elusive, it is not really that difficult. Since the instrument being introduced into worship over 100 years ago caused the division in the first place, the giving up of the instrument today will open the door to unity between the two groups. To speak of unity between the two groups while one continues to have instruments and one does not is far from real unity. In the same issue of The Christian Chronicle there was an interview between representatives of the paper and *Alan Highers*, a long time preacher of the gospel and an Appeals Court Judge in Tennessee. Highers argued that since the New Testament speaks of singing but does not speak of instruments in the worship of the church, the silence of Scripture prohibited the use of instruments. Then in the October, 2006, issue of the

Chronicle a letter to the editor took exception to the argument from "the silence of Scripture" by saying it would also exclude Sunday schools, church buildings, hymnals, etc. The author of the letter completely missed the point. Every command of God carries with it the authority to do whatever is necessary and expedient in carrying out that command. Of course, the Bible does not mention Sunday schools, church buildings, or hymnals but the Sunday school is a method of teaching the Word of God (something God wants done); God commands us to assemble and a building is a place to do what God commands; and the use of a hymnal is doing exactly what God said to do: sing. The silence of Scripture permits (authorizes) what is necessary or expedient in carrying out God's commandments, but does not authorize doing something other than, different from, or in addition to what God has said. It is precisely at this point that instrumental music is opposed: the Scripture says "sing" and the playing of instruments is something different from and in addition to what God has said.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sunday, October 29, 2006
By Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Born To Be Free"
(Galatians 1:1-5)
P.M. - "The Unknown Apostle"
(Galatians 1:18-24)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... by Danny

THANKS!

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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

THE BODY

It's amazing how the parts of our bodies depend on each other. For example you break your ankle. Is it just your ankle that is affected? Surely not! Your good leg will always take up the extra weight and stress. You may have to use crutches, making your arms work extra hard. Your back may get sore from over compensating, and the list goes on and on. The injured ankle affects most all of the other body parts.

I've also noticed the opposite to be true as well. A good foot rub or back rub seems to make the whole body feel better.

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Oct. 29 Fall Festival
Nov. 2 "CONNECT"
Nov. 12 Bible Quiz
Nov. 12 LTC Sign-Up
Nov. 17-19 Middle School Retreat
Nov. 20 West Erwin hosts Karing Kitchen

The church, the body of Christ, works the same way. Each member is important and vital to life. If one is dysfunctional, the whole body suffers. Conversely, the strength and success of one can greatly help the whole.

Who do you know that is spiritually injured and could use your strength? Why not come to their aid today? The best way to start is by praying. Here is your prayer starter: Holy Father, Your plan for us was humanly inconceivable. You created our bodies so all parts would work together and then You designed the church to do the same. Right now I'm not sure what role You intended for me ... or right now I'm not very active in the body and

Father, I want to fulfill Your plans to be everything You want me to be and I want to help others fulfill Your planned purpose for them as well. Help the West Erwin church to live and function as the body You have intended for us to be.

Torre has managed that ball club now for 11 years. The Yankees have won four World Series Championships under his guidance and several division and league championships. Through it all, Joe Torre's demeanor hasn't changed. He still looks cool, calm and collected over there sitting on the bench.

In my work with the church over the last 20+ years I've come to appreciate those who have a calm approach or rationale to problems that find their way into our churches. Their approach hasn't been to mandate their philosophy on the congregation regarding matters of opinion but instead to carefully think the problem through and then to make a decision on the matter. When problems of opinion arise they look beyond the present and think of how this problem can be solved without bulldozing over those who have opinions that differ from the majority. However, when problems of faith arise they entrench themselves firmly in the solid foundation of God's Word. I appreciate those calm, cool and collected members for they have given me something to shoot for and through their example I have become a better worker for the Kingdom of God. So thanks to those who are patient and who demonstrate their love for the church by presenting a cool, calm demeanor.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Joe Torre, the manager for the *New York Yankees*, has often been criticized for his calm demeanor during the course of a baseball game. When most of us would be fit to be tied because one of our players messed up a routine play, Joe Torre seems to take it very much in stride. I must admit when Torre managed my favorite team, the St. Louis Cardinals, back in the early 1990's his demeanor gave me fits as I watched games progress from my TV set. You can ask my wife, I would yell at the TV set: "Joe, you'd better get that pitcher out of the game, he's blowing it." Yet, there sat Joe Torre just as cool, calm and collected as you could imagine.

When the St. Louis Cardinals released Joe Torre I thought his life as a manager in the big leagues was finished. I certainly didn't think he'd be moving back to his hometown, New York City, to manage the Yankees under the oversight of one of baseball's most powerful owners, *George Steinbrenner*. Joe

IN APPRECIATION

Dear Christian Family,

Thank you so much for your many cards and calls while Shirley was having her cancer treatments this summer. Your prayers kept our family strong in very difficult times. We lost Shirley's dad, Bill Burleson, to cancer on September 24. Again, your cards of sympathy poured in and gave such comfort. The tub full of kitchen supplies was a great help and the flowers you sent were beautiful. Again, we thank you. We are so blessed to have a wonderful church family like West Erwin to support and pray for us.

In Christian love,
 Dick & Shirley McClenny &
 the family of Bill Burleson

Our Dear West Erwin family,

We are so thankful for your prayers and thoughts, cards and messages and moral support in the loss of our son-in-law, Gary Gibson. It meant so much to us to see the beautiful flowers from West Erwin. Thank you all.

Love,
 Mary Jo and Don Crowder

I want to thank everyone for the calls, cards and especially your prayers. Please keep me in your prayers.

Louise Culpepper

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held this week in Mt. Pleasant for Valera Porter, Sandie Martin's great aunt, who died last Saturday night. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Maj. Thomas Jordan, Joe Kennedy, Suzanne Linsaisen, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Allan Thomson, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel.

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME

The Medina Children's Home grocery truck will be in our area October 23-27. West Erwin has been asked to collect 500 packages *PAPER PLATES*. Also cash donations allows the purchase of milk, meat, fruit and vegetables.

NORTH TENNEHA CHURCH OF CHRIST SINGLES DAY

Sunday, October 29, 10:15 am & 2:00 pm

Patrick Worthy from Richardson

Theme: "Standing at the Crossroads" (Ephesians 6:12, 13)
 Please RSVP by Monday, October 9 to 903-593-6868 or e-mail
 ntcinfo@cox-internet.com

"Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply.
 Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God."



PLEASE NOTE:
 Tracts are available in the foyer

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Mrs. Deloris Bundy came Sunday to place membership with the West Erwin church. We are very pleased to welcome her into this church family Her address is 3137 Granbury Court, 75703, ph. 574-1128

Dwight and Billie Sue Sowles came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the West Erwin church. We are delighted to welcome them into our church family. Their address is 560 Dublin Ave., 75703, ph. 871-2444.

Virginia S. Cartwright has expressed her wish to be recognized as a member of the West Erwin family. She is a resident of Rosewood Estates, 506 Rice Road, #145, 75703, ph. 561-7744.



BRIDAL SHOWER

Honoring
 Jennifer Knight

(daughter of Grant & Leanne & granddaughter of Roger and Jan)
 Sunday, October 29, 2006, 2:00 - 3:30

2110 Dover Lane (in Ashmore)

Selections: R.L. Davis, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Dillard's, & Target Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation.

HELP NEEDED

Do you remember what it felt like to be home with preschoolers? Here is your chance to help. A group of moms are meeting twice a month for a Bible study. We need a couple of responsible adults to watch our children while we spend some time in god's Word. We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 10:00 to 12:00 at the Shiloh Road Church of Christ. The position pays \$10.00 per hour. If you are interested, please contact Angela Seals at 903-894-3833.

SHOP AND HELP

You have the opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts online at <http://www.beautipage.com/shellysustaire/> and help Brice at the same time. His family plans to use any profits earned from these sales to purchase an in-home overhead lift system for Brice who has muscular dystrophy and is no longer able to walk or stand. This lift (approximate cost between \$10,000 - \$20,000 and not covered by insurance or by MDA) will allow anyone providing care for Brice to lift and care for him in his home for the rest of his life. Thanks for your prayers and support.

UPCOMING MARRIAGE

Andy Baker and Kathryn Haschke will be married in Austin on November 11. West Erwin has helped to support Andy, son of our Kay Baker, for the last two years while he was attending the School of Biblical Studies in Austin. We would like to extend our best wishes to Andy and Kathryn as he begins his new work with the University church in San Marcos. If you would like to contribute toward a gift, please contact Debbie Bynum, Donna Mullins, or Gail Vannoy.



Daylight Savings Time ends.
 Set your clocks BACK
 I hour Saturday night.

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart



aired each Sunday
 at 10:00 a.m. On KYTX-19

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Records	Sunday Oct. 15	Sunday Oct. 8	Year Ago
Bible Class	478	428	436
Worship A.M.	674	675	595
Worship P.M.	NS	374	417
Wed. P.M.	350	325	351
Contribution	\$28,296.37	\$21,706.59	\$19,092.46
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	10-8-06 Bldg. \$445.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, October 22 and Wed., Oct. 25: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Fred Powell had successful surgery Monday in Houston. **Kay Parrish** is in Mother Frances. **Melvin Crow** is in Mother Frances. **James Phillips** is in Mother Frances, room 4414, has been given 10 units of blood. **Maxine Ray** is in ETMC after knee replacement surgery Monday. **Sylvia Tharpe's** eye problem has recurred. **Sam Kennedy**, Karen Fedell's dad, is having tests after being diagnosed with esophagus cancer. **Michelle Lee**, Don & Norma Durham's granddaughter, got a good report after surgery. **Faye Lanford**, Morris Hallman's mother, is in ETMC rehab following a recent stroke. Continue to remember **Vera Beard**; **Jacque Biggar**, Teen Matysiak's daughter; **Henry Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Alan Cook**, Judy Mitcham & Tom Cook's dad; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Louise Culpepper**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Lori Gorman**, Tammy Lemons' cousin; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Frank Haddock**, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law; **Buck Hamilton**; **Jerry Howard**; **Keith Howard**, Jerry & Becky's son; **Nicole Largent**, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Shirley McClenny**; **Carolyn McCune**; **Ruth Mezell**; **W.A. Monk**; **Doris Pearson**; **Charlotte Rhea**; **Mary Richey**; **R.J. Roddy**, Patsy Fisher's dad; **Odell Sessions**; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Bertie Steel**, Carolyn Blackstone's mother; **Carolyn Stitt**; **Carl Stowers**; **Don Stringer**, Jack's brother; **Pattie Tate**; **Bill Thompson**; **Gloria Thigpen**; and **Sarah Turner**, Rebekah Carnathan's cousin; & **Ronny Williams**, Bob May's cousin.

MINISTERS		ASSEMBLIES	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education	SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth	Bible School 9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A.M.
MISSIONS		Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.	(Sept through May)
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges	Evening Worship Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
ELDERS		June-Aug 6:00 P.M.	7:00 P.M.
Jay Bynum	Don Durham	TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
Ron Lott	Phil Marts	Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy	11:30 A.M.	(903) 592-0809
	Leon Welborn		
	Fred Wingate		

**SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY**

Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer Bob Hackett
Scripture David Gravley
Dismiss Leon Welborn

**PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Tim Grounds**

Prayer Todd Hancock
Scripture Dayne Harris
Dismiss Ralph Henderson

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Cooper Goodson James Gullion
Ira Groom Nathan Grounds
Ernie Gordon Tim Grounds
David Gravley Richard Gregory

GREETERS

Stan & Ernestine Mallory & Dalton Harris
Phil & Linda Marts & Drew Harris
Jim & Priscilla Mayer & Ryan Haws
Visitor Center: Don & Norma Durham
Joe & Frances McBee

Pick up cards October 22: Carson Hancock, Justin Parrish, Sean Denman, Tanner Perry, & Chase Mink

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, October 22:
Nursery a.m.: Rhonda Haws; Nursery p.m.: Carolyn Welborn; Toddlers a.m.: Patti Grounds & girls; Toddlers p.m.: Diane Weathers & girls; 2's: Marc & Ginger Philpot; 3's & 4's: Will & Stephanie Christian.

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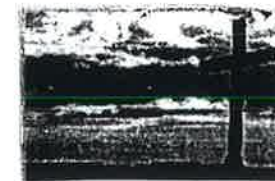
HERE'S A QUESTION FOR YOU

In my fifty years of preaching I have seen many changes in the church -- some good; some bad; some indifferent. I have lived long enough to see the churches of Christ come from "the other side of the tracks" in many places to build facilities that are second to none and filled with people who are leaders in their communities. I would say that may be a good thing. I have seen our ministers become better trained and better prepared than previously was the case and that may be a good thing. I have seen us take advantage of the explosion in technology and we have more and better teaching aids than ever before. That, too, may be a good thing. However, there are other areas where I have seen changes that are detrimental to who we are what we are to do. *First*, there is the way we have come to view Scripture. I am seeing more and more evidence that many of our people follow "I think" or "I believe" rather than "the Bible says." Scripture is said by these folks to need to be adapted to our changing culture so that it will be more acceptable. Of course, our job is not to adapt to but change the culture. In matters of methodology and getting the attention of outsiders, we can do anything that doesn't violate Scripture, but at some point people must be confronted by the teachings, the

commandments, and the authority of the Bible. In Peter's words, we need to "speak as the oracles of God" (I Peter 4:11). *Second*, there is the way we dress for church. In regard to dress there is always the matter of modesty (I Timothy 2:9), a word that means "well-arranged, decent, well-ordered, discreet." While it may be difficult to pinpoint an exact definition of what is or what is not modest, we know it when we see it! Parents can help kids in these things and perhaps the time has come for kids to help parents! Here are some questions about dress: If you were meeting the President of the United States, what would you wear and why? If you were going to a wedding or a funeral, what would you wear and why? When you go to worship God, what do you wear and why? If you are making a statement by what you wear, why not rethink the whole issue? *Third*, there is what Stan Mitchell, in a recent Gospel Advocate article, called convenient Christianity. This is what Mitchell described as convenience over commitment, failing to distinguish between the sacred and the profane, standing for nothing and falling for anything, and self-serving instead of Savior-serving. In short, convenient Christianity doesn't interfere with everyday life. How sad! Think about it!

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sunday, October 22, 2006

By Dr. Jay Lockhart

**A.M. "A Final Question From Jesus"
(Matthew 24:42-47)**

**P.M. - "Some Final Questions For Jesus"
(Matthew 22:35-40)**

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AREA WIDE HIGH SCHOOL "GATHERING"

High School students are invited to be a part of the area wide this Sunday. We will leave right after church on Sunday morning to go to Quitman for an afternoon of activities. You will need money for lunch on the way. Don't miss it!

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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

CHURCH ACCORDING TO JESUS

"... upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hades will not overpower it" (Matthew 16:18). In one simple statement Jesus says more about church than a boat load of theologians. *First*, He says He will build it, not "upon this rock you will build my church." Jesus is the builder. Trust Him to do the building. *Secondly*, it's His church. He bought the church with His own blood. The church belongs to Jesus. *Thirdly*, building means it's growing. Growing in the sense of reproducing itself. Jesus also said, "I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds" (John 12:24). His church is a dying church ... dying to themselves. In this dying, Jesus gives the growth. *Next*, the church that is growing will face opposition. Satan opposes the church. Expect it. If there is no opposition then we are no danger to Satan and his kingdom.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

It seems to me that we have many advantages in living in the 21st century that we didn't have just a few years ago. For example, take the computer. Many of us who have been working with the church for 20+ years can easily tell you the benefits that our computers have had on our ministry. Consider just how easy it is to put the bulletin together as compared to a few years ago. Also consider the resources we have literally at our fingertips in putting together our classes that we teach or our sermons that we deliver. Computers truly have been a blessing in our work. However, when you consider the benefits it certainly wouldn't hurt to look at some of the disadvantages that have come about because of computers. It makes me sad to think of the millions upon millions of our young men in this nation and throughout the world that will get hooked on pornography because of its availability on line. It's also sad to think about all of the young children who have become involved with pedophiles because of

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Lastly, the church Jesus builds is unstoppable. We are called to be warriors. We are called to be light in darkness. We are called to ride out and meet the enemy. We are called to set captives free and send the enemy running. This is the church according to Jesus. This is the church we were always meant to be.

Pictorial Directories

Tuesday, October 17, is a full day of picture taking. If you were scheduled for that day, please don't miss it. This is the last day!

Name Tags

We have lots of new faces and names are getting harder to learn. What a great problem! Name tags help. Not only do the newer members need to wear them, but they need to see our names in print as well. If your tag needs repair, please call the church office. Better yet, why not meet some of the new members and take them out to lunch ... let's go beyond the tags! Let's be family!

the computer. As far as ministers go, even though the computer has made our job a little easier to perform, for some unknown reason we still can't seem to find time to go make visits, get out of our houses/offices and care for the hurting within our community as we should. It seems like if we have to come up with an excuse not to minister, we can quite readily think of one.

Computers, depending on how we use them, can be of great benefit for the Kingdom of God or they can be a great snare that Satan uses to trap us. We can and should use this great tool for the glory of God.

I said all of that to say this: *Kim DuPree* has focused a lot of her time recently updating the West Erwin web page. If you haven't looked at it lately, please take a few minutes and see the improvements. Be sure to log in and you can find out virtually everything that is going on here at West Erwin. You will also have the opportunity to learn about various ministries, classes, and activities that you can become involved in. Let's use our computers for the glory of God and watch His Kingdom grow.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the kindness shown to our family during the tragedy of last week. The food, calls, cards, visits, and love shown will always be appreciated and remembered. We love you all.

Stan & Ernestine Mallory
Dawn, Neal, Tara & Bonnie
Tessyman

To our West Erwin Family,

Thank you so much for the events of last Sunday in honor of our 50 years in ministry. The dinner, the program, and the monetary gift were all overwhelming to us. Again, thank you for your wonderful outpouring of love. The Jay Lockharts

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last week in Bertam, Texas for Billie Price, Tommy Price's sister-in-law. David Knight, Shelly Sustaire's cousin's 30 year old husband, was found dead by their 13 year old son in Cabbot, Arkansas last Thursday. Kallie Templeton, Shirley Denman's great niece, was killed Sunday in a car accident in Longview. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

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LADIES DAY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2006

The Crockett Road Church of Christ in Palestine invites you to a special day to hear **Carol Morgan** of New Summerfield, Texas speak on "The Fruits of the Spirit." Registration at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts; seminar is 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, with lunch provided.

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME

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CELL PHONES VS BIBLE

I wonder what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phones?
What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?
What if we turned back to get it if we forgot it?
What if we flipped through it several times a day?
What if we used it to receive messages from the text?
What if we treated it like we couldn't afford to live without it?
What if we gave it to kids as gifts?
What if we used it as we traveled?
What if we used it in case of an emergency?
What if we upgraded it to get the latest version?
It's just something to think about ...
Something to make you say hmmm, and where's my Bible?

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are delighted to welcome **Jim and Allyson Hartt** into the West Erwin family. They have two children, Megan (a college senior at Stephen F. Austin) and Mitchell (a high school senior at R.E. Lee). They have been attending here for some time and we know they will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 5818 Brynmar Court, 75703, ph. 581-5123.

NEW ADDRESS: John & Phyllis Lacy, 18658 Walnut Dr., Flint, 75762, ph. 894-3434.

BABY SHOWER

Honoring Rebecca Carnathan
(it's a boy)



Saturday, October 21, 10:30-11:30 am
in the Family Life Center

Selections: Target & Toys R Us

Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation

BRIDAL SHOWER

Honoring
Jennifer Knight



(daughter of Grant & Leanne & granddaughter of Roger and Jan)

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HOLLY LAKE LECTURES - OCTOBER 22-25

You are cordially invited to attend a series of lectures on: *The End Times* at the Holly Lake Church of Christ, 3173 South FM 2869, Hawkins, Texas ph. 903-769-3031 for more details
Sun. - 9:00 & 9:45 am & 6:00 pm, Mon. - Wed. 7:00 pm
Speakers: Dr. Stafford North, Dr. Bill Banowsky, Dr. Jay Lockhart, & Dr. Ronnie Wiggins

GOSPEL MEETING

Church of Christ, 2700 Chandler St., Kilgore, Texas
October 22-25, 7 p.m. Mon. - Wed.
Kyle Bolton of Keller, Texas, guest speaker

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

The West Erwin Playschool is in need of substitute teachers on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you love children, this is the place for you! Please contact Terry Shaw if you are interested.

PLEASE NOTE: Tracts are available in the foyer .



Sunday evening worship services
@ 5:00 p.m. September through May.

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Records	Sunday Oct. 8	Sunday Oct. 1	Year Ago
Bible Class	428	384	374
Worship A.M.	675	642	576
Worship P.M.	374	336	355
Wed. P.M.	325	375	350
Contribution	\$21,706.59	\$24,434.51	\$22,431.52
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	10-8-06 Bldg. \$445.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, October 15 and Wed., Oct. 18: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Warren Gray is at home after being hospitalized with heart problems. Fred Powell is recovering after recent bypass surgery. Carolyn McCune is scheduled for another back procedure Friday. Joe McBee had a back procedure last Thursday. Carl Stowers has a possible heart problem which may require surgery. Michelle Lee, Don & Norma Durham's granddaughter, is scheduled for thyroid surgery October 13. Don Stringer, Jack's brother, is in rehab after having his lower leg amputated. Faye Lanford, Morris Hallman's mother, is in ETMC after suffering a stroke last week. Continue to remember Vera Beard; Jacque Biggar, Teen Matusiak's daughter; Henry Brown; Delle Bullard; Alan Cook, Judy Mitcham & Tom Cook's dad; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Louise Culpepper; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Lori Gorman, Tammy Lemons' cousin; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Frank Haddock, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law; Buck Hamilton; Mark Hammond, David's brother; Jerry Howard; Keith Howard, Jerry & Becky's son; Nicole Largent, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Shirley McClenny; Ruth Meazell; W.A. Monk; Kay Parrish; Doris Pearson; Charlotte Rhea; Mary Richey; R.J. Roddy, Patsy Fisher's dad; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; Bertie Steel, Carolyn Blackstone's mother; Carolyn Stitt; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Bill Thompson; Gloria Thigpen; and Sarah Turner, Rebekah Carnathan's cousin; & Ronny Williams, Bob May's cousin.

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Cooper Goodson	James Gullion
Ira Groom	Nathan Grounds
Ernie Gordon	Tim Grounds
David Gravley	Richard Gregory

GREETERS
Todd & Kenna Kempton & Patrick Garrett
Odie & Dolores Kennedy & Hannah Grounds
Carroll & Cherrie Magee & Preston Haile
Visitor Center: Ray & Carolyn Womack
Louise Seabery

Pick up cards October 15 & 22: Carson Hancock, Justin Parrish, Sean Denman, Tanner Perry, & Chase Mink

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, October 15:
Nursery a.m.: Carolyn Welborn; Nursery p.m.: Rhonda Haws; Toddlers a.m.: Diane Weathers & girls; Toddlers p.m.: Patti Grounds & girls; 2's: Mark & Melissa Frick; 3's & 4's: Shanon & Anglea Seals.

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SALVATION ISSUES

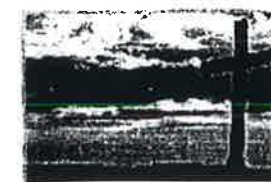
Three men, so the story goes, applied for the school bus driver job. The driving test included the question, "If you were driving a bus load of children to school and at the side of the road there was a steep drop off, how close could you come to the edge without endangering the children's lives?" The first applicant said he could come within two feet of the drop off. The second applicant said he could come within one foot of the drop off. The third applicant said that he would not see how close he could get to the drop off at all, but would stay as far away from it as possible. Who do you think got the job? It's pretty easy to see the wisdom in the reply of the third applicant, isn't it? Stay as far away from trouble as possible when the safety of children is the issue. In a recent sermon I mentioned the fact that some brethren are now talking about "salvation issues" in regard to the commandments of God. If by "salvation issues" one means that we are to obey certain commandments of God but we have the freedom to ignore other commandments because they are of "lesser importance" and are, therefore, not "salvation issues," I object. Should we try to see how close we can get to the edge without falling off, or should we stay back

as far as possible from the edge ... for safety's sake? *First*, we are in no position to make such decisions. How can we know what is of greater or lesser importance unless God tells us so in Scripture? Some things in Scripture are more important than others (of first importance is the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ -- I Corinthians 15:1-4), but we can know that only when God says it. *Second*, all of God's commandments are important although some things are "weightier" than others. Jesus said to the Jews under the Law of Moses that justice, mercy, and faith were weightier than the tithing of table spices. Yet even here Jesus said the weightier matters should have been done and the other things should not have been left undone (Matthew 23:23). The part of wisdom is to hear the words of Jesus and to do them (Matthew 7:24-28), rather than to look at each of his commandments and then try to select some as "salvation issues" and others as optional. Where does man think he can find the knowledge, the wisdom, and the understanding to make such decisions? It just may be that God considers all that he says to be important and he may consider all of his commandments as "salvation issues"

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sunday, October 15, 2006
By Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Three Additional Questions From Jesus"
(Matthew 16:24-28)
P.M. - No evening service

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

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THANKS!

Thanks to Mark & Melissa Frick, Tara Kilgore & Lisa Snell for helping with the devotional this past Sunday.

"CONNECT"

High School Students: Join us each Thursday evening from 7:00-8:00 for an uplifting time to "Connect" to God and each other. For the month of October, we will meet at Chloe & Keaton Ainsworth's home, 1708 Wendover Place, in Tyler. Invite a friend to join us.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

ONE NEEDED STORY

The Old Testament story of Jonah is given to us because we are people who struggle with faith and submission. Knowing Jonah, who was a prophet of God would be holier than we are, yet what we find is a man who runs from God, refusing to do what God commands. After 72 hours in the belly of distress, he calls out to God and God gives him a second chance. Even then, when he doesn't get his way he sulks.

So, as I read this story I realize that this is not about Jonah, nor a fish, nor an entire city that repents. It's about us. We fall. We fail. We are not who we want to be as often as we'd like. Our good intentions are easily knocked

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

According to the *American Heritage Dictionary*, the word *ability* means: "the quality of being able to do something; to acquire a skill or talent." According to the same dictionary, the word *capability* means: "the quality of being able to live up to one's ability." Even though these two definitions seem close in meaning, they are really miles and miles apart.

Gary Pinkel, the head football coach for the Missouri Tigers, distinguishes between ability and capability this way: "Ability will get you into the game; capability will get you to the end zone." Gary Pinkel is exactly right.

There are many of us who work with the church, who attend worship services weekly, and who go to many of the church activities, who have the ability to get into the game. We know every "i" that needs to be dotted and every "t" that needs to be crossed. We can quote the Great Commission frontwards and backwards. When people have a biblical question they need

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IMPORTANT DATES

Oct. 15	Small Groups Meet
Oct. 19	"CONNECT"
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over; we disappoint ourselves; we disappoint others. We make promises. We assure ourselves of imminent change, but then we blow it. We live every day in a world desperately in need of grace. We need it and we need to extend it. I pray these thoughts will help you this week as you walk and live in this world.

The Medina Children's Home Change For Children

Please pick up a can in the foyer to participate. Cans will need to be turned back in by December 17.

DONATIONS FOR BENEVOLENCE CENTER

Please plan to make your donations when the building is occupied which is Tuesday or Thursday mornings. Other times may be available with an appointment through the church office.

answered they often come to us. Don't get me wrong, all the traits I just mentioned are well and good but are we satisfied with just being on the field or do we want to score a touchdown? There are a lot of mediocre football teams that play each Friday night who are content to simply take the field but the teams that excel know how to get the ball to the end zone. These teams are easy to find because you consistently see them in post season play. What about us? What about Christians? Haven't we been called to a higher purpose? Is God satisfied with us simply showing up at church each Sunday or is He expecting much, much more out of us. We can talk about ways to grow the church, we can design elaborate ministries attempting to fulfill the Great Commission. We can even have "experts" come in and talk to us, attempting to point us in the right direction but the bottom line is that God is relying on each one of us individually to take the Great Commission seriously and to take our God given talent (ability) and to get into the end zone (capability). What are you doing to win the victory, showing up or pressing on toward the mark?



IN APPRECIATION

As always your prayers mean so much to me, as do the calls, cards, visits, and food. Thank you so much. We love you.

Ruth & Bill Meazell

We would like to thank everyone for the calls, cards, and especially the prayers during Cliff's recent illness and hospitalization.

Cliff & Thlema Nolley

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held Tuesday in Midland for Don and Mary Jo Crowder's son-in-law, who was killed last weekend in a car accident in which one other person was killed and several were injured. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Maj. Thomas Jordan, Joe Kennedy, Suzanne Linsaisen, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Allan Thomson, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel.

WOMEN'S HEALTH & WELLNESS CONFERENCE

North Tenneha Church of Christ Renaissance Center

This conference, October 14th - 9:00 am to 2:45 pm, is designed to educate and heighten awareness of the special care required to maintain the living temple that our heavenly father has so freely loaned us for a season. Honor yourself by embracing wellness and preventive health practices to facilitate your best self throughout all stages of your life. Make plans to attend this day of learning, sharing and fellowship.

NORTH TENNEHA CHURCH OF CHRIST SINGLES DAY

Sunday, October 29, 10:15 am & 2:00 pm

Patrick Worthy from Richardson

Theme: "Standing at the Crossroads" (Ephesians 6:12, 13)

Please RSVP by Monday, October 9 to 903-593-6868 or e-mail nttccinfo@cox-internet.com

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME

The Medina Children's Home grocery truck will be in our area October 23-27. West Erwin has been asked to collect 500 packages *PAPER PLATES*. Also cash donations allows the purchase of milk, meat, fruit and vegetables.

LADIES DAY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2006

The Crockett Road Church of Christ in Palestine invites you to a special day to hear **Carol Morgan** of New Summerfield, Texas speak on "The Fruits of the Spirit." Registration at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts; seminar is 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, with lunch provided.

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome **Curtis and Mary Lu Pruett** back home to West Erwin. They were members here before moving to Georgetown, and now have moved back to Tyler. Their address is 8231 Yale, 57703, ph. 939-2868.

We are happy to welcome **Lon and Loriece Gibson** into the West Erwin family. Their address is 16930 Kingswood, Flint, 75762, ph. 825-6966.

New Phone #: Lela Duncan, 13659 FM 2662, Flint, 75762, ph. 939-9320

BRIDAL SHOWER

You're invited to a Bridal Shower honoring Emily Combs



bride-elect of Nicholas Blaylock

Sunday, October 15, immediately following all church fellowship In the Family Life Center

Selections: Dillard's, Bed, Bath & Beyond & Wal-Mart Ladies, please consider this your personal

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE

WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Toole

Request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter

Amy Rebecca

to Kevin Derrick Hanley

son of Mr. & Mrs. James David Hanley

on Saturday, the fourteenth of October, two thousand six

at five o'clock in the afternoon

Roseland Plantation, Ben Wheeler, Texas



BABY SHOWER

Honoring

Rebecca Carnathan

(it's a boy)

Saturday, October 21, 10:30-11:30 am

in the Family Life Center

Selections: Target & Toys R Us

Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation

CONGRATULATIONS!

Johnny and Jo Anders celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary October 8. David and Wanda Frick celebrated their 53rd anniversary October 9. Don and Nerene Ingram celebrated their 41st anniversary October 8. We rejoice with these couples in these happy milestones in their lives.

ALL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

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David Frick Mark Frick
Tanner Fedell Austin Fisher

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Tom & Beverly Hale

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WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

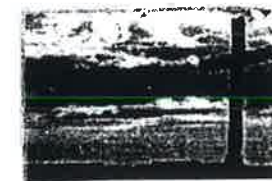
It seems that more and more people look at religion and the Bible as a buffet from which they can pick and choose what best suits their wants. Is that the way it should be, or should we be more interested in what we need and in what God wants? What child could grow up to be a healthy adult who ate only what appealed to him? What parent would allow that to happen? However, my emphasis here is what most want and what people need. *First*, people need and generally want to touch the Transcendent. We all long for God, whether we realize it or not. Do you know why this is true? God put that longing in us (Romans 1:19; Psalm 42:1). What a wonderful opportunity we have as the church to share the Transcendent with those who attend our worship assemblies! People should be able, through the quality of our worship, as we simply seek to worship God in spirit and in truth, to have this need fulfilled. *Second*, people need and usually want to know their identity and worth. People are made in God's image (though fallen because of sin), are worth dying for (the cross proves that), and God wants them in heaven (that is the destiny of the Christian). The message of the church, the simple gospel, should fulfill this

need. *Third*, people need and want to belong. And the church is a community of believers who, in obedience to the gospel, have entered into Christ and by the grace of God they belong to His family. We should emphasize this in word and deed. *Fourth*, people need and want to be more than they are -- to be transformed. The teaching of the church emphasizes the possibility of the transformed life in Jesus Christ. *Fifth*, people need and want to live with purpose. The Word that we preach is the message of living with meaning and purpose. What a wonderful opportunity the Lord has given to the church to be the agent to proclaim a message that meets both needs and wants and when these two things are the same, people have discovered something important. To effectively be the church and to be used by God to speak to universal needs and wants, we must exhibit Christ-likeness and we must be the light of the world and the salt of the earth by carefully knowing, following, and speaking the Word of God faithfully. The opportunity is too great and the task is too important for us to fail. Are we seeking to be faithful?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sunday, October 8, 2006
By Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Three More Questions From Jesus"
(Matthew 11:16-19)
P.M. "Three More Questions For Jesus"
(Matthew 18:1-5)

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MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

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A BLESSED CHURCH

Most often we describe a "blessed church" as one with the parking lot full on Sunday morning, a budget in the black, a list of new members, a good youth group, a climbing Bible class count, and a wonderful preacher who proclaims great sermons. All these qualities are great assets which we proudly claim at West Erwin. Yet, the Lord's church exists to be a sign of the kingdom of God on this earth. We are to be the light and hope this side of heaven; the example where giving and serving hold higher values than hoarding, gaining, and controlling. The submission above individual rights and freedom. Therefore, the church does not exist for itself, but exists

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Parents of our kindergarten through 5th grades, let me take a moment to update some upcoming activities we have planned for this group. On October 7th you and your children are invited to view "Everyone's Hero" at the Carmike 14 theaters. This movie was produced by FoxFaith and has been recommended by many critics as a good, wholesome movie that the entire family will enjoy. As far as the time for this movie I cannot pinpoint that because Carmike theaters do not even know as of right now, but we will try to make it the first showing after the noon hour (I'm guessing 12:05 or 12:10). Then on October 29th, immediately following our Sunday evening services, we will have our annual Fall Festival. This is always a highlight of the year for our younger ones. On November 10th at 6:00 p.m. Wade and Diane Weathers will host our annual hay ride for our kindergarten through 5th graders and their families.

BIBLE QUIZ

The East Texas Bible Quiz will begin in a few months. This year we will be studying the book of Acts. This year, there will be a couple of changes in our format. We will be doing only 2 quiz days. Each quiz day will include 2 quizzes. The other major change is that it will be held on Sunday afternoons. Nov. 12 & Mar. 4 are the dates for this school year. West Erwin will host the Nov. 12 quiz from 2:30 to 4:00. Quiz #1 will be over Acts 1-7 and quiz #2 will be over Acts 8-14. Keep watching for more details! This is a wonderful opportunity to study His Word! Take advantage of it! Our first Study Session will be Oct. 22.

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for the purpose of giving itself away as Jesus did. We are the sign of the kingdom on earth and we must never take this responsibility lightly.

Have a great week and don't forget your responsibilities. You are the church of Jesus Christ every day and the church of Christ everywhere you go.

CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

The Medina Children's Home have their annual change for children cans now available. Please pick yours up in the foyer and have them back by December 17. Thank you in advance for your support.

WSM CAR CARE

(Widows & Singles Mothers)
Saturday, October 7, 9:00 - 11:00 am
at the church building

I completed my class for our 2nd through 5th grade on September 27th. We had some wonderful classes and we all enjoyed our time together but as of last week we were all back in our regular classrooms and many of us could breathe a sigh of relief.

The next phase of our remodeling project is due to be completed by December 1, 2006. I know our preschool teachers are also ready to be back in their regular classrooms. Once the remodeling is completed you will be able to walk into the educational wing of our building and see an organized flow to our classrooms beginning with the 2 year olds. This will make it much more user friendly for our visitors. It will also give at least one of our adult classes a much bigger room to meet in.

We've already moved our young professionals' class to the old high school room. This will be their permanent room. They've already planned some work projects for that room to get it brightened up a little bit.

So, starting December 1st, if all goes as planned, we will all be back on a regular schedule of classes.



IN APPRECIATION

Thank you so much for the beautiful basket of flowers sent in memory of our mother, Beth Carruth. Thank you also for all the cards, calls, and prayers. Your expressions of love mean everything to us.

Les & Carolyn Carruth
Randy & Linda Foreman

To our West Erwin Family,

Thank you for all your visits, gifts, food, and especially your prayers. We appreciate all you have done to encourage and help us on this long journey. I am home now and doing much better.

For Him,
Kay Parrish

I would like to thank everyone for each expression of love and care at the illness and death of my stepson, Lon Hearne. The flowers, calls, cards and especially your prayers were greatly appreciated.

Ruth Hearne

To my church family,

Thank you so much for all your prayers, cards, and calls regarding my recovery from surgery. I'm anxious to be back and available again. You are the best!

Don Crawford

To our Loving & Caring Church Family,

Sharon and I feel so very blessed. Being supported by cards, phone calls, personal inquiries over this past year, and especially your prayers have given us the encouragement to be able to withstand all the trials Kimberlee has gone through. Today, Monday, October 2, 2006, was her last treatment. She has had 156 individual chemo treatments, countless units of chemicals, 4 surgeries and never complained. With the love that only comes through God, we thank you!!

Sharon & Ernie Gordon

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held Thursday in Crockett for Truman Smith, James Gullion's brother-in-law. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

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North Tenneha Church of Christ Renaissance Center
This conference, October 14th - 9:00 am to 2:45 pm, is designed to educate and heighten awareness of the special care required to maintain the living temple that our heavenly father has so freely loaned us for a season. Honor yourself by embracing wellness and preventive health practices to facilitate your best self throughout all stages of your life. Make plans to attend this day of learning, sharing and fellowship.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

We are very pleased to welcome **Blair Ethridge** into the West Erwin family. She is a young lady from the Keller Church of Christ who is attending college here and she wants West Erwin to be her home congregation. Her address is 4901 Kinsey Dr. #1421, 75703.

BRIDAL SHOWER

You're invited to a
Bridal Shower honoring
Emily Combs
bride-elect of
Nicholas Blaylock
Sunday, October 15, 3:00 - 4:30
In the Family Life Center



Selections: Dillard's, Bed, Bath & Beyond & Wal-Mart
Ladies, please consider this your personal invitation

WEDDING INVITATION



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Toole
Request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Amy Rebecca

to Kevin Derrick Hanley
son of Mr. & Mrs. James David Hanley
on Saturday, the fourteenth of October, two thousand six
at five o'clock in the afternoon
Roseland Plantation, Ben Wheeler, Texas

ALL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

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There will be no evening service that day

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SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

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LADIES DAY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2006

The Crockett Road Church of Christ in Palestine invites you to a special day to hear **Carol Morgan** of New Summerfield, Texas speak on "The Fruits of the Spirit." Registration at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts; seminar is 10:00 am - 1:00 pm, with lunch provided. Please RSVP @903-723-6291 with approximate number to attend by October 10.



Sunday evening worship services
@ 5:00 p.m. September through May.

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Worship A.M.	696	665	592
Worship P.M.	418	433	386
Wed. P.M.	365	370	395
Contribution	\$24,677.42	\$22,520.08	\$19,921.16
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	9-24-06 Bldg. \$1,190.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, October 1 and Wed., Oct. 4: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Fred Powell had successful bypass surgery last Friday. Louise Culpepper had a heart cath Friday. Don Crawford had surgery Monday in Dallas. Carolyn McCune had a back procedure Thursday. Ruth Ellis is ill at home with pneumonia. Bertie Steele, Carolyn Blackstone's mother, is beginning treatment for lung cancer. R.J. Roddy, Patsy Fisher's dad, had surgery Wednesday at ETMC. Truman Smith, James Gullion's brother-in-law, is in critical condition in ETMC. Continue to remember Vera Beard; Jacque Biggar, Teen Matusiak's daughter; Henry Brown; Delle Bullard; Alan Cook, Judy Mitcham & Tom Cook's dad; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Lela Duncan; Shane Durham; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Lori Gorman, Tammy Lemons' cousin; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Frank Haddock, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law; Buck Hamilton; Mark Hammond, David's brother; Jerry Howard; Keith Howard, Jerry & Becky's son; Nicole Largent, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter; Michelle Hughes Lee, Don & Norma Durham's granddaughter; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Shirley McClenny; Ruth Meazell; W.A. Monk; Cindy Pace's mother; Kay Parrish; Doris Pearson; Charlotte Rhea; Mary Richey; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; David Stevens, Bettye Price's brother; Carolyn Stitt; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Lonnie Taylor, Nelda Browning's brother; Sylvia Tharpe; Bill Thompson; Gloria Thigpen; and Sarah Turner, Rebekah Camathan's cousin; & Ronny Williams, Bob May's cousin.

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Rick Fedell Jerry Frick
David Frick Mark Frick
Tanner Fedell Austin Fisher

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Howard & Linda Dickson & Christina Denman
Don & Norma Durham & Sean Denman
Visitor Center: Jack & Johnnie Stringer
John & Virginia Pike

Pick up cards October 1 & October 8: Matthew Kimball, Brayden Kempton, Spencer Shaw, George Richardson, & Grant Perkins.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, October 1:
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Toddlers a.m.: Melissa Parrish & kids; Toddlers p.m.: Kris Walker & Maselyn; 2's: Brody & Kim Clark; 3's & 4's: Stefan & Rebeca Andrews.

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THE NEXT FIFTY YEARS

Fifty years ago in October, the now widely circulated magazine, Christianity Today, was born. As the magazine approaches its fiftieth birthday, its editors asked 114 leaders from the evangelicals (people considered generally to be conservative in their approach to religion) what they believed the priorities in religion should be over the next fifty years. Is there anything in the answers given from which we can learn? Here is what they said. *First*, those surveyed believed there must be faithfulness in proclaiming the Word of God to a pluralistic culture (a culture that believes nearly any belief is acceptable) with emphasis upon reaching males (husbands, fathers, men) who in turn can reach women and children. *Second*, those involved in youth ministry wondered if their future work could be done in such a way as to assure that young people they touch will be

active in their faith and in the church into their adult years. *Third*, emphasis should be placed, to a greater degree than before upon taking the gospel message with the exclusive claims of Christ to Asia, Africa, and China -- high population areas with the possibility of high receptivity when the gospel is both lived and preached. *Fourth*, since the gospel message never changes, emphasis should be placed upon presenting that message in a spirit of genuine humility more than upon innovation and compromise. *Fifth*, the Christian message must engage the world and the issues of the 21st century head on, including being good stewards of human life, the earth, or our finances. *Sixth*, going to the world with optimism that God is opening doors of opportunity for the gospel as we preach the whole gospel to the whole world in this generation. Is there anything there for us?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1

Sunday, October 1, 2006
A.M. "The Bible Is A Book On Giving"
(James 1:17-25)
by Dean Brookshire
P.M. Mission Report
Walker Weathers & David Wicks

"The Church With Heart"



WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Wednesday in Houston for James May, Bob May's brother. Services were held Saturday in Denton for Beth Carruth, Les Carruth's mother. Services were held Wednesday in Tyler for Bill Burleson, Shirley McClenny's dad. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Dan and Wini Cullinan on the birth of a new great granddaughter! Ashlyn Faith Pieper was born September 19 in Houston to Dale and Corinne Pieper. She weighed 6 lb. Dr. Roy and Ruth Ann Morgan, who have been visiting at West Erwin, had a baby girl Sept. 5. Her name is Magnolia Loving Morgan.



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MARSHALL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Corner of Hwy 80 (Grand Ave.) and N Washington

LADIES DAY 2006, September 30, 9 am to 12 noon

Please join us for our Ladies' Day on Saturday, September 30 at the Marshall Church of Christ, featuring Wilma Bates as guest speaker. Come for a day of worship and fellowship with a homemade lunch served at noon. Please RSVP to 903-927-2119 with how many plan to attend from your congregation.

GOSPEL MEETING OVERTON CHURCH OF CHRIST

October 1-4, 7:00 pm

Tom Barthel, evangelist, Paul Witt, song leader

Sunday evening worship services @ 5:00 p.m. September through May.



BAPTISM



Krista Huff was baptized into Christ Sunday by her grandfather, Jasper Huff. We rejoice with her in making this most important decision to live her life for Christ. She is in the 6th grade at Hubbard Middle School and is the daughter of Rachel Huff. Rachel came with Krista and requested the prayers of her church family that she might be the support, encouragement and Christian example that her girls need. Their address is 10750 Kiamichi, 75703, ph. 534-8549.

CYSTIC FIBROSIS WALK

The CF walk this year will be at Wheeler Stables, located off Hwy 155 and Greenbriar Road on Saturday, September 30. Check in time is 8:00 and the walk begins at 9:00. It is a family friendly event with lots of activities planned. For more information, call Rachel Huff at 903-534-8549.

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"Outlook determines outcome and attitude determines action."

SINGLE ADULTS

The Shiloh Road Single Adults invite the single adults in your congregation to join us for a potluck lunch Sunday, October 1, at noon. We would like the opportunity to get to know members of other congregations in the area. We will supply fried chicken and drinks and ask that our guests bring a side dish or dessert if possible. Please come even if you're unable to bring anything. Children are included. Please contact Dale McCorkle @ 903-561-7992 with any questions.

5TH ANNUAL FALL LECTURESHIP

"THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST"

October 1-5, 2006 - LaPoynor Church of Christ

(Hwy 175, 1.5 miles west of Poynor, between Frankston and Athens) Sunday, 9:30, 10:30 am, 6:00 pm, weeknight services are at 7:00 p.m. Different talented speakers for each service.

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MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME

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Youth With Heart... by Danny

"FACING THE GIANTS"

It is not very often that I see a movie really worth recommending, but "Facing The Giants" is worth it! We are planning to go as a group on Sunday, Oct. 1. We will go together after the morning worship service on the bus and eat lunch at Jason's Deli. We will see the 1:35 showing. The cost of the movie is \$5.50. Please bring money for Jason's Deli. We will return to West Erwin in time for the evening assembly. Join us for this fun day! Check out www.facingthegiants.com for more info on the movie.

"CONNECT"

High School Students: Join us each Thursday evening from 7:00-8:00 for an uplifting time to "Connect" to God and each other. For the month of October, we will meet at Chloe & Keaton Ainsworth's home, 1708 Wendover Place, in Tyler. Invite a friend to join us.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

SOMEONE NEEDS YOU

If you're feeling sad and lonely, there seems nothing you can do, Just take courage and remember there is someone needing you. You were created for a purpose, for a part in God's great plan, Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill Christ's law to man. Are you father, son or daughter? You've a work none else can do. Are you husband, wife, or mother? There is someone needing you. There are many sad and lonely,

and discouraged, not a few. Who a little cheer are needing, and there's someone needing you. Someone needs your faith and courage; someone needs your love and prayers; Someone needs your inspiration, thus to help their cross to bear. Do not think your work is ended, there is much that you can do. And as long as you're on earth, there is someone needing you. - author unknown

CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

The Medina Children's Home have their annual change for children cans now available. Please pick yours up in the foyer and have them back by December 17. Thank you in advance for your support.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Hip, Hip, Hooray! Teachers, students and curiosity seekers, it's time for the kindergarten through 5th grades to move back into your newly remodeled classrooms. Almost every classroom is larger than it was before the remodeling began. Our classrooms will allow us to use a "learning center" approach much better than before. Teachers, be creative in your decorations and in your approach because we want to utilize every square inch of these classrooms to the glory of God.

Ron Lott and the other elders need to be thanked for all the thought that went into these classrooms. The easy thing to do would have been to keep everything the way it was but they decided that something needed to be done and after much thought they decided to remodel our education wing and I am personally thankful for their foresight and willingness to take on this project.

BIBLE QUIZ

The East Texas Bible Quiz will begin in a few months. This year we will be studying the book of Acts. This year, there will be a couple of changes in our format. We will be doing only 2 quiz days. Each quiz day will include 2 quizzes. The other major change is that it will be held on Sunday afternoons. Nov. 12 & Mar. 4 are the dates for this school year. West Erwin will host the Nov. 12 quiz from 2:30 to 4:00. Quiz #1 will be over Acts 1-7 and quiz #2 will be over Acts 8-14. Keep watching for more details! This is a wonderful opportunity to study His Word! Take advantage of it!

IMPORTANT DATES

- Oct. 1 "Facing The Giants" Movie
- Oct. 5 "CONNECT"
- Oct. 8 Middle School Devotional
- Oct. 29 Fall Festival
- Nov. 12 Bible Quiz
- Nov. 17-19 Middle School Retreat
- Nov. 20 West Erwin hosts Karing Kitchen

I'd also like to take a moment to thank Darrick Dempsey who spent countless hours moving furniture, cleaning floors, and then moving furniture again. He really made a difference in the transitional phase of this project.

Well, for the past several weeks, because of the remodeling, I've had the privilege of teaching the 2nd through 5th grades in the Family Life Center on Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. Parents, I've had the best time in these sessions. I especially liked the stories that your children have shared with me about you. They've been interesting to say the least. Don't worry! My lips are sealed.

In our classes with the 2nd through 5th grade I've tried to cover the major stories in the book of Genesis. We've looked at stories from Adam to Joseph and I seized the moment to drill the students on questions and they had and have a firm grasp on those biblical stories. Parents, thanks for making sure that your children were present for these classes. Our attendance was outstanding! Students, thanks for participating in these classes and may God continually bless you in your walk with Christ.

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Worship P.M.	433	377	394
Wed. P.M.	370	363	342
Contribution	\$22,520.08	\$25,956.29	\$20,437.41
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	9-17-06 Bldg. \$510.00	

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PRAYER AND CARE - Ruth Mezell had abdominal stent implants Wednesday at Mother Frances. Kay Parrish went home Wednesday! Doris Pearson is recovering after shoulder surgery. Henry McRuiz is recovering after recent back surgery. Bertie Steele, Carolyn Blackstone's mother, will undergo treatment for lung cancer. Lonnie Taylor, Nelda Browning's brother, is improving after recent emergency surgery in Abilene. Nicole Largent, Roy & Fern Bench's granddaughter, has a cyst on her vocal cord. Continue to remember Betty Barajas' brother; Vera Beard; Jacque Biggar, Teen Matusiak's daughter; Henry Brown; Delle Bullard; Bill Burleson, Shirley McClenny's dad; Alan Cook, Judy Mitcham & Tom Cook's dad; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Lori Gorman, Tammy Lemons' cousin; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Frank Haddock, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law; Buck Hamilton; Mary Haws; Jerry Howard; Keith Howard, Jerry & Becky's son; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; James May, Bob May's brother; Shirley McClenny; Samuel Mink, Lee & Camille's son; W.A. Monk; Gary Nunn's mother; Mary Richey; J.R. Roddy, Patsy Fisher's dad; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; David Stevens, Bettye Price's brother; Carolyn Stitt; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Sylvia Tharpe; Bill Thompson; Gloria Thigpen; and Sarah Turner, Rebekah Camathan's cousin; & Ronny Williams, Bob May's cousin.

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Don Durham Dr. Aaron DuVall
Harold Denman Daniel DuPree
Don Drummond Grant DuVall

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Tom & Beverly Hale & Jamie Ellis
Chuck & Linda Gillam & Cody Frick
Visitor Center: Fred & Sara Powell
Glynn & Fran Starnes

Pick up cards September 24: Bryson Bellar, Casey Bellar, Conner Clark, Jake Skender, & Zach Skender.

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WHEN A KING ACTED FOOLISHLY

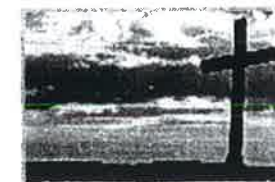
Gary Montgomery was an associate minister at West Erwin during the late 60's and early 70's, during the ministries of Dean Brookshire and George Stephenson. Gary, who is now preaching for the church in Hico, Texas, has always effectively served Christ in every church with which he has worked and has been a friend of mine through the years. In a recent bulletin from Hico, Gary printed a Guest Editorial written by the highly respected and widely known Mack Lyon, the host of the international television program "In Search of the Lord's Way." In the article Mack called attention to a passage found in I Samuel 13:11-13 which states that when Samuel was delayed in his arrival for the sacrifice, King Saul "felt compelled, and offered a burnt offering. And Samuel said to Saul, 'you have done foolishly. You have not kept the commandment of the Lord, your God, which He commanded you.'" Why was Saul's action called foolish by Samuel? How had Saul failed to keep the commandment of the Lord? After all, God had not said a

king could not offer sacrifice. God had not told Saul, "You shall not offer sacrifice." What had God said? In I Samuel 10:8 God had said through Samuel that Samuel would meet Saul at Gilgal and that Samuel would offer the sacrifice. God did not say Saul could not offer sacrifice. God had designated priests to offer sacrifices in Israel and that Samuel was to offer the sacrifice at Gilgal. Saul was neither a priest nor Samuel, so wherein did he err? Saul erred in that he presumed that God would be pleased, or at least not displeased, by the offering of the king instead of by the one God had designated. Saul could have said, "But the Lord didn't say I couldn't offer the sacrifice." Precisely! That's the point. God had said nothing about Saul offering sacrifice. God's designation of Samuel to offer the sacrifice excluded Saul from doing it. A failure to honor what God had said and to respect what God had not said (the silence of God's Word) cost Saul the kingdom. What can we learn from this story?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, September 17, 2006

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Three Questions From Jesus"
(Matthew 14:22-33)
P.M. "Three Questions For Jesus"
(Matthew 7:21-28)

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KARING KITCHEN

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HIGH SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

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Sept. 24	Middle School Devotional
Sept. 31	"Facing The Giants"
Oct. 29	Fall Festival
Nov. 12	Bible Quiz
Nov. 17-19	Middle School Retreat
Nov. 20	West Erwin hosts Karing Kitchen

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

We Say -- GOD Says

"It's impossible"	"All things are possible"
"I'm too tired"	"I will give you rest"
"I can't go on"	"My grace is sufficient"
"I don't know which way to turn"	"I will direct your steps"
"I'm not able"	"I am able"
"I can't cope"	"I will supply all your needs"
"I'm afraid"	"Fear not, I am with you"
"I'm worried"	"Cast all your cares on Me"
"I feel all alone"	"I will never leave you nor forsake you"

"I don't have what it takes"
"You don't have because you don't ask"
"I'm dying"
"I have come to give you life"

CHANGE FOR CHILDREN

The Medina Children's Home have their annual change for children cans now available. Please pick yours up in the foyer and have them back by December 17. Thank you in advance for your support.

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"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Teachers, we will be back in our K through 5th grade classrooms on October 1st. Please do everything within your power to be in your newly remodeled classroom on October 1st at least 10 minutes before class starts. Our Wednesday evening teachers should do likewise. Lets' get things moving in the right direction by being in our classrooms to properly greet each and every student that comes our way. Let's also take a few minutes to write on the back of our attendance cards vital information regarding our special guests to our classes. If you will take the time to write this down, I'll do my best to visit those guests that are from our community. Teachers, my prayer is that God continues to bless you and your students in the study of His Word. Let's roll up our sleeves and get after it and give God the glory as we see the results of our labor

of love. We can make a difference in the lives of our students!

Our K through 5th grade teachers for the remainder of the fall quarter will be:

Kindergarten: Candace Montgomery (Sunday); Patti Grounds (Wednesday), room 201

First Grade: Donni Cook (Sunday); Kim Lemons (Wednesday), room 202

Second Grade: Wanda Weathers & Pam Lott (Sunday); Linda Marts & Connie Sublette (Wednesdays), room 203

Third Grade: Melissa Parrish (Sunday); John & Terry Shaw (Wednesday), Family Life Center until remodeling is completed.

Fourth Grade: Carolyn Carruth & Linda Westerfeld (Sunday); Lindsey Lott (Wednesday), room 205

Fifth Grade: Randall & Denise Wilson (Sunday); Jana Hancock & Miranda Conder (Wednesday), room 206

Teachers, parents and students, thank you for your patience during our remodeling.



IN APPRECIATION

West Erwin Church Family,

I want to thank you for all the prayers that were lifted up on my Mom's behalf. She was so sick for so long and you were faithful to keep her in prayer. Words cannot express how much we love our church family. The flowers, food, and cards of such concern, filled our hearts with love in our time of loss.

Your sister in Christ,
Jean DuVall

Dear Church Family,

For so many months we have depended on you to pray for our family in all kinds of situations and you have been faithful to pray, and God has been faithful to hear your prayers. You have prayed for Nancy's sister, Jan, asking God to strengthen and heal her in her battle with cancer. You have prayed for Nancy during her recent procedure and for the blessing of a safe delivery during the birth of our new grandson, Aaron. We want to express to you how thankful we are that you believe that God answers prayer and how blessed we feel that you will pray for us. Thank you for the love that you have expressed through those prayers as well as through your encouraging cards and phone calls.

Don & Nancy Crawford

I would like to thank every one for the cards, food, and especially the prayers during my last back surgery and recuperation.

Henry McRuiz

WITH SYMPATHY

Memorial services were held last week in Dickinson for Pat Kelley, Joyce Farrar's brother and Randy Farrar's uncle. Ann Stegall, friend of Bill and Judy Smith, was killed in a car accident last weekend. Our sincere sympathy is extended to these families.

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LADIES DAY - PATTON LANE CHURCH OF CHRIST

September 23, 2006 - "Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen in Me"

Kathy Hardy, guest speaker

Registration @ 9:00, begins @ 9:30, lunch @ 12:00 noon.

Please join us for fellowship, food and fun! RSVP @

903-592-6876

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BAPTISM



Jessica DuPree, daughter of Daniel and Kim DuPree, was baptized into Christ last Tuesday evening by her dad. She is in the fifth grade in Whitehouse. She is the granddaughter of Melvin and Donna Maples and Charles and DuPree. Their address is 5625 Bostick Drive, 75707, ph. 939-9908.

RESPONSE

Bill Wilmeth came Sunday to request prayers of his church family for forgiveness of sin and improved health for others and himself.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Darrell and Nell Beard on the celebration of their 61st wedding anniversary! We rejoice with them in their happy and inspiring milestone in their lives.

BOOKS AND BINDINGS

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5TH ANNUAL FALL LECTURESHIP

"THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST"

October 1-5, 2006 - LaPoynor Church of Christ

(Hwy 175, 1.5 miles west of Poynor, between Frankston and Athens) Sunday, 9:30, 10:30 am, 6:00 pm, weeknight services are at 7:00 p.m. Different talented speakers for each service.

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To access all the interactive features congregational members are encouraged to join. To obtain schedules of events, prayer requests, hospital lists, class lessons etc. will require a user name and password. We believe this site will be a valuable tool to keep our congregation informed as well as an outreach to the world. If you have information or photos, please email us at webadmin@westerwin.org

. Our Sunday evening worship services are at 5:00 p.m. from September through May.

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Bible Class	426	384	398
Worship A.M.	NC	596	580
Worship P.M.	377	354	401
Wed. P.M.	363	300	280
Contribution	\$25,956.29	\$20,390.47	\$18,795.23
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	8-27-06 Bldg. \$420.00	

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MISSIONS	
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges
	Jeff Holland
ELDERS	
Jay Bynum	Don Durham
Ron Lott	Phil Marts
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy
	Leon Welborn
	Fred Wingate

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 Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
	7:00 P.M.
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TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	(903) 592-0809
	11:30 A.M.

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Scripture Darrell Beard
Dismiss G.W. Cliver

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Howard Dickson Tyler DuVall
Don Durham Dr. Aaron DuVall
Harold Denman Daniel DuPree
Don Drummond Grant DuVall

GREETERS

Michael & Bandace Hall & Payton Fedell
Charles & Bettye Sue Harris & Tanner Fedell
Rob & Carmen Hilliard & Kenzie Fedell
Visitor Center: Ray & Carolyn Fedell
Louise Seaberry

Pick up cards September 17 & 24: Bryson Bellar, Casey Bellar, Conner Clark, Jake Skender, & Zach Skender.

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AN INSPIRED APPEAL

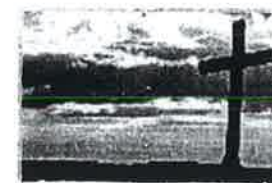
When the apostle Paul came near to the end of his first letter to the Corinthians he made an appeal that would be appropriate for the church in the first century and in all subsequent generations to carefully consider. The appeal found in I Corinthians 16:13, 14 is, "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love." The problems that the Corinthian church faced made this appeal especially meaningful. Some of the problems addressed by Paul in this letter were: immaturity, immorality, going to law with brethren, marriage issues, self-centeredness, worship issues, and questions about the resurrection of the dead. Paul's appeal near the end of the letter should have served as an antidote for the problems with which the church was struggling. *First*, Paul said, "Watch." This is the word for a soldier who protects a city. He is ever attentive, ever on guard. *Second*, Paul urged, "Stand fast in the faith." This term spoke of the military man who stood firm against all

onslaughts and refused to retreat or to surrender. The Corinthians were to stand firm "in the faith," so they were to hold to the "body of truth as presented by God." *Third*, Paul enjoined, "Be brave." The Greek word for "brave" means "to show one's self to be a man; to be mature." The apostle was saying, "Stop acting like children in your spiritual lives." *Fourth*, Paul pleaded, "Be strong." This word means "to be powerful" with the strength that God supplies. Each of these admonitions are characteristics of the Christian soldier who realized he is in a life or death struggle with evil, error, and darkness. *Fifth*, Paul changes the picture from military conflict to the attitude that is to be manifested in all of the Christian's relationships: "Let all that you do be done with love." Let love for God, for the church, for brethren, and for all motivate every attitude, every word, and every action. If the Corinthians did this, and if we would do this today, most of the problems the church faces from within would fade away.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, September 17, 2006

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "The Just Shall Live By Faith"
(Romans 1:14-17)
P.M. "The Just By Faith Shall Live"
(Romans 12:1-2)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

BIBLE QUIZ

The East Texas Bible Quiz will begin in a few months. This year we will be studying the book of Acts. This year, there will be a couple of changes in our format. We will be doing only 2 quiz days. Each quiz day will include 2 quizzes. The other major change is that it will be held on Sunday afternoons. Nov. 12 & Mar. 4 are the dates for this school year. West Erwin will host the Nov. 12 quiz from 2:30 to 4:00. Quiz #1 will be over Acts 1-7 and quiz #2 will be over Acts 8-14. Keep watching for more details! This is a wonderful opportunity to study His Word! Take advantage of it!

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

"I, I am the True Vine ..." (John 15:1)

Grapevines are amazing. The vine itself is very strong and resilient. However, the branches, where the grapes actually grow, are fragile. They are easily broken and bruised. The elements have great effects on them as well. So it is with Jesus who clearly says, "I, I am the true vine." He gives us life. He nourishes us. If we stay firmly attached to Him, we will produce fruit; we will live productive lives.

And my Father is the gardener." Pruning comes from the Gardener. It's the elements, the environment, the world we live in that tries to pull us away from the vine. Satan knows how weak we are if we are not firmly attached. He knows we cannot produce fruit for the

"Heirs Of Life Together"

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Our ladies classes here at West Erwin are off and running and if the first week in any indicator of the direction they are heading then we are in for a fantastic quarter.

On Wednesday morning in the Family Life Center our Wednesday morning ladies class had their annual kick-off brunch and there were about 40 in attendance. *Fern Bench* will be teaching this class each Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. throughout the fall quarter in room 403. Her study this quarter will be: **Philippians: Living A Life Of Joy**. Fern does an outstanding job coordinating this class.

On Wednesday, September 6, *Jean DuVall* began a study for the ladies in room 403 during our mid-week services entitled: **Living In The Spirit**. Jean had 51 present for her first class. Our Wednesday evening ladies class continues to grow. *Gail Vannoy* coordinates this effort and she schedules a variety of ladies from West Erwin to teach this class.

KARING KITCHEN

West Erwin will host the Karing Kitchen this coming Monday night. Plan to come and help in this ministry. We will prepare @ 4:30 & serve @ 6:00.

"CONNECT"

High School Students: Join us each Thursday evening from 7:00-8:00 for an uplifting time to "Connect" to God and each other. For the month of September, we will meet at Kelsi Wicks' home, 4517 Inverness in Tyler. Invite a friend to join us.

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Gardener if we are injured in any way. So, he uses the elements of this world to stifle our growth.

So, what "elements" in the world threaten you most? Remember the Father is the Gardener. He wants to help. He is able to help. He is always listening.

DONATIONS for the BENEVOLENCE CENTER

To drop off your donations, please try to do so on Tuesday or Thursday mornings. If that is not possible, please call 903-592-0809 for a time to have someone to meet you at the Center. Recently loads of items have been left on the back sidewalk unprotected from the rain.

The needs at the center are plenty. We often serve one hundred families per week. Therefore, your donations are greatly appreciated. We thank you for them and we ask that you please keep the center in mind when you need to thin your closets out.

During our remodeling we will have two additional classes on Wednesday evenings: *Jay Lockhart* will continue to teach in the small auditorium as **The Search** television program is taped and *Wayne Berryman, Todd Kempton* and *Kalon Ainsworth* will rotate as the coordinators for our singing class which meets in the main auditorium. We will get back to a full schedule of classes as soon as the remodeling is completed.

Parents, there will be some additional changes that you will need to be aware of: (1) The Bible Hour ministry that *Dale* and *Carolyn Blackstone* oversee will be moved to room 403 until the remodeling is completed. Once the remodeling is finished, that ministry will move to room 111. Our Kids For Christ Bible Hour ministry will continue to meet in the Family Life Center but as soon as their room in completed upstairs above the foyer, they will move into that room. That work is progressing rapidly so get ready to make a quick exit into your new room.

Thanks again for being so patient and understanding during these changes. Soon we will all be in our new rooms.



IN APPRECIATION

Once again I want to thank everyone for the cards, food, and visits, and most of all the prayers on my behalf during my surgery and recovery. I'm so happy to be back with my friends at the Benevolent Center. Also a special thanks to Dr. Perkins.

Maxine Ray

To our Church Family,

Thank you for your cards, prayers, and calls during my recent heart illness and recovery. We're so thankful for each of you.

Tammy Asbill and family

I want to thank my West Erwin family for all the prayers, calls, visits, food and cards during my recent surgery, hospital stay, and recovery. Your love and concern was greatly appreciated.

Carolyn & Les Carruth

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SENTENCE SERMONS

"There are three kinds of people in the world: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened? Which are you?"

"When you were born, you cried and everyone else was happy. Live your life in such a way that when you die, you will be happy and everyone else will cry."

"If you worry about what might be and wonder what might have been, you miss what IS."

"In times like these, it helps to recall that there have always been times like these."

"Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it."

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

We are very pleased to welcome **Melinda Honey** into the West Erwin family. She has been attending here for quite some time and is an active member of our Young Professional's ministry. She formerly worshipped with the Colquitt Road church in Terrell. Her address is 1721 South Baxter, 75701, ph. 469-222-3315.

BAPTISM

Cody Frick, son of Mark and Melissa Frick, was baptized into Christ Monday afternoon by his dad. Cody is in the 6th grade and has grown up at West Erwin. He is the grandson of David and Wanda Frick and Dudley and Jeannie Brookshire and the great grandson of Dean Brookshire. They live at 111 Walnut Street, Chandler, 75758, ph. 849-3521.

NEW ADDRESS & PH. #:

Lela Duncan, 13659 FM 2661, Flint, 75762, ph. 939-1065

Gary & Judy Mitcham, 6102 Plantation, 75703, ph. 534-4928.

CONGRATULATIONS

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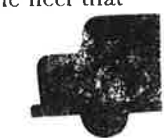
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Dismiss Ron Lott

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6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
Prayer Ernest Bennett
Scripture Don Chaffin
Dismiss Will Christian

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Chris Conder Tommy Cook
Ken Culpepper Melvin Crow
Wally Dawkins Don Crowder
Dan Cullinan Chandler Cook

GREETERS
Milburn & Jan Cook & Preston Conder
Melvin & Nina Crow & Caitlin Cook
Ken & Cathy Culpepper & Chandler Cook
Visitor Center: Charles & Phyllis Rachui
Stan & Ernestine Mallory

Pick up cards September 10: Trey Jackson, Caleb Grounds, Jeffrey Scarborough, Nicolas Means, & Keaton Conder.

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GUEST SPEAKERS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2006

This Sunday morning Andy Baker, son of our Kay Baker, will be teaching the adult classes that meet in the auditorium at 9:00 a.m. and preaching during our worship at 10:00 a.m. Andy is a graduate of the Southwest School of Preaching in Austin and will be working as an associate minister with Greg Neill in San Marcus. Andy is an excellent Bible student and song leader who has a busy fall -- graduating from school, getting married, and taking a new job all within a few weeks of each other. Andy will be returning to West Erwin later this year to preach in November. However, you will want to hear him this Sunday.

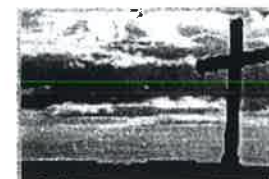
On Sunday evening we will be privileged to hear our own Danny Snell at 5:00 p.m. Danny has been the Youth Minister at West Erwin since 1988 and is very well loved by this church. He will have a message that is timely and well delivered so make your plans to hear him
- Jay Lockhart

Sermons for Sunday, September 10, 2006

Bible Class - 9:00 a.m. - Andy Baker
Worship 10:00 a.m. - Andy Baker
Worship 5:00 p.m. - Danny Snell

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



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!

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

High School Students: Join us each Thursday evening from 7:00-8:00 for an uplifting time to "Connect" to God and each other. For the month of September, we will meet at Kelsi Wicks' home, 4517 Inverness in Tyler. Invite a friend to join us. A map will be provided.

BIBLE QUIZ

The East Texas Bible Quiz will begin in a few months. This year we will be studying the book of Acts. As soon as the dates are set, I will let you know about study sessions as well as providing the study sheets. This is a wonderful opportunity to study His Word! Take advantage of it!

COMMUNITY

..... *by Don Crawford*

WHERE HAS GOD LED YOU RECENTLY?

David, being a shepherd, knew what it meant to be a sheep. He knew that sheep cannot provide for themselves, they cannot find their own way to food, nor can they protect themselves from predators. I suppose that's why we're called God's sheep. God created us to follow Him. Oh, we try to find the way ourselves, but only God knows the best, safest paths for His sheep. Maybe we should spend more time asking God to lead us in the paths He has prepared for us.

SMALL GROUPS

Small groups will meet the third Sunday, September 17, after the evening worship services. If you are not involved and would like to be, please contact the office.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Over the last few weeks I've been attempting to put together some additional activities for our children's ministry at West Erwin. The list keeps getting larger and larger and I'm excited about what the future holds for our kindergarten through 5th grade.

Under the umbrella of the children's ministry, we already have a host of spiritual activities that we conduct on a weekly basis: (1) Children's Worship, which meets each Sunday morning, and is designed for our 2's through pre-k. This ministry gives our little ones the opportunity to be trained in how they are to conduct themselves in the worship services as well as an opportunity to hear additional Bible lessons in a classroom setting; (2) Bible Hour ministry: Tots For Christ; Junior Bible Hour: and Kids For Christ. These three Bible Hour ministries give our 2's through 5th graders the opportunity to gain additional Bible knowledge. They also allow our teachers the

AREA WIDE YOUTH "GATHERING"

All of those in the middle and high school are invited to the Area Wide "Gathering" this Sunday night at the Glenwood church. We will meet at Glenwood at 6:15. We will be finished at 8:00. Parents can pick you up at Glenwood. Please bring \$3 for supper. If you need transportation, check with me. This is a great opportunity to spend some time with our Brothers & Sisters from all over East Texas.

Sept. 10
Sept. 14
Sept. 17
Sept. 24
Oct. 29
Nov. 17-19

IMPORTANT DATES

Area Wide Youth Activity
High School Bible Study
Small Groups Meet
Middle School Devotional
Fall Festival
Middle School retreat

DONATIONS for the BENEVOLENCE CENTER

Your donations are greatly appreciated for we are serving about a hundred families per week, so the needs are always there. To drop off your donations, please try to do so on Tuesday or Thursday mornings. If that is not possible, please call 903-592-0809 for a time to have someone to meet you at the Center. Recently loads of items have been left on the back sidewalk unprotected from the rain. Thank you for your help and please keep the Center in mind when you do your fall cleaning.

SHEPHERDING GROUPS LUNCHEON

Two groups, the Sublette's and the Vannoy's groups are meeting for lunch Sunday, September 10, immediately after the morning worship. It's also a time to invite visitors to join us and the West Erwin tour of our facility is available for them after the meal.

chance to use different teaching methods (i.e., puppets, videos, skits, etc.) in their classrooms; (3) Activities: In the past we have enjoyed summer devotionals; skating parties; hayrides; egg hunts; Christmas caroling; Camp Deer Run; etc., as part of this ministry. I am hoping to kick this part of our children's ministry up a notch over the next 12 months to include more activities. Through these activities I hope to build our little ones up in the knowledge of God and to possibly reach out with the story of Jesus to their friends; (4) Classes: I'm so pleased with the classes of our preschool through 5th grade. We have excellent teachers who put a lot of time and energy into their classes. We have an excellent curriculum that furthers their knowledge of God's Word. We also have meaningful relationship building experiences within these classrooms. I hope everyone continues to support our classes and pray for their success. The remodeled facilities will help us meet many of our goals as far as growth is concerned.

Parents, as I work on putting together a stronger children's ministry, my main focus will be geared toward your involvement. We will attempt to have more family togetherness in the upcoming months. Are you ready to lead your children?



IN APPRECIATION

To West Erwin,

Staff and many friends, I thank you for the floral tribute and cards, in memory of my brother, Olyn Hill. God was merciful in taking him quietly.

Lowrane Canada

Dear Family,

We have been so blessed to be a part of the West Erwin family. We do appreciate all the cards of sympathy at the death of John's eldest brother. Then the cards and food during Ruby's last bout with the shingles. Things seem to have leveled off so maybe we can get some paper hung and painting done. Thank you all, you are wonderful!

John & Ruby Cliver

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Saturday at the First Christian church in Lancaster for **Lon Hearne**, Ruth Hearne's stepson. The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 560090, Dallas, TX 75356. Services were held Tuesday at Lloyd James Funeral Home for **Bill Endsley**, long time West Erwin member who had more recently been living in Cedar Park, Texas to be nearer family. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends:

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Maj. Thomas Jordan, Joe Kennedy, Suzanne Linseisen, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Allan Thomson, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel.

The late Will Rogers once said, "The difference between winning and losing any contest begins before the game starts ... and it is no secret. The winner expects to win ... the loser just hopes."

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME

The Medina Children's Home grocery truck will be in our area October 23-27. West Erwin has been asked to collect 500 packages *PAPER PLATES*. Other needs are listed on the bulletin board by the office area. Any amount of the items listed will be very helpful. Also cash donations allows the purchase of milk, meat, fruit and vegetables.

MARSHALL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Corner of Hwy 80 (Grand Ave.) and N Washington
LADIES DAY 2006, September 30, 9 am to 12 noon

Please join us for our inaugural Ladies' Day on Saturday, September 30 at the Marshall Church of Christ, featuring Wilma Bates as the guest speaker. Come for a day of worship and fellowship with a homemade lunch served at the close of the afternoon. Please RSVP to Linda Kirkland @ 903-927-2119 to leave a message with your congregation and the number attending.

September through May our Sunday evening worship services are at 5:00 p.m

BAPTISMS



We rejoice with **Christina Denman** in her decision to live her life for Christ. She was baptized into Christ last Wednesday evening by her dad. Christina is a sophomore at Lindale High School and has attended West Erwin all her life. She is the daughter of Steve and Diane Denman and granddaughter of Harold and Shirley Denman. Their address is 806 Edgewood Circle, Lindale, 75771, ph. 881-0470.

Jordan Snell, daughter of Danny and Lisa Snell and granddaughter of Harvey and Verla Strickland, put on her Lord in baptism Tuesday night. Jordan is in the 6th grade in Whitehouse and has grown up at West Erwin. Their address is 10477 FM344 E, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 839-7551.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome three Christian ladies into the West Erwin family. **Joann Davis, Doris Pearson, and Nella Ware** came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the church here. Joann Davis' address is 11975 Woodcrest, 75704, ph. 595-1398. Doris Pearson comes to us from Abilene where she worshipped with the 5th and Grape Street church. She lives at 4200 Old Omen Rd., #1213, 75707, ph. 565-6118. Nella Ware's address is 2101 Old Omen Rd., 75701, ph. 566-0387. Welcome, ladies!

NEW ADDRESS: Odell Sessions, The Hamptons, 4200 Old Omen Rd. #1116, 75707, ph. 903-565-0333.

CONGRATULATIONS

Dale & Dot White celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary August 23. Clinton and Louise Culpepper celebrated their 60th anniversary on August 31. We rejoice with these couples in these happy milestones in their lives.

CYSTIC FIBROSIS WALK

The CF walk this year will be at Wheeler Stables, located off Hwy 155 and Greenbriar Rd. The date is Saturday, September 30, check in time is 8:00 and the walk begins at 9:00. It is a family friendly event with lots of activities planned. For more information, call Rachel Huff at 903-534-8549.

Check out our new website!

www.westerwin.com

Thanks to Kim DuPree for the many hours of work necessary to get our newly designed website up and running. To access all the interactive features congregational members are encouraged to join. To obtain schedules of events, prayer requests, hospital lists, class lessons etc. will require a user name and password. We believe this site will be a valuable tool to keep our congregation informed as well as an outreach to the world. If you have information or photos, please email us at webadmin@westerwin.org.

Thanks to Candace Hall for updating our church bulletin, *From the Heart of Tyler*, on our web site each week. For access, just go to www.westerwin.org and click on weekly bulletin.

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Records	Sunday August 27	Sunday August 20	Year Ago
Bible Class	438	427	444
Worship A.M.	646	659	645
Worship P.M.	478	440	420
Wed. P.M.	318	310	327
Contribution	\$21,855.11	\$23,741.21	\$20,682.56
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	8-27-06 Bldg. \$1720 - EEM \$26,249.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, September 3 and Wed., Sept. 6: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Carolyn Stitt had a heart procedure Monday at Mother Frances. Kay Parrish is in Mother Frances, room H438. Mary Haws is back in Taos after a procedure in Albuquerque Monday. Camille Mink had surgery Tuesday. Henry McRuiz had surgery Tuesday at the Spine & Joint Hospital. James Phillips had surgery Tuesday. Carolyn Carruth is recuperating after recent surgery. Lon Hearne, Ruth Hearne's stepson, is now in hospice. Bertie Steele, Carolyn Blackstone's mother, is awaiting further treatment for lung cancer. Margaret Sharpe, Marsha Richardson's mother, had heart surgery last week in Texarkana. Sarah Turner, Rebekah Caranthan's cousin had cancer surgery Tuesday. Betty Barajas' brother is critically ill. Lori Gorman, Tammy Lemons' cousin, got a good report after a second surgery. James May, Bob May's brother, is in ICU in Houston with heart and lung problems. Ronny Williams, Bob May's cousin, is scheduled for stomach surgery Sept. 5 at M.D. Anderson. J.R. Roddy, Patsy Fisher's dad, is undergoing tests. Continue to remember Vera Beard; Jacque Biggar, Teen Matusiak's daughter; Henry Brown; Bill Burleson, Shirley McClenny's dad; Zona Crone; Buck Hamilton; Jerry Howard; Keith Howard, Jerry & Becky's son; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Shirley McClenny; Samuel Mink, Lee & Camille's son; W.A. Monk; Mary Richey; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; Sylvia Tharpe; Bill Thompson; and Gloria Thigpen.

SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer Todd Kempton
Scripture Odie Kennedy
Dismiss Dr. Aaron DuVall

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Jamon Kirby

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer John Lacy
Scripture Greg Jones
Dismiss Don Ingram

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Chris Conder Tommy Cook
Ken Culpepper Melvin Crow
Wally Dawkins Don Crowder
Dan Cullinan Chandler Cook

GREETERS

Dale & Carolyn Blackstone & Daniel Yates
John & Ruby Cliver & Cameron Ables
Gene & Gwen Chandler & Keaton Ainsworth
Visitor Center: Carlos & Emma Morgan
Bill & Donna Mullins

Pick up cards September 3 & 10: Trey Jackson, Caleb Grounds, Jeffrey Scarborough, Nicolas Means, & Keaton Conder.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, September 3:
Nursery a.m.: Wanda Weathers; Nursery p.m.: Mary Jo Crowder; Toddlers a.m.: Marisa Suggs; Toddlers p.m.: Sandra Wingate; 2's: Will & Stephanie Christian; 3's & 4's: Marc & Ginger Philpot.

MINISTERS	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth
MISSIONS	
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges
	Jeff Holland
ELDERS	
Jay Bynum	Don Durham
Ron Lott	Phil Marts
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy
	Leon Welborn
	Fred Wingate
	Dr. Aaron DuVall
	Bill Mullins

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 Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
	7:00 P.M.
June-Aug 6:00 P.M.	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
	(903) 592-0809
	11:30 A.M.

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"AS GOES THE BIBLE SCHOOL"

Ira North, who preached for many years for the Madison, Tennessee church, was a great champion of the Bible School. He said over and over again, "As goes the Bible School, so goes the church." He believed that great churches could be built through great Bible Schools. The Bible School is a ready made small group where people, within the framework of the larger entire church family, can get to know each other and keep up with each other and minister to each other. Most of us appreciate our classes and call them "my Bible class." It's a good thing. Right now, because of our construction, six of our eight adult classes are meeting together on Sunday mornings in our auditorium. For the next several weeks members of this large class will be missing the smaller "my Bible class." Let me encourage each of us to work through this time and commit ourselves to be in attendance as often as possible and soon we will be back in our classes and can again claim ownership of "my Bible class."

EEM CONTRIBUTION

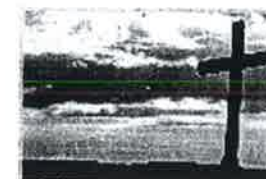
Last Sunday congregations across the country participated in Eastern European Mission's Million Dollar Sunday to help provide Bibles and other printed materials to teachers and students in the public schools of Russia. This year West Erwin contributed over \$30,400 which is above what we have given in previous years. Thank you for your generosity -- good will be done! I might add that this year our regular giving has been good as well as we have very nearly met our weekly budget of \$23,047.00. With Paul, we say that your generosity abounds "through many thanksgivings to God" (2 Corinthians 9:12).

NEW MEMBERS THIS YEAR

Thus far in 2006 we have added 71 to our church family, including 16 baptisms. The coming of these folks gives us added strength in serving the Lord at this place. We welcome each one. - Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, September 3, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Christ And the Boat"
(Mark 1:16-20)
P.M. "Christ And The Boat" (2)
(Mark 4:36-41)

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HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

We are planning to have our weeknight Bible Study starting on Thursday, September 7. We will begin at 7:00 and end at 8:00. We will have more details in Class Sunday morning!

NEW CLASSROOMS!

We're in! There are still some things to be completed in the new classrooms but they are wonderful! Thanks to all who made it possible!

Teens: Remember that our Sunday & Wednesday classes will be meeting in the new classrooms from now on. They are located in what used to be the old Fellowship Hall. See you Sunday!

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES

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I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

September 3rd is a very important date here at West Erwin. Parents, it is on this date that we promote our little ones to their next class level. We will do this a little bit differently this year due to our remodeling project. Usually we promote at the end of the class session on the last Sunday in August by having their new teacher meet them in their new room. This year we are promoting with much less fanfare. I'm asking all of our parents to take their children directly to their new classroom a few minutes before the beginning of class on September 3rd. This will help to eliminate traffic in our hallways. Sorry for the inconvenience. Parents of our smaller children will also want to head back to the classroom at the end of Bible school to pick up your children. Let's remember that our toddlers through 4 year olds are meeting in the four classrooms behind the small auditorium. Our kindergarten class is meeting upstairs in their regular room (202) and the first grade class has been temporarily

BIBLE QUIZ

The East Texas Bible Quiz will begin in a few months. This year we will be studying the book of Acts. As soon as the dates are set, I will let you know about study sessions as well as providing the study sheets. This is a wonderful opportunity to study His Word! Take advantage of it!

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Sept. 7	High School Bible Study
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THE PEACE OF GOD

When an angel of God confronted Gideon with the news that he would deliver the Israelites from persecution, Gideon answered by claiming that God had abandoned them. Again, the Lord reaffirmed that he would be with Gideon and ensure the deliverance of Israel, but Gideon's response was filled with doubts about his own qualifications for the job. Once more, God comforted Gideon by plainly stating that they would defeat the Midianites together, and still Gideon asked for a sign to confirm the Lord's words. Throughout all of this, God remained faithful and finally removed the doubt from Gideon, replacing it with His peace.

Today, as you go about your business, remember that the promises of God are real and as we learn to accept them He fills us with His immeasurable peace, for you too are one of His mighty warriors.

moved to room 206. The 2nd grade through 5th grade will have class in the Family Life Center until the remodeling is completed. Also, all adult classes, with the exception of Ray Vannoy's class and Don Crawford's class, will be meeting in the auditorium for a combined class with Jay Lockhart as the teacher. On Wednesday evening all adult classes will meet in the auditorium with the exception of Jean DuVall's ladies class which will be meeting in room 403 (in the new office complex). All of these classes begin on September 6th. If you have an interest in helping me with the Tots 4 Christ (2's through pre-k Bible Hour ministry), please see me at your convenience. Several have already approached me regarding this ministry and I am in the process of compiling a rotation schedule for this class through December. I hope to have teachers scheduled on a monthly rotation beginning in September so get your name in to me as soon as possible.

Let's all continue to keep a positive attitude during our remodeling. This is a time to adapt your teaching styles as we all cooperate together.

IN APPRECIATION

Thank you for the cards, calls and visits during my recent surgery. Most of all, thanks for the prayers on my behalf.

Thank you,
Kathy Hilliard

Dear Friends,

What a blessing you have been to me during my foot surgery and then again in the loss of my brother-in-law last week. Thank you for the calls, cards, food and visits - the loving reminders of what a caring group of God's family you are. I feel fortunate to be a part of this church.

In Him,
Barbara Smart

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Saturday at Woodlawn Cemetery for Olyn Hill, Lowrane Canada's brother. Memorial services were held last Saturday in Livingston for Dorothy Briscoe, Jean DuVall's mother. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

I'M HERE

I don't know what to say, I don't know what to do.
I just know you're sad, and I'm thinking of you.
I can't make you happy, I can't cure your grief.

I just hope this hug can bring you some relief.
Whenever you feel lonely, and tears have filled your eye
Let me own the shoulder on which you lean to cry.
And why do I say this, why do I make this plea?
Because I'm quite certain you'd do the same for me.

"I can do all things" (Philippians 4:13).

WEST ERWIN PLAYSCHOOL

The West Erwin Playschool begins September 5. Hours are from 8:15 - 2:15 on Tuesdays and Thursdays for ages 12 months through pre-K. Call Terry Shaw at 903-839-8377 for more information.

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SCHOOL NIGHT FOR SCOUTING

Thursday, September 7, 2006, 7:00 P.M.

Shiloh Road Church of Christ

All 1st-5th grade boys are invited to a special meeting to learn about cub scouts.

Please come and join the fun of scouting
Sponsored by members of the churches of Christ
Call Keith Harris (903-245-1360)
Jeff Regian (903-561-3480), or
John Shaw (903-839-8377) for more information

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

We are very pleased to welcome **Shelly Foreman** into the West Erwin family. Shelly is a student at U.T. Tyler and comes to us from the Keller Church of Christ. She is the niece of Les and Carolyn Carruth. Her address is 4901 Kinsey #1421, 75703, ph. 469-995-0988.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Roger and Jan Knight celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary August 21. Dale and Dot White celebrated 54 years of marriage on August 23. Larry and Jane Ground celebrated their 65th anniversary on August 27. We rejoice with these couples in these happy and inspiring milestones in their lives.

NEW ADDRESSES:

Rick & Karen Fedell & family, 14079 Peninsula Dr., Whitehouse, 75791.

Darrick Dempsey, 601 North Bois D'Arc, #4, 75702

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Class will begin on Wednesday, September 6, at 10:00 a.m. with a brunch in the Family Life Center. If you have not been called to bring a dish, please come as a guest. Plan to be a part of this Bible study and fellowship.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LADIES CLASS

On Wednesday evening, September 6, Jean DuVall will begin a class for ladies called "Living In The Spirit." This is a ten week in-depth study of the Fruits of the Spirit. They will be meeting in room 403, a classroom in the new office complex.

"To change everything, simply change your attitude."

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SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer Jim Carty
Scripture David Gravley
Dismiss Jay Bynum

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Matt Haws

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer Dick Higginbotham
Scripture Jim Mayer
Dismiss Alan Montgomery

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Mike Carnathan. Chad Chauncey
Jim Carty Stan Clark
Jay Bynum Will Christian
Don Chaffin Gene Chandler

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Dale & Dot White & Kelsi Wicks
Ernest & Gail Bennett & Hayley Wilson
Wayne & Bitsy Berryman & Audrey Wright
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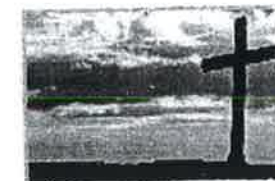
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What a joy it will be to assemble together!

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny* THE MOVE...

As with every "move" there are always snags and things that don't go as smoothly as you would hope, but we are making progress! Thanks to all of you who have helped and are helping to move the offices and the classrooms. Please be patient during this time of transition.

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

We are planning to have our weeknight Bible Study starting in September. We are working on details about when and where. Watch for more details!

NEW CLASSROOMS!

We're in! There are still some things to be completed in the new classrooms but they are wonderful! Thanks to all who made it possible!

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

COMPLEXITY OF SIMPLICITY

Simplicity is very popular nowadays. Moving our offices into the new facility I vowed to simplify my space; cut back on all the flat surfaces that have become catchalls; less furniture; more open space; better organized; etc. I never expected it to be so complex. Just what can I do without? Do I really need all this stuff? Life in our world is no longer simple! As one older citizen put it, "We all used to eat 'organic' food until we made such a mess of things."

My thoughts are: Have we complicated the Good News of Jesus Christ the same way? Have we created so many "flat surfaces" where we have piled unnecessary things? Have we become lovers of things and users of people?

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

I told you! Do you remember? Several weeks ago I started telling all of our teachers that things were going to (1) get extremely chaotic, and (2) all of us had to keep a good attitude during our move. It wasn't so much words of admonition as it was words of warning. Well, the time is upon us and we are in the process of moving to our new offices. Was I right? Is it or is it not chaotic? But more importantly, do you still have a good attitude?

If your attitude is wavering a little bit let me offer this thought to help you through this troubling time. When this remodeling project is completed we will be in a far better situation (especially with our children's ministry) than we are presently. The walls here at the building that are either being torn out or being built are being torn out or built with a purpose in mind. For years we've struggled with inadequate classroom space so perhaps soon our struggles will be over. We have turned chairs

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 27
Sept. 10

High School Devotional
Area Wide Youth Activity

SOME INTERESTING WORDS ABOUT ATTITUDE...

*If you think you are beaten, you are.
If you think you dare not, you don't.
If you like to win but think you can't,
it's almost certain that you won't.
Life's battles don't always go
to the stronger woman or man,
but sooner or later,
those who win are those who think they can.*

Have we traveled so far that we cannot return to simply loving God and neighbor? Paul says Christianity is grounded in loving relationships. If we give all that we have to the poor, but have not love, it is meaningless (I Corinthians 13:3). People are what really matters; all this other "stuff" is destined for ashes.

I pray my thoughts will infect your thoughts and that we all can refocus on loving relationships. That alone will help simplify our lives. Love GOD and love people!

Have a great week!

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in about every possible direction imaginable in order to gain more space but to no avail. Once this project is completed most of our classrooms will be substantially larger than they are now. Once this project is completed our teachers will be able to develop suitable learning centers in their classrooms. And once this project is over we will have a lot more storage space. This project will allow our teachers and students a lot more breathing room and in the end we will have utilized our space much more efficiently than we have in the past. I'm thankful to Ron Lott and the rest of the elders for implementing such a remodeling project. I truly believe that this project can aid our teachers in fulfilling the Great Commission with their students.

Parents, let's remember that during the remodeling our preschool program will be housed in the four classrooms behind the small auditorium; our kindergarten and 1st grade will continue to meet upstairs; and our 2nd through 5th grades will meet in the Family Life Center. Parents, please help us out by picking up your children as soon as you can once your class has ended. Let's keep smiling



IN APPRECIATION

Thank you so much for the calls, cards, visit, and food. Also all the concern you showed to us during the time I had my procedure last week. God has blessed us with a caring family.
Linda Dickson

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thank you so much for the love and support especially the prayers during the death of my sister, LaFaye Slay. The beautiful bouquet of flowers you sent was a great comfort. They were carried to the rest home that she was in. I am really blessed to have you for my church family. I love you all.

Janice Hardaway &
The Slay Family

We want to express our appreciation for the plant, the notes of encouragement and the prayers of the congregation. Just knowing that in countless ways our family and friends are with us makes the way easier. Thank you.

Mark, Nancy, Kate
& Patrick Sweeney

WITH SYMPATHY

Homer McConnell, Barbara Smart's brother-in-law, died Friday in Richardson. Perry Thompson, Gary Cain's 17 year old nephew, was killed last Saturday in a car accident. Services were held Wednesday at the Highland Oaks Church of Christ in Garland. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends.

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I KEEP RUNNING BACK TO YOU

You know how it is with me Lord: so often I mess up my days. I judge harshly, I am critical and obstinate, I waste time and energy, I blame others for my failures. There are people I try to avoid and tasks I try to evade, and when I can't have my own way I sulk in my own little corner. Lord, I even turn my back on You to escape your penetrating gaze. Then finally I get fed up with myself. The intolerable loneliness frightens me. And I can no longer endure my shame. It always happens, Lord - I keep running back to you! Where else can I go? Who else understands me so well or forgives me so totally? Who else can save me from foolish pride? No one, Lord, but You. So thank You for accepting me, for loving me, for always welcoming me. I just can't help it, Lord, I keep running back to You!

- Ruth Harris Calkin

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

We are very pleased to welcome **Caddie Niles** into the West Erwin family. She is a widow and comes to us from the Holly Lake congregation. Her address is P.O. Box 3, Winona, 75792, ph. 903-877-2213.

NEW ADDRESSES:

Michael & Chandra Bozeman, 1455 Kingfield Dr., Aphareta, GA 30005.
Gary & Judy Mitcham, 6102 Plantation Dr., 75703

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The Wednesday Morning Ladies Bible Class will begin on Wednesday, September 6, at 10:00 a.m. with a brunch in the Family Life Center. Make your plans to be a part of this time of Bible study and fellowship.

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME

The Medina Children's Home grocery truck will be in our area October 23-27. West Erwin has been asked to collect 500 packages *PAPER PLATES*. Other needs are listed on the bulletin board by the office area. Any amount of the items listed will be very helpful. Also cash donations allows the purchase of milk, meat, fruit and vegetables.

MARSHALL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Corner of Hwy 80 (Grand Ave.) and N Washington
LADIES DAY 2006, September 30, 9 am to 12 noon
Please join us for our inaugural Ladies' Day on Saturday, September 30 at the Marshall Church of Christ, featuring Wilma Bates as the guest speaker. Come for a day of worship and fellowship with a homemade lunch served at the close of the afternoon. Please RSVP to Linda Kirkland @ 903-927-2119 to leave a message with your congregation and the number attending.

F.A.C.T.S. - On Wednesday, August 30, Jay Lockhart will be the speaker for the last of the summer series.

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Records	Sunday August 13	Sunday August 6	Year Ago
Bible Class	450	422	396
Worship A.M.	687	651	613
Worship P.M.	390	438	370
Wed. P.M.	301	324	321
Contribution	\$26,322.04	\$23,448.85	\$21,041.04
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	8-6-06 Bldg. \$725.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, August 20 and Wed., Aug. 23: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Kay Parrish is in Mother Frances, room H438. Bill Thompson is in ETMC. David Gravley had a heart cath Thursday in Longview. Linda Dickson is doing well following a stint implant last week. Wendell Potter is doing well after successful surgery last week. Kathy Hilliard is doing well after surgery last week. Tammy Asbill is doing well after a heart stint implant last week. Dub Mathews is now back home at The Hamptons. Jerry Howard had more tests Thursday. Keith Howard, Jerry & Becky's son, is in Mother Frances due to an infection. Lori Gorman, Tammy Lemons' cousin, had breast cancer surgery Wednesday. Margaret Sharpe, Marsha Richardson's mother, will have surgery in a couple of weeks following a stroke. Greg Wagner is hospitalized after an accident in which part of both thumbs were cut off. Alan Cook, Tom Cook and Judy Mitcham's dad, is in ETMC. Continue to remember Vera Beard; Jacque Biggar, Teen Matusiak's daughter; Henry & Mozelle Brown; Bill Burleson, Shirley McClenny's dad; Zona Crone; Lela Duncan; Laura Durkee, Betty Sue Harris' great niece; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Frank Haddock, Bettie Thome's son-in-law; Buck Hamilton; Teresa Higgs, Chad Chauncey's aunt; Lon Herane, Ruth Hearne's stepson; Teen Matysiak; Shirley McClenny; Samuel Mink, Lee & Camille's son; W.A. Monk; Mary Richey; Jerry Rutherford, Bob Paul's brother-in-law; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; David Stevens, Bettye Price's brother; Robert Stokes; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; and Gloria Thigpen.

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SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer J.R. Tharpe
Scripture Billy Terrell
Dismiss Don Durham

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Bob Threadgill

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer Joe Roach
Scripture Jeff Parrish
Dismiss Mark Sweeney

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Mike Carnathan Chad Chauncey
Jim Carty Stan Clark
Jay Bynum Will Christian
Don Chaffin Gene Chandler

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Darrell & Nell Beard & Ross Weathers
Ray & Carolyn Womack & Wendy Weathers
Heath & Kandi Adams & Will Weathers
Visitor Center: Dannie & Sue Skipper
Jim & Sue Carty

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EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSION MILLION DOLLAR SUNDAY August 27, 2006

When the Iron Curtain fell and the Soviet Union broke up, God opened doors for the gospel in Russia and Eastern Europe that we could not have imagined just a few short years ago. Then God gave us the opportunity to distribute Bibles and Christian literature in, of all places, the public schools of Russia! For the past few years Eastern European Mission has asked the churches of Christ to contribute a million dollars on a given Sunday each year to help print the Bibles and other materials for distribution to a growing number of schools in Russia. It's nothing short of phenomenal that we have been given this opportunity and that we have met the goal each year. The public schools of Russia that have or soon will have Bibles and other Christian literature distributed to them include at least four regions. To put it in perspective, it is

as if all the public schools of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Tennessee were to receive Christian literature at their request! Russia has learned that life without Christ is life without hope. Many in the older generation of Russia understand that the hope of the future is found in instilling biblical teachings concerning morality, ethics, character, and salvation in the minds of the young people. We must accept the challenge that God has put before us and we must fulfill the request of Russian educators to supply Bibles for the public schools of Russia. Only eternity will reveal the good that will be accomplished by our gifts. West Erwin has generously participated in the Million Dollar Sundays in the past and we will want to contribute again this year. Come on August 27th prepared to do what you can!

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, August 20, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "A Servant's Heart"
(Mark 10:35-45)
P.M. "The Loneliness Of Christ"
(John 6:66-71)

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny* **THANKS!**

The Back To School Bash was really a blast! Thanks to all of those who helped host this fun & wet afternoon. Thanks to Tom & Donni Cook, Marc Philpot, Rachel Huff, Tim & Patti Grounds, James & Ruth Ellis, Pat & Kelli Malone and others. We had a great turnout with over 70 people there.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The new addition for offices and classrooms will be finished sometime in mid August. During this transition time, we will need some volunteer help to set up the offices as well as moving the library. If you are interested, we will be moving boxes and setting up this coming Monday & Tuesday. Call the office for more details.

COMMUNITY

..... *by Don Crawford*

HOMELESS

Dishes

Many dishes have been exiled to the Family Life Center. Some have names, others are orphans. If you wish to redeem them, please do so quickly for they may find a new family to serve through the Benevolence Center.

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"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

I never cease to be amazed at how our society continually attempts to take God out of our lives. Whether at the movies, in literature, in our classrooms or even in our public building we constantly hear people harping about not displaying various religious icons because these icons might be offensive to someone. Sometimes complaints aren't even registered by the general public but instead our government steps in and removes such icons, I suppose forgetting the very premise on which this country was founded.

I am waiting for a great revival to occur in this country. I'm waiting for our society to return to God. I must admit that even though I am waiting, I'm not overly confident that it will happen. We, as a nation, seem to be content to continue walking down the path that will eventually lead to our destruction. America needs to wake up and ask God to forgive us so that He will heal our land as we return to Him.

HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY

We are planning to have our weeknight Bible Study starting in September. We are working on details about when and where. Watch for more details!

NEW CLASSROOMS!

Over the next few weeks, we will be able to move into the new Youth Classrooms across the parking lot. They look great and it will be a blessing to have the space available. We don't have an exact move in date, but we will announce it soon!

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 20	Small Groups Meet
Aug. 21 & 22	Move Offices
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FLEXIBILITY AND PATIENCE

This will be the name of the game during the next few weeks around the building.

We are grateful for all the changes and we all must remember as we wade through the rubble the best is yet to come.

It's like being a Christian.

There are struggles and trials in this life, but the best is yet to come.

Have a great week and don't forget to thank the One who gave it to you.

SMALL GROUPS MEET

Sunday, August 20

Immediately after the evening worship assembly

As many of you know I like to read. Recently I was reading the unabridged classic, *Robinson Crusoe*, which was written by *Daniel Defoe* in 1719. A few years ago I read the abridged version of this classic and saw little if any references to God. However, as I read the unabridged version I saw countless references to God and to tell you the truth the whole premise of the book is lost without these references. *Robinson Crusoe* was on a spiritual journey as much as he was on a journey of survival against the elements. He had dismissed God throughout most of his life but after a year on that horrid island reading from a Bible he had rescued from the captain's library of the wrecked ship he came to this scripture: "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Joshua 1:5). From that point on, he read his Bible every day (3 times a day) and studied its writings. His whole outlook on life changed and he, even on that horrid island, started walking toward God rather than away from God. If I had one wish granted to me I think I might wish that all of our leaders in this nation might read and study the Bible daily. Surely they would begin to see the light. It's equally sad to suggest that perhaps we, as the church, could also begin to make some corrections if we did likewise.

ATTENTION LADIES

You're invited to attend "Am I My Sisters Keeper?" the annual Ladies Day Program at the North Tenneha Church of Christ, August 26, 8:30 - 12:00. Registration and continental breakfast will be served 8:30-9:00 in the Renaissance Center. Lunch will be served. If you have questions, please call 903-593-6868.

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EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSION

The Bible - we want everyone to get it!

The state of Omsk, Russia has asked Eastern European Mission (EEM) to provide Bibles and biblical literature for all of its 1,550 public schools in which there are 390,000 students. This will be the fourth state in Russia in which EEM has placed Bibles and biblical literature in 6,950 schools.

EEM is asking churches of Christ nationwide to support this effort to fill the schools of Omsk, Russia with God's Word. It only takes \$775 to supply a whole Biblical library so that every student in each school can study God's Word using their own set of materials. It breaks down to about \$3.00 per student or \$90.00 for a whole class.

On August 27, 2006, we will have a special collection to provide Bibles for this mission effort. Make checks out to West Erwin Church of Christ, earmarked for *Eastern European Mission*.

LONGVIEW CHURCH OF CHRIST LECTURESHIP

1401 Eden Drive, Longview

Friday - Sunday, August 25-27

See bulletin board in office area for details

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BAPTISM



We rejoice with **Jessica Keeney** in her decision to live her life for Christ. She is the daughter of Pat and Kelli Malone and was baptized into Christ Sunday. Their address is 413 East South Street, Lindale, 75771, ph. 903-882-7240.

RESPONSE

Leah Moon came to ask for the prayers of her church family for forgiveness from God and the church, that she might have a closer walk with God and get her life back on the path that will ultimately lead to heaven.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The West Erwin Warriors, West Erwin's softball team, won first place in the City of Tyler Church League last week. Way to go!

GOD'S REASON

I don't know how to say it but somehow it seems to me That we are stationed where God wants us to be. That little place we're filling is the reason for our birth And just to do the work we do He sent us down to earth. If God had wanted otherwise I reckon He's have made Each one of us a little different of a worse or better grade. And since God knows and understands all things of land and sea I fancy that He placed us here just where He wants us to be. Sometimes we get to thinking as our labors we review That we should like a higher place with greater things to do. But we come to the conclusion when the envying is stilled That the post to which God has sent us is the post He wanted filled. And there isn't any service that we honestly can scorn For it may just be the reason God allowed us to be born.

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Worship A.M.	651	621	632
Worship P.M.	438	353	400
Wed. P.M.	324	241	310
Contribution	\$23,448.85	\$21,044.61	\$22,891.87
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PRAYER AND CARE - Kay Parrish is in Mother Frances ICU. **Wendell Potter** had surgery Tuesday in Dallas. **Kathy Hilliard** had surgery Wednesday at Mother Frances. **Bill Thompson** is very ill in ETMC. **Tammy Asbill** had a heart stint implant Tuesday in Austin. **Dub Mathews** is now in ETMC rehab. **Tim Holt, Jr.** got a good report at his recent check-up. **Maxine Ray** is continuing rehab. **Ruby Cliver, Sylvia Tharpe and Ira Wilson** all have shingles. **Lon Herane**, Ruth Hearne's step son, has advanced lymphoma. **Jacque Biggar**, Teen Matusiak's daughter, is undergoing treatment for lymphoma. **Laura Durkee**, Betty Sue Harris' great niece, is in ICU in Round Rock. **Jacque Biggar**, Teen Matysiak's daughter, is undergoing treatment for lymphoma. Continue to remember **Vera Beard; Henry & Mozelle Brown; Delle Bullard; Bill Burleson**, Shirley McClenny's dad; **Tillie Carpenter; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Larry Ground; Frank Haddock**, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law; **Buck Hamilton; Teresa Higgs**, Chad Chauncey's aunt; **Jerry Howard; Keith Howard**, Jerry & Becky's son; **Buddy Kennedy; Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Samantha Means**, daughter of Stuart & Kathy; **Shirley McClenny; Samuel Mink**, Lee & Camille's son; **W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Geri Moore; Art Rowland Gary Nunn; Mary Richey; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; Sue Starnes; David Stevens**, Bettye Price's brother; **Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate**; and **Gloria Thigpen**.

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TOUGH LOVE

In the April 27, 2006 issue of *Good Tidings of Good Things*, a weekly bulletin of the Jacksonville, Alabama church, I read an article by Don Martin that reminded me of the need that sometimes arises for tough love. The article was about Paul "Bear" Bryant, the legendary football coach of the Crimson Tide at the University of Alabama. When Joe Namath was the star quarterback at Alabama, he was found guilty of breaking team rules. Everyone believed that Namath was indispensable to the team and with two games left on the schedule all eyes were on Coach Bryant to see what he would do with his star. Many were surprised when Bear informed Namath that he was suspended for the year and maybe forever. Bryant received over 6000 letters of protest from fans who knew the chances of Alabama winning without Namath were slim. However, the coach stood firm and played the final two games without his star, winning both by narrow margins. Namath returned the next year and led the Crimson Tide to the National Championship. Years later Namath agreed that Bryant was right to stick

by the suspension. What did Coach Bryant teach his team about himself? What did Namath learn from this incident? What did the team learn that would affect it for years to come? There is a time to practice tough love. This principle applies to the family. If parents are to lead their children in the right way, they must learn to practice tough love. When rules are broken, consequences must follow ... parents must stick by their guns. It's not because they love so little, but because they love so much. Life-changing lessons may be learned by the practice of tough love. The principle applies in the church too. Under the leadership of our shepherds we are to dwell together in love and unity. When someone steps out of line, fails to walk in unity and love, and disturbs the life of the body, then that person must be confronted and corrected (Romans 16:17, 18). It's not the easy thing to do, but it is the right thing to do. And it's not because we love so little, but because we love people and the church so much.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, August 13, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "The Greatest Thing In The World"
(I Corinthians 13:1-3, 13)
P.M. End of Summer Youth Report
Danny Snell & Robert Goodrick

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... by Danny

THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who helped with the devotional this past Sunday night. Thanks especially to Tom & Donni Cook, Tim & Patti Grounds, Ginny Wicks, Barry Scarborough, Lisa Snell & Tara Kilgore for helping.

Thanks also to Marc & Ginger Philpot & Wynne & Kristi Weathers for hosting the Middle School Devotional a few weeks ago.

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Join us this Saturday afternoon for an evening of fun & fellowship @ the Snell's house. We will begin @ 4:00 and end @ 9:30. Bring a squirt gun and running shoes (not flip flops). Wear a dark colored shirt. Supper will be provided. We will have several fun things planned, so don't miss it! Watch the mail for more information.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

ONE MINUTE

In World War II there was an advisor to Churchill who organized a group of people who dropped what they were doing every day at a prescribed hour for one minute to collectively pray for the safety of England, its people, and peace.

I have recently learned of a group of people organizing the same thing in America. If you would like to participate, here are the instructions: every evening at 8:00 stop whatever you are doing and spend one minute praying for the safety of the United States, our troops, our citizens, and for peace in the world. We are a nation who believes in GOD and that GOD is completely in control of this world. Let's unite and call upon our GOD across

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Throughout the summer our Kid's Kingdom ministry (K-5th) met three times for a devotional activity. We averaged 55 to these get-togethers. I'd like to take a moment to thank all of our little ones who participated in these activities along with their parents who took the time to get their children to the church building on time. I'd also like to thank the staff who made sandwiches, set up the dining area, set up the activity, and who stayed a little bit longer to clean up the FLC after we were finished. You really helped to make these three get-togethers a great success. Through your labor of love for our little ones you most assuredly impressed upon them the concept of "servanthood."

It's not too early in the lives of our K-5th grade students to learn the concept of being a servant. I want the congregation to know that our Kid's Kingdom ministry has adopted a local fire station and each month (after our activities ended) the

BIBLE STUDY/MOVIE NIGHT

All of those in the high school group are invited to our house on Thursday, Aug. 17 for a Bible Study time and a movie. We will begin @ 7:00 and end at 10:00. Some of you will be starting school in the next few weeks so this will be our last movie night but we are planning to continue our Bible Study Night during the school year. Be watching for more details.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The new addition for offices and classrooms will be finished sometime in mid August. During this transition time, we will need some volunteer help to set up the offices as well as moving the library.

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 17 High School Bible Study/Movie Night
 Aug. 20 Small Groups Meet
 Aug. 27 High School Devotional
 Sept. 10 Area Wide Youth Activity

this nation to acknowledge HIS power as CREATOR. Our GOD Reigns!

PRAY FOR RAIN!

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sandwiches and other goodies that were left over were collected and sent via Brant Prestidge to that fire station where they were quickly gobbled up. The fire fighters at that station deeply appreciated this act of kindness. May God continually bless them and keep them safe in their work.

We are looking forward to some upcoming events during the fall quarter especially geared toward our Kid's Kingdom age group. Please remember the fall festival and also the annual hayride. Also, during the month of December, if at all possible, we will be caroling. Parents, if you would like to host an activity with the Kid's Kingdom group, please contact me and let's work out the details regarding your proposed event.

Diane Weathers does an outstanding job coordinating the schedule for our workers in the toddler care ministry. She is in need of some additional volunteers in this ministry. A letter has been sent to those who need to be involved in this work. Please work toward the goals of this ministry and let's keep it moving in the right direction. Diane would like to thank you for all the work you put into this ministry.



IN APPRECIATION

Thank you for the beautiful flowers. Your thoughts and prayers meant more than words could say.

The William Burnett Family
 (Rachel Huff's stepfather)

I want to say thank you to all the family at West Erwin for the beautiful flower arrangement, for all the sweet cards, and especially for the prayers and concerns shown at the sudden loss of step-dad, Bill Burnett. I feel so blessed to have a church family that loves and cares for the girls and me the way that you all do.

In Christian Love,
 Rachel, Krista & Kalli Huff

Thank you for the beautiful flower arrangement for Benjamin. Thank you for the wonderful luncheon for our extended family. The visits, calls, food, and prayers are appreciated.

Love,
 Charleen Clayton

Dear Family at West Erwin,

Thank you for the lovely plant that you sent in memory of our father, Charles Dees. It will be a constant reminder of the love and support that West Erwin has always shown our family.

In God's Love,
 Cathie, Steve, Ashley &
 Holly Gale
 Aaron & Karen Dees

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Maj. Thomas Jordan, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Allan Thomson, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel. Suzanne Linseisen is now in the Air Force Reserves.

\$1,000,000 SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2006 EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSION

The Bible - we want everyone to get it!

The state of Omsk, Russia has asked Eastern European Mission (EEM) to provide Bibles and biblical literature for all of its 1,550 public schools in which there are 390,000 students. This will be the fourth state in Russia in which EEM has placed Bibles and biblical literature in 6,950 schools.

EEM is asking churches of Christ nationwide to support this effort to fill the schools of Omsk, Russia with God's Word. It only takes \$775 to supply a whole Biblical library so that every student in each school can study God's Word using their own set of materials. It breaks down to about \$3.00 per student or \$90.00 for a whole class.

On August 27, 2006, we will have a special collection to provide Bibles for this mission effort. Make checks out to West Erwin Church of Christ, earmarked for *Eastern European Mission*.

Sunday evening worship time: 6:00, Singing from 5:30 - 5:55

BAPTISM



We rejoice with **Samantha Richardson** in her decision to be baptized into Christ Sunday morning. She is the daughter of Dan and Marsha Richardson and is in the 10th grade at Chapel Hill High School. Their address is 13542 Burro Drive, 75707, ph. 566-6574.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are delighted to welcome **Vance** and **Jamie Metcalf**, and their children, **Hannah (9)**, **Haley (5)**, and **Luke (20 months)** into the West Erwin family. They have been attending here for some time and we hope to be a blessing to them as they have blessed us by their coming. Their address is 1706 Waterton Circle, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 871-0099.

We are very pleased to welcome **Chris Holly** and her son, **Taylor**. Chris is the daughter of Nettie Potts and grew up at West Erwin. Their address is 2335 Lingner, Tyler, 75701.

Terry and **Pam Tindel** are a welcome addition to the West Erwin family. Pam is also the daughter of Nettie Potts and we know Terry and Pam will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 2806 Rockbridge, 75703, 903-566-2985.

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Saturday at the Wayne Boze Funeral Home in Waxahachie for Lafay Slay, Janice Hardaway's sister. Services were held Monday at Caudle Rutledge Funeral Home in Lindale for Janie Patterson, Winnie Bell's sister and Kathy Hilliard's aunt. Services were held Wednesday at the Highland Oaks Church of Christ in Dallas for Glen Sweeney, Mark Sweeney's dad. Our sincere love and sympathy is extended to these families.

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Carlos Morgan, P.O. Box 9472, 75711, ph. 903-312-0999

WEST ERWIN PLAYSCHOOL

The West Erwin Playschool is now enrolling for fall. Hours are from 8:15 - 2:15 on Tuesdays and Thursdays for ages 12 months through pre-K. Call Terry Shaw at 903-839-8377 or the church office at 903-592-0809 for more information.

F.A.C.T.S. - On Wednesday, August 16, Murphy Phillips, who is the pulpit minister for the South Main Church of Christ in Weatherford, will be our guest speaker.

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart
 aired each Sunday
 at 10:00 a.m. on KYTX-19

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Bible Class	393	366	426
Worship A.M.	621	543	624
Worship P.M.	353	398	378
Wed. P.M.	241	316	320
Contribution	\$21,044.61	\$20,719.40	\$22,131.91
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	7-30-06 Bldg. \$21, 155 - Bus \$300.00	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, July 30 and Wed., Aug. 2: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Dub Mathews is in ETMC following surgery last Friday. **Maxine Ray** is continuing rehab after recent knee replacement. **Ruby Cliver** and **Ira Wilson** are both ill at home with shingles. **Geri Moore** had shoulder surgery. **Tim Holt, Jr.** is scheduled for a check-up on his brain tumor August 7. **Keith Howard**, Jerry & Becky's son, had successful heart aneurysm surgery last Wednesday in Houston. **Lori Gorman**, Tammy Lemons' cousin, has breast cancer. **Lauren Wright**, Zena Wright's granddaughter, had knee surgery last Friday. **Lon Herane**, Ruth Hearne's stepson, has advanced lymphoma. Continue to remember **Vera Beard; Phil Betts**, George & Joy Betts' son; **Dorothy Briscoe**, Jean DuVall's mother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown; Delle Bullard; Bill Burleson**, Shirley McClenny's dad; **Tillie Carpenter; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Larry Ground; Frank Haddock**, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law; **Buck Hamilton; Teresa Higgs**, Chad Chauncey's aunt; **Jerry Howard; Buddy & Inez Kennedy; Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Samantha Means**, daughter of Stuart & Kathy; **Bobby Meigs**, Mary Beth O'Neal's brother-in-law; **Samuel Mink**, Lee & Camille's son; **Shirley McClenny; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Gary Nunn; Kay Parrish; Mary Richey; Art Rowland; Odell Sessions; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; Sue Starnes; David Stevens**, Bettye Price's brother; **Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Wayne & Molly Lou Terry; and Gloria Thigpen**.

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Prayer Bill Smith
Scripture Shaun Stamps
Dismiss Glynn Starnes

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David Asbill Dale Balckstone
Darrell Beard Ernest Bennett

GREETERS

Billy & Lynda Terrell & Calley Waggoner
D.L. & Alice Thompson & Walker Waggoner
Mike & Dorothy Watts & Maselyn Walker
Visitor Center: Jay & Debbie Bynum
Gene & Gwen Chandler

Pick up cards August 6 & 13: Brayden Kempton, Spencer Shaw, Austin Millican, Grant Perkins & Matthew Kimble.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, August 6:

Nursery a.m.: Donna Wright; Nursery p.m.: Charles & Linda Westerfeld; Toddlers a.m.: Sharon & Chloe Ainsworth; Toddlers p.m.: Laurie & Dru Dawkins; 2's: David & Sharon Hammond; 3's & 4's: Todd & Jana Hancock.

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THE SPIRITUALLY ELITE

Paul gave some sage advice, yes a divine commandment, when he said, "Do not think more highly of yourself than you ought to think" (see Romans 12:3). There are two things to keep in mind here: (1) one should not think more lowly of himself than he should -- this is a false humility that overlooks one's strengths and abilities; and (2) neither should one think more highly of himself than he should -- this is pride that causes one to look down on others and alienates from God (see James 5:5). The proud are the spiritually elite who exalt themselves in their own eyes. They are those who have the attitude, "If you only knew as much as I know, you would think and feel as I do." This attitude causes one to look down on others and to pity them for being unspiritual. This attitude is divisive because it pushes its agenda slipshod over the less spiritual. This attitude is hypocritical because while it claims to be spiritually mature it is often harsh and unloving with those who disagree with it. This

attitude is selfish because it insists upon its own way. This attitude is often rude and hurtful to those it considers to be less mature. This attitude believes it knows how to grow a church whether it has grown one or not. This attitude thinks it doesn't need to be governed by Scripture and places its own thoughts above the revealed will of God. Here's the question: which of the above mentioned things express the attitude of Christ? The answer, of course, is none of them. We all are to be growing into the image of Christ (Romans 8:29). We are to learn to think, speak, and act like Christ. When we fail we may display attitudes that are far from the imitation of Christ. We may only think we are spiritual people unless we are acknowledging what is written as the commandments of the Lord (see I Corinthians 14:37) and allow God's Word to guide our thoughts, our attitudes, and our lives.

- Jay Lockhart

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Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, August 6, 2006

By Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "The City Of God"
(Hebrews 12:22-24, 28)
P.M. "Joy Comes In The Morning"
(Psalm 30:4-5)

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MEXICO MISSION TRIP

The Mexico Mission Trip was a great blessing to our teens and adults. We helped them conduct a VBS as well as demolish and rebuild a cinderblock wall. Our teens worked very hard and did an outstanding job. It was great to work together with our brothers in Mexico. The relationships we have built over the years have been a blessing to us and them. Even though we struggle with communicating because of the language barrier, we have a common bond, Jesus Christ! Let us continue to pray for our brothers and sisters all over the world.

COMBINED DEVOTIONAL

All of those in the middle & high school group are invited to the devotional this coming Sunday night in the FLC. We will be finished @ 9:00. Invite a friend for this great evening.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES

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HOW TO THROW A PARTY

When was the last time you read Luke 14? In the verses 12-14 Jesus tells us how to throw a party. Actually, he calls it a "banquet," but it's still a party. The strange thing is this, Jesus is talking to a bunch of religious folks ... maybe that's why he calls it a "banquet" instead of a party. He says, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends,

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

All right, teachers, are you ready! Hold on tight because things are definitely going to be exciting for the next few weeks. The work is finishing up in the building across the parking lot and the work will soon begin in our main building. We have been told to have our personal items out of this building no later than August 15th, therefore I've scheduled a work day for Tuesday, August 8th. On August 8th all of our teachers are asked to take everything off their walls and store them at home if possible. After the remodeling project is completed those items can then be brought back to the building and put back up on the walls. Any other personal items or supplies need to be boxed up and stored at home. I will provide a meal for all of our workers on August 8th. It will either be pizza or Jason's but in order to have enough food here, you'll need to contact me to let me know that you will be here. If you are unable to be present on the 8th,

BIBLE STUDY/MOVIE NIGHT

All of those in the high school group are invited to our house on Thursday, Aug. 10 for a Bible Study time and a movie. We will begin @ 7:00 and end at 10:00.

GOOFY GAME DAY

All of those in the middle school group are invited to the Goofy Game Day on Thursday, Aug. 10, from 1:00-4:00. Invite a friend to enjoy this fun time together. Please wear tennis shoes!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The new addition for offices and classrooms will be finished sometime in mid August. During this transition time, we will need some volunteer help to set up the offices as well as moving the library.

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 6 Combined Devotional
Aug. 10 Goofy Game Day
Aug. 10 High School Bible Study/Movie Night

your brothers, or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

I don't know that I've ever been to a party like that. I'm guessing this is not one of the instructions that you highlighted in your Bible either. So once again, we remain silent where the Bible speaks.

WidowsSingleMothers Car Care Service

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at the church building

someone will box up your items and take everything off your wall. Those items will be left in the room for you to pick up on Wednesday, August 9th. If those items are not picked up they will be stored here but let me offer a reminder that many things get lost during a remodeling. Please do not use the VBS storage room to store any of your items because that room will also be in total chaos during our remodeling. If you have items in that room be sure to get them out by August 8th. During our cleanup day seize the moment to weed out all unnecessary items. All the furniture in the rooms will need to be moved at a later date. The kindergarten room should not be touched during this work day. That class will continue to meet there on Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. The first grade class will also meet upstairs on Sunday morning and Wednesday evening but that class will meet in the current 4th grade room, so all items will need to be taken down and boxed up in our current 1st grade classroom. The 2nd through 5th grades will meet in the Family Life Center starting in September. Teachers, if you have boxes, please bring them on August 8th.



IN APPRECIATION

The flowers, notes and phone calls from this wonderful church family have provided comfort to our family at the loss of my mother, Lida Craver.

Our deep love and appreciation,
Karen Stansbury & Family

My Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the shower of birthday cards. Yes, they were forwarded to me just in time for my 89th birthday party "almost a surprise," a beautiful cake and all my 7 great grandchildren around me. God has been so good to me! Thank you for continuing my Visitor. Oh, I enjoy hearing from my home church!

Now, I am asking for your prayers. I am now a patient of Baylor Medical. The extensive treatments, I have been told, will help me with the terrible pain I have suffered from since my wreck. I will go in on the 31st for my 2nd treatment. I am asleep so I do not feel the pain of the needles. I do covet your prayers always. Give God the Glory!

Lorene Venable

NEW ARRIVALS!

Congratulations to Gary and Jennifer Heath on the birth of a baby boy on July 24! James "Caleb" Heath weighed 7 lb. 7 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Joel and Karalee Knox have a new grandson! James Marlin Epperson IV was born July 28 in Oklahoma City to Jim and Loreale Epperson. He weighed 7 lb. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Thursday at Burks-Walker-Tippitt for Pauline Jones, a former member who taught our first grade class for many years. Our sincere love and sympathy is extended to her family and friends.

ADDRESS CHANGES:

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Jessica Kuechle, 2057 W Hebron Pkwy #227, Carrollton, TX 75010, ph. 972-492-2578

Carlos & Emma Morgan, P.O. Box. 9472, Tyler, 75711
Fred & Sandra Wingate, 6600 Gleneagles Drive, 75703

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Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Maj. Thomas Jordan, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Allan Thomson, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel. Suzanne Linseisen is now in the Air Force Reserves.

GOSPEL MEETING - AUGUST 6-9

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BAPTISMS



We rejoice with **Andy Murry**, the daughter of Dan and Lynn Murry, in her decision to live her life for Christ. She was baptized by her dad last Saturday evening. Their address is 305 Woodhaven, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 839-9963.

Congratulations to **Ashlie Sustaie** on her recent baptism into Christ at the Four States Singing School. Ashlie is the daughter of Kevin and Shelly Sustaie and is in the 8th in Lindale ISD. Their address is 12948 FM 16 W, Lindale, 75771, ph. 881-9580.



WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Gaynor
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Whitney Celeste Gaynor

to

Eric William Figueroa
on Saturday, the fifth of August, 2006
at two o'clock in the afternoon
Glenwood Church of Christ,
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Bible Class	366	413	401
Worship A.M.	543	645	602
Worship P.M.	398	373	305
Wed. P.M.	316	310	347
Contribution	\$20,719.40	\$21,150.48	\$19,978.37
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	7-9-06 Bldg. \$150.00 - Bus \$900.00	

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THE SEEDS OF RESTORATION

In the early days of America, settlers who came from Europe brought their religions with them -- most notable were the Baptists, Methodists, and Presbyterians, as well as Congregational and Catholic churches. By the late 1700's there were people in America who were seeing broader and broader divisions among the churches and who began seeking ways to bring about the religious unity for which Christ prayed (John 17:20, 21). Early on, these people saw the cause of division to be human creeds, human names, and human practices. Therefore, they began to plead for a renunciation of such things and for a return to the New Testament as the only rule of faith and practice in religion. Among the first to make such a plea in America was James O'Kelly in Virginia in the late 1700's. By 1801 Abner Jones, a physician in New England, was making the same plea. Soon Elias Smith joined Jones in establishing nonsectarian churches in the Northeast. Also in 1801, Barton W. Stone and others were making this plea for primitive New Testament Christianity in Kentucky. Then came John Write in Indiana in 1810 and Thomas and Alexander Campbell in Virginia and Pennsylvania and Walter Scott in Ohio. All of these men were saying the same thing: the Bible is the only creed; we should be Christians only; the church of the New Testament is undenominational; what is believed should come form a "thus saith the Lord either in express terms or

approved precedent." Following these principles was a process as they grew in their understanding and application of what they had been saying. For example, the Campbells gradually came to see that if the New Testament was to be the standard of authority then they would have to abandon infant baptism and sprinkling and accept immersion for the forgiveness of sins. Walter Scott grieved over telling people to accept Christ but then not knowing what to tell them to do. After carefully studying the conversions of Acts he came to the conclusion that penitent believers were to be told to be immersed for the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. These men, and others, paid a great price to embrace New Testament Christianity. They were not perfect, but they knew what authority in religion is -- the New Testament. We owe much to them since they blazed the trail for us. They have left us a rich heritage and have given us a distinctive plea to "speak where the Bible speaks and remain silent where the Bible is silent." By so doing they believed they would not be starting a new church but restoring the one Jesus built. It is hard to have much respect for a "johnny-come-lately" in our time who hasn't yet made much of a contribution to anything but who will criticize, find fault with, and repudiate the work of the Restorers as insignificant or unimportant.

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny* MEXICO MISSION TRIP

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COMMUNITY

..... *by Don Crawford*

WHAT TO DO WITH THE BEST THINGS OF LIFE

I recently read this statement: "The best thing to do with the best things in life is to give them away."

It reminded me of Mother Teresa who was one of those people who took the best things in life and gave them away. I had always wondered what she was like in person. Many talked like she glowed in the dark. Then I read a description of her. Her friend said she was short, wrinkled, a little ornery at times and precious. The one thing her friend spoke about was her feet. Her feet were deformed. "Each morning at mass, I would stare at them," he said. "I wondered if she had contacted leprosy." Someone else

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

For the past 25 years I have been involved with Christian education in some way, shape, form or fashion. I've had the opportunity of coordinating Bible classes at a Christian school in Miami, Florida and Little Rock, Arkansas. I taught Bible for 3 years at East Texas Christian Academy. And I've overseen the educational ministry at three churches. As often as possible I try to talk about the benefits associated with Christian education but today I want to suggest some ways to improve our classes (school and church) so that we won't fall short of God's glory. Let me make the following three suggestions concerning Christian education:

1. Acquire a qualified staff. Far too often we put people into our classrooms because we have the need to fill a spot or because we feel like we owe a buddy a favor. This is done to the detriment of our students. We need to find the best qualified person to put into our classes (especially our Bible classes). If we are really

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told him her feet are deformed because we just get enough donated shoes for everyone and she never wanted anyone to get stuck with the worst pair, she would search for them to wear for herself. Years of doing that had deformed her feet. I thought, years of loving her neighbor as herself.

American culture has taught us to believe that charity is a virtue. But for Christians, it is only what is expected. It's the very heart of our rebirth. Sharing what we have often begins out of a burden or even guilt, but it is always sustained by the matchless joy it brings; the sheer delight of watching others receive what they have needed, or have been deprived of for a long time. We are never more like the Father than when we show compassion and mercy and kindness to others. The best thing to do with the best things in life is to give them away.

WidowsSingleMothers Car Care Service
Saturday, August 12, 9:00- 11:00am
at the church building

striving to help our students obtain a Christian education then why not look intently at finding the best Bible school teacher for that classroom.

2. Once you have a qualified staff in place then be sure to recognize and support that staff. In other words, listen and show care, concern and compassion for your teachers. They are making great sacrifices and they should be recognized for those sacrifices. I believe with all of my heart that God will bless good teachers but we also should show our appreciation to them for a job well done.

3. Provide our students with the best curriculum possible. Sometimes I wonder where certain classes are headed with what they are teaching. There is no organization to these classes and there is no direction. To help us gain our direction we should remember that the Bible is our textbook for our Bible classes; it shouldn't be a supplement for those classes.

To close, if we are going to call what we do Christian education, then let's get serious about it and seek out the best that God has to offer to help us accomplish our goals.



IN APPRECIATION

Thanks to all of you for your concern, flowers, cards, food and calls and most of all for your prayers. What a blessing to have such a wonderful church family. Continue to pray for us and know we love each of you dearly.

Jo and Art Rowland

Again we come with sincere thanks to our church family for all the cards, calls, and concern shown for our family not only during Chuck's shoulder surgery and recovery but also during Carolee's illness and death. The beautiful plant sent by the church is thriving in San Diego in the care of Carolee's close friend. Again thank you for all your love and support.

Chuck, Linda and Dan Gillam
Chandra & Michael Bozeman

WITH SYMPATHY

Donald Strickland, Harvey Strickland's brother and Lisa Snell's uncle, died Tuesday. Services were held in Mississippi. Services were held Monday at Lloyd James Funeral Home with burial in Winnsboro for Bill Burnett, Rachel Huff's step father. Services were held Wednesday at Burks-Walker-Tippitt for Benjamin Smith, Charleen Clayton's grandson, son of Charisse Smith and Doug Smith. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends.

NEW ARRIVAL!

Congratulations to Gary and Jennifer Heath on the birth of a baby boy on July 24! James "Caleb" Heath weighed 7 lb. 7 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

NEW PHONE NUMBER: Gary & Frances Broome
903-839-3149

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

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ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

All former members are invited to the 10th anniversary of the University Church of Christ worshipping in their current location on Sunday, July 30. Eddie Parrish will be guest speaker and Chris Parker will be the song leader. Services are 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. .

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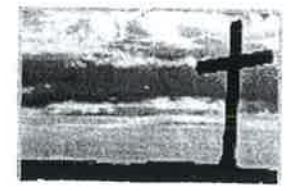
I'M JUST WONDERING

Based upon the predictions of George Barna, recognized leader in understanding the religious climate of America, and an article in The Christian Chronicle (July 2006), I have some questions. Barna predicts that within 20 years one-third of American church members will explore alternative forms of worship such as home churches, workplace ministries, or online faith communities. He suggests that many people cannot get what they need from local churches and will seek alternatives. While Barna's reference is to all religious groups, the article in The Christian Chronicle focused upon members of the church of Christ who are seeking alternatives to the local congregation. Let me say, first of all, that I am in favor of exploring fresh ways of reaching the lost. Second, I am not opposed to non-traditional ways of doing church so long as we are dealing with areas of opinion or expediency and not with matters of faith (things about which God has clearly spoken). Meeting on the Lord's day, the first day of the week, for eating the Lord's Supper, prayer, giving, singing, and proclaiming God's Word is a matter of faith to me. What time we meet, whether or not we have Sunday school, evening assemblies, or Wednesday night meetings are all a matter of opinion and expediency and elders in local churches decide these matters. I recognize that "house

churches" were known in the New Testament, but I also know that there was emphasis upon the "whole church" coming together (I Corinthians 14:23; Hebrews 10:25; Colossians 4:16). Through the years we have had the tendency to look for that one elusive method that will assure success in fulfilling the mission of the church. However, methods come and go and there isn't an easy way to grow a church. While some have decided that the larger local church needs to give way to the small, informal house church in order to reach more people, some questions seem appropriate. Were there no large churches in the New Testament? How many people are being won to Christ in the alternative churches? What is the real motivation? If the small, informal church is the answer for the future, who sends out missionaries? Who cares for the poor? Who sends youth groups on their campaigns? Who are the elders? Who shepherds the flock? Who equips the saints? Who plants churches at home and abroad? Who teaches the children? I'm just wondering. I favor any method for reaching the lost that is in harmony with Scripture. I also favor the congregation that is large enough to impact the community and take the gospel to the world. It remains to be seen as to the real impact of the alternative.
- Jay Lockhart

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Sermons for Sunday, July 23, 2006

By Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "When The Light Comes On"
(Romans 3:21-26)
P.M. "A Called Out People"
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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

During the past 2 1/2 years the faces at West Erwin have changed drastically. I don't know anyone who can call everybody by name. Plus, the children have really changed during this time period. Therefore, we decided it was time to have a new pictorial directory made for our church family. For two weeks we have been signing up to schedule times for your family pictures. To date we have had a 44% turnout. That means 56% of you have not yet signed up. I know how you feel, having my picture taken is not the most pleasant thing I can think of, but it really helps our church family to put names and faces together. If you are part of the 56% would you please make your best effort to help us have a full church family participation? We need you!

PRAYER AND CARE CHANGES

The list on your Sunday handouts is being updated to better manage the prayer and care concerns to the congregation. We have regrouped the requests to help in the organization of the names and concerns. The additional changes are as follows. West Erwin members will be placed on the prayer and care list in four week increments. A member's name may stay on the list as long as necessary, but must be resubmitted each four weeks. Friends and family of our members and others will remain on the prayer and care list in two week increments and then must be resubmitted. To put someone on the prayer and care list, or to resubmit a name, please call Jo Butler in the church office. If you have updates on the condition of a person on the list, please share it with Jo. Thank you for your cooperation and I hope these changes will help us all to be more in tune to those needing our prayers, cards, calls, and visits.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

For three years now I have been working with the college age here at West Erwin. We started from scratch in 2003 with a monthly devotional in the Family Life Center. Toward the end of 2004 we started meeting for a weekly devotional and activity. Over the last three years we have taken small but necessary steps to insure the longevity of this ministry. During the summer of 2005 we were able to put together a softball team to compete in city league play. We also have the beginnings of a basketball team that hopefully will compete in city league play in 2006-07. We've had the opportunity to go on hiking trips, camping trips, Ranger baseball games, and a couple of retreats along the way. All of these activities were geared to help our group build relationships with one another. We've also had the opportunity to participate in service and outreach efforts. Each month the college age are encouraged to help with the Karing Kitchen

ministry. Our involvement in this ministry is on the same night that University hosts the Karing Kitchen. We've had the opportunity to put together care packages for the needy, rake yards for the elderly, clean up Camp Deer Run for the kids, and conduct skits for our Summer Extravaganza ministry. All of these activities were done to reach out to this community.

There have been some highs and lows along the way. Our attendance has soared at times but it has also taken a nose dive at times. Sometimes this ministry was on track and sometimes it was temporarily derailed but all in all I have been pleased with the effort. I feel this ministry has stabilized and that it is now ready to grow.

Recently the elders asked Tim Grounds and Bill Mullins if they would be willing to work with this ministry. They accepted and will soon step into this role. This move will free me up to get a little more involved with the Kid's Kingdom ministry that I started in 2005. Thank you, Tim and Bill, for volunteering your time and energy to this ministry and may God bless you in this important work here at West Erwin.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Church Family,

Thank you very much for your prayers, visits, calls, cards, etc. What a wonderful blessing to have such a family!

In Him,
Cathy Scroggins

Dear West Erwin Family,

We want to express our thanks for all you have done for our dad during his recent illness. A very special thank you to the men who stayed with dad at the hospital. Your cards, calls and prayers mean so much to Mom and Dad and lift their spirits weekly. Thank you for being their church family.

In Christian love,
Mozelle Brown
Ronnie & Susan Brown
Gloria Daughtry
Jack & Bettie Thompson

Gratefully acknowledging and thanking you for your kind expression of sympathy. Thank you so much for the beautiful plant.

Alfred E. Cliver Family

I would like to express my appreciation for the care and concern during my recent illness. The cards, calls and prayers meant so much to us.

Henry McRuiz

WITH SYMPATHY

Donald Strickland, Harvey Strickland's brother and Lisa Snell's uncle, died Tuesday. Services were held in Mississippi. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

NEW ADDRESS: Mrs. Lorene Venable, 901 North Garden Ridge Blvd. #3205, Lewisville, TX 75077, ph. 214-222-7947.

THE 28TH ANNUAL SOUTHWEST SCHOOL OF BIBLE STUDIES Graduation Weekend - July 14-16

Southwest church of Christ, 8900 Manchaca Rd., Austin TX
Andy Baker, Kay Baker's son, was one of the graduates and we will be privileged to hear him preach at West Erwin later this year.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Maj. Thomas Jordan, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Allan Thomson, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel. Suzanne Linseisen is now in the Air Force Reserves and plans to go to Iraq next summer.

GOSPEL MEETING - AUGUST 6-9

Valley View Church of Christ (halfway between Gilmer & Ore City) Speakers: Sunday, August 6th - 2:15, Joe Rivers; Mon.-Dan Manuel; Tuesday - Jay Lockhart; Wed. - N.L. Evans; 7:30 p.m. Each evening. See bulletin board for details.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Welcome to **Blake** and **Mary Lockhart** and their children, **Kinsey** (10), **Courtney** (7), and **Braden** (11/2)! We rejoice with Mary Lockhart in her decision to be baptized into Christ last Wednesday. They have been attending here for some time and we are delighted to welcome them into the West Erwin family. Their address is 16245 CR 431, Lindale, 75771, ph. 881-0369.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Max and Mary Haws on the birth of a new great grandson! Colton Cox was born July 14 in Benbrook to Sammy and Molly Cox. He weighed 9 lb. 1 oz. and was 22 inches long. Cassidy is the big sister and Matt and Rhonda Haws are the great uncle and aunt.

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ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The University Church of Christ will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of worshipping in their current location on Sunday, July 30. Eddie Parrish will be guest speaker and Chris Parker will be the song leader. Services are 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. All former members are invited.

CHILDREN'S HOME OF LUBBOCK

An opportunity to manifest Christ through excellence in childcare: The Children's Home of Lubbock needs a full time house parent. Extensive training, competitive salary, weekly time off, fourteen days vacation, and ample benefits are provided. Call Gary Flewellen @ 762-0481.

CHEROKEE HOME FOR CHILDREN

Cherokee Children's Home is seeking Houseparents to care for a home of up to eight children. They employ as houseparents married couples who are faithful members of the churches of Christ with acceptable references.. Excellent compensation offered! Cherokee Children's Home offers a caring and concerned couple the opportunity to nurture neglected and abused children that need your love, attention, and personal support.

EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ETCA has an opening for an Administrative Secretary. This is a full time position responsible for providing secretarial skills of a complex and confidential nature to the office of the President. Three to five years experience required. Please submit inquiries to ETCA, 1797 Shiloh Rd., 75703, ph. 561-8642.

F.A.C.T.S. - On Wednesday, July 26, Bill Holt who is the pulpit minister for the Holly Lake Church of Christ will be our guest speaker, followed by your favorite chocolate desserts in the Family Life Center.

Sunday evening worship time: 6:00, Singing from 5:30 - 5:55

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July 13, 2006	From the Heart of Tyler		Vol. 37 - No. 27
Records	Sunday July 9	Sunday July 2	Year Ago
Bible Class	392	405	366
Worship A.M.	591	644	609
Worship P.M.	365	377	315
Wed. P.M.	NC	303	262
Contribution	\$23,047.00	\$23,785.03	\$20,186.10
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	7-9-06 Bldg. \$205.00 - Bus \$39,831.52	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, July 16 and Wed., July 19: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. **Please call if you need transportation.**

PRAYER AND CARE - Art Rowland is now in intermediate care after emergency surgery last Tuesday. Kay Parrish is recovering in Mother Frances after surgery last Wednesday. Henry McRuiz was hospitalized but is now at home. Carl Stowers is in Mother Frances with pneumonia. Carolyn Welborn has a broken leg. Cathy Scroggins is doing well after recent surgery. Samantha Means, little daughter of Stuart & Kathy, continues to improve. Odell Sessions is in Park Place. Stuart Suggs had knee surgery Wednesday. Alla Minnis is having health problems. Bill Burleson, Shirley McClenny's dad, has cancer. Phil Betts, George & Joy Betts' son, has cancer. Teresa Higgs, Chad Chauncey's aunt, is under hospice care in Ardmore, OK. Frank Haddock, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law, is undergoing dialysis. Continue to remember Vera Beard; Jennifer Beasley, Will Tanksley's cousin; Henry & Mozelle Brown; Sheila Buchanan, Charleen Calyton's niece; Barbara Caperton, Cathy Scroggins' aunt; Lent Carnes, Cindy Pace's uncle; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; Mabel Holbert; Jerry Howard; Ryder Kelly; Buddy & Inez Kennedy; David Lane, Suzanne Linseisen's dad; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Shirley McClenny; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Gary Nunn; Vince Ramos; Mary Richey; Jan Rodgers, Nancy Crawford's sister; Nelda Smith; Robert Stokes; Pattie Tate; Wayne & Molly Lou Terry; Gloria Thigpen; Jerry Todd, friend of the Estes'; and Jarah Turner, Michael Carnathan's cousin, and Earlyne Wimberley.

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Prayer Tommy Parrish
Scripture Bob Paul
Dismiss J.D. Mitchell

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Bill White Randall Wilson
Dale White Ira Wilson
Leon Welborn David Wicks
Charles Westerfeld Bill Wilmeth

GREETERS

Noel & Jean Parker & Amye Scarborough
Bob & Barbara Paul & Ashlie Sustaie
Jeff & Melissa Parrish & Cade Suggs
Visitor Center: Phil & Linda Marts
Charles & Linda Westerfeld

Pick up cards July 16: Trey Jackson, Caleb Grounds, Parker Hall, Keaton Conder & Jeffrey Scarbrough.

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IT WAS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME

In the ongoing effort to remove God and religion from our national life, opponents of the idea of "one nation under God" have now attacked our dating system. It was only a matter of time. A campaign has been under way for some time to rewrite our national history and "keep secret" the fact that the founding fathers were religious men who believed that "if a sparrow cannot fall to the earth without God's notice, it is unthinkable to believe an empire can rise without His aid," to loosely quote Benjamin Franklin. Authors of history textbooks and teachers of history can ignore the statements of faith that were made by the founding fathers, but that does not change the fact that they made them. Those who would ignore the use of the name of God and references to the Bible by the founders and push for a godless society still have the problem of Scripture quotations on buildings in our nation's capital, prayer before the opening session of Congress, and "God save this honorable court" as the Supreme Court opens its sessions. Now there are forces at work to replace B.C. (before Christ) and A.D. (Anno

Domini, the year of the Lord) with B.C.E. (before the common era) and C.E. (common era). This would eliminate any reference to the birth of Christ as being the dividing point of history. However, this brings up the question raised by Richard Ostling in an article that appeared in the Tyler Morning Telegraph on June 24, 2006: "What is common about the common era?" What happened between B.C.E. and C.E.? The answer should be obvious -- the birth of Christ happened! Try as one might, God will not be eliminated from history and it is extremely foolish for man to live in God's world, to enjoy God's blessings, and then to pretend that there is no place in our lives for him. Whether one says it or just lives like God is not, it is still true that "the fool has said in his heart 'There is no God'" (Psalm 14:1). (Note: because of a mistake in the calculations of Dionysius as to when Jesus was born, there is a four year differential in his calendar so that Christ was born in 4 B.C., but the fact remains that history is divided by the birth of Christ).
- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, July 16, 2006

A.M. By Don Crawford

P.M. By Mike Gravois

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... by Danny

NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

The Vacation Bible School in West Point, Nebraska is off to a good start with 90 in attendance on Monday and 104 on Tuesday (higher than any previous VBS). Everything is going well and everyone is having a great time. Please continue to remember us in prayer that our efforts will bear fruit for the kingdom and for our safe return home.

A special thanks to the following adults who helped sponsor our mission trip: Gary and Frances Broome, Caysi Bynum, Danny Craddock, Ken Culpepper, Robert Goodrick, Kelli Malone, Jimmie and Carolyn Philpot, and Lisa Snell. We couldn't do it without willing sponsors!

COMMUNITY

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BE SURE TO SIGN UP IN THE FOYER!**

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"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Teachers, are you ready for the shake up that is about to occur within our Bible school ministry beginning in the fall? If you are let me know how you prepared yourself for this because I'm not sure that I'm ready. During the fall quarter many changes will take place due to the remodeling in our current facilities. These changes will necessitate that we all keep a good attitude, remembering that when it is all over things will be a lot better than they are right now. As I understand it now, rooms 111, 112, 113 and 114 (the four rooms in back of the small auditorium) will be saved until the very last of the remodeling. This will give our playschool and our preschool the necessary places to meet until the other rooms are finished. That's one problem solved! Virtually every other room that meets here in the main building will be affected by the remodeling. So, for our kindergarten through 5th grade, starting in September you will be having a

SMALL GROUP MEETINGS

Small groups will meet this Sunday, July 16, immediately after the evening worship assembly. Please be involved

MEXICO MISSION TRIP

All of those going to Mexico need to meet Sunday, July 16 @ 4:30 and Wednesday, July 19, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room.

"Remember now your Creator in the days of your youth....." (Ecclesiastes 12:1)

IMPORTANT DATES

July 21-26 Mexico Mission Trip

increments and then must be resubmitted. To put someone on the prayer and care list, or to resubmit a name, please call Jo Butler in the church office. If you have updates on the condition of a person on the list, please share it with Jo. These changes will begin next week, July 16.

POINT TO PONDER

It seems to me that there are four voices competing for my attention --- the voice of God, the devil, others, and my own. Scripture calls us to discern which is which. If we neglect the Scriptures how will we be able to distinguish between them?

Don't forget Small Group meetings, Sunday, July 16!

combined class (VBS style) that will meet in the Family Life Center. Teachers, I will try my best to oversee both the Sunday morning class as well as the Wednesday evening class. I will need some involvement from you on a rotating basis due to some prior commitments I already have scheduled for the fall but I will be here most of the time. The format will be simple I assure you.

The adult classes that currently meet in this building: (1) Searchers; (2) Discoverers; (3) Explorers; (4) Conquerors; (5) Ladies class will be combined and will meet along with the Adventurers in the auditorium. I am in the process of securing a teacher for this class. The young professionals will meet in the old high school classroom for the fall quarter. The Inquirers class that presently meets in the benevolence center will continue to meet there and the young married class which currently meets in the parlor will be moved to another room which Don Crawford has set up in the benevolence center. A similar arrangement will be in place for Wednesday evenings.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thank you so much for the love and kindness shown us upon our return from Togo. What a wonderful partnership we have had!

With love and appreciation,
Jeff & Brenda Holland & family
542 E N 23rd, Abilene, TX 79601
Ph. 325-672-9494

Again we are here to say thank you for all that you do: cards, calls, food, and especially your prayers. The Lord has special blessings waiting for each of you n heaven.

In Christian love,
Molly Lou and Wayne Terry

West Erwin Church:

I want to express my sincere thanks to all of you for the kindness shown at the death of my mom. The cards, flowers, calls, and especially the prayers were much appreciated.

Wally Dawkins

I want to thank all our friends and family at West Erwin for your calls, cards, and prayers for my recovery. What a blessing to have such a caring family. Thanks to all.

In Christian Love,
Jane & Larry Ground

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held July 3 at Stewart Family Funeral Home for Pat Stokes, long time West Erwin member. Services were held last Wednesday for Charles Dees, husband of the late Jean Dees. Services were held last Friday in Athens for Alfred Cliver, John Cliver's brother. Services were held this week in Marshall for Lida Cramer, Karen Stansbury's mother. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends.

Sorry to lose ... Bill and Pat Bratcher are moving July 18. Their new address is 198 Sundance Road, Abilene, 79602. They will be missed but we wish them well in their new home.

NEW ADDRESSES: Todd & Kenna Kempton, Brittney & Brayden, 10723 Southern Trace Circle, Flint, 75762, ph. 894-3604. Barry & Mary Scarborough, Sara & Amye, 606 Brookside, Chandler, 75758.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Barbara Smart is a welcome addition to the West Erwin family. We hope to be a blessing to her as she has blessed us by her coming. Her address is 6707 Hollytree Dr., 75703, ph. 561-8608.

Garland and Marlene Latham came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the West Erwin family. They recently moved from Hico, Texas and we are delighted to welcome them. Their address is 1824 Pinecrest, 75701, ph. 565-0054.

We are very pleased to welcome **Jim and Glynda Sizemore**, already known by many here, into the West Erwin family. Their grandson, **Brandon Lowe**, from Castle Rock, Colorado is now living with them and wishes to be a part of this church family also. Their address is 100 Leamington Spa, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 839-9022.

PRAYERS

Lee and Camille Mink have requested the prayers of their church family for their family and also for the family of the victim killed in a car wreck in which their son was involved.

NEW ARRIVALS

Daniel and Ginger Pippin are the proud parents of twin boys, Carter and Caleb, born July 9. They were about five weeks premature and were airlifted to Dallas due to underdeveloped lungs. One weighed 5 lb. 9 oz. and the other weighed 6 lb. 3 oz.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to George and Dorothy Daugherty on the celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on June 30. We rejoice with them in this happy milestone in their lives.

BENEVOLENCE CENTER NEEDS

The Benevolence Center is in need of summer clothes, especially for children. They are open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00-11:30. Thanks for your help.

MANY THANKS

A special thanks to David and Virginia Demic for giving of their time and much effort in packing up the church library in preparation for the remodeling.

EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ETCA is in need of Middle School boys Basketball and Baseball and girls Volleyball and Basketball coaches. For more information, please call Diann Ponder, Athletic Director at 903-561-8642.

F.A.C.T.S. - On Wednesday, July 19, Tim Pyles from the McDermott Road Church of Christ in Plano will be our guest speaker, followed by cookie sandwiches in the Family Life Center.

**Sunday evening worship times: 6:00 in June, July, August.
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Bible Class	412	372	374
Worship A.M.	621	705	615
Worship P.M.	414	308	395
Wed. P.M.	300	417	282
Contribution	\$22,968.48	\$22,194.43	\$19,828.20
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(6-25-06 Bldg. Fund \$1,500.00)	

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James Hardin

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer Rob Hilliard
Scripture Scottie Hart
Dismiss Ed Hunt

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Mike Watts Wade Weathers
Ross Weathers Maselyn Walker
Mark Waggonner Greg Walker
Walker Waggonner Don Weathers

GREETERS

Jerry & Pat Mitchell & Michael Ragsdale
Forest & Mary McFadden & Maggie Ragsdale
Lee & Camille Mink & Chris Scroggins
Visitor Center: Bill & Donna Mullins
Carlos & Emma Morgan

Pick up cards July 2: Tanner Perry, Sean Denman, Justin Parrish, Carson Hancock, & Chase Mink.

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IS IT THE UNITED STATES? ... IS IT THE CHURCH?

Our nation was founded upon a belief in God and upon Christian principles. From the landing of the pilgrims in 1620 to the writing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776 and the Constitution on 1787, the vast majority of the fathers of our country were men of faith. To disagree with these facts would be to rewrite history and reinvent the American republic. The first Thanksgiving Day in 1621 was just that: thanks given to God for His blessings and His bounty. It was John Adams who said, "Our constitution was made only for a moral and religious people." George Washington said, "Religion and morality are the essential pillars of civil society." Benjamin Rush, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence put it this way, "Without religion, I believe that learning does real mischief to the morals and principles of mankind." Gouverneur Morris, penman and signer of the Constitution stated, "I believe that religion is the only solid base of morals and that morals are the only possible support of free governments." These were ideals upon which America was founded. However, today the values and faith that

have served us so well are under vicious attack. There is a growing hostility toward Christian beliefs in this country. As James D. Daly put it, "From our public schools to our runaway court system, God is being expelled from American culture. And our nation's foundation is crumbling." If the anti-Christian agenda succeeds in this country, will we not cease to be the country our fathers intended? Now, let's look at the church. If the church leaves its foundation, Christ and His Word; if she ceases to be patterned after the church of the New Testament; if she leaves her moorings of respect for the authority of Scripture; if she gives up on the concept of being only Christians and the restoration of New Testament Christianity; and if she takes her place along side of the evangelical community church movement of our day; how can she be the church which was purposed by God, bought with the blood of Christ, filled with the Holy Spirit, guided by Scripture, and to which God adds, by His grace and man's obedience to the gospel, all those who are reconciled to God and saved from sin? Think about it.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, July 2, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. "Going On To Perfection: The Boldness That Hope Brings" (2 Corinthians 3:7-13)
P.M. "Going On To Perfection: The Hope Of Salvation" (I Thessalonians 5:8-11)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Jerry*

BACKCOUNTRY TREK

Life-Changing is the phrase which best describes our trip last week to the Pecos Wilderness of New Mexico. Our teens and adults were challenged both physically & spiritually. It was a great week for all!

A special thanks to the following adults who helped sponsor our trek: Ken Culpepper, Caysi Bynum, Lisa Snell, Steve Denman, David Asbill, David Wicks, John Murry & Robert Goodrick.

COMBINED DEVOTIONAL

All middle & high school students as well as those going to Nebraska are invited to the devotional Sunday night. Dinner will be provided. We will finish at 9:00.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE COMING SOON!

Take time to visit the Tract Rack
on the north wall of the foyer.

NEEDS LIST

We have a need for a car seat to be used in the church van when picking people up on Sundays and Wednesdays. If you have an approved, certified car seat in excellent condition and would like to donate it for this cause, please contact Don Crawford.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

George Washington accepted the post of General of the Continental Army of the United States on July 3, 1775. He was untested in many ways yet he rose to greatness through this commission during the Revolutionary War. He was held in high regard by his nation, his soldiers, and his officers because of his willingness to see a problem for what it was rather than what it should be. He didn't dwell on the past but he focused on the future and he wasn't afraid to get his boots dirty as he often would lead from the front rather than from the rear. He was a true soldier in every aspect of the word.

Just before the British Army launched a major attack against Washington's post (New York City) he spent countless hours instructing his officers and soldiers of the need to stand their ground and to do battle with the enemy. Even after all of his instructions, when the first wave of British soldiers began their attack against the Army of the United States (as it was now called) many of the soldiers turned and ran from their positions.

NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

We will have a meeting this Sunday @ 4:30. The class groups are working together on the lessons and it is important to attend. We will have an informational meeting on Sunday, July 2 for all sponsors and participants & parents @ 5:30 in the Heritage Room. A notary will be available for the Medical Release.

All sponsors & participants as well as the rest of the youth group are reminded of the devotional Sunday night after church. We will be done at 9:00.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP

All of those going to Mexico need to meet Wednesday, July 3 @ 6:30 in the Heritage Room.

IMPORTANT DATES

July 2	Nebraska Devotional
July 6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26	Mexico Mission Trip



IN APPRECIATION

Your expression of sympathy is greatly appreciated. My family and I thank you for the lovely bromeliad. My husband and Doris Neal, his sister, were very close and she's also so dear to me. May the Lord bless all of you.

Sincerely,
Merilyn Welch

The West Erwin Church,

I appreciate the very nice Bible you gave to me at the church baccalaureate services. Every time I read my Bible I think of my loving church family.

Love always,
Monica Starr

Dear Friends,

We love you and thank you for all the kindness, love, and support you have shown our family during the 47 years we have been members of the West Erwin congregation. Helping us celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary recently was very special. Thank you also for your care extended to Dee, our son-in-law, during his Tyler hospitalization this past week. Laurie really appreciated your prayers and loving response. When we all get to heaven, we hope your mansions are next to ours.

With much love,
Ralph & Marian Rowe
902 Harrison Ave.
Abilene, TX 79601
Ph. 325-675-0151

UPDATE ON JOSH CASON: This young man, for whom we have been praying due to severe burns suffered while serving in Iraq, has been recovering at home but is scheduled to return July 1 to Brooke Army Hospital in San Antonio for further treatment. His family would like to express their appreciation for your prayers and concern for Josh.

WITH SYMPATHY

John Holbert, long time West Erwin member, died last Friday after a lengthy illness. Memorial services will be held July 1 at 3:00 at our building. Services were held Tuesday in San Diego for **Carolee Gillam**, Chuck Gillam's stepmother. Services were held last Monday for **Mary Ellen Wright**, Mary Adams' sister-in-law. Our sincere love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends.

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BAPTISMS



Calley Waggoner, daughter of Mark and Martha Waggoner and granddaughter of Fred and Sara Powell, was baptized into Christ Sunday while at Camp Deer Run. Their address is 4520 CR 1295, 75704, ph. 597-2111.

We rejoice with **Leanne Linseisen** in making the most important decision of her life as she put on Christ in baptism last Sunday evening. She is the daughter of Suzanne Linseisen, 1626 Terre Haute, 75701, ph. 903-533-9780

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Bill and Jean Thompson came Sunday to make known their desire to cast their lot with this congregation. They worshipped here many years ago and we are happy to welcome them back into the West Erwin family. Their address is 841 VZ CR 4603, Ben Wheeler, Texas 75754, ph. 903-852-6938.

BABY SHOWER



You're invited to a Baby Shower
honoring Jennifer Heath
(It's a boy!)

Sunday, July 9, 4:30 - 5:30
Family Life Center
Selections: Target

CONGRATULATIONS!

Tony Adams' Chapel Hill High School Drafting classes won the Class 3A State Championship, plus overall 1A - 5A State Champions in Engineering Graphics for the fifth straight year. They placed second in Architectural Model in the National Competition.

Reba Sorrells was recently awarded the State of Texas 2006 Governor's Lonestar Achievement Award plaque by Governor Rick Perry for her many years of working for the betterment of children and for her continuing ministry to those in the community and in the church.

NEW ARRIVAL

Jo Butler is the proud grandmother of a new baby boy. Easton Lucas Brown was born June 20 in Austin to David and Joelle Brown. He weighed 10 lb. and was 21 1/2 inches long. He is welcomed by sisters, Riley and Tatum, and brother Owen, and by uncle and aunt Stuart and Marisa Suggs, cousins, Cade, Cassidy and Kennedy Suggs and great grandmother Mary Butler.

TEACHER MEETING - There will be an important meeting for all teachers at 5:15 Sunday, July 9, in room 112 to discuss how the upcoming remodeling will affect our classes.

F.A.C.T.S. - On Wednesday, July 5, we will have a staff led devotional, followed by candy bar sundaes in the Family Life Center.

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Singing from 5:30 - 5:55**

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Bible Class	372	424	415
Worship A.M.	705	657	584
Worship P.M.	308	432	429
Wed. P.M.	417	NC	320
Contribution	\$22,194.43	\$22,681.39	\$18,589.19
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(6-18-06 Bldg. Fund \$90.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, June 25, and Wed., June 28: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. **Please call if you need transportation.**

PRAYER AND CARE - Pat Stokes is in ETMC; Nina Crow is at home after surgery. Carolee Gillam, Chuck Gillam's mother, is hospitalized in San Diego. **Lent Carnes**, Cindy Pace's uncle, has lung cancer. **Sarah Turner**, cousin of Rebekah Carnathan, has bone cancer; **David Lane**, Suzanne Linseisen's dad, cancer has spread; **Barbara Caperton**, Cathy Scroggins' aunt, has lung cancer. Continue to remember **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Sheila Buchanan**, Charleen Clayton's niece; **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Lela Duncan**; **Shane Durham**, Don and Norma's son; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **Ryder Kelly**, Matt Kelly's nephew (doing well); **Buddy & Inez Kennedy**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Elza Maler**, Odell Sessions' brother; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Bobbye May**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Vince Ramos**, Ginger Pippin's brother-in-law; **Mary Richey**; **Jan Rodgers**, Nancy Crawford's sister; **Debbie Shaw**, friend of Pat Bratcher; **Gordon Smith**, Connie Sublette's dad; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Wayne & Molly Lou Terry**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Jerry Todd**, friend of the Estes family; **Jarah Turner**, Michael Carnathan's cousin; **Alexandra White**, the Tom Ramsour's granddaughter; & **Bobbie Wilson**.

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10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship Danny Snell
Prayer Paul Hancock
Scripture Nathan Grounds
Dismiss Dr. Aaron DuVall

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Terry Frick

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer Tommy Hale
Scripture Michael Hall
Dismiss Keith Harris

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Mike Watts Greg Wagner
Mark Waggonner Walker Waggonner
Don Weathers Greg Walker
Maselyn Walker Wade Weathers

GREETERS

Stan & Ernestine Mallory & Cassie Pace
Bob & May Helen May & Tanner Philpot
Jim & Priscilla Mayer & Mallori Philpot
Visitor Center: Louis & Jane Jones
Milburn & Jan Cook

Pick up cards June 25 & July 2: Tanner Perry, Sean Denman, Justin Parrish, Carson Hancock, & Chase Mink.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, June 25:
Nursery a.m.: Sharon Gordon; Nursery p.m.: Dolores Kennedy; Toddlers a.m.: Mary Scarborough & Lisa Snell; Toddlers p.m.: Shirley Denman & Kim Jordan; 2's: Heath & Kandi Adams; 3's & 4's: Marc & Ginger Philpot.

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"GOD TOOK CARE OF US"

Last Sunday we had the rare privilege of having Jeff and Brenda Holland and their children with us. The Hollands have returned home after more than twelve years in Togo, West Africa and we were glad to have Jeff teach a men's class and Brenda teach our women on Sunday morning and to have Jeff preach Sunday evening. Throughout Jeff's presentations he kept repeating a statement over and over again as he spoke of his work: "God took care of us." Jeff emphasized that when they arrived in Togo they were starting their work from scratch, they were not sure what to do, and they were unsure about the kind of reception they would receive from the Watchi people in Togo. However, as Jeff moved through his presentations telling of their triumphs and failures, their uncertainties and mistakes, he kept saying, "God took care of us." As I listened to Jeff I couldn't help but ask this question: "When you are far from home, in a land strange to you, without family,

without many comforts Americans take for granted, seeking to plant a church where there is none, and quite unsure of yourself and how you intend to proceed, where do you turn in your recognized need and weakness?" There would absolutely be no other place to turn but to God. You would know that only God could sustain, correct, and enable you. There would be no place for the pride of self-sufficiency under these circumstances. There would be no place for thinking that the victories were yours alone. There would be total and absolute dependence upon God. And at the end of the day as you looked back on the mountain tops and the valleys of your successes and failures you would know that "God took care of us." One of the greatest discoveries and one of the greatest moments of life would be the recognition that we are totally dependent upon God and "the battle is the Lord's" (I Samuel 17:47).

..... Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, June 25, 2006

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Revisiting Samaria"
(John 4:19-26)
P.M. "The True Heroes"
(2 Timothy 1:16-18)

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Continue to remember us in your prayers as we make our mission trips this summer!

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We will need to meet together on Sunday, July 2, for all sponsors and participants for our Nebraska Devotional.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP

Keep in mind our mission trip to Mexico. There will be more details concerning this trip soon.

THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who went on the BackCountry Trek this week. Thanks to the following sponsors: Lisa Snell, David Asbill, Ken Culpepper, Steve Denman, Jon Murry, David Wicks, and Robert Goodrick..

IMPORTANT DATES

June	25	Combined Devotional Nebraska Devotional Nebraska Mission Trip Mexico Mission Trip
July	2	
July	6-15	
July	21-26	

COMMUNITY

..... **by Don Crawford**
OIL THE SHIELDS!

A shield, sometimes called a buckler, was the warriors weapon of defense. Shields were often made of wood or wicker material and covered with either brass or copper and leather. Before battle the soldier would oil his shield so as to make its surface slippery. Thus David's lament for King Saul in 2 Samuel 1:21 "the shield of Saul - no longer rubbed with oil." His days were over. His fighting was over.

To the Christians in Ephesus Paul urged them to "take up the shield of faith with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one." All of the enemies' flaming arrows! ALL of them! Not one arrow will reach you.

This is why King David so often stated when talking about God: He is my shield, my refuge, my fortress. Then in Psalm 91:4-7 "He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday. A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you." And 9-10, "If you make the Most High your dwelling -- even the Lord, who is my refuge -- then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. For He will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands so that you will not strike your foot against a stone." Why? (verse 14) Because He love you!

It's HIS FAITHFULNESS that is our shield. Reread Psalm 91 and oil your shield for our battles are not yet

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 **Douglas L. Yates**

Well, our annual *Summer Extravaganza* is history. It was a great success. *Brad Harrub* from *Think* magazine (located out of Nashville, Tennessee) did a fantastic job speaking to our junior high through adult classes. Brad's thoughts centered around morality and ethics. If you weren't able to attend these classes you might be able to catch them on the "The Search" television program on Sunday mornings.

Velma Lemons has meant the world to me over the last six years. She is a wonderful and dedicated teacher and I'm thankful that she has the heart of a servant. She, along with her staff, did a great job in overseeing the preschool department. Thanks.

I coordinated the kindergarten through 5th grades during our *Summer Extravaganza* and the team that I assembled was very knowledgeable and very well prepared. *Terry Shaw* and *Jana Hancock* worked with our kids at the craft center; *Martha Waggoner* and her staff oversaw the Bible land food preparation center and this year *Daniel Yates* and *Dru Dawkins* took on the role of developing the activities center. To my staff, thanks for your labor of love.

Our lessons each evening centered on three extraordinary Bible characters: (1) Naaman; (2) Jonah; and (3) Daniel. I know that our students had the opportunity of hearing Bible based lessons; it is my hope and prayer that these lessons changed their lives forever. Please keep this wonderful ministry in your prayers as we begin the process of preparing for next year. Our average for the week was 418. That is 44 over our record attendance last year.

IN APPRECIATION

Dear Church Family,

We want to thank each of you who sent cards or offered words of congratulations on our fiftieth wedding anniversary. We appreciate your thoughtfulness so much. We have spent 45 of those 50 years as members of the West Erwin congregation. We feel so blessed to be here with such wonderful Christian friends.

With love,
Clay and Jamon Kirby

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, calls, and visits during my illness. It is a great feeling to know you are always there to show your love and care.

With love,
Bobbye May

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YOUNG AT HEART SUMMER TRIP

"Just A Closer Walk With Patsy Cline" at the Granbury Opera House, Friday, July 28th, orchestra seating \$18. Comfort Inn in Granbury: \$76+ tax for double, triple, or quadruple occupancy. "Brooklyn" - Dallas Summer Musicals, Saturday, July 29th, 2:00 p.m., level 7 seating \$22.90. (Approximate total \$115). Friday night meal on your own; Saturday: Continental breakfast, lunch and dinner on your own. Please sign the sheet on the Visitor Center if you plan to attend.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are happy to welcome Wendell and Anita Potter to our West Erwin family. Their address is 12234 CR 180, Tyler, Texas 75703. Their phone number is 903-561-0121.

New Addresses

NEW ADDRESS: Pat & Kelli Malone, 413 East South St., Lindale, 75771, ph. 882-7240; Mail: P.O. Box 1706, Lindale, 75771.

Gary, Frances, & Allison Broome, 203 Merri Lane, Whitehouse, Texas, 75791. New phone number later.

WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rivas
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Rachel Elizabeth
to Derek Wade Russell
son of Mr. and Mrs. William Russell
on Saturday, the eighth of July, two thousand and six
at six-thirty in the evening
Stauffer Chapel, Pepperdine University, Malibu, California

VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED

If you would like to volunteer to help in the baby or toddler nursery on Sunday mornings and evenings (these times are split so that you never miss both services), please call Diane Weathers at 903-839-9797.

EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ETCA is in need of Middle School boys Basketball and Baseball and girls Volleyball and Basketball coaches. For more information, please call Diann Ponder, Athletic Director at 903-561-8642.

CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF EAST TEXAS

If you are looking for work where you can minister to hurting children, Christian Services of East Texas has an opportunity for you. Case position in Tyler, Texas: Duties include placement services for children in foster care and supervision of the foster families. Candidates with Master's degree in Social Work preferred; Bachelor's degree in Social Work or related field considered plus two years of work related experience. Competitive salary and benefits package offered. Interested persons should contact Cindy Miller at cmiller@christianhomes.com, 915-677-2205, or 800-592-4725 for a copy of the job description and an application for employment.

WITH SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to Mary Adams in the loss of her sister-in-law, Mary Ellen Wright. Services were at Lloyd James on Monday.

"Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could; some blunders and absurdities crept in -- forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day. You shall begin it well and serenely, and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old mistakes and nonsense." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

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PRAYER AND CARE - Nina Crow had shoulder and hand surgery Wednesday. Glenda Mills is having tests. Victoria Moriole' is doing well after oral surgery. Odell Sessions is in Park Place. Carolee Gillam, Chuck Gillam's mother, remains hospitalized in San Diego. Lent Carnes, Cindy Pace's uncle, has lung cancer. David Lane, Suzanne Linseisen's dad, cancer has spread. Barbara Caperton, Cathy Scroggins' aunt, has lung cancer. Continue to remember Vera Beard; Jennifer Beasley, Will Tanksley's cousin; Henry & Mozelle Brown; Sheila Buchanan, Charleen Clayton's niece; Delle Bullard; Tillie Carpenter; Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Lela Duncan; Shane Durham, Don and Norma's son; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; John & Mabel Holbert; Jerry Howard; Ryder Kelly, Matt Kelly's preemie nephew; Buddy & Inez Kennedy; Kimberlee Lawless, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; Elza Maler, Odell Sessions' brother; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Bobbye May; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Gary Nunn; Mini Outhouse, friend of the Sublettes; Vince Ramos, Ginger Pippin's brother-in-law; Mary Richey; Jan Rodgers, Nancy Crawford's sister; Gordon Smith, Connie Sublette's dad; Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; Sue Starnes; Robert & Pat Stokes; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Wayne Terry; Gloria Thigpen; Jerry Todd, friend of the Estes family; Jarah Turner, Michael Camathan's cousin, Chris Waggener; Alexandra White, the Tom Ramsour's granddaughter, & Bobbie Wilson.

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Dismiss Alan Fisher

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

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Billy Terrell Kevin Sustaire
James Sublette Stuart Suggs
Ray Vannoy Will Tanksley

GREETERS

Wilmer & Diane Little & Chase Mink
Carroll & Cherrie Magee & Mollie Mink
Phil & Linda Marts & Kara Murry
Visitor Center: Don & Norma Durham
Joe & Frances McBee

Pick up cards June 18: Austin Millican, Spencer Shaw, Brayden Kempton, Grant Perkins, & Matthew Kimble.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, June 18:
Nursery a.m.: Mary Scarborough; Nursery p.m.: Debbie Bynum; Toddlers a.m.: Donna Mullins & Shannon Snell; Toddlers p.m.: Camille & Mollie Mink; 2's: Stefan & Rebecca Andrews; 3's & 4's: Todd & Jana Hancock.

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HOW SHOULD WE VIEW SCRIPTURE?

Through the years there have been various approaches to Scripture. From earliest times there were those who said the Gospel was not an all-sufficient guide in religion, as many Jewish Christians said that unless Gentile converts kept certain portions of the Law of Moses they could not be saved. The Jerusalem Conference (Acts 15), attended by the apostles, elders from the Jerusalem church, and others, came to the conclusion that Christ and His Word were sufficient for salvation. Soon after the close of the first century, others (most notably the Gnostics) taught that one needed additional illumination apart from the Gospel in order to come to a knowledge of the truth. Through the centuries church synods and conferences have added to and taken away from the teaching of the New Testament. It is not surprising that in our times there are various views of Scripture. On the one hand there are those who reject outright the Scripture as the authoritative and inspired Word of God. On the other hand there are those who believe the Scripture to be the final, complete, authoritative, inspired Word of God (this is what I

believe -- JPL). Between these two views there are various and sundry other beliefs about Scripture. In an effort to justify actions that are not approved by Scripture or that are prohibited by Scripture, there are those who are now saying that "Christianity should consider calling previous words of God into question." Others are saying that "the church must grow beyond Scripture." A member of the church said that "Scripture must be interpreted in light of the culture," suggesting that the culture decides the meaning of Scripture. This is what happens when people prefer human thought, human innovations, and human agendas to what the Bible teaches. I have some questions. If the Bible is not authoritative as it is for man as he is and where he is, of what real value is Scripture? If it doesn't matter what I believe, why does it matter if I believe? If the church doesn't know who it is or what it believes, what real influence can it have in the world? What is better than accepting what the Bible teaches (whether I like it or not), being a Christian only, and seeking to be a member of the church of the New Testament? How do you view Scripture?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, June 18, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "A Portrait Of The Local Church"
(Acts 11:19-26)
P.M. by Jeff Holland

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

BACKCOUNTRY TREK

All of those going on the BackCountry Trek need to be at the church by 3:00 on Sunday afternoon...with all your gear! Please be praying for us as we head for New Mexico's Pecos Wilderness. Pray for our safety, health and travel.

NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

We will have a meeting this Sunday @ 5:00. The class groups are working together on the lessons and it is important to attend. All of those not going on BackCountry Trek still need to meet together Sunday.

We will need to meet together on Sunday, July 2 for all sponsors and participants for our Nebraska Devotional.

THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who went to Middle School Madness last week. We had a great time and really learned a lot about Super Heroes. Thanks to Aaron & Jean DuVall for letting us use their house. Thanks to the following sponsors: Jean Duvall, Diane Weathers, Diane Denman, Lisa Snell, Camille Mink, Steve Denman, Mark Frick & Robert Goodrick.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP

Sunday is the last day to sign up for the Mexico Mission Trip. See Danny for more details.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 25	Combined Devotional
June 18-24	BackCountry Trek
July 2	Nebraska Devotional
July 6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26	Mexico Mission Trip

COMMUNITY

..... *by Don Crawford*

THE TRANSFORMING POWER OF GOD'S LOVE

The process of transformation does have a beginning point. That point is when we make the resolution to submit to God's work in us. At that starting point we actually discover God's love for us. Jesus tells us, "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it" (Matthew 13:44-46).

The kingdom of heaven is something to be cherished. It's worth all we have and are. As we see more clearly how much God loves us that discovery begins to transform our lives by challenging our old ways of thinking and redirecting our goals and rearranging our priorities. His love softens our hearts and replaces our selfishness with a deep concern for others. If our families, our friends, our wealth, our work, or our physical lives are more important to us than the love of God, we will not receive all His love has to offer. When we merely reduce His love for us to an idea that we agree with rather than an indwelling reality, we can only expect what an idea has to give.

Jesus came to show God's love to us. As a community of His followers when we show God's love to others who are hurting we become the incarnation of His love. We are no longer "going to church." We are the church.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 **Douglas L. Yates**

Wow! What a week we had at Camp Deer Run. We had 12 day campers at Deer Run this year and everyone had a great time and they were so well behaved. Each morning we would arrive bright and early here at the building (7:30 a.m.) and load up and then head off to camp. We would enjoy a craft period, horseback riding, swimming, etc. The most enjoyable part to me was the ride to camp and back home again.

We also had at least 6 resident campers last week. Each day when I'd see one of them, I'd try my best to talk them into coming back to Tyler with me but they were having so much fun that there was no way that was going to happen.

Some of my fondest memories growing up center around my time spent a church camp. So much takes place during that one week experience but the Bible classes, devotionals, daily lessons, etc. far outweigh all of the other experiences. I've always considered a good Bible camp to be a wonderful mission outreach opportunity. Camp Deer Run is a wonderful camp and we need to support it with our prayers, with our labor, and with our finances. I'm sure many at West Erwin do support this wonderful work but just in case others would like to, you may do so by sending a check to the following address;

Camp Deer Run
1227 County Road 4590
Winnsboro, Texas 75494

Your help is needed in order to ensure that this great mission effort continues. Thanks.



IN APPRECIATION

Saying goodbye is never easy, but it is such a comfort to have a church family who stands by you and tends to your every need. We love you and thank you for your acts of kindness at the passing of our mother, Modena Jones. The mountains of food, the beautiful flowers, the sweet visits, and cards are deeply appreciated. A special thank you to Brother Lockhart and Brother Brookshire for the sweet celebration of the life Mother lived. She would have appreciated it as much as we did.

Louis & Jane and family
GeneAnne Masters & family
Dewitt & Prissy & family

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Saturday in Houston for Kenneth Welch, Doris Neal's brother and Cathy Hallman's uncle. Services were held last week in Coleman, Texas for Vivian Bozeman, Michael's grandmother. Our love and sympathy is extended to all these families and friends.

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EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ETCA is in need of Middle School boys Basketball and Baseball and girls Volleyball and Basketball coaches. For more information, please call Diann Ponder, Athletic Director at 903-561-8642.

Don't forget ... the sandwich supper honoring Jeff and Brenda Holland after the evening assembly Sunday, June 18. Bring sandwiches; everything else will be furnished. This all church fellowship is instead of small groups. (You may schedule your small group meeting at a another time if you wish).



50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The Rowe Children invite you to celebrate the Golden Wedding Anniversary of
Ralph and Marian Rowe

and wish them bon voyage as they move to Abilene
Sunday, June 18, 2006, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

West Erwin Church of Christ Family life Center
Come and Go (No gifts, please)

If you are unable to attend, please consider forwarding your Blessing letter to be included in a memory book to Laurie Rowe Lott, 749 Gary Lane, Abilene, TX 79601. Please RSVP whether you will be attending the reception to: lottd1980@sbcglobal.net

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Paul and Joann Hancock on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on June 15. We rejoice with them in this happy milestone in their lives.

WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rivas
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Rachel Elizabeth

to Derek Wade Russell

son of Mr. and Mrs. William Russell

on Saturday, the eighth of July, two thousand and six
at six-thirty in the evening
Stauffer Chapel, Pepperdine University, Malibu, California

TODAY

Today I can cry because roses have thorns or I can celebrate that thorns have roses.

Today I can mourn my lack of friends or I can excitedly embark upon a quest to discover new relationships.

Today I can whine because I have to go to work or I can shout for joy because I have a job to do.

Today I can complain because I have to go to school or eagerly open my mind and fill it with rich new tidbits of knowledge.

Today I can murmur dejectedly because I have to do housework or I can feel honored because the Lord has provided shelter for my mind, body and soul.

Today stretches ahead of me, waiting to be shaped. And here I am, the sculptor who gets to do the shaping.

What today will be like is up to me. I get to choose what kind of day I will have!

What will you choose to do with Today?

Have a Great Day... unless you have other plans.

Sunday evening worship times: 6:00 in June, July, August.
Singing from 5:30 - 5:55



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Records	Sunday June 4	Sunday May 28	Year Ago
Bible Class	455	445	429
Worship A.M.	634	638	591
Worship P.M.	402	373	382
Wed. P.M.	372	353	320
Contribution	\$24,100.83	\$18,605.76	\$21,524.81
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(6-4-06 Bldg. Fund \$930.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, June 11, and Wed., June 14: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Odell Sessions is recuperating in Park Place. **Wayne Terry** is at home after being hospitalized again last week. **Victoria Moriole'** had oral surgery Thursday. **Jan Rodgers**, Nancy Crawford's sister, had hip replacement surgery last week. **Carolee Gillam**, Chuck's mother, remains hospitalized in San Diego. **Vivian Bozeman**, Michael's grandmother, is in hospice in Coleman, TX. Continue to remember **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Sheila Buchanan**, Charleen Clayton's niece; **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Josh Cason**, friend of the Seaberrys; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Lela Duncan**; **Shane Durham**, Don and Norma's son; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **Doug & Heather Kelly** and baby son **Ryder**, Matt Kelly's brother; **Buddy & Inez Kennedy**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Elza Maler**, Odell Sessions' brother; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Bobbye May**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Vince Ramos**, Ginger Pippin's brother-in-law; **Mary Richey**; **Gordon Smith**, Connie Sublette's dad; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Jerry Todd**, friend of the Estes family; **Jarah Turner**, Michael Carnathan's cousin, **Chris Waggener**; **Alexandra White**, the Tom Ramsour's granddaughter; & **Bobbie Wilson**.

MINISTERS	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth
MISSIONS	
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges
	Jeff Holland
ELDERS	
Jay Bynum	Don Durham
Ron Lott	Phil Marts
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy
	Leon Welborn
	Fred Wingate
	Dr. Aaron DuVall
	Bill Mullins

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 Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
	7:00 P.M.
June-Aug 6:00 P.M.	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
	(903) 592-0809
	11:30 A.M.

SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY
 Call to worship Danny Snell
 Prayer Milburn Cook
 Scripture John Cliver
 Dismiss Jay Bynum

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
 Chris Conder

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
 Prayer Will Christian
 Scripture Melvin Crow
 Dismiss Don Crowder

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
 J.R. Tharpe Mark Sweeney
 Billy Terrell Kevin Sustaire
 James Sublette Stuart Suggs
 Ray Vannoy Will Tanksley

GREETERS
 Louis & Jane Jones & Taylor Lemons
 Todd & Kenna Kempton & Paige Lemons
 Odie & Dolores Kennedy & Andy Murry
 Visitor Center: Ray & Carolyn Womack
 Louise Seaberry

Pick up cards June 11 & 18: Austin Millican, Spencer Shaw, Brayden Kempton, Grant Perkins, & Matthew Kimble.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, June 11:
 Nursery a.m.: Debbie Bynum; Nursery p.m.: Ruth Ellis;
 Toddlers a.m.: Donni & Caitlin Cook; Toddlers p.m.: Charles & Linda Westerfeld; 2's: Mark & Melissa Frick; 3's & 4's: David & Sharon Hammond.

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EXCITING DAYS ARE AHEAD!

The month of June promises to be a busy and exciting time around West Erwin. First comes our Summer Extravaganza. With a VBS format, *Extravaganza* will have classes for all ages and Dr. Brad Harrub teaching young people and adults on Morals and Ethics. Brad will be with us Sunday, June 11, and will teach a class for young people in the morning and will be preaching in the evening. Then on Monday through Wednesday, from 6:30 - 8:00, our children will be in classes while our youth group and adults will be privileged to learn from Brad. We will have a refreshment break during our sessions which will have about one hour of teaching time. We want to especially encourage our adults to take advantage of Brad's teaching throughout this series. Brad's lectures will be taped and possibly shown on The Search at a later date. Also, on Sunday, June 11, Jeff and Brenda Holland, just home from Togo, West Africa, will be visiting with us on Sunday morning, with Holy Lake on Sunday evening, and then with us throughout the week. Then on Sunday, June 18, Jeff and Brenda will be teaching a class for men (new auditorium) and women (old auditorium) on Sunday morning and we will honor

them during our morning assembly for 13 years of service in Togo. On Sunday evening the 18th, Jeff will be preaching. Following our Sunday evening worship we will be meeting for a sandwich supper in the Family Life Center. Our members are asked to bring only your favorite sandwiches -- everything else will be furnished. This will be a great opportunity to visit further with the Hollands.

TWO SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Beginning this Sunday evening, June 11, we are encouraging all of our members to assemble 30 minutes before our 6 o'clock service for 25 minutes of singing. Come at 5:30 each Sunday evening this summer for singing!
2. Doug Yates kicked off our Summer Series last Wednesday evening. Guest speakers will be here each Wednesday this summer (with the exception of July 5) and, in addition to their lessons, we will enjoy an extended period of singing and prayer. Following that, we will enjoy desserts in the Family Life Center. Take advantage of these opportunities!
 - Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, June 11, 2006
 by Dr. Jay Lockhart
 A.M. "He Was Moved With Compassion"
 (Matthew 9:35-38)
 P.M. "The Value of Human Life"
 by Dr. Brad Harrub

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Youth With Heart... by Sunny
SPECIAL CLASS THIS SUNDAY

All Middle & High School students will meet together this Sunday for a special class with Brad Harrub. Brad will be speaking this week during the Summer Extravaganza on the subject of Morals & Ethics. Please make plans to attend!

NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

We will have a meeting this Sunday @ 5:00. The class groups are working together on the lessons and it is important to attend.

HIGH SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

All of those in the High School Group are invited to come to the devo this Sunday night in the FLC. We will be finished at 9:00. Please bring \$3 for supper.

BACKCOUNTRY TREK

All of those going on the BackCountry Trek need to meet together after class on Wednesday, June 14, for an important meeting in the Small Auditorium. We will be passing out equipment. Please be working out! It is very important that you are in shape for this trip.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 6-9	Middle School Madness
June 11	High School Devotional
June 11-14	Summer Extravaganza
June 18-24	BackCountry Trek
July 2	Nebraska Devotional
July 6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26	Mexico Mission Trip

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

THE WAY I SEE IT

The way I see it is most of us are biblically educated beyond our character. Bible knowledge is imperative, yet never enough. James 2:19 says even demons believe. Satan, himself, apparently reads the Bible (Matthew 4:6), yet the Words do not alter his behavior.

Paul contrasts those who were "quarreling about words," which he said "is of no value, and only ruins those who listen" (2 Timothy 2:14). He later says, "avoid godless chatter" -- mere discussion of the Bible without the goal of godliness. He says it makes you more and more ungodly.

Paul, therefore, warns Timothy to "flee the evil desires of youth" (2:22) which in context has little or nothing to do with sexual desires as usually interpreted. Paul still has in mind arguing and those who do so are mishandling God's Word in such a way that we ought to be ashamed (2:15). Instead of arguing about meanings, Timothy was to "pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace ..."

The purpose of Bible knowledge then ought to produce character more and more like Jesus to the extent that when we read the Scriptures for that reason our Bible study is valid. And, if not, our study is nonproductive ... even worse -- it's counter productive, making us less and less like our Savior.

Sing it with me: "Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee Lord; my spirit pants for Thee, O living Word."

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

The West Erwin congregation invites everyone to our annual Summer Extravaganza. We will have VBS style classes for our preschool through 5th grade on Monday through Wednesday (June 12th-14th). Please make sure your children have the opportunity of hearing some fantastic lessons straight from the Word of God.

Our Junior High through adults are in for a special treat as we welcome back a nationally known speaker, Dr. Brad Harrub. Brad spoke to us regarding the "Origin of the Universe" last year. This year our topic will be "The Value of Human Life." Don't miss this gathering! Visitors from the surrounding area are

strongly encouraged to take advantage of these timely lessons.

Brad holds a Bachelor of Science degree in biology and earned a Ph.D. in neurobiology and anatomy. Brad is the co-editor of "Think" magazine, which is published through Focus Press. Dr. Harrub is in high demand as a speaker, preacher and servant of God. Let's all support this seminar.

Let's also remember our Fellowship And Chrisitan Training Series that will take place throughout the summer months on Wednesday evenings. We have a host of speakers scheduled to talk to us on timely topics. Remember our theme is *The Wages of Sin Is Death But The Gift Of God Is Eternal Life*. Make the effort to be here for these lessons. Thanks.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Church Family,

Saying "thank you" is a very small way to let you know what it means to me when I get cards and phone calls from you. I miss you! Thank you and God bless you. Lela Duncan

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Thank you so much for my new Bible that I received for baccalaureate. I have a great church family! Love, Nathan Grounds

WITH SYMPATHY

We were saddened to learn of the death of Modena Jones Tuesday morning. She was the mother of Louis Jones and James Phillips' aunt and had been a member of the West Erwin church longer than anyone that we are aware of. Services will be held Friday at 1:30 at the church building under the direction of Stewart Funeral Home. Our love and sympathy is extended to Louis and Jane and all the family and friends.

Sorry to lose

Drs. Ralph and Marian Rowe are moving to Abilene on June 9. Their new address is 902 Harrison Ave., Abilene, 79601. They have been faithful, active members of the West Erwin church since 1958 and will be greatly missed. We wish good health and happiness for them in their new home.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Jamon and Clay Kirby on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary on June 2. We rejoice with them in this happy milestone in their lives.

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Judy Hamm came Sunday to make known her desire to work and worship with the West Erwin church. We are delighted to welcome this dedicated Christian lady into our family. Her address is 213 Mockingbird, 57701, ph. 903-593-5501.

Pete and **Alisa Leung**, and their children, **Stephen** and **Elise**, have been attending here for some time and we know they will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 18949 Lakeshore Drive, 75703, ph. 903-839-7539.

We are very pleased to welcome **Shanon** and **Angela Seals** and young son **Talon** into the West Erwin family. Their address is 2057 Yasmeen Circle, Flint, 75762, ph. 894-3833.

Correction: Suzie Roden, ph. # 903-597-6136

BABY SHOWER

You're invited to baby shower honoring Ginger Pippin (twin boys)

Saturday, June 10, 10:00 - 11:30 at the Family Life Center
 Selections: Target & Toys R Us

BRIDAL SHOWER

You're invited to a bridal shower honoring

Whitney Gaynor, bride-elect of Eric Figueroa (son of Claude and Sheri)
 Sunday, June 11, 2:00 - 4:00
 at the home of Rhonda Haws, 1550 Frostwood, 75703
 Selections: Target & Linens N Things

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

You are invited to Vacation Bible School
 June 12-16, 2006, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

North Tenneha Church of Christ
 1701 North Tenneha, Tyler, TX 75702, ph. 903-593-6868
 Theme: Bound for the Arctic Challenge: Pulling Together as a Part of God's Team.

Sunday evening worship times: 6:00 in June, July, August.



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Bible Class	445	442	392
Worship A.M.	638	692	549
Worship P.M.	373	451	328
Wed. P.M.	353	343	312
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UNCERTAIN SOUNDS

I don't know about you, but in articles I am reading, in tapes I am listening to, and in conversations I am having, I am hearing some uncertain sounds from some members of the church. These uncertain sounds are coming at the very time that the churches of Christ have moved from the fastest growing church in America to the place that we are barely holding our own -- some students of church growth tell us we are actually in decline. Whatever our problems are that have halted our growth, the uncertain sounds coming from various places in our brotherhood do not seem to be helping but in fact may be a contributing factor to failure to grow. The Apostle Paul said, "If the trumpet makes an uncertain sound, who will prepare for battle" (I Corinthians 14:8). When we were the fastest growing church in our country, we knew what we believed and we boldly proclaimed it. At the present time there are those among us who are saying that our attitudes were bad, our methods were faulty, and our view of Scripture was wrong. I am not here to defend anything we did that was not right, but I am wondering why some of us have so watered down the message that we reach few people. Some have reduced "the pattern of

sound words" (2 Timothy 1:13) to some suggestions about how to be nice and give little attention to how we are to worship, the nature of the church, the authority of Scripture, or how to be saved. We are told that if we go easy on doctrine we can reach the unchurched, but many who say this are seeing their churches decline. They tell us that the New Testament presents no patterns for us, yet these very people often look to community churches like Willow Creek in Chicago and Saddleback in Southern California as their patterns. They are often busier reading best selling religious authors than they are Peter, Paul, James and John and they believe the church will grow if we follow cunningly devised fables based upon little more than the feeble thoughts of human reason. These are the folks who are telling us to let them show us how to grow the church. The church will grow when we believe the world is lost; when we care enough to take the gospel to the world; when we boldly present the truth in love; and when we honor God's Word and trust Him for the increase. On the other hand, an uncertain sound will assure perpetual decline. Which will be for us?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, June 4, 2006

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "The All Sufficient Christ"
(Colossians 2:8-10)
P.M. "Seven Certain Sounds"
(I Corinthians 14:8-12)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

YOUTH PROMOTION SUNDAY

This Sunday is a special day for the youth group. Those in the 5th grade will promote into the Middle School Group and the 8th Grade will promote to High School. It is very important for all the teens to be in class Sunday morning and on time!

BACKCOUNTRY TREK

All of those going on the BackCountry Trek need to meet together at 5:15 on Sunday, June 4 for an important meeting in the Small Auditorium. Please be working out! It is very important that you are in shape for this trip.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MADNESS

All of those signed up to go to Middle School Madness need to meet together for a few minutes Sunday to go over details for the trip. We will meet immediately after the evening assembly in the Small Auditorium. Our meeting should last about 30 minutes.

NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

We will have a meeting this Sunday @ 4:30. The class groups are working together on the lessons and it is important to attend.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

All of those in the Middle School Group including the new 6th graders are invited to come to the devo this Sunday night in the FLC. We will be finished at 9:00. Please bring \$3 for supper.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 4	BackCountry Trek Meeting
June 4	5th & 8th Grade Promotion Day
June 4	Middle School Madness Meeting
June 4	Middle School Devotional

SUMMER DATES

June 6-9	Middle School Madness
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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

WHO ARE YOU?

I recently heard a woman who asked a man at church, "Who are you?" He began by stating his name, where he was from, and what he did for a living. He included how long he had been doing this kind of work and even touched on his aspirations for the future. After that he began talking about his family, wife, children, parents and siblings. He then stated his reasons for being right there at that moment and they politely talked about their common acquaintances.

I might be wrong but I would be surprised if your own conversations didn't go something like this when asked, "Who are you?" Then I thought, where in all this do we mention that we are Christians? Why does it seem that

this is somehow inappropriate to bring up unless we are specifically asked? Part of the reason is that our culture assumes that our religious convictions are "private" and therefore not appropriate for polite conversation. Our culture has incredible power! Power to shape us even to the point of describing our own identities.

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world...." (Romans 12:2).

WSM (Widows & Single Moms)

Free Car Care service is scheduled for Saturday, June 3
9:00 - 11:00 A.M.
at the church building

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

All of our K-5th grades please remember your devotional and activity which is scheduled for Wednesday, June 7th at 5:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. We will start with sandwiches/chips/drinks/etc. Immediately following our meal we will have an activity and then follow that up with a short devotional, then its off to attend Bible class. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend along with any of our participant's siblings. Please be present if at all possible.

To all of our participants for our day camp at Deer Run (June 5th-8th) please be sure to be here at 7:30 a.m. as we head out to camp. Arrangements have been made for the 12 who signed up to go to camp. Make sure you have the items which Deer Run requests of each of their day campers. If you don't have that list be sure to see me before June 5th. Camp is a wonderful time to bond and to experience the great outdoors. It will also be a time for each of our campers to grow closer to God. Parents, we will return by 4:00 p.m.

Six years ago we started the Fellowship And Christian Training Series on Wednesday evenings here at West Erwin. Just as the title implies our Wednesday evening gatherings accomplishes two goals: (1) the opportunity to hear a themed lesson from a qualified speaker, and (2) after our lesson for the evening we will gather in the Family Life Center for desserts. Six years ago *Judy Yates* started our dessert night and she continued this ministry for 3 years. For the last 3 years *Pam Lott* has coordinated this ministry. I am personally thankful for these two ladies and all who have helped in this effort. We will kick off our F.A.C.T.S. series this year on June 7th. I will be speaking in "Sin and the Ripple Effect" and after our lesson our dessert will be coke floats. I'm looking forward to seeing you here on June 7th.

I've been on the phone with Brad Harrub quite a bit lately and he's putting the final touches on the lessons that he will be presenting while he is with us June 11th-14th. Brad will be bringing his family with him this year so we look forward to visiting with the entire Harrub family. May God bless them as they journey to Tyler and then home again.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Greg and Kris Walker on the birth of a new grandson! Thomas Tripp Bryan was born May 23 in Ruidosa, New Mexico to Connor and Kaylee Bryan. He weighed 8 lb. 1 oz. and was 20 1/4 inches long.

WITH SYMPATHY

Services will be held Friday in John Day, Oregon for Laura Batchelder, Joe McBee's sister. Our love and sympathy is extended to Joe and Frances and to all the family.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Casey Haws, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Allan Thomson, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, Jordan White & Major Jeremy Zadel.

Sorry to lose

David and Lori Blaylock have moved to Terrell. They have served this church well as David served as a deacon and both he and Lori have worked diligently with LTC and the youth group for the last several years. They will surely be missed but we wish them well in their new home.

WEST ERWIN PLAYSCHOOL

The West Erwin Playschool is now enrolling for fall. Hours are from 8:15 - 2:15 on Tuesdays and Thursdays for ages 12 months through pre-K. Call Terry Shaw at 903-839-8377 or the church office at 903-592-0809 for more information.

"It is not easy to straighten in the oak the crook that grew in the sapling. "

--Native American Proverb

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Christian Homes of Abilene is accepting applications for the position of Adoption/Maternity Caseworker. Worker provides adoption and maternity related services: home studies and case management. Minimum requirement: B.S.W., B.S. or B.A. in social work or related field, child-placing or related social work experience preferred; prefer MSW or master's in related field. Only female applicants considered because of the nature of the job. Competitive salary and benefits offered. For an application and/or job description, please contact Cindy Miller at cmiller@christianhomes.com or 915-677-2205 or 800-592-4725.

THINK ABOUT IT:

The more you give, the more you get

The more you laugh, the less you fret

The more you do unselfishly,

The more you live abundantly...

The more of everything you share,

The more you'll always have to spare

The more you love,

The more you'll find that life is good and friends are kind...

For only what we give away enriches us from day to day.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

We are very pleased to welcome **Suzie Roden** into the West Erwin family. She is a faithful Christian lady and will be a great addition to the Lord's work here. Her address is 1908 Parkway Place, 75701, ph. 839-6239.



WEDDING INVITATION

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Praddock

request the honour of your presence

at the marriage of their daughter

Courtney Lane

to

James Keith Reasons

son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Reasons

on Saturday, the third of June, two thousand six

At three o'clock in the afternoon

Marion Church of Christ, 2845 Highway Marion, Arkansas

(A block of rooms at the Holiday Inn in West Memphis has

been reserved for the Praddock/Reasons wedding. Each guest

should reserve your room at \$60.00 plus taxes @870-735-4055)

UNDERSTANDING VALUES

The paradox of our time in history is that we spend more, but have less;

We buy more, but enjoy it less.

We have bigger houses and smaller families;

More conveniences, but less time;

more medicine, but less wellness.

We read too little, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.

These are the times of tall men, and short character,

Steep profits and shallow relationships.

These are the days of two incomes, but more divorces;

Of fancier houses, but broken homes.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life,

We've added years to life, not life to years;

We've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul.

- unknown

Annual Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast

Boy Scout Group 354 will have their annual Pancake Breakfast Saturday, June 3, from 7:30 - 10:30 a.m. At the Shiloh Road church building. Cost is \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children.

EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

ETCA is in need of a Middle School Volleyball and Basketball coaches. For more information, please call Diann Ponder, Athletic Director at 903-561-8642.

Sunday evening worship times: 6:00 in June, July, August.

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart

aired each Sunday

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Records	Sunday May 14	Sunday May 7	Year Ago
Bible Class	362	420	437
Worship A.M.	658	638	619
Worship P.M.	300	406	385
Wed. P.M.	330	330	320
Contribution	\$20,290.48	\$25,169.77	\$17,533.23
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PRAYER AND CARE - Odell Sessions is recuperating in Park Place after surgery on a broken hip. **Henry Brown** is back in Briarcliff. **Bobby May** is recovering at home. **Sonny Hale** had knee surgery last week. **Heather Kelly**, Matt Kelly's sister-in-law had a baby boy 3 months early. Ryder Olsen weighed 2 lb. 12 oz. and will remain in the hospital until his due date. **Alexandra White**, the Tom Ramsour's granddaughter, is in Children's Hospital in Dallas. **Jarah Turner**, the Michael Carnathan's 23 year old cousin, diagnosed with bone cancer. **Jerry Todd**, friend of the Estes family, is in ICU in Dallas; his wife was killed and son-in-law hospitalized after a car accident near Athens. Continue to remember **Vera Beard; Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **Sheila Buchanan**, Charleen Clayton's niece (Barbara Massey Ferrell's daughter); **Delle Bullard; Tillie Carpenter; Josh Cason**, friend of the Seaberrys; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; John & Mabel Holbert; Jerry Howard; Modena Jones; Buddy & Inez Kennedy; Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Elza Maler**, Odell Sessions' brother; **Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Bill Mullins; Gary Nunn; Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Vince Ramos**, Ginger Pippin's brother-in-law; **Mary Richey; Debbie Shaw**, friend of Pat Bratcher; **Judy Smith; Nelda Smith; Paul Stanley; Sue Starnes; Robert & Pat Stokes; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Wayne & Molly Lou Terry; Gloria Thigpen; Chris Waggener; Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young.**

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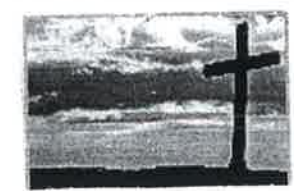
SUMMER BRINGS ADDED OPPORTUNITIES

Each summer we have some additional opportunities for growth and service. In addition to the mission trips to Nebraska and Mexico and the backpacking trek led by Danny Snell, we have opportunities presented to us by our summer series, the Fellowship And Christian Training Series, with different area preachers each Wednesday evening. Additionally, on June 18 we will welcome Jeff and Brenda Holland and their three children home from Togo, West Africa. On that day we will honor the Holland's work, hear Jeff preach, have classes for men and women taught by Jeff and Brenda, and enjoy a sandwich supper following our evening worship. Also, from June 11-14 we will conduct our annual Summer Extravaganza with Velma Lemons coordinating our preschool, Doug Yates overseeing our

K-5th grades, and Dr. Brad Harrub of Nashville, Tennessee speaking to our junior high through adult classes on *Ethics and Morality*. You will remember Dr. Harrub from our last year's Extravaganza when he did such an excellent job in speaking on *Christian Evidences*. Brad Harrub is highly qualified and is in demand as a speaker and an author. He is also co-producer of a new magazine *THINK*, which is designed to encourage and fortify faith. Summer is the time for vacations, travel, and many activities. As a part of your summer, be sure to put our regular activities as well as our added opportunities, into your schedule. Your spiritual life will be enhanced if you will accept this challenge. See you Sunday!

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, May 28, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "Those Who Serve Well As Deacons"
(I Timothy 3:8-13)
P.M. "A Portrait Of A Faithful Church"
(Colossians 2:1-7)

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Dayne Harris upon completing the necessary requirements to achieve Eagle Scout status. He will be officially honored in a Boy Scout ceremony Saturday, May 27, at 4:00 p.m. at the Shiloh Road church. He is the son of Keith Harris and Tina Harris and grandson of Louise Harris.

JR-SR DAY

All of the folks who signed up for Jr-Sr Day are reminded to be at West Erwin at 2:30 on Tuesday. We will stop for dinner in Dallas and see the Texas Rangers play the Seattle Mariners. This will be a fun day! Thanks to all of those who helped sponsor this event with your donations.

NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

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BACKCOUNTRY TREK

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COMMUNITY

..... *by Don Crawford*

AND IT HAPPENED ON A BASEBALL FIELD

It was the greatest heroic act that's ever happened on a baseball field. The Hall of Fame recently voted Rick Monday's act as one of the 100 Classic Moments in the history of baseball.

The act took place in 1976. Two people jumped over the railing in left field, spread the American flag onto the Dodger Stadium turf, one man doused it with lighter fluid, the other lighting a match, then Rick Monday, playing then for the Chicago Cubs, ran in from center field, grabbed the flag and carried it to safety. And it's all on tape!

The crowd was stunned to silence for a moment, then stood, cheering, and spontaneously singing *GOD BLESS AMERICA*. Monday, now 60 and a former Marine, said,

"I don't remember if we won or lost that game, but I'll never forget the people singing."

More recently he made this statement, "What they were trying to do was wrong. It's still wrong today! That little piece of cloth represents a lot of rights and freedoms that people have given up their lives to protect." He commented that one man wanted to buy the flag. He offered him \$1 million dollars, but he rejected the offer saying, "What this flag represents, you can't buy."

We live in the greatest nation in the world. God has made this nation great because we, the people, have made the decision to worship and serve Him. He is the God of this nation. Let's do heroic things to honor Him.

POINT TO PONDER

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind"
(Romans 12:2).

churches today seem to be afraid of growth. Any good student of God's Word will quickly realize (just in the studying of the book of Acts) that God was concerned with the growth of the church, yet churches today seem to fight the thought of growing. We fight it by restricting doctrinally sound ministries, by handcuffing ministers, and by not following the lead of shepherding elders. Churches today should be challenged to overcome their fear of growth.

This summer we will have several opportunities to grow numerically and spiritually. I am praying right now that we will seize the opportunity to grow through these opportunities. Opportunities like our Summer Extravaganza which will have timely lessons for all of our members. The dates are June 11-14. Don't miss your opportunity to grow. Opportunities like our Fellowship And Christian Training Series which will take place each Wednesday evening throughout the summer months. Don't miss this opportunity to grow. There will be other opportunities to grow so check your calendar and let's grow as God would have to grow.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 **Douglas L. Yates**

I've been a Christian for 38 years. For the last 20+ years I've been a minister and over that time frame I've heard many statements made by well intentioned members that I am convinced they must surely regret having made. Some of these statements have bordered on the insane. Statements such as: (1) The Great Commission was given to the Apostles to fulfill and since they're all dead then we don't have to "go and make disciples;" (2) "We need to stop worrying about whether or not our members are coming to church because the Bible tells us to be content," and one of my all time favorites made by one of my elder friends at one of my previous church homes. (3) "If we start up this ministry I'm afraid it might really be successful and because of space concerns we just can't handle any more people here at the church." Listen, I'm going to stop at these three but please don't think my list is complete because I have many more. All these well intentioned but grossly uninformed statements have a central theme: *Growth!* For whatever reason many



IN APPRECIATION

Thanks for the beautiful spray you sent to Mom's funeral. She loved the people at West Erwin and was blessed by being able to attend so many years.

Love,
Carolyn Hays

The doctors told me I am a miracle - we know God answered our prayers! I loved the sweet cards and your phone calls. I am getting stronger each day. Bob and I miss you all and love you each.

In Christian Love,
Jane Clemmons
952 FM 49, Mineola 75773

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, calls and cards during my recent illness. Your care and concern is appreciated.

Thomas Park

Just "thank you" does not seem enough for the joy we felt when Jay walked through that hospital door, or the get well cards from you that are by his chair so he can look through them, or the phone calls showing your concern, or the delicious meals prepared by loving hands, or last but not least, thank you for all your prayers. God bless you.

In Christian love,
Wayne & Molly Lou Terry

Tommy Price would like to thank everyone for the prayers and concern for her cousin, Bill Barnes. He celebrated his 80th birthday May 20 at Atria Copeland Retirement Center.

Thank you for the Bible. I will read it every day.
Toby Kennedy

NEW ADDRESS: Joan Harlak, 3500 South Vine #230, 75701, ph. 581-2595.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

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"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

COLLEGE GRADUATE

Congratulations to **Debbie Jones** on her recent graduation, Cum Laude, with a bachelor of Science in Food, Nutrition and Dietetics from Stephen F. Austin University. Debbie is the wife of Greg Jones, one of our deacons.

MISSION WORK

Kyle Beard, grandson of Darrell and Nell Beard, his wife and children, left Wednesday to work in the mission field in Kilgali, Rwanda. Our prayers for safety and success go with them as they seek to save souls in that area.

BAPTISM



We rejoice with **Taylor Jackson** in the most important decision of her life as she was baptized into Christ Sunday. Taylor is the daughter of Terry and Donella Jackson and will be in the 7th grade in the fall. Their address is 213 Eastgate, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 839-7267.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are delighted to welcome **Joey** and **Leslie Coker** and their children, **Carson** and **Caroline**, into the family at West Erwin. They will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 420 Boyd, 75703, ph.520-0162.



WEDDING INVITATION

*Mr. and Mrs. Danny Graddock
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Courtney Lane*

to

*James Keith Reasons
son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Reasons
on Saturday, the third of June, two thousand six
At three o'clock in the afternoon*

*Marion Church of Christ, 2845 Hwy 64, Marion, Arkansas
(A block of rooms at the Holiday Inn in West Memphis has
been reserved for the Graddock/Reasons wedding. Each guest
should reserve your room at \$60.00 plus taxes @870-735-4055).*

Paul Harvey's On Air PRAYER:

"Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask your forgiveness and to seek your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good,' but that is exactly what we have done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and reversed our values. We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery. We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare. We have killed our unborn and called it choice. We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable. We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self esteem. We have abused power and called it politics. We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition. We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression. We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment. Search us, Oh God, and know our hearts today; cleanse us from every sin and set us free. Amen!" Commentator Paul Harvey aired this prayer on his radio program, "The Rest of the Story," and received a larger response to this program than any other he has ever aired. With the Lord's help, may this prayer sweep over our nation and become our desire so that we again can be called "one nation under God."

Sunday evening worship times: 6:00 in June, July, August.

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Worship A.M.	658	638	619
Worship P.M.	300	406	385
Wed. P.M.	330	330	320
Contribution	\$20,290.48	\$25,169.77	\$17,533.23
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(5-14-06 Bldg. Fund \$1,305.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, May 21, and Wed., May 24: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Odell Sessions is in Mother Frances after surgery on a broken hip. **Bobbye May** will be immobilized for awhile after having a stent implant in her leg. **Sonny Hale** had knee surgery Wednesday. **Wayne Terry** suffered some painful bruises in a fall. **Sherrill Sessions**, Odell's son, had emergency appendectomy. **Elza Mater**, Odell Sessions' brother, is in ETMC following a stroke. Continue to remember **Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin; **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **Henry** (now in Briarcliff) & **Mozelle Brown**; **Sheila Buchanan**, Charleen Clayton's niece (Barbara Massey Ferrell's daughter); **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Josh Cason**, friend of the Seaberrys; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **Modena Jones**; **Heather Kelly**, Matt Kelly's sister-in-law (pregnancy problems); **Buddy & Inez Kennedy**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Bill Mullins**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Thomas Park**; **Kay Parrish**; **Vince Ramos**, Ginger Pippin's brother-in-law; **Mary Richey**; **Debbie Shaw**, friend of Pat Bratcher; **Billie Silvertooth**, Ruth Hearne's sister-in-law; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Chris Waggener**; **Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young**.

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Scripture Dennis Kingsbury
Dismiss Jamon Kirby

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Chris Reynolds Dan Richardson
Tom Ramsour Barry Scarborough
Jordan Rousseau Dr. Ralph Rowe

GREETERS

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Don & Norma Durham & Ember Johnson
Chuck & Linda Gillam & Jared Jordan
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NONCONFORMING TRANSFORMERS

Rocky Mountain Christian is a newspaper published in Eastlake, Colorado. It's Editor/Publisher is Ron Carter and its stated mission is to serve "congregations of the Church of Christ throughout the world with news and thought provoking columns." I read each issue of the paper and believe it accomplishes its mission. In the May 2006 issue Jack Carter wrote a provocative article entitled, "Is It Better Now?" As he compared the growth, the unity, and the trends of the church of the 40's, 50's, and 60's with today's lack of growth, divided congregations, and the influence of Postmodernism, he asked the question, "Is It Better Now?" His answer was in the negative. His solution was for us to again become the church that loves the truth. Jack Carter's article opened up a vast area of thought for me. This year marks my 50th year of preaching and during this half century I have observed a few things. I have observed efforts to "quick-fix" the growth of the church as many have presented their ideas about how to make a church grow ... right now. Most of these ideas didn't provide a permanent solution and have been abandoned. In more recent times we have seen efforts at church growth that include "meeting felt needs," coffee pots, and

entertainment, but the church remains stagnant. So along comes Mr. Postmodern with his solution: little emphasis upon doctrine, move into the community church arena, give up our identity, and view the Bible as a culture-bound book of suggestions about life. It is interesting that some of these churches will seem to grow because they are built around a strong personality or draw from a wide area, but many become unhappy, divided, and smaller. Without being overly simplistic, I wonder what a difference would be made if all of us would again declare our allegiance to the authority of Christ and Scripture, to the appeal to be Christians only and members of the church for which Christ died, to the principle that the culture is not to change us, but we are to change the culture, to a recognition that the world is to accept the grace of God by obedience to the gospel, to a renewed emphasis upon evangelism, and to the spiritual nature of worship as opposed to entertaining ourselves. It seems to me that if we are to make any real difference in this world we must never conform to it, we must allow Christ to be formed in us, and we must be "transformed by the renewing" of our minds. Wouldn't that be the better and more effective way to do church?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, May 21, 2006

by Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. Going On To Perfection: "Hope Laid Up In Heaven" (Colossians 1:3-8)

P.M. Going On To Perfection: "The Hope Of Glory" (Colossians 1:24-29)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

THE SUMMER INTERN...

We have Robert Goodrick with us as our Summer Intern. Robert will be a blessing to us. Let's pray for him this summer! Following is a note from Robert...

I'm excited to work with this church family. I'm pursuing a master's degree in youth ministry at OC. I pray that God will use me in amazing ways this summer. ~ Robert

JR-SR DAY

All Jrs and Srs are invited to our special day on Tuesday, May 30. We are planning to go out to eat and to the Rangers Game. This will be a great time together. You may bring a date or friend. Sign up ASAP. West Erwin has traditionally sponsored our young people on this trip. If you would be interested in helping fund this event, you may make your donation to the church.

SUMMER TRIPS
Take note of the dates below for the trips planned for the summer. Middle School Madness is for those going into the 6th - 8th grades. Our Trek and Mission trips are for those going into the 9th - Graduating Seniors. Please sign up soon... Sunday is the deadline!!!
Nebraska Mission Trip Meeting this Sunday @ 4:00.

IMPORTANT DATES

May 21	Small Groups Meet
May 28	Combined Devotional
May 30	Jr-Sr Day

SUMMER DATES

June 6-9	Middle School Madness
June 11-14	VBS
June 18-24	BackCountry Trek
July 6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26	Mexico Mission Trip

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

MOST OF THE TIME JESUS TOOK A BOAT

Jesus is famous for walking on water, but most of the time he took a boat. Hundreds of years before, it was prophesied that when the Messiah appeared, no one would notice him because He would look and act like an ordinary man. I'm thinking it was his ordinariness that caused people to eagerly turn to Him.

Have you noticed how ordinariness is making a comeback? For most of my life the world has said, "Ordinary people are boring." But today more people are looking for real, ordinary people. People who are sincere. People who are open. People who are just themselves.

So, if you have struggled with thoughts of Jesus never finding you useful in His kingdom, or that you lack the

charm, good looks, and smooth manner that you thought was necessary to be an asset in the Lord's kingdom, then try just being yourself. Ordinary is making a comeback! We no longer need a new improved version of what already hasn't working in the past. We just need to be our ordinary selves and let God work.

WSM (Widows & Single Moms)
Car Care service is scheduled for Saturday, June 3
9:00 - 11:00 A.M.
at the building

Small Groups meet this Sunday
Evening, May 21

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

For several weeks now I have been reminding everyone to be sure to mark your calendar for our Summer Extravaganza. I really believe that this will be our best attended Bible school in years. Each year we do a little better than the previous year but last year we obliterated our attendance from the previous years. Brad Harrub was a big reason for this increase in attendance. Last year Brad spoke to the junior high through adult classes on the subject of "Truth About Origins." We've asked Brad to be back with us for this year's Summer Extravaganza and this year he will be speaking to us on "Ethics And Morality." Last year I begged our membership to attend these classes because I knew that you'd come away with your cup overflowing. Once again, I'm begging our membership to attend these classes. If you attend you will once again gain a tremendous amount of knowledge and understanding regarding God's Word and how it

applies to your every day life. Not only do I encourage you to attend but please, please, please, bring a friend with you. Remember the dates and times are: Sunday morning (June 11th) Junior High and High School Bible Class @ 9:00 a.m.; Sunday evening (June 11th) auditorium @ 6:00 p.m.; Monday through Wednesday evening (June 12th-14th) in auditorium @ 6:30 p.m.

Brad holds a Bachelor of Science degree in biology and earned a Ph.D. in neurobiology and anatomy. He is coeditor of a new magazine written specifically to aid us in our daily walk with God. This new magazine is called "Think." It is published through Focus Press.

Let's also remember that we will have classes on Monday (June 12th) through Wednesday (June 14th) for our preschool through 5th grades. The preschoolers will meet in the Heritage Room and the K-5th graders will meet in the Family Life Center. These classes are geared to take our students on an "Incredible Race." Preschoolers through 5th graders, be sure to be present and to bring a friend with you. Let's make this year's Summer Extravaganza one for the record books!

CONGRATULATIONS COLLEGE GRADUATES!

Brady Dawkins graduated from U.T. Arlington with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications Technology. Brady was also awarded the prestigious honor of being named to the first team of the 2006 Hibernia/Southland Conference All-Academic Team for the second straight year. He is the son of Wally and Laurie Dawkins and grandson of Jeanine Hughes.

Russell Fedell, son of Rick and Karen Fedell, graduated from Texas A&M May 13 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Economics.

Jessica Kuechle graduated for U.T. Tyler with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. She is the daughter of Theron & Michelle Kuechle and granddaughter of Melvin and Nina Crow.

On May 13th, after 35 years, **Candace Montgomery** graduated with honors from Tyler Junior College with an Associates Degree in General Studies. She is the wife of Alan Montgomery and daughter of Ray and Carolyn Womack.

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WITH SYMPATHY

Sherry Zucca, daughter of a co-worker of Robert Hilliard, was killed in a car accident last Wednesday. Our prayers and sympathy is extended to this family and friends.

CAMP DEER RUN WORK DAY

May 20, 2006, 8:30 - 2:00

Congregations are encouraged to bring a group and help put finishing touches on the campground and cabins before summer camp begins. Please bring work gloves, weed eaters, and other yard tools. Lunch will be provided so please let us know (ph. 903-629-7165) how many will be coming so we can plan for food.

CHEROKEE DAY - SATURDAY, MAY 27

Cherokee Home for Children Annual Grocery Drive. Needs: Comet, tub & tile cleaner, toilet cleaner, glass cleaner, air freshener, furniture polish (no aerosol cans). Tour the campus and cottages, meet the children and staff. 11:45 Welcome (at the newly enlarged Pavilion); 12:15: Bar-B-Que meal with all the trimmings; 12:40: Singing group - "Hims of Praise" followed by Awards and Honors. Rain or shine: come to the beautiful Hill Country (2 miles north of Cherokee on Hwy 16 between San Saba and Llano. Campsites are available with full hook-ups (call 325-622-4201 to reserve a space).

BOLES HOME GOLF TOURNAMENT

It's time to sign up for the LinkEx Charity Golf Tournament benefiting Boles Children's Home on May 15 at the Los Rios Country Club in Plano. Cost is \$126 and includes cart and catfish buffet for lunch. For more information or to register, please call Ken Bonham at 214-460-0215 or Josh Clem at 903-883-2204.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Randal and Kathleen Partain have made known their desire to work and worship with the West Erwin family. We are very pleased to welcome them and hope to be an encouragement to them as they have encouraged us by their coming. Their address is Route 7, Box 232-A, Bullard, 75757, ph. 903-825-7457.

SUMMER TIME CHANGE

Beginning Sunday, June 4, we will meet at 6:00 for the evening worship assembly in June, July and August

PROUD OF OUR YOUNG ADULTS

Two young men from West Erwin are currently engaged in summer mission work. **Bradley Asbill** left Sunday to work in Thailand for several weeks with Aggies for Christ. **Jay Culpepper** left for Brazil last week, will return at the end of the month. In addition to campaigns, they will be teaching English through Bible studies. **Lacy Carpenter** leaves this week for 10 days in London, Vienna, and Salzburg with the Chamber Orchestra which is there at the invitation of the Austrian government as part of the celebration of Mozart's 250th birthday.

DAILY POINT OF LIGHT AWARD

Reba Sorrells was awarded the Daily Point of Light Award recently for her many years of service to World Bible School, teaching over 2,500 students, mostly children, in the U. S., the U.K., Kenya, South Africa, Ghana, Nigeria, and Philippines to name a few. She also recruits and mentors new teachers. This award honors individuals and volunteer groups that have made a commitment to connect Americans through service to help meet critical needs. It focuses on the goals for children and youth set by the President's Summit for America's Future. Also, in 1993 the Johnson Street Church of Christ presented her with a plaque recognizing 50+ years a Bible Class teacher.

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CELEBRATION

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@ Hamptons at Greenridge, 4200 Old Omen Road, Tyler
Your presence is your gift.

PLEASE NOTE: The Benevolence Center is in need of skirt hangers.

NEW DEACONS

The following men have been asked to serve as additional deacons at West Erwin. They will be installed May 28 unless scriptural reason is given that would prevent their service.

Wayne Berryman	Todd Kempton
Will Christian	Brant Prestidge
Brody Clark	Joe Roach
Chris Conder	Jonathan Stone
Rick Fedell	Walker Weathers

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IN APPRECIATION

"Thank you" to our church family for sharing your hearts and God's love with cards, calls, visits, food and the many acts of kindness shown to us during our recent illness. We really appreciate your concern and hope to be back to worship services soon. We love you. Warren & Gaynelle Gray

Dear Brothers and sisters of West Erwin,

Thank you for your prayers and card from the Wednesday am Ladies Class for my sister, Pat, when she was so ill. Also for the cards and expressions of sympathy and especially the prayers for me when she passed away. It really helps to know you have a Christian family to turn to. Love in Him, Irene Whaley

WITH SYMPATHY

Graveside services were held Wednesday at Green Hill Cemetery in Mount Pleasant for Lena Hays, long time West Erwin member. Audrey Ball, former West Erwin member, died last Thursday in San Antonio. Our sincere love and sympathy is extended to these families and friends.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Carlos and Emma Morgan on the birth of a new great granddaughter! Ellis Ann Parker was born May 2 to Jess and Brooks Parker in Jonesboro, Arkansas. She weighed 7 lb. 13 oz. and was 20 inches long. Taton is the big brother.

BAPTISM

We rejoice with Patrick Garrett, his family, and the angels in heaven in his decision to be baptized into Christ last Saturday. He is the son of Jeff and Pan Fennell and is completing 10th grade at Lindale High School. Their address is 13322 Lauren Lane, Lindale, 75771, ph. 881-0092.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome Scott and Jodie Albritton into the family at West Erwin. They have been attending here for some time and we know they will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 15641 Regian Drive, Lindale, 75771, ph. 881-9343.

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A.M. "Women Who Make A Difference"
(John 19:25-27)

P.M. "Some Bread, A Stick, and Two Tablets"
(Hebrews 9:1-4)

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Congratulations Seniors 2006

Tyler DuVall, son of Dr. Aaron and Jean DuVall, was a 3 year letterman Varsity Football player, earning honorable mention as offensive lineman his senior year. He also played Varsity Baseball his junior and senior years, and J.V. Baseball and Basketball in his freshman and sophomore years. Tyler went on the New Mexico backpacking trip with the youth group his sophomore year. He plans to attend Abilene Christian University, majoring in pre-dental.



Tyler DuVall

Ashley Fountain has 12 gold medals from Special Olympics in swimming, basketball, and track. She became a Christian in 2005 and her attitude and friendliness at school and at church makes her presence known wherever she is. She plans to attend TJC in the fall and hopes to study Veterinary Technology. She is the great niece of Larry and Jane Ground.



Ashley Fountain

Nathan Grounds served as President of National Honor Society his senior year, was awarded the Rotary Youth Leadership Award, and played the trombone in band for 7 years. He participated in LTC 9 years, winning over 80 medals. He helps regularly with Karing Kitchen and has helped with the Mexico Mission trip 5 years. He is the son of Tim and Patti Grounds and grandson of Larry and Jane Ground.



Nathan Grounds

Dayne Harris is on the A-B honor roll, is President of the Trombone Choir, and has played the trombone 7 years. He has participated in LTC, Nebraska mission trips 5 years, and Mexico mission trips 4 years. He plans to attend TJC and pursue a degree in Business & Foreign Language. He is the son of Keith Harris and Tina Harris, and grandson of Louise Harris.



Dayne Harris



Toby Kennedy

Toby Kennedy, son of Odie & Dolores Kennedy, is graduating from Lindale High School, where he was in FFA, voted into Who's Who in American High Schools, and worked at the Primary cafeteria 2 years in the CVE program. He participated in LTC 7 years; Nebraska mission trip 2 years, Servant Retreat 3 years and attended Middle School Madness. He would like to continue working with plants or animals & to spend time with his brother & sisters.



Tyler Lott

Tyler Lott is graduating from Brook Hill High School where he was on the Varsity Golf Team 4 years, Captain of the Cannon Guard 1 year, and served as an Honor Guard 3 years. He has been a member of the West Erwin Youth Group 6 years, participated LTC, and Nebraska mission trip. He is the son of Ron and Pam Lott and plans to attend TJC next year.



Monica Starr

Monica Starr was in Drill Team at Brownsboro High School 4 years, serving as Lieutenant her senior year. She was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students 4 years, was in National Honor Society of High School Scholars 2 years. She participated in LTC several years, and went on a mission trip to Nebraska. She plans to attend TJC in the fall. She is the daughter of Charles and Freida Starr.



Kristen Yates

Kristen Yates, daughter of Doug and Judy Yates, is graduating from East Texas Christian Academy where she was in National Honor Society, played High School volleyball 3 years, was High School Cheerleading Captain 2 years, and was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students 3 years. She participated in LTC 6 years, Nebraska mission trip 4 years, and went to Mexico on mission trip 1 year. She plans to attend TJC and pursue a degree in Business

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Bible Class	455	420	415
Worship A.M.	649	665	619
Worship P.M.	NC	401	3,383
Wed. P.M.	360	352	315
Contribution	\$21,581.37	\$25,270.23	\$20,621.13
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(4-30-06 Bldg. Fund \$640.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, May 7, and Wed., May 10: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Buddy Kennedy decided not to go back to M.D. Anderson for surgery. **Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin, had a second amputation on his leg Tuesday morning. Continue to remember **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; **Dorothy Briscoe**, Jean DuVall's mother; **Buck Brown**, Alice Thompson's brother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **John Cliver**; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Mary Cutshall**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Lena Hays**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **Modena Jones**; **Buddy Kennedy**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance**; **Nancy Martin**; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Ruth Meazell**; **Shirley McClenny**; **Michael McCune**, Carolyn's son; **Ruby McGuire**, Carmen Hilliard & Gail Bennett's mother; **Hugh Mills**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Bill Mullins**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Kay Parrish**; **Vince Ramos**, Ginger Pippin's brother-in-law; **Taylor Nicole Reaves**; **Mary Richey**; **Debbie Shaw**, friend of Pat Bratcher; **Billie Silvertooth**, Ruth Hearne's sister-in-law; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Chris Waggener**; **Corbin Whitley**, Kelli Malone's nephew; **Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young**.

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Jimmie Philpot Charles Rachui
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John Pike Rex Power

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Gene & Gwen Chandler & Austin Fisher
John & Ruby Cliver & Chase Fisher
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KINGDOM LIVING

The Old Testament prophets were sent by God to the rebellious nations of Israel and Judah to call them back to the Lord they had forsaken. Therefore, they had a message for their own times. However, the prophets were often led by the Holy Spirit to look into the future and predict the coming of the glorious kingdom of God. A recurring theme of the prophets was, "The Kingdom Is Coming!" God reigned in the hearts of His Old Testament people, but the prediction of the coming kingdom of God centered in the reign of God in human hearts through the Messiah, Jesus Christ. This reign was to come in the days that Rome ruled the world (Daniel 2); it was to be a reign of peace (Zechariah 9:9); it was to be an everlasting kingdom (2 Samuel 7:12-16); and it was to be the Messiah's kingdom (Daniel 7:13-14). So, when the New Testament opens one is not surprised to hear John announce that "the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 3:2). Jesus had a similar message (Mark 1:15). In Mark 9:1 Jesus said that the kingdom would come

during the lifetime of his contemporaries. Beginning in Acts 2 the message of Scripture changes to say, "The Kingdom Is Here!" When people obeyed the gospel they were ushered into the Kingdom the rule of God through King Jesus. Therefore, Paul and the Colossians and John were all in the kingdom (Colossians 1:13-14; Revelation 1:9). Kingdom living brings righteousness, peace, and joy into our lives (Romans 14:17). Kingdom living honors King Jesus as we acknowledge our dependence upon Him, as we mourn over our sins, as we live under His control, as we hunger for righteousness, as we show mercy to others, as we dedicate ourselves to the single purpose of serving Him, as we seek to be peacemakers, as we are willing to suffer for His cause, and as we anticipate heaven (Matthew 5:1-12). Kingdom living sets us apart to lead holy, prayerful, and active lives in His service. Kingdom living prepares us for an abundant entrance into the everlasting kingdom ... "The Kingdom That Is Yet To Come." How are you doing in Kingdom living?

-Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, May 7, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
A.M. "What Kind Of Builder Are You?"
(Matthew 7:24-27)
P.M. Leadership Training For Christ
(Nehemiah 2:1-6)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Patrick Garrett for being selected as Drum Major for the Lindale High School Band. Way to go Patrick!

BACCALAUREATE

The Annual Baccalaureate Service will be Sunday, May 14 @ 4:00. Shiloh Rd. will be hosting this year. Seniors, you will need to turn in your picture and information sheet by Sunday, May 7. Following the Baccalaureate Service, we will have our Combined Devo honoring our graduating seniors. Please make plans to be present!

HIGH SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

All of those in the high school group are invited to the Devo this Sunday night after church in the FLC. Please bring \$2 for supper. We will be finished at 8:30.

SUMMER TRIPS

Take note of the dates below for the trips planned for the summer. Middle School Madness is for those going into the 6th - 8th grades. Our Trek and Mission trips are for those going into the 9th - Graduating Seniors. Please sign up soon!

IMPORTANT DATES

May 7	High School Devotional
May 14	Baccalaureate/Senior Devo
May 21	Small Groups Meet
May 28	Combined Devotional

SUMMER DATES

May 30	Jr.-Sr. Day
June 6-9	Middle School Madness
June 11-14	VBS
June 18-24	BackCountry Trek
July 6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26	Mexico Mission Trip

COMMUNITY

..... *by Don Crawford*

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

There are numerous countries in our world struggling against evil. Each one that falls only increases the evil for the other countries. Our nation is at war with terrorists. Our President must keep this nation pointed in the direction God has founded this great nation from the beginning. True peace can only come from our God.

May 4th was called a National Day of Prayer. As followers of Christ and believers in God as the Creator and Sustainer of life EVERY day ought to be a day of prayer for our leaders and our world. EVERY day! EVERY day asking God to keep the free world free and strong! EVERY DAY!

BENEVOLENCE CENTER NEWS

Nancy and I are about to celebrate our fifth anniversary at West Erwin. Since I came here my job has evolved into a direction I had no idea it would take. Much more of my time is now spent working in the Benevolence Center. Over the past few years you have always responded to the needs of food, clothing, prayer and monetary donations. Many men, women, and children have benefited from and appreciate your selfless response to their needs.

This year we started taking pictures of those who are baptized into Christ. The board is hanging above the water fountains. Five people have been baptized this year. Drop by and take a look at their pictures, rejoice with the angels in heaven, and join us in prayer continuously as we watch God working in this ministry.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

I'm familiar with a church in Maui, Hawaii that is a small but growing congregation. The building is located not far from the ocean (in fact you can see the ocean from the building). The building isn't modern at all but it is structurally sound and it is used all the time. It is opened to a large degree and you have a beautiful view of nature all during the services. The baptistery is the ocean and over the years it has seen many Christians confess the name of Christ and put Him on in a watery grave. Many members become Christians at this spot and then eventually (especially those who are in the military) return home to remain faithful to the Lord's body and to become an active participant in various ministries within the church. This small but energetic church in Maui is a part of the church we read about in the New Testament. It understands the role that it is to play as a Great Commission church. It understands that numerically it might not

ever break the 100 member barrier but that it can still impact the world for the cause of Christ by seizing the moment to teach and preach the gospel to those in the military. That's their vision and through the realization of that vision they are turning the world right side up for Christ.

What is our vision? Here at West Erwin the door is wide open concerning what our vision is. There are so many opportunities that are presented to us daily. For example, if you want to you can focus on benevolence. Each Tuesday and Thursday you can meet here to help give out food, clothing, and spiritual counseling. Why not get involved in this ministry and make a difference for the Lord? If you'd rather work with our youth, this church presents you with a golden opportunity to do so. Danny plans countless activities that you could step up to the plate and make a difference in. What about our education ministry here at West Erwin? We are always looking for solid, Bible based teachers. Are you ready to catch a winning vision? Are you ready to start turning the world right side up for Christ? Get involved and let's make a difference.



IN APPRECIATION

To the brothers & sisters in the West Erwin church,

I am so thankful for the prayers and visits on my behalf in the past and current times. I thank you for the kind and wonderful remarks on my childrens' family, Aaron and Jean, and my grandbabies too. It's one thing for me to think that, but to hear it from all the ones they study and worship with is such joy. I love and appreciate each one of you. Thank you again.

Always in the guidance of our Savior,
Dorothy Briscoe

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

My heart overflowed with emotion to the response of love West Erwin has shown me, my dad and mom. I am grateful for the prayers that were lifted up on her behalf. Aaron and I are blessed to be a part of the church family here.

Jean DuVall

West Erwin,

Thank you for all of your prayers and support on Brad's behalf for this summer's mission trip to Thailand with Aggies For Christ. So many of you gave and without your help this trip would not be possible.

Sincerely,
The Asbills

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations to Donald and Susan Cannon on the birth of a baby boy! Logan Cole Cannon was born April 19 and weighed 6 lb. 15 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Max & Mary Haws are the proud great grandparents of Jacob Haws O'Quinn, born April 25 to Jason & Holly O'Quinn. Earl & Melinda O'Quinn are grandparents and Matt & Rhonda Haws are great uncle and aunt.

BON VOYAGE

Casey Haws, son of Matt and Rhonda and grandson of Max and Mary, will leave Monday, May 8, to begin training in the U.S. Navy in Great Lakes, Illinois. Our best wishes go with him in this new venture in his life.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

CHEROKEE DAY - SATURDAY, MAY 27

Cherokee Home for Children Annual Grocery Drive. Needs: Comet, tub & tile cleaner, toilet cleaner, glass cleaner, air freshener, furniture polish (no aerosol cans). Tour the campus and cottages, meet the children and staff. 11:45 Welcome (at the newly enlarged Pavilion); 12:15: Bar-B-Que meal with all the trimmings; 12:40: Singing group - "Hims of Praise" followed by Awards and Honors. Rain or shine: come to the beautiful Hill Country (2 miles north of Cherokee on Hwy 16 between San Saba and Llano. Campsites are available with full hook-ups (call 325-622-4201 to reserve a space).

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

We are pleased to welcome **Darrick Dempsey** into the West Erwin family. We hope to be a blessing to him as he has blessed us by his coming. His address is % Salvation Army, 633 North Broadway, 75702.

NEW PHONE #: Ernest & Gail Bennett, 903-539-4164.

NEW ADDRESS: Dub & Opal Mathews, Hamptons at Greenridge, 4200 Old Omen Rd., #2311, 75707, ph. 903-566-2822.

SPECIAL EVENTS: CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Bob and May Helen May on the celebration of their 53rd wedding anniversary on April 30!

Congratulations to Thomas Park on the celebration of his 75th birthday on May 1!

2ND ANNUAL EAST TEXAS MEN'S RETREAT

Shiloh Road Church of Christ, Saturday, May 6, 2006

"Faith In The Red Zone" with Willie Franklin

All men, young and old, are encouraged to attend this dynamic and spiritually uplifting retreat. If you are seeking to be uplifted, challenged and strengthened in your walk with the Lord, and build strong relationships with your brothers, make plans to attend the Men's Retreat this year at Shiloh Rd. Church.

NORTH TENNEHA CHURCH OF CHRIST

1701 North Tenneha, Tyler, TX

71st Annual Homecoming, May 6 - 10

Guest Speaker: David Lane from Marsalis Ave. Church of Christ
Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun. 9 & 10 am & 2:30 pm; Mon. - Wed. 7:00 pm

GOSPEL MEETINGS

Church of Christ, 111 Winnsboro Hwy, Quitman

Monday & Tuesday, May 8 & 9, 7:00 pm

Hear Dan Manuel with lessons from the Word of God

Church of Christ, Hwy 69N, Emory, TX, May 7-10

Guest Speaker: Michael Light from Bangs, Texas

Sunday: 9:00 & 10:00 am & 6:00 pm; Mon-Wed. 7:00 pm

CALLING ALL GOLFERS

It is time for East Texas Christian Academy's annual golf tournament: Monday, May 8, 8:30 a.m. (shotgun format) at Hollytree Country Club. Format: Four man scramble. Fee: \$125 per person or \$500 per team includes green fee, cart, range balls, and lunch. All proceeds benefit the ETCA athletic program.

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME GROCERY TRUCK

The Medina Children's Home grocery truck will be in our area the week of May 8-12. West Erwin is asked to collect Ravioli's. Cash donations are also appreciated to be used to purchase milk, meat, fruit and vegetables. Thanks for your help.

CAMP DEER RUN WORK DAY

May 20, 2006, 8:30 - 2:00

Congregations are invited to bring a group and help put finishing touches on the campground and cabins before summer camp begins. Please bring work gloves, weed eaters, and other yard tools. Lunch will be provided so please let us know (ph. 903-629-7165) how many will be coming so we can plan for food.

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart



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Bible Class	420	291	413
Worship A.M.	665	664	630
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Contribution	\$25,270.23	\$18,638.37	\$19,270.31
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Minibus Driver for Sunday, April 30, and Wed., May 3: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Carolyn Womack had foot surgery Tuesday. **Ira Wilson** had eye surgery Tuesday. **Hugh Mills** continues to have sciatic problems. **Buddy Kennedy** is scheduled for eye and ear cancer surgery. **Michael McCune**, Carolyn's son, had hand surgery due to severe arthritis. **Debbie Shaw**, friend of Pat Bratcher, is undergoing chemo for acute leukemia. **Vince Ramos**, Ginger Pippin's brother-in-law, has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. **Dorothy Briscoe**, Jean DuVall's mother, is now at their home. Larry & Jane Ground's daughter Linda is recovering after recent surgery. Continue to remember **Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin; **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; **Buck Brown**, Alice Thompson's brother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **John Cliver**; **Clifton & Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Mary Cutshall**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Lena Hays**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **Modena Jones**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance**; **Nancy Martin**; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Ruth Meazell**; **Shirley McClenny**; **Ruby McGuire**, Carmen Hilliard & Gail Bennett's mother; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Bill Mullins**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Kay Parrish**; **Taylor Nicole Reaves**; **Mary Richey**; **Billie Silvertooth**, Ruth Hearne's sister-in-law; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Chris Waggener**; **Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young**.

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WHAT I SAW IN CHURCH

The mother said to her son, "It's time to get up and get ready for church!" The son replied, "I don't want to go to church!" The mother said, "We always go to church on Sunday; get up and get ready." The son responded, "But the preacher is boring and nobody speaks to me. I don't want to go!" Finally, the mother said, "Get up right now and get ready for church. We never miss and besides you've got to go ... after all you're the preacher!" Well, I don't have to be urged to go to church; and I do go to church pretty often; but my reasons go beyond being the preacher. Preachers stand before the audience at church and they speak. Additionally, as preachers stand before the congregation, they see things. I went to church and this is what I saw. I saw a house full of worshippers, most of whom were happy, grateful participants who seemed glad to be present for the worship of God. I saw many friendly faces of people who were expecting something wonderful to take place and who seemed to believe that what they were doing was exciting and helpful. I saw people who surely loved God, His Word,

and each other. I also saw someone who was reading some book they had brought with them, someone who was distracting the person sitting next to them, someone drawing a picture on one of the attendance cards, someone who was asleep, someone who seemed to be daydreaming, someone looking at his watch, and several standing in the foyer visiting with each other while the rest of us were engaged in worship. But mostly, I remember all of the faces of the people who were there to give: to give praise, to give remembrance, to give encouragement, and to give of their wealth for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. I remember the people who were there to pray: to pray with thanksgiving, petition, and intercession. I remember those who were there to receive: to receive a word from God, to receive forgiveness, and to receive strength for their lives. I remember those who came to worship "in spirit and in truth" and I am encouraged. As I came to church, I, too, sought to be a true worshipper and I was blessed. What about you?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, April 30, 2006
by Danny Snell
A.M. "The Simple Truth"
(I Corinthians 2:1-5)
P.M. LTC Presentation
(Young men leading the service)

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LTC PRESENTATION

This Sunday night, our young people will conduct the worship service and we will have a special LTC Presentation. All participants and sponsors need to wear their LTC shirts.

BACCALAUREATE

Due to some major scheduling conflicts with several schools, we have had to set the date for Baccalaureate as Sunday, May 14. We realize that this is Mothers Day, but it seems to be the best possible time. Shiloh Rd. will be hosting this year. Seniors, you will need to turn in your picture and information sheet by Sunday, May 7.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford
WSM Car Care Assistance
(Widows, Single Mothers)

In an effort to improve participation in the free Car Care program we plan to begin having inspections every other month beginning June 3, then August 5, October 7, and December 2. Come by in June and let us see if your car is vacation ready. (We will check the coolant level, oil change needed, power steering fluid, brake fluid, tire pressure, tire rotation needed, belts and hoses, transmission fluid, a/c cooling adequately, and wiper blades). Should you need assistance with any or all of the above, please let us know. We would be happy to recommend someone who is reliable, quick, and fair with pricing. Share this with your

friends and give us a call if you have questions.

Carlos Morgan & Odie Kennedy

The Road To Success

The road to success is not straight. There are curves called *Failures*, loops called *Confusion*, speed bumps called *Friends*, red lights called *Enemies*, caution lights called *Family*, and flats called *Jobs*. Success, then, can only be attained in Christ who supplies determination, perseverance, and faith in ever increasing quantities. Learn to listen to God who will show you what is possible for your life. If He shows you, He will also equip you!

Have a great week and remember who gave it to you!

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I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

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Teachers, the summer quarter is fast approaching and we will be in need of some quality people to step into our classrooms to give our regular teachers a much needed break. Our summer teachers have always done an excellent job in our classrooms. Please consider this wonderful labor of love once again this year. Thanks for all you do.

Parents of our K-5th graders: Please remember the dates for our monthly devotional/activity. The dates are June 7th, July 12th, and August 2nd. We will gather in the Family Life Center for sandwiches, chips, etc. and then we will participate in an activity. About 30 minutes before our regularly scheduled Wednesday evening classes begin we will have a devotional. Then it's off to class. Parents and siblings, please come and be a part of this fellowship time.

Of course, all throughout the summer months we will gather in the Family Life Center after our midweek services for a time of fellowship. I'm looking forward to a fantastic time as we hear some wonderful speakers on Wednesday evenings during our Fellowship And Christian Training Series (F.A.C.T.S.). Let's attend all these classes and grow as God would have us to grow!



IN APPRECIATION

To our family at West Erwin,

It seems that we again, say thank you to you for all the love you have shown to us. We have enjoyed the cards, food, concern, and most of all your prayers. John has done well since his surgery and is now in therapy. We are so glad to be a part of this family.

John & Ruby Cliver

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 Gene Adams Family.

Dearest Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you for the flowers and for continuing your love for our family.

Pauline Aven, Travis, Elaine,
Sonja, Gary & families

To West Erwin,

Thank you for all the cards, calls and kindness shown to me during my recent illness. I really appreciate your concern.

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BAPTISMS



We rejoice with **Amye Scarborough** in her decision to put on her Lord in baptism last Wednesday night. She is the daughter of Barry and Mary Scarborough and is in the 8th grade. Their address is 320 Susie Street, Chandler, 75758, ph. 849-3050.

Brittney Kempton, 9 year old daughter of Todd and Kenna Kempton, was baptized into Christ Sunday by her dad. She is in the 4th grade at Owens Elementary School. Their address is 11508 CR 168, 75703, ph. 903-534-1652.

HOME-AID CAREGIVERS

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Wed. P.M.	373	363	330
Contribution	\$18,638.37	\$24,226.73	\$20,598.77
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Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.	(Sept through May)
Evening Worship Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
June-Aug 6:00 P.M.	
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	7:00 P.M.
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
11:30 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
	(903) 592-0809

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Heath & Kandi Adams & Patrick Garrett
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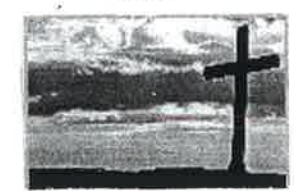
ROASTED LAMB ANYONE?

When Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper, he did it during the Passover meal on a Wednesday or Thursday evening, depending on how one calculates the days of the final week of Jesus' ministry. We know from Scripture the things that were used by Israel to celebrate the Passover: a roasted lamb or kid; unleavened bread; wine, the fruit of the vine; a sort of pasta or salad; and bitter herbs were included. When Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper he used the unleavened bread and the cup, the wine or fruit of the vine, to represent his body and his blood. Bible students know this. When the first century church came together on the first day of the week, or the Lord's Day, to observe the Supper in memory of Christ, we believe they used unleavened bread and the fruit of the vine. Through the centuries these elements have been used in the Lord's Supper and today we break unleavened bread and drink of the cup, the fruit of the grape, to remember Jesus' death until He comes again. Now, my question is this: would it be acceptable to add some roasted lamb to the Supper? After all, roasted lamb was present when Jesus instituted the Supper and I like roasted lamb! And Jesus did not say not to use roasted lamb! Not one person in a thousand would agree with this line of reasoning

and neither do I. However, there are people today who use this kind of reasoning to add other things to worship that are neither authorized nor specifically forbidden. We use unleavened bread *because that's what Jesus used*. Others reason like this: since Jesus instituted the Supper on a weekday, we may take of it any day of the week. Our reply is that the first century church assembled on the first day of the week to observe the Supper and that's when we should partake of it. The recourse given by some is: "Examples are not binding upon us, so we may observe the Supper whenever we want to do it." I would offer this rebuttal: if an example (an action of the early church based upon a commandment -- "Do this in remembrance of me" is the command and "Upon the first day of the week the disciples came together to break (the) bread" is the action) is not binding upon us, why do we use unleavened bread? We use unleavened bread *because Jesus said it* (the unleavened bread as used in the Passover) was his body. No command about "unleavened," just his example. We would do well to do what is authorized and leave other things alone. Roasted lamb anyone?
- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



**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!**

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Donny* LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

This past weekend, over 180 of us from West Erwin got to experience the LTC Convention together. Our young people did an outstanding job in their preparation as well as their performances. The adults who coached the teams and wrote the scripts did a great job of leading our group. A special thanks to Jon Murry, Tim Grounds & Kenna Kempton for writing scripts. Thanks also to the following people who kept all of us fed over the weekend: Doug & Judy Yates, Daniel & Kim DuPree, David & Tammy Asbill, Dolores Kennedy & Melissa Parrish.

As we end LTC 2006, our young people, "Took The Lead!"

The theme for LTC 2007 is taken from Acts 5, when the apostles were on trial and as they proclaimed the message of the Gospel, they were "Unstoppable!"

IMPORTANT DATES

Apr. 23 Area-Wide Youth Devo @ Glenwood
May 14 Baccalaureate

SUMMER TRIPS

Take note of the dates below for the trips planned for the summer. Middle School Madness is for those going into the 6th - 8th grades. Our Trek and Mission trips are for those going into the 9th - Graduating Seniors. We will have lists for you to sign up beginning the week after LTC.

BACCALAUREATE

Due to some major scheduling conflicts with several schools, we have had to set the date for Baccalaureate as Sunday, May 14. We realize that this is Mothers Day, but it seems to be the best possible time. Shiloh Rd. will be hosting this year.

SUMMER DATES

June 6-9	Middle School Madness
June 11-14	VBS
June 18-24	BackCountry Trek
July 6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26	Mexico Mission Trip

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

Identify Your Talents and Nurture Them

You do have talents, you know. Talents are those things you enjoy doing and you have a knack for doing them. Do you get along well with people? Are you good with numbers? Are you musically inclined? What do you enjoy doing?

Most people never nurture their talents. God gave them to you! If you never nurture them they will never serve Him. God gave you something to be used in His kingdom.... a special way to glorify Him.

Someone once said, "The richest place in the planet is not some diamond mine or an oil field. It's a cemetery because we bury the inventions that were

never produced, the ideas and dreams that never became reality, the hopes and aspirations that were never acted upon."

This puts new meaning in the parable Jesus used in Matthew 25 when the man said, "I knew that you are a hard man so I was afraid and went out and hid your talent in the ground."

I read this quote from Dr. Benjamin Mays that sparked this whole thought. He said, "The tragedy of life does not lie in not reaching your goals, the tragedy lies in not having any goals to reach. It isn't a calamity to die with dreams unfulfilled, but it is a calamity not to dream. It is not a disaster to be unable to capture your ideals, but it is a disaster to have no ideals to capture."

Nurture you talent and be amazed where God will take you!

actually go to college confused and indifferent and come out so solid for Christ. We can and should be ministering to both of these groups. We can teach the unchurched college student the Way of the Lord and we can try to aid the college student who is already a member of the church to be strong in their faith.

I may not have the answer to creating a ministry that will guarantee the production of solid Christians leaving our campuses but I do know what it takes to guarantee failure in this area and that is to sit around and do virtually nothing to help these students while they are with us. God has given the churches in Tyler a golden opportunity to influence these young men and women in a positive way and the churches in this area must rise up to meet this challenge. God has never settled for mediocrity and I don't believe He is going to change His mind on this matter with us if we offer up anything less than our best. Let's not take the Great Commission so lightly that we refuse to see the great potential of this mission field. Giving God the glory, if we can come to realize the importance of our college ministry, our efforts will impact the world for generations to come. Please help this ministry grow. I await your response.

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I recently read an interesting article from "Think" magazine (a new magazine published by Focus Press and co-edited by Brad Harrub who will speak at our Summer Extravaganza 2006). The article was entitled: Can A College Student Be A Christian? Emily Smith was the author of this article and she concluded that even though staying a Christian during your college years is possible, it isn't without its challenges either. After reading this article I reflected back over my college years. I remembered two extremes: (1) those who would hit the snooze button on Sunday mornings, deciding to attend Box Springs church hearing their preacher, Foster Pedic (in case you didn't get my humor they stayed in bed on their comfortable mattresses), and (2) those who not only got up and went to church but they also enjoyed the services and made a difference at the church and on their campus. College years are tough! So many go into their college years so solid for the cause of Christ but when they come out they are confused and indifferent to their faith. Others might



WITH SYMPATHY

Nell Dawkins, Wally Dawkins' mother, died last Friday. Memorial services will be scheduled at a later time. Pat Ransome, Irene Whaley's youngest sister, died last week in Canada. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

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"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

TYLER GOSPEL LECTURES

Broadway Church of Christ
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Gilmer Church of Christ, 612 Buffalo Street, Gilmer
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*Because you have shared in our lives
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Kara Suzanne Whitley
and
Casey Allen Culpepper*

*Invite you to share the beginning of our new life together
When we exchange marriage vows
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MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME 4th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT & SILENT AUCTION

Monday, May 8, 2006, Oak Forest Country Club, Longview
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Scripture David Demic
Dismiss Harold Denman

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DEDICATION OF BENEVOLENCE CENTER AND AREA WIDE MEETING

Last Sunday afternoon, from 3:00 until 5:00, we enjoyed an Open House at our new Benevolence Center. Judy Hamm and Anna Drawhorn provided refreshments for the attendees who represented most congregations in the Tyler area. Then, at 4:30 we formally dedicated the building to the glory of God and the service of man as Tim Henderson read Scripture, Greg Grubb led prayer, Danny Snell reported on the success of the Karing Kitchen, and Don Crawford spoke about our clothing and food distribution. Tim and Danny, along with some others, conceived the concept of the Karing Kitchen. Greg attends all of the Monday night meals and provides a devotional for those who are fed and Don oversees the distribution of clothing and food on Tuesdays and Thursdays. One of the remarkable things about the Karing Kitchen and our food and clothing distribution is the fact that in the course of a year literally thousands of people are helped. It was good to focus upon this

important work as we dedicated the new building. Then, at 5:00 we enjoyed and excellent program presented by the Leadership Training For Christ choral groups from Shiloh and West Erwin -- a very impressive program indeed. To close out the day we had an area-wide worship service attended by 803 people from 12 congregations. Kalon Ainsworth led the singing, Ryan Blaylock led in prayer, Nathan Grounds read Scripture, and Scott Fossey presented a lesson that focused upon the grace of God. At this service we also took a special contribution for the benefit of Camp Deer Run, East Texas Christian Academy, Christian Services of East Texas, and Karing Kitchen that amounted to \$5,359.00. All of these activities followed our regular Sunday morning Bible classes with 456 present and worship with 673 people in attendance. Our giving exceeded our budget as we contributed \$24,226.73. It was truly a great day.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, April 16, 2006

by Dr. Jay Lockhart

A.M. Going On to Perfection: "In Hope Of The Resurrection" (Acts 23:1-8)

P.M. Going On To Perfection: "Hope Amid Hopelessness" (Jeremiah 29:4-14)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny* LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

This weekend 150+ people from West Erwin will be at the 2006 Leadership Training For Christ Convention in Dallas, Texas. This weekend, many thousands of young people and adults will meet together in locations all over the United States as well as the International LTC. The theme for this year is "Take The Lead." Please pray for us this weekend.

SUMMER TRIPS

Take note of the dates below for the trips planned for the summer. Middle School Madness is for those going into the 6th - 8th grades. Our Trek and Mission trips are for those going into the 9th - Graduating Seniors. We will have lists for you to sign up beginning the week after LTC.

BACCALAUREATE

Due to some major scheduling conflicts with several schools, we have had to set the date for Baccalaureate as Sunday, May 14. We realize that this is Mothers Day, but it seems to be the best possible time. Shiloh Rd. will be hosting this year.

IMPORTANT DATES

Apr.	14-16	LTC
Apr.	23	Area-Wide Youth Devo @ Glenwood
May	14	Baccalaureate

SUMMER DATES

June	6-9	Middle School Madness
June	11-14	VBS
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July	6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July	21-26	Mexico Mission Trip

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

**"Speak where the Bible speaks
Silent where the Bible is silent"**

Prentice Meador says, "When the church gets to talking about pornography, we are really pretty silent." Yet, the Scriptures are not silent. The Bible says, "But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or any kind of impurity ..." (Ephesians 5:3).

A recent survey found 35% of the males in churches of Christ acknowledge having viewed internet pornography on more than 25 occasions. These numbers are so high because of two things. One, never has such temptations flowed so easily into our homes, our offices, and our

minds. The cyber world promises anonymity, yet dishes out enormous guilt. Secondly, the numbers are high inside the church because in the church we have traditionally found sex difficult to talk about. We who preach "speak where the Bible speaks and keep silent where the Bible is silent" have not held to a very tight integrity level.

The latest copy of the *Christian Chronicle* has a featured article about this "elephant sitting in the pew." If you have found yourself caught in the porn trap and you need help, start by reading this article at www.christianchronicle.org admitting that you have a problem, and seek help a friend who will pray with you and for you regularly. I assure you, there is hope! Satan is prowling around and looking for someone to devour. Resist him. Stand firm in your faith!

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

A great big thank you goes out to Dale and Carolyn Blackstone for once again hosting our annual "egg hunt." Dale and Carolyn do so much for our little ones and they are to be commended for their labor of love.

Recently Nancy Crawford informed me that she would no longer be coordinating the Kids For Christ (Bible Hour) ministry for our 4th and 5th grades. Nancy has worked in this ministry for a while now and I know she will be missed. The Skenders, the Stamps and Pat Mitchell will continue this ministry.

As I reported last week, the van taking our day campers over to Camp Deer Run is completely full. Just because the van is full doesn't mean that your child can't go to camp. Applications are still being taken at Deer Run for the week of June 5th-8th. If you are interested in your child going to camp that week and if you can secure their transportation, then please send in your

registration because I know the staff at Camp Deer Run would love to have them in attendance. To those who are riding in the van, please remember that we will be leaving each morning at 7:30 a.m. If you would like to know more about what your child is to bring to camp with them, please go to www.campdeerrun.com to find out more information.

All preschoolers through 5th grade, please remember that special classes have been planned for you at our annual "Summer Extravaganza" which will be June 12th-14th. Our theme this year is: *The Incredible Race*. So make plans right now to attend these classes and remember to bring a friend with you. Each night (K-5th grades) we will present a gift to the boy and girl who brings the most guests with them (this excludes brothers and sisters who already attend our Summer Extravaganza). So start asking right now so that your friends can mark these dates down on their calendars. Our classes will start at 6:30 p.m. sharp!

As you can tell, our Kid's Kingdom ministry is going to be busy over the next few months so let's try to attend these events and let's grow as God would have us to grow.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Brethren,

We want to thank you for your thoughtfulness and concern for my husband. We thank you for the cards and prayers. We are thankful to be a member here at West Erwin for such kind, loving and caring brethren. He has a pacemaker and pray it will help him to be stronger.

In Christian Love,
Larry & Jane Ground

Thank you so much for the cards, food, and prayers. They are greatly appreciated.

Wanda Frick

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held Monday at the League Street Church of Christ in Sulphur Springs for A.Z. Aven, a long time faithful member at West Erwin before moving several years ago. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Mark Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

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LADIES DAY - Saturday, April 22, 2006

Gilmer Church of Christ, 612 Buffalo Street, Gilmer
Registration - 9:30 a.m. Program - 10 a.m. Salad luncheon provided. Guest speaker will be Wilena Grigsby of Richardson.
Theme: Relationships. Please RSVP to 903-843-2731 or 903-734-4886 by April 15 .

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All men, young and old, are encouraged to attend this dynamic and spiritually uplifting retreat. If you are seeking to be uplifted, challenged and strengthened in your walk with the Lord, and build strong relationships with your brothers, make plans to attend the Men's Retreat this year at Shiloh Rd. Church. See bulletin board in office area for details.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

We are happy to welcome Clyde Waggoner back to West Erwin. He was a member here several years ago and we are glad to welcome him back home. His address is 5802 Raleigh Drive, 75703, ph. 534-0251.

New Mailing Address: Mark Frick Family, 111 Walnut St., Chandler, 75758.



WEDDING INVITATION

*Because you have shared in our lives
by your friendship and love, we
Kara Suzanne Whitley
and
Casey Allen Culpepper*

*Invite you to share the beginning of our new life together
When we exchange marriage vows
On Saturday, the twenty-second of April, Two thousand six
at three o'clock in the afternoon
Northside Church of Christ, 2500 Parrish Street, Waco, Texas
Reception immediately following*

ATTENTION COOKS!

Boles Children's home is having a fundraiser and would love everyone to participate! They are putting together a cook book of recipes gathered from house moms on campus as well as supporting individuals and congregations. This helps all of us to share our best recipes. The categories are as follows: Appetizers, Beverages, Soups, Salads, Vegetables, Main Dishes, Breads, Rolls, Desserts, & Miscellaneous. Please send us your favorite recipes for these categories by April 30th. The books will be sold to raise money for the children at Boles Home. You may e-mail recipes to bolang@boleschildrenshome.org or mail to Boles Children's Home, 7065 LOVE, Quinlan, TX 75474.

LADIES NIGHT - Friday, May 5, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

Chandler Street Church of Christ, 2700 Chandler St., Kilgore, Texas 75662 - EXTREME SOUL MAKEOVER!
Speakers from the Chandler Street congregation will give tips for this important makeover. Extreme Soul Fashion Show included!
Join us for fellowship & refreshments. ph. 903-984-2928

CALLING ALL GOLFERS

It is time for East Texas Christian Academy's annual golf tournament: Monday, May 8, 8:30 a.m. (shotgun format) at Hollytree Country Club. Format: Four man scramble. Fee: \$125 per person or \$500 per team includes green fee, cart, range balls, and lunch. Prizes: First through third place; closest to the pin, longest drive and plenty of door prizes! Contact Greg McAdams or Diann Ponder at 903-561-8642 to register. All proceeds benefit the ETCA athletic program.

FYI: For those who wish to make donations for Bradley Asbill's mission trip to Thailand, money must be in by May 1.

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart



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Records	Sunday April 2	Sunday March 26	Year Ago
Bible Class	386	456	401
Worship A.M.	632	673	601
Worship P.M.	346	NS	NS
Wed. P.M.	376	380	331
Contribution	\$22,495.85	\$23,039.30	\$20,749.76
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(4-2-06 Bldg. Fund \$5,755.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, April 9, and Wed., April 12: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. **Please call if you need transportation.**

PRAYER AND CARE - Gaynelle Gray was admitted to ETMC Saturday, but is now at home. **John Cliver** had shoulder surgery last Tuesday. **Larry Ground** had an MRI and a heart procedure last Friday. **Dorothy Briscoe**, Jean DuVall's mother, had surgery on a broken leg Monday at ETMC. **Corbin Whitley**, Kelli Malone's nephew, is improving in Cook's Children's Hospital. Continue to remember **Jo Anders**; **Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin; **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; **Buck Brown**, Alice Thompson's brother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone** (Colonial Manor, Lindale); **Wini Cullinan**; **Mary Cutshall**; **Shirley Denman**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Alan Fisher**; **Wanda Frick**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Mattie Hawkins**, Kim Jordan's mother; **Lena Hays**; **Olyn Hill**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **Margie Hunt**; **Modena Jones**; **Roy Jordan**, Curt Jordan's dad; **Buddy Kennedy**; **Gus Krewall**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance**; **Nancy Martin**; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Ruth Meazell**; **Shirley McClenny**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Bill Mullins**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Kay Parrish**; **Taylor Nicole Reaves**; **Mary Richey**; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Glynn Starnes**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Chris Waggener**; **Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young**.

MINISTERS		
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education	
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth	
MISSIONS		
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges	Jeff Holland
ELDERS		
Jay Bynum	Don Durham	Ron Lott
Phil Marts	Bill Mullins	Dannie Skipper
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy	Leon Welborn

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SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship Danny Snell
Prayer Johnny Anders
Scripture Darrell Beard
Dismiss Don Durham

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Roy Bench

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
Area LTC Presentation at 5:00 p.m.
City-Wide Worship at 6:00 p.m.

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Gene Moon Kenneth Muncy
Alan Montgomery Larry Murphey
Carlos Morgan Bill Mullins
Hutton Moon Jordan Mullins

GREETERS

Ray & Gail Vannoy & Preston Conder
Alan & Candace Montgomery & Dru Dawkins
Charles & Linda Westerfeld & Christina Denman
Visitor Center: Leon & Carolyn Welborn
Bob & Pat Hackett

Pick up cards April 9: Bryson Bellar, Casey Bellar, Jake Skender, Conner Clark, Zach Skender.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, April 9:
Nursery a.m.: Jan Cook; Nursery p.m.: Diane Weathers;
Toddlers a.m.: Donni & Caitlin Cook; Toddlers p.m.:
Charles & Linda Westerfeld; 2's: Heath & Kandi Adams;
3's & 4's: Marc & Ginger Philpot.

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AREA-WIDE MEETING THIS SUNDAY FORMAL DEDICATION OF THE BENEVOLENCE CENTER

This coming Sunday promises to be a great day for us. In addition to our regular Bible classes and worship assembly, we will have an open house at the new Benevolence Center from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. with a formal dedication of the building at 4:30. Then at 5:00 p.m. we will assemble in our auditorium for presentations by the Leadership Training For Christ choruses from Broadway, North Tenneha, Shiloh, and West Erwin. Following the choral program we will enjoy an area-wide worship assembly with Scott Fossey, president of the East Texas Christian Academy, local weatherman, and minister for the Chandler Church of Christ preaching.

- Jay Lockhart

Participate in all the activities of the day on April 9:

- 9:00 a.m. - Bible Classes for Everyone
- 10:00 a.m. - Worship of the Church
- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Open House at the new Benevolence Center
- 4:30 p.m. - Formal Dedication of the Benevolence Center
- 5:00 p.m. - Area LTC Choral Program
- 6:00 p.m. - Area-Wide Worship Assembly
- 7:00 p.m. - Youth Devotional

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, April 9, 2006
A.M. **Going On to Perfection: "The Work And Victory Of Faith" (John 6:28-29)**
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
5:00 P.M. - Presentation by Area LTC choruses
6:00 P.M. - Worship, Scott Fossey, guest speaker

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Dramas will meet Sunday from 2:30-3:30. Hall's & Parrish's Group will meet all day.

Chorus will meet Sunday from 3:30-5:00.

Puppets will be meeting on Wednesday nights.

See your coaches for more information.

It is very important for you to be present at the team practices. Your team is counting on you!

All of the LTC Choruses (City Wide) will sing from 5:00-6:00 Sunday followed by a worship time with Scott Fossey as the speaker.

Please note: We will have a "must attend meeting" on Sunday, April 9, for everyone going to LTC. This will be an eating meeting. Please bring \$2 for supper.

Please pay attention to the mail for some important information about this Sunday and LTC weekend.

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Apr. 9	LTC Meeting
Apr. 14-16	LTC

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..... by Don Crawford

NEW BENEVOLENCE CENTER

Open House to our Community

&

Formal Dedication

Sunday, April 9th., 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Dedication at 4:30 p.m.

GOODNESS AND GLORY

There are numerous passages about the glory of God. Have you ever wondered what His glory is? Moses did. Moses asked God to show him His **glory**. And the Lord said, "I will cause all my **goodness** to pass in front of you

.... but you cannot see my face ..." (Exodus 33:18-20). God's glory is His Goodness.

The Psalmist wrote, "Taste and see that the Lord is good" (Psalm 34:8). Peter said, "Make every effort to add to your faith goodness" (2 Peter 1:5). In Paul's letter to the church in Rome he wrote, "I myself am convinced, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness" (Romans 15:14).

There is something special within each of us -- a goodness. Our goodness is how we glorify our God. We are never more like Him than when we are good. God has put His goodness within His people and we must choose to manifest that goodness in every way; toward family, fellow employees, and community. Ask God to help you set that goodness free!

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

I want to take my bulletin space this week to catch everyone up on some upcoming activities for our younger ones. Our Kid's Kingdom group will be participating in the following activities over the next few months:

1. Egg Hunt at the Blackstone's. Dale and Carolyn Blackstone will welcome all kindergarten through 3rd graders to their home on April 8th from 1:00 - 3:00 for our annual egg hunt. Please remember to bring your basket.

2. The annual LTC convention will be Easter weekend in Dallas. Several of our Kid's Kingdom members will be participating in a variety of activities. Danny Snell coordinates this activity and he always does a great job.

3. We have 13 registered for day camp at Camp Deer Run. The van is full so those who haven't reserved their spot on the van will have to make transportation arrangements. If you haven't turned in your registration form, please mail it directly to Camp Deer Run so that you can secure a spot at the camp. This camp is for 5 year olds through 8 year olds.

4. Our annual Summer Extravaganza is just around the corner (June 11-14). We will kick things off by having Brad Harrub speak to our teenagers on Sunday morning and then he will speak to the entire congregation on Sunday evening. Brad will continue his lectures to all junior high through adults on Monday through Friday. All Preschoolers will meet in our educational wing in the main building for their classes and all kindergarten through 5th grades will meet in the Family Life Center for their classes.

As you can see we have a full slate of activities planned so please make sure you attend all of these gatherings



IN APPRECIATION

To all my Brothers and Sisters In Christ,

I thank you all for the prayers you sent my way. Don't stop now for I am not out of the woods yet - probably will be another two weeks.

Love you all,
Charles Garrett

West Erwin Church,

Thank you for your prayers, cards, expressions of sympathy, and the beautiful basket of flowers for Mother's funeral. A special thank you to all the ladies that prepared the delicious food for our family. So many were from out of town and this allowed us to spend some special time together.

Our love and appreciation,
Billy & Lynda Terrell
The Terrell Family

My deepest appreciation is extended to all who came to my aid during a recent fall, helping me until I recovered from the shock and regained stability. Thank you for caring and may God richly bless each one.

Bob May

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, calls, cards and words of sympathy at the death of my sister, Sue Brown. It's good to be part of a caring family.

Bill Hawkins

WITH SYMPATHY

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NEW ELDERS

On Sunday, March 26, **Dr. Aaron DuVall** and **Fred Wingate** accepted the charge delivered by Jay Lockhart and both were installed as elders of the West Erwin Church of Christ. The other 8 elders joined these 2 new elders on the platform during the charge. The elders now pray that God will bless this eldership with wisdom and help us lead this congregation in a manner that is pleasing to God.

Don Durham,
Chairman of the elders

FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT

Kindergarten through 3rd grade students and families are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt at the home of Dale & Carolyn Blackstone, 2339 CR 1128, Saturday, April 8, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Bring your own baskets, everything else is furnished.

25th ANNUAL GOSPEL SINGING

Franklin Church of Christ, Franklin, TX
Friday, April 28, 2006, 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome **Chad and Amber Chauncy** into the West Erwin family. They have been attending here for some time and they will be an asset as we work together to serve the Lord. Their address is 13680 State Hwy 110 N, 75704, ph. 882-0029.



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Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(3-26-06 Bldg. Fund \$1,830.00)	

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PRAYER AND CARE - John Cliver had shoulder surgery Tuesday. **Larry Ground** will have an MRI and a heart procedure Friday at ETMC. **Margie Hunt** had a heart cath and stent implant last week. **Wanda Frick** is at home following recent knee replacement surgery. **J.R. Tharpe's** eye surgery was successful. **Corbin Whitley**, Kelli Malone's nephew, is very ill in Cook's Children's Hospital. Continue to remember **Jo Anders**; **Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin; **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; **Buck Brown**, Alice Thompson's brother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone** (Colonial Manor in Lindale); **Wini Cullinan**; **Mary Cutshall**; **Shirley Denman**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Alan Fisher**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Mattie Hawkins**, Kim Jordan's mother; **Lena Hays**; **Olyn Hill**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **Modena Jones**; **Roy Jordan**, Curt Jordan's dad; **Buddy Kennedy**; **Gus Krewall**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance**; **Nancy Martin**; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Ruth Meazell**; **Shirley McClenny**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Bill Mullins**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Kay Parrish**; **Taylor Nicole Reaves**; **Mary Richey**; **Sam Rowe**, Ralph Rowe's brother; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Glynn Starnes**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Chris Waggener**; **Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young**.

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Prayer Doug Yates
Scripture Dan Gillam
Dismiss Louis Jones

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Gene Moon Kenneth Muncy
Alan Montgomery Larry Murphey
Carlos Morgan Bill Mullins
Hutton Moon Jordan Mullins

GREETERS
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D.L. & Alice Thompson & Betsy Asbill
Billy & Linda Terrell & Kaitlyn Carder
Visitor Center: Jay & Debbie Bynum
Gene & Gwen Chandler

Pick up cards April 2 & 9: Bryson Bellar, Casey Bellar, Jake Skender, Conner Clark, Zach Skender.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, April 2:
Nursery a.m.: Diane Weathers; Nursery p.m.: Jan Cook;
Toddlers a.m.: Lisa & Shannon Snell; Toddlers p.m.:
Camille & Mollie Mink; 2's: Stefan & Rebecca Andrews;
3's & 4's: Todd & Jana Hancock.

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AMUSING OURSELVES TO DEATH

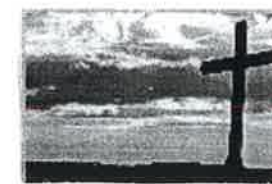
Neil Postman wrote a book entitled Amusing Ourselves To Death. In his book, published two decades ago, Postman expressed his fear that television would impair our capacity to think. His fears may now be realized. According to an article by Charles Colson in a recent issue of Christianity Today, the average college graduate's proficient literacy in English has declined from 40 percent in 1992 to 31 percent today. Proficient literacy is defined as "the ability to read lengthy, complex texts and draw complicated inferences." Colson's article reveals that one out of three college graduates cannot read and absorb a book. The age of television may have limited our attention spans and crippled us in our ability to think about and to absorb the bigger issues of our times. Our attention spans cannot exceed a very few minutes and television producers play to this fact by short, action-filled commercials and by action-packed programming that moves quickly from one scene to another. The trend that we are experiencing affects the church too. The church is the "pillar" (supporter) and "ground" (defender) of the truth (I Timothy 3:15). And truth, God's Word (John 17:17), is to be taught, learned,

pondered, and lived. For us to prosper in our spiritual lives we must engage the truth on a deeper level than just thinking about God for a few minutes, singing a few choruses, and entertaining ourselves. The call of Christ is an invitation to confront God (or to be confronted by God), to examine ourselves, and to be transformed -- a process that cannot be accomplished in a brief moment. Additionally, the church is called to confront the culture, to bring people into a saved relationship with Christ, and to equip Christians for service. To fulfill our calling we must reject a casual approach to Christianity, abandon the desire to focus our attention on ourselves, and forsake the notion that the design of worship is to meet our felt needs. When we meditate upon the Word of Truth, struggle to discover the will of God for our lives, develop a passion to become Christ-like in our lives, and long for what we need rather than what we want, a wonderful thing will happen -- we will become, by God's grace, not conformers to the culture, but the transformers of our culture that God desires. God calls us to live, really live, rather than amusing ourselves to death.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, April 2, 2006
A.M. **Going On to Perfection: "Procrastination"**
(Mark 1:14-15)
by Don Crawford
P.M. **"God Is Not Mocked"**
(Galatians 6:6-8)
by Dean Brookshire

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny* BIBLE QUIZ

What a great job our young people have done this year in Bible Quiz. They studied all of Joshua, Judges & Ruth. Congratulations to those young people who participated. A special thanks to Barry Scarborough for helping with this ministry.

IMPORTANT DATES

Apr. 2 Middle School Devotional
Apr. 9 LTC Meeting
Apr. 14-16 LTC

SUMMER DATES

June 6-9 Middle School Madness
June 11-14 VBS
June 18-24 BackCountry Trek
July 6-15 Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26 Mexico Mission Trip

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

Fennell's Puppet team will meet Saturday (Apr. 1) from 1:00-3:00.

Murry's 9&10th Drama will meet all day Sunday. Bring sack lunch.

Snell/Grounds/Bynum 7&8th Drama will meet all day Sunday. Bring money for Wendy's lunch.

Stamps 7&8th Drama will meet all day Sunday. Bring money for Pizza.

Blaylock's 11&12th Drama will meet all day Sunday. Remaining **Dramas** will meet Sunday from 2:30-3:30.

Chorus will meet Sunday from 3:30-5:00. **Puppets** will be meeting on Wednesday nights. See your coaches for more information.

It is very important for you to be present at the team practices. Your team is counting on you!

Please note: We will have a "must attend meeting" on Sunday, April 9, for everyone going to LTC.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

NEW BENEVOLENCE CENTER

Open House to our Community
&
Formal Dedication
Sunday, April 9th., 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Dedication at 4:30 p.m.

CLOTHING DONATIONS

The new Center does not yet have a system in place for accepting clothing donations. Until that can be provided, please plan to bring your donations to the Center on Tuesday and/or Thursday mornings. Thank you.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

My son turned 15 on March 27th. Time has really flown by at our house. When my son was in kindergarten he went ballistic one day because a neighbor was cutting down a tree in his front yard. From inside my house I could hear someone yelling but what they were yelling wasn't audible because of the chain saw noise. So, I got up and opened my front door and standing on the front porch was my son, screaming at my neighbor saying, "You're not saving the earth; you're not saving the earth!" I wasn't for sure if I was supposed to tell him to stop yelling or to yell a little louder. I went with the first option and tried to explain to him that the neighbor more than likely had a valid reason for cutting down that particular tree. But, after seeing just how passionate Daniel was (at age 5), I must admit that I was somewhat proud of my little activist as he stuck up for that defenseless tree.

It has always amazed me just how quickly something that has taken years to grow can be wiped off the face of the earth in a

matter of seconds. If you don't believe me, just take a quick drive down Old Jacksonville Highway and notice that all the trees that used to crowd the shoulder of the road are all gone. All this has happened just in the last few weeks. All of this was done in the name of progress and perhaps rightly so, but many of us just wish we'd take better care of what we have. I'm tired of seeing the pollution along our highways and in our rivers. We need to start managing or being better stewards with what God has given us. Sometimes if we would just take the time to clean things up we could see a big improvement.

So, get ready! You're going to have a golden opportunity to do just that. Be watching your calendars because sometime during the month of May, Camp Deer Run is going to ask for your service as they conduct their annual clean up day. On this day we will have the opportunity of cleaning up the camp so that all of the young boys and girls who attend can see nature at its best. Those of us who have participated in this effort in years past know the importance that this one day makes. So, roll up your sleeves and let's get after it.

MAKING DISCIPLES

As Christians we have been commissioned to make disciples wherever we go. We do that by baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit for the remission of their sins and teaching them to submit themselves to Christ and His teachings.

Sometimes the teaching part is more difficult for some, but there are ways to overcome that and still fulfill our commission. One of those ways is through a Bible Correspondence Course. These courses are available upon request through the church office. So, encourage your friends and relatives to get started right away.



IN APPRECIATION

We would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers concerning J.R.'s recent eye surgery. It was a complete success and it is his prayer that his life and service can be utilized more fully to God and the West Erwin church.

J.R. & Sylvia Tharpe

Dear Church Family:

Thank you so much for your prayers, visits, food, cards, and phone calls. What a blessing to have so many concerned, thoughtful Christian friends. We love being part of your fellowship.

Bitsy Berryman

A big "thank you" to all who helped to make our special Sunday a success: to all the ladies who brought cookies, helped in kitchen, etc., and to those who ordered, set up, served, and cleaned up for the lunch, your labor of love is appreciated.

WITH SYMPATHY

Sue Brown, Bill Hawkins' sister, died March 25 in Bay City, Michigan. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

"The words of God are not like the oak leaf which dies and falls to the earth, but like the pine tree which stays green forever."
--Native American Proverb

LITTLE PEOPLE'S SCHOOL

Little People's School at the Glenwood Church of Christ needs part time teachers for the 2006-07 school year. Please call Cathy Howell at 903-509-8904 for more information.

Mabank Church of Christ, 306 W Mt. Vernon @ 5th

Timeless Lessons from the Book of Jeremiah
April 7 - 9, "Breaking Up Your Fallow Ground"

HYMN FEST 2006

Daingerfield Church of Christ, Hwy 11 W
Saturday, April 8, 6:30-10:00 p.m.

8th ANNUAL LADIES DAY, PITTSBURG, TEXAS

Saturday, April 8, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm
"Sing and make melody in your heart" (Colossians 3:16)
presented by Mrs. Cindy Miller Armstrong
(salad luncheon will be provided)

Daylight Savings time begins
Sunday, April 2, 2006
Spring forward 1 hour
and be on time for Bible Class!



WEDDING INVITATION

Because you have shared in our lives
by your friendship and love, we

Kara Suzanne Whitley

and

Casey Allen Culpepper

Invite you to share

the beginning of our new life together

When we exchange marriage vows

On Saturday, the twenty-second of April

Two thousand and six

at three o'clock in the afternoon

Northside Church of Christ

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, Texas

Reception immediately following

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Joe and Frances McBee on the celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on April 5. We rejoice with them in this happy milestone in their lives.

NEW ADDRESS: Mary Dawson, Garden Estates, 2055 Grande Blvd. #1207, 75703, (ph. # same).

NEW MAILING ADDRESS: Glen & Bobbye May, P.O. Box 6205, Tyler, 75711.

Phone number changes for the Asbill family: (all 903 prefix) David 521-8770, Tammy 521-6371, Brad 520-2057, Brittany 530-0930, Betsy 253-3222. The Asbills also request prayers for Brad's mission trip to Thailand this summer. Financial donations can be made to the A & M Church of Christ in College Station under Brad's name. Thanks for your help.

LADIES WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE CLASSES

Family Life Center: "Eight Cries of a Child" Gail Vannoy and others teaching, beginning April 5th. Let's open God's Word and and raise children God's way.

Chapel class: Dr. Marian Rowe is continuing a study on "Character Checks."

CAMP DEER RUN

June 5-8 has been set aside for West Erwin day campers ages 5-8) at Camp Deer Run. Doug Yates will transport them each day to and from camp. Registration forms (on table across from the office) and a check for \$55.00 made out to Camp Deer Run must be given to Doug no later than April 2.

TYLER GOSPEL LECTURES

Broadway Church of Christ

Friday - Sunday, April 21-23, 2006

"The Lord's Church in Today's Society"

Speakers: Jay Lockhart, Dan Manuel, Maxie Boren, Joseph Chase, Norman Starling and for the ladies, Betty Starling.
See bulletin board in office area for details.

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart



aired each Sunday
at 10:00 a.m. on KYTX-19

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Records	Sunday March 19	Sunday March 12	Year Ago
Bible Class	424	425	424
Worship A.M.	598	617	628
Worship P.M.	400	427	450
Wed. P.M.	314	346	276
Contribution	\$22,237.97	\$22,408.55	\$18,226.96
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5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
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Scripture Matt Kelly
Dismiss Tyler DuVall

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Tim McLemee Gary Mitcham
Jerry Mitchell J.D. Mitchell
Shane Millican Pat Malone
Stuart Means Lee Mink

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Glynn & Fran Starnes & Keaton Ainsworth
Jack & Johnnie Stringer & Maigen Blackstone
Visitor Center: Louis & Jane Jones
Milburn & Jan Cook

Pick up cards March 26: Keaton Conder, Caleb Grounds, Trey Jackson, Jeffrey Scarbrough & Parker Hall.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, March 26:
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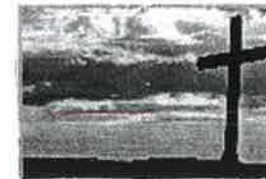
DENYING WHAT WE AFFIRM

According to a report published in the new *Think* magazine, published by Focus Press, Hollywood made 12 times as many R-rated movies as G-rated movies from 1989-2003. However, studies show that G-rated movies were 11 times more profitable than R-rated movies. Movie producers may affirm that they make movies that the public wants and movies that are most profitable to the industry, but the facts show that the average PG-rated movie performed three times better than the average R-rated film. The evidence shows that Hollywood has a godless agenda and thus it denies what it affirms. The same denying what it affirms principle was practiced by the Pharisees of Jesus' day. They affirmed loyalty to and love for God, but they denied their claim by practicing injustice toward their fellows (Matthew 23) and by condemning Jesus, an innocent man, to death. The Jews of the first century affirmed devotion to the Law of God, but denied their claim by following their own ways (Romans 10:1-3). Today the principle of denying what one affirms may be seen among God's people. One may affirm the importance of the worship assemblies of the church and then deny the claim by forsaking the

assembly (Hebrews 10:25). One may affirm loyalty to the authority of Scripture and then deny the claim by following a personal agenda. One may affirm God's ownership of all that he has and then deny it by covetousness and a failure to give liberally in support of the work of the church. One may affirm the power and importance of the cross of Christ and then deny the claim by a failure to deny himself and to take up his own cross and follow Jesus (Matthew 16:24-26). One may affirm his desire to follow Christ by emphasizing what Jesus said in the gospels and then deny his claim by neglecting or rejecting what Christ said through the apostles in the New Testament epistles (I Corinthians 14:37; I John 4:6). One may affirm his concern for unity in the church and then deny his affirmation by sowing discord among brethren by promoting his own agenda. One may affirm his love for all men but deny his claim by practicing racism. One may affirm that he wants the church to grow and then deny it by practices that cause the church to decline. One may "profess to know God, but by ... deeds ... deny Him ... being disobedient" (Titus 1:16). It's something to think about: denying what we affirm.

- Iav Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, March 26, 2006

By Dr. Jay Lockhart

- 9:00 a.m. - Bible Classes; 10:00 a.m. - Worship
- 11:30 a.m. - Catered lunch in Family Life Center
- 12:30 p.m. - Worship in Family Life Center
- 1:00 p.m. - Tour of new Benevolence Center
(no evening service at West Erwin)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny* LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

Please note the special schedule for this Sunday.

Chorus will meet Sunday for 1 hour following the Benevolent Center Dedication. Drama will meet for an hour following that. The 11 & 12th Drama (Blaylock's Team) will work later. See your coach for more information.

Puppets will be meeting on Wednesday nights.

It is very important for you to be present at the team practices. Your team is counting on you!

Please note: We will have a "must attend meeting" on Sunday, April 9, for everyone going to LTC.

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Mar. 27	Bible Quiz
Apr. 14-16	LTC

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

THE PAST IS PAST

Life is an adventure, often difficult, and sometimes incredibly cruel. Yet, if we learn to carry strong feelings, such as anger, resentment and regrets, about things that happened in the past they will rob us of our ability to live in the present. We must get rid of these feelings. They have no real value in themselves -- only the value that we give them. The past belongs in the past. Learn to live for today!

Procrastinators will rule the world someday!

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

To all of our kindergarten through 5th graders, this summer we will have a devotional once a month (June 7th, July 12th, and Aug. 2) in the Family Life Center beginning at 5:30 p.m. These devotional/activities will meet on Wednesday evenings and they will be a part of our Kid's Kingdom ministry. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend these events with their children. At 5:30 p.m. we will have sandwiches/drinks/chips/etc. and then immediately following the meal we will have an activity on the gym floor. At 6:30 p.m. we will then assemble together and have a devotional. We will dismiss all of our kindergarten through 5th graders no later than 6:50 p.m. to head over to the main building for their classes. This time together will hopefully create a bonding experience with this age group while giving them some fun activities to participate in. Also remember that immediately following our classes (during the summer) we will gather back in the Family Life Center for some desserts.

KARING KITCHEN - THANKS!

Wow!!! The new Benevolence Center and Karing Kitchen building is great! We served our first meal this past Monday. Thanks to all who served. Thanks, West Erwin, for making this possible.

BIBLE QUIZ

Our last Bible Quiz will be Monday (3-27) night at the Shiloh Rd. Church @ 6:45. We will go to Braum's afterward to celebrate! Parents can pick up your kids @ 8:40. Remember it is Super Quiz night as well.

SUMMER DATES

June 6-9	Middle School Madness
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A SPECIAL THANKS

The past two weeks have been very difficult trying to shut down the old Benevolence Center, pack, and move it all to the new Center. It would have been a nightmare without your help. Many of you gave of your time and energy and resources to see it through. Thank you so much for your help. Thank you for your willingness to serve and for sharing your own excitement for the possibilities that God has in store for this new, expanded ministry. You are the BEST!

"Motivation

is when your dreams put on work clothes."

Our Summer Extravaganza will be June 11-14. June 11th will be a regular service with Brad Harrub speaking to our youth on Sunday morning and all of us on Sunday evening. Then the Extravaganza begins on Monday, June 12th at 6:30 p.m. *Velma Lemons* will be coordinating the preschool here on the main floor. I'll be coordinating the kindergarten through 5th grade in the Family Life Center. I've already secured all of our coordinators for the kindergarten through 5th grade. Each of these coordinators may be seeking you to help them out. Please consider getting involved in this great ministry. Our theme this year is: The Incredible Race. The following lessons will be the emphasis of our 3 nights together: (1) The race for healing water - the story of Naaman; (2) The race for obedience - the story of Jonah; (3) the race for faithfulness - the story of Daniel. Let's also remember that our adults will have the opportunity of hearing Brad Harrub again this year as he delivers 3 lessons dealing with ethics and morality. Please pray for this ministry as we once again reach a record number during these 3 nights with the presentation of these 3 wonderful stories from the Bible.



WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held Thursday at Memorial Cemetery for Estelle Terrell, Billy Terrell's mother. Services were held last Saturday in Pittsburg for Bessie Porter, Sandie Martin's great aunt. Bev Ellis, Irene Whaley's niece in Canada, died March 16. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

Overton Church of Christ, 112 East South, Overton FINDING LIFE - a seminar on discovering joy and purpose

April 2-5, Sun. 10 am, 6 pm, Mon.-Wed. 7 pm

Speaker: Darryl Willis, preacher for the Gilmer Baldrige church of Christ in Ennis, Texas.

GOSPEL MEETING April 2-5

Fruitvale Church of Christ, 301 VZ CR 1110

Speaker: Ken Hope, Mon. - Wed. 7:30 p.m.

Theme: "How To ..." See bulletin board in office area for details

Mabank Church of Christ, 306 W Mt. Vernon @ 5th

Timeless Lessons from the Book of Jeremiah

April 7 - 9, "Breaking Up Your Fallow Ground"

15 spiritual lessons from different speakers

HYMN FEST 2006

Daingerfield Church of Christ, Hwy 11 W

Saturday, April 8, 6:30-10:00 p.m.

"Praises Four," "Family Reunion" and congregational singing

8th ANNUAL LADIES DAY, PITTSBURG, TEXAS

There's a great day coming! Of spiritual uplifting and fellowship

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(salad luncheon will be provided)

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RSVP 903-843-2731 or 903-734-4886 by April 15.

LADIES NIGHT - Friday, May 5, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.,

Chandler Street Church of Christ, 2700 Chandler St., Kilgore,

Texas 75662 - EXTREME SOUL MAKEOVER!

Five speakers from the Chandler Street congregation will give

tips for this important makeover. Extreme Soul Fashion Show

included! Join us for fellowship & refreshments.

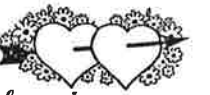
ph. 903-984-2928

BAPTISM



We rejoice with Heidi Riggs in her decision to live her life for God. She was baptized into Christ Tuesday night after studying with Dean Brookshire. She is a young single and lives at 1909 Sybil Lane #134, 75703, ph. 740-583-0082.

WEDDING SHOWER



Please join us for a couples shower honoring

Flara Whitley and Casey Culpepper

Saturday, March 25, 10:00-11:30 a.m., Family Life Center

Selections: Wal-Mart, Linens N Things. & Pottery Barn.

NEW ADDRESS: Blanche & Rodney Dalton, 300 Lila Lane #4, Athens, Texas 75771

New phone #: Keith Skender family 903-780-6144

GOSPEL MEETING

Grapeland Church of Christ, 504 N Market St., Grapeland

March 26-29, Mon. - Wed. 7 pm.

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MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME

Annual Awards & Appreciation Banquet, May 6, 2006

Please join us as the special guests of our children and staff at

the 2006 Luau, celebrating 48 wonderful years! Held at the

Moody building at noon on the Medina Children's Home

campus located 7 miles north of Medina on Highway 16 North.

RSVP to 830-589-2871 or dbarnes@medinachildrenshome.com

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME 4th ANNUAL

GOLF TOURNAMENT & SILENT AUCTION

Monday, May 8, 2006, Oak Forest Country Club, Longview

Tee off at 7:30 am & 1:00 pm, lunch at 11:30. For more

information call Vance Slough @ 903-759-5348 or

903-452-0548. Register or sponsor online with credit card

payment at www.medinachildrenshome.org/events.htm

MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME GROCERY TRUCK

The Medina Children's Home grocery truck will be in our

area the week of May 8-12. West Erwin is asked to collect

Ravioli's. Cash donations are also appreciated as it can be used

to purchase milk, meat, fruit and vegetables. Thanks for your

help.

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart



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Records	Sunday March 12	Sunday March 5	Year Ago
Bible Class	425	417	417
Worship A.M.	617	597	645
Worship P.M.	427	346	365
Wed. P.M.	346	380	362
Contribution	\$22,408.55	\$24,526.78	\$24,159.34
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(3-12-06 Bldg. Fund \$1,765.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, March 19, and Wed., March 22: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. Please call if you need transportation.

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Scripture David Demic
Dismiss Ray Vannoy

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Alan Fisher

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
Prayer G.W. Cliver
Scripture Chris Conder
Dismiss Milburn Cook

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
Tim McLemee Gary Mitcham
Jerry Mitchell J.D. Mitchell
Shane Millican Pat Malone
Stuart Means Lee Mink

GREETERS
Bob & Barbara Paul & Kristen Yates
Charles & Phyllis Rachui & Daniel Yates
Joe & Connie Roach & Cameron Ables
Visitor Center: Bill & Pat Bratcher
Ray & Gail Vannoy

Pick up cards March 19 & 26: Keaton Conder, Caleb Grounds, Trey Jackson, Jeffrey Scarbrough & Parker Hall.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, March 19:
Nursery a.m.: Carolyn Philpot; Nursery p.m.: Nerene Ingram; Toddlers a.m.: Carolyn Welborn & Jan Cook; Toddlers p.m.: Ginger & Mallori Philpot; 2's: Brody & Kim Clark; 3's & 4's: Daniel & Kim DuPree.

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	June-Aug 6:00 P.M.
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	7:00 P.M.
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
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THE NEW BENEVOLENCE CENTER

Last Tuesday the Karing Kitchen moved into our new 9100 square foot Benevolence Center and on Thursday our clothing, grocery, and sewing/quilting groups moved into the new facility. On Sunday, March 26, we will have the formal dedication and a tour of the new building. It is a magnificent structure and we can be very proud of it. It is designed to allow us to carry out the work for which it was constructed in a much more effective way than we were previously able to do it. The West Erwin church has had a heart for benevolence through the years and so many people from this church and others have dedicated themselves to this work for a long time. Names like Faber Cauthen, Modena Jones, and James Phillips come to mind. More recently the names of Danny Snell, Tim Henderson and Don Crawford have been associated with this work. Each Monday night up to 150 people are served meals at the Karing Kitchen and approximately

110 families are supplied weekly with groceries and clothing in the present Benevolent Center. As we move into the new building this work will no doubt continue to grow. Upon the completion of the new Benevolence building we will enter the second phase of the current building program -- the remodeling of the present Benevolent Center to house our offices and additional classrooms. We are hopeful that the second phase will be completed in the next few months so that we can enter the third phase -- the remodeling of our present office space, chapel, and library into a Children's Bible Class wing. Wouldn't it be great if all three phases could be completed this year! We can hope, can't we? These three projects will help us so much in our work for Christ and we anticipate their completion -- beginning with the Benevolence Center.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, March 19, 2006

By Dr. Jay Lockhart

10:00 A.M. "Going On to Perfection: Faith In Christ As Savior, Advocate, and Mediator" (Matthew 1:18-23)

5:00 P.M. "Life In The Church: A Charge To Keep" (3) (I Timothy 6:17-21)

"The Church With Heart"

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny* LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

Drama will meet Sunday @ 3:00.
Chorus will meet Sunday @ 4:00.
Puppets will be meeting on Wednesday nights.
It is very important for you to be present at the team practices. Your team is counting on you!

KARING KITCHEN - THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who helped move the Karing Kitchen this week. We had a great turnout of teens and adults from West Erwin, Shiloh and Glenwood. Thanks for a job well done! We are excited about the new building and the ministry to serve others that God has blessed us with! West Erwin will host the first night which is Monday, Mar. 20. If you are interested, please come. We serve @ 6:00.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

ACTS 1:8 PROGRESSION

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Our responsibility to make disciples around the world begins in "our" Jerusalem. We are not here to simply support missions - we are missions! Surely we pray and help finance mission efforts around the world, yet our primary role on this earth is to do missions first at home.

With the opening of our new benevolence center I pray that it will unleash the church in Tyler. I pray

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Attention all day campers to Camp Deer Run. I've been looking at my calendar and I can set aside June 5th-8th to drive you to camp if you are interested in going. Since I have been here we've always had a large number of day campers involved at Deer Run until this past year. I couldn't be as involved and because no one stepped up to drive our campers we only had a couple that could go. So, if you are interested in going, please sign up by April 2nd and turn your registration in to me and I'll send them all over to Deer Run at the same time. If no one turns in a registration form to me by April 2nd I'll take it that you've secured your own ride and I'll go ahead and fill my calendar in with another event. The ball is on your court so look at your calendar, pick up an application and get it turned in by April 2nd. The fee is \$55.00 so be sure to have your check ready when you turn in your application. Make your check payable to **Camp Deer Run**. Camp is always an exciting time. There is so much to do. Don't miss out on this experience. Resident's

BIBLE QUIZ

We will have Bible Quiz Practice this Sunday from lunch till 3:00. Bring money for Wendy's.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mar. 19	Bible Quiz Practice
Mar. 19	Small Groups Meet
Mar. 20	West Erwin Hosts Karing Kitchen
Mar. 26	Special Day @ West Erwin
Mar. 27	Bible Quiz
Apr. 14-16	LTC

SUMMER DATES

June 6-9	Middle School Madness
June 11-14	VBS
June 18-24	BackCountry Trek
July 6-15	Nebraska Mission Trip
July 21-26	Mexico Mission Trip

that we will become "the church visible" in our community. Visible because people who enter the doors will always encounter Christians who care; Christians who look like Christ; Christians who rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep; a church whose success is measured by the quality of our servant hood to humanity and our love for the Lord.

If you have the heart of a servant and are looking for your place in ministry, come see me.

SMALL GROUPS

Small groups are scheduled to meet this Sunday evening after worship. Most of the groups meet in homes on the third Sunday of each month. If you are not involved in a group and would like to be, or would like to start a new group. please contact me.

campers as well as day campers may pick up your registration form on the table by the office.

Day campers must be 5 years old as of September 1, 2006 (no exceptions). If you will be 9 as of September 1, 2006, you no longer qualify to be a day camper. Day Campers, your \$55.00 fee includes snacks, crafts, picture, T-shirt and a 4 day session. Be sure to bring a sack lunch each day (a drink will be provided). There are no multiple child discounts for day campers. We will leave each morning from the West Erwin parking lot at 7:45 a.m. and be home right around 4:30 p.m. Be sure to bring a bathing suit, towel, Bible, and wear clothes that you aren't worried about getting a little messy, because you will get messy.

I'm looking forward to spending some time with you on June 5th-8th so be sure to get your registration filled out and handed over to me by April 2nd. Let's head over to Deer Run and enjoy a great spiritual week together. Let's also remember Camp Deer Run in our prayers as that camp strives to provide spiritual growth for our youth. God bless!



IN APPRECIATION

To our West Erwin family,

Thank you so much for the many cards, calls, and food, but most of all thank you for the many prayers. We could not make it through this without your love and support.

Love,
Jerry & Becky Howard

We would like to thank everyone for their love and care shown by the calls, cards, food, and especially the prayers during my recent surgery and recovery. We are so happy to be a part of the loving West Erwin family. Glynn & Fran Starnes

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations to Joel and Karalea Knox on the birth of a new grandson! Hunter Jacob Knox was born March 10 and weighed 8 lb. 11 oz.

WITH SYMPATHY

Coylene Smith, Jean Morman's sister died last Thursday after a lengthy illness. Services were held Friday at Memorial Funeral Home for Roxie Gehring, Shelly Sustaire's grandmother. Our love and sympathy is extended to these families

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THE MEDIOCRE TEACHER TELLS
THE GOOD TEACHER EXPLAINS
THE SUPERIOR TEACHER DEMONSTRATES
THE GREAT TEACHER INSPIRES

TREASURES OF THE CHRISTIAN WOMAN

Frankston Church of Christ
Bi-Annual Ladies Day - March 25, 2006, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm
Guest speaker - Kaye Aaron from Tulsa, Oklahoma
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BAPTISM



We rejoice with Keaton Ainsworth in his decision to be baptized into Christ Sunday. He is in the 8th grade and is the son of Kalon and Sharon Ainsworth. Their address is 1708 Wendover Place, 75703, ph. 581-8774.

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EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSION DINNER

Tuesday, March 21, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Tasca Ornalas Activity Center
3402 Old Omen Road, Tyler
Please sign up at the Visitor Center if you plan to attend

CORRECTION: Roberta Tindall's ph. # 566-7979

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HELP NEEDED

Azleway Boys' Ranch is seeking direct care staff to work with emotionally disturbed children.. This is a faith based organization whose mission is to provide a home, school and treatment opportunities for wounded children. If you have any questions, please call Pam at 903-566-8444, ext. 260.

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Scripture Melvin Crow
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Don Crowder

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer Rick Fedell
Scripture Dalton Harris
Dismiss Archie Kennard

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

James Martin Dick McClenny
Jim Mayer Mike McClenny
Stan Mallory Phil Marts
Glen May Bill McCain

GREETERS

Kenneth & Evelyn Nuncy & Kelsi Wicks
Stan & Ernestine Mallory & Hayley Wilson
Fred & Sara Powell & Audrey Wright
Visitor Center: Don & Norma Durham
Joe & Frances McBee

Pick up cards March 12: Justin Parrish, Sean Denman, Chase Mink, Carson Hancock, & Tanner Perry.

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"I WILL DELIGHT MYSELF IN YOUR COMMANDMENTS, WHICH I LOVE"

PSALM 119:47

We have just begun a new quarter in our Bible classes. If you are not presently attending classes on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, this would be a wonderful time to begin. Of course, we have classes for all ages and these classes offer some wonderful opportunities for adults. Why not select a class and become involved this Sunday. Note carefully the choices you have as listed below.

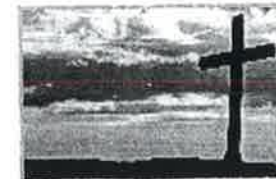
Sunday Mornings:

<u>Classes</u>	<u>Teachers</u>	<u>Room</u>
Adventurers	Tim Grounds	FLC
Seekers	Jay Lockhart	Fellowship
Searchers	Stan Mallory	Sml. Aud.
Discoverers	Brody Clark	112
Inquirers	Ray Vannoy	Chapel
Explorers	Forest McFadden	Main Aud.

Conquerors	Roy Bench	Heritage Rm.
Ladies Class	Different teachers	114
Young Professionals	Mark Sweeney	111
Wednesday Evenings:		
<u>Classes</u>	<u>Teachers</u>	<u>Room</u>
The Search	Jay Lockhart	Sml. Aud.
Men's Class	Don Durham & Tim Grounds	112
Ladies Class (I)	Dr. Marian Rowe	Chapel
Ladies Class (II)	Jean DuVall & Gail Vannoy	Parlor: FLC
Singing Class	Kalon Ainsworth	Heritage Rm.
	Wayne Berryman	
	Todd Kempton	
Young Professionals	T.B.A.	111
		- Jay Lockhart

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Sermons for Sunday, March 12, 2006
By Dr. Jay Lockhart
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THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who helped with the area wide "Gathering" this last Sunday. We had about 140 teens and adults from area churches together for an uplifting evening. Thanks to all who helped with the evening.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Sara Scarborough and the Brownsboro HS Girls Basketball team for going to the State Playoffs. Way to go Sara!

WORKDAY

We will have a workday on Tuesday, Mar. 14 to move the Karing Kitchen Ministry to the new building. We will begin @ 9:00. Plan for dirty work that day. Teens, this would be a great opportunity for service hours. West Erwin will host the Karing Kitchen on Mar. 20

IMPORTANT DATES

Mar. 14	Workday
Mar. 19	Bible Quiz Practice
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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

MOVING DAY SATURDAY, MARCH 18

This is the day we have chosen to move the contents of the benevolence center to the new building. We will start about 8:30 a.m. and work until it is finished. We will need pickups and trailers. If you have a trailer, please call Don or the church office to let us know how many we can expect. Thanks in advance for your time and energy to see this phase 1 building project completed. May the name of God be preached from this building for generations!

Please hold on to your donations until we get moved. We need them, but bring them after the 18th. Thank you.

HAVE WE FORGOTTEN WHY WE ARE HERE?

Paul needed to remind the church in Corinth why they were here so I thought it would be to our benefit to receive the same reminder. Read 2 Corinthians 2:14 - 6:2 -- we do not exist for ourselves. We are to God the aroma of Christ. We are His letters of recommendation. We are here to reflect His glory. We are His ministers of reconciliation. Our goal to please the Lord for NOW is the day of salvation!

"Rich and poor have this in common:

The Lord is the Maker of them all." (Proverbs 22:2)

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglass L. Yates

For over 2 years I have been working with the "young professionals" here at West Erwin. I sat down the other day and wrote out all the names of our young professionals on a piece of paper and to my surprise I wrote down right at 40 names. That's right! 40, that is unbelievable.

With that many names you'd think I'd be asking the elders for a larger classroom or an increase in the budget, but as many of you know, most of these young men and women are away in college and we only have the opportunity of seeing them a few weeks during the school year and then perhaps for 2 1/2 months during the summer time. So, let me encourage all of those graduated seniors through age 25 who are away to please take advantage of this wonderful ministry while you are here. We want to provide fellowship, outreach, and service opportunities but we can't pull this off if you don't take advantage of this ministry while you're here. If you're going to be here during the summer months and you have some suggestions of things you'd

like to do, e-mail me at dyates@westerwin.org and we'll try to schedule them. Please get involved and help us grow this ministry.

Now, to those who are here year round: Thank you for your involvement in this ministry. We are having about 20 each week to our fellowships and we always have a great time. Don't be afraid to invite a friend and let's introduce them to this ministry.

The one area where we could pick it up a little bit is in our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening classes. Our attendance has been low and there really isn't a good excuse for this. We always need to be good students of God's Word. We can study together and grow together but attendance is required if this is going to happen. So, a great big thank you goes out to those who have been attending and to those who haven't been, let's rededicate ourselves right now.

Our classes for the spring quarter will be taught by Mark Sweeney on Sunday morning and by me on Wednesday evening. Mark and I are looking forward to seeing you in class this quarter.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Ones,

You have blessed us at this sad time with your prayers, visits, hugs, cards, wonderful food and the beautiful flowers. May our heavenly Father bless each of you for your kindness to us.

In Him,

The Claude Sessions Family

Thanks for the visits, and cards. I appreciate Dr. Lockhart coming to see me. I'm looking forward to when I can attend church.

Sincerely,

Lena Hays

I want to thank everyone who brought food, the ladies class for my diaper fund, and many other gifts. Not only did this family meet my needs, you meet the needs of my heart. Thank you for all the love you provided for Kelsey and me.

Love,

Amy Estes

Thank you for every act of care and concern, all the calls, cards, and especially the prayers during Gus' surgery and recovery.

Gus & Cathy Krewall

Thank you to my precious church family. The Lord placed these loving, caring prophets in the right place in the West Erwin church. I want to thank Jay and Arlene for caring for me and lifting my spirits, Leon Welborn and Shepherding group 11 for the delicious meal, and to those who called during my recent hospitalization and recuperation.

Joan Harlak

Update on Mary Cutshall: Mary had surgery to remove the tumor that was in her abdominal cavity. Things went very well and there was no more cancer found. She has one more month of treatment to go. They have found no more cancer cells in any of her tissues in the last few biopsies. If the cancer does not return in the next five years, her prospects of a full life will be around 80-90%. If it does return, the diagnosis is much more bleak, at 20%. She is as happy and healthy looking as any 9 year old except for the bald head from chemo. Jeff and Stella are doing well through it all. Thank you all for your prayers and concern in Mary's behalf as well as for the church here in Nebraska. Give my greetings and love to the church there.

God Speed,

Ray Maxwell

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Wesley Ackerman, Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silbers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

Thanks to Candace Hall for updating our church bulletin, *From the Heart of Tyler*, on our web site each week. For access, just go to www.westerwin.org and click on weekly bulletin.

BAPTISM



We rejoice with **Evelyn Alme** in her decision to put on her Lord in baptism last Wednesday morning after a study with Don Crawford. We are delighted to welcome her into the Lord's family at West Erwin. Her address is 502 South Fannin, #202, 75702, ph. 903-593-7003.

Sorry to lose ... Greg and Cyndie Wagner have placed membership with the Chandler Church of Christ.

EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSION DINNER

March 21, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Tasca Ornalas Activity Center

3402 Old Omen Road, Tyler

Please sign up at the Visitor Center if you plan to attend

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CAMP DEER RUN

June 5-8 has been set aside for West Erwin day campers at Camp Deer Run. If your child is 5 by Sept. 1, 2006 through age 8, they qualify as a day camper. Doug Yates will transport them each day to and from camp. Registration forms (on table across from the office) and a check for \$55.00 made out to Camp Deer Run must be given to Doug no later than April 2.

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8th ANNUAL LADIES DAY, PITTSBURG, TEXAS

There's a great day coming! Of spiritual uplifting and fellowship Saturday, April 8, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

"Sing and make melody in your heart" (Colossians 3:16)

presented by Mrs. Cindy Miller Armstrong

(salad luncheon will be provided)

2ND ANNUAL EAST TEXAS MEN'S RETREAT

Shiloh Road Church of Christ, May 5-6, 2006

"Faith In The Red Zone" with Willie Franklin

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart



aired each Sunday

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Bible Class	425	401	402
Worship A.M.	670	624	590
Worship P.M.	526	439	396
Wed. P.M.	328	369	309
Contribution	\$22,753.90	\$22,270.87	\$20,581.92
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(2-26-06 Bldg. Fund \$1,330.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, March 5, and Wed., March 8: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. **Please call if you need transportation.**

PRAYER AND CARE - Shirley Denman had back surgery Tuesday at the Spine & Joint Hospital. **Glynn Starnes** had hernia repair surgery Tuesday. **Gus Krewall** is doing well after surgery last week. **Charles Garrett** is scheduled for surgery March 15. **J.R. Tharpe** is scheduled for surgery on his good eye March 22. Continue to remember **Jo Anders**; **Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin; **Vera Beard**; **Jennifer Beasley**, Will Tanksley's cousin; **June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; **Buck Brown**, Alice Thompson's brother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Jay Bynum**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Mary Cutshall**; **Blanche Dalton**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Bev Ellis**, Irene Whaley's niece; **Alan Fisher**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Mattie Hawkins**, Kim Jordan's mother; **Lena Hays**; **Olyn Hill**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Jerry Howard**; **David Ingram**; **Modena Jones**; **Roy Jordan**, Curt Jordan's dad; **Buddy Kennedy**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance**; **Nancy Martin**; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Ruth Meazell**; **Shirley McClenny**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Bill Mullins**; **Gary Nunn**; **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Kay Parrish**; **Taylor Nicole Reaves**; **Mary Richey**; **Sam Rowe**, Ralph Rowe's brother; **Judy Simpson**, Ruth Ellis' sister; **Judy Smith**; **Nelda Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Sue Starnes**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Carl Stowers**; **Pattie Tate**; **Gloria Thigpen**; **Chris Waggener**; **Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young**

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Scripture Chris Reynolds
Dismiss James Sublette

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Jim Carty

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
Prayer David Wicks
Scripture Tony Smith
Dismiss Ponder Wright, Jr.

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
James Martin Dick McClenny
Jim Mayer Mike McClenny
Stan Mallory Phil Marts
Glen May Bill McCain

GREETERS
Carlos & Emma Morgan & Grace Weathers
Noel & Jean Parker & Ross Weathers
Jeff & Melissa Parrish & Wendy Weathers
Visitor Center: Ray & Carolyn Womack
Louise Seaberry

Pick up cards March 5 & 12: Justin Parrish, Sean Denman, Chase Mink, Carson Hancock, & Tanner Perry.

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Rafael Falcon Keith Hodges Jeff Holland
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WELCOME, KEITH HODGES

This coming Sunday, Keith Hodges, minister of the Pottstown, Pennsylvania church of Christ, will be visiting West Erwin at the invitation of our elders to report on his work in Pennsylvania. West Erwin is in the second year of supporting this important work in the mission fields of the Northeast. I have been acquainted with Keith and his family for thirty-five years, having worked with him in Tulsa, Oklahoma in the 1970's. Keith attended Oklahoma Christian on a basketball scholarship where he found his wife Francie and where he found the Lord. Keith, a native of Paducah, Kentucky, has been a dedicated servant of Jesus since his college days. He worked as a youth minister for several years and was on the staff at the 29th and Yale church in Tulsa, Oklahoma while I preached there. For many years Keith has lived in the mission fields of Pennsylvania. For the last several years he supported himself and preached for the church in Pottstown where he also served as an elder. Two years ago the church in Pottstown recognized that it needed a

full time preacher and asked Keith to assume that role. However, the church there could not afford a full time salary so Keith came south seeking support. West Erwin assumed a substantial part of Keith's support last year with a graduated commitment of five years. The church in Pottstown believes it can be self supporting in this time frame and will take over an increased percentage of Keith's salary each year. Since Keith became the full time preacher in Potstown the growth of the church has been most encouraging. You will want to hear this exciting story. This Sunday, March 5, Keith will teach Jay Lockhart's Seeker's class at 9:00 a.m., will preach at 10:00 a.m., and will report on the work in Pottstown at our 5:00 p.m. assembly. Be present for all services if you can.

Did you notice the great attendance and contribution last Sunday?

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, March 5, 2006
10:00 A.M. & 5:00 P.M.
by Keith Hodges
from Pottstown, Pennsylvania

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THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who helped with the High School Activity this past Sunday night. We had a great time doing a Video Scavenger Hunt. Thanks to Tyler Lott for planning the activity!

THE GATHERING...

All of those in the middle and high school group are reminder of the area wide youth meeting this coming Sunday night at West Erwin. We will have teens from area churches meeting together for a time to praise God. We will meet from 6:15-7:30. We are not having food, so make plans to eat on your own after the evening.

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GOD'S PRESENCE INCARNATE

When others see us they are supposed to see Jesus ... His compassion, grace, love, and concern. This is what we, as God's children are supposed to be -- our Lord incarnate.

Throughout Scripture God has demonstrated His presence in this world. Three temples appear and form a progression. God revealed Himself as the Father, as the Son, and as the Holy Spirit. The first temple was a magnificent structure built by Solomon. The second temple was the body of Jesus: "Destroy it," he said, "and I will raise it again in three days." And now a third temple has taken shape, fashioned out of individual human beings - the church, His people, us.

Christ became flesh so that we might take on His spiritual nature. He took our sin upon Himself so we could share in His righteousness. Because of Jesus, God sees us not as sinners, but as the redeemed, washed and cleansed by Christ's blood. When He sees us He sees Jesus, Christ living in us.

We are now the body of Christ. We incarnate Jesus by touching others with His compassion, grace and love. Our touch cannot tell the story, only our voice can do that, but that touch makes the story of grace come alive.

FREE WSM CAR CARE SERVICE

(Widows and Single Moms)

Saturday, March 4, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
at the church building

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

The new quarter has arrived and our Bible school ministry has once again met the challenge of securing quality teachers for all of our classes. I am deeply indebted to Velma Lemons, Judy Yates, and Danny Snell for helping me secure teachers. I am equally indebted to our wonderful teachers for taking on the task of fulfilling the Great Commission. May God continually bless you in your labor of love.

Now for the bad news! This quarter is going to see us doing some maneuvering of our classrooms. Please be as patient as possible over the next 9 months as we remodel our current benevolence/fellowship building and our main facility. Probably by the beginning of April, Jay Lockhart's class will start meeting in the small auditorium. Stan Mallory, whose class currently meets in the small auditorium will become a part of Jay's class until the remodeling in the benevolence/fellowship building is

completed. At that time everything changes. Once the work starts in our main building, all of our adult classes that meet in this building will be combined. We will still have the opportunity of meeting in the Family Life Center as well as what will be the new classrooms in the old fellowship hall. But the Heritage room, the chapel, the four classrooms behind the small auditorium will be shifted into either the main auditorium or the small auditorium. So, hang on tight and enjoy the ride.

When our project is completed we will have a new benevolence building, new office spaces, new junior high and high school classrooms, and more manageable classrooms for our little ones. The Bible School ministry will benefit from the new look as well as the Playschool. All of these changes are needed so please be patient as we proceed with this project.

It is my deepest desire that if our attendance changes during this remodeling process that it changes by increasing in number. Please do not look at this remodeling as an inconvenience but rather as an opportunity to grow as God would have us to grow. Let's all pitch in and do our part to increase the Kingdom of God.



IN APPRECIATION

Again we realize how wonderful it is to be members of the wonderful family at West Erwin. You have all been great to us at the death of Bill Cliver. We will miss him but you have helped us.
John & Ruby Cliver

We shall always remember with deep gratitude your comforting expression of sympathy. Thank you for the lovely flower basket.
Sincerely,
Mrs. Glenna Cliver

Brothers and Sisters,

Words fail to do an adequate job in expressing our feelings that surround us when we receive so many cards and expressions of sympathy in our time of loss. The flowers were beautiful at my sister Jennie Funderburk's funeral. May the Lord continue to bless you is my prayer.
In Christian Love,
Carlos Morgan

Thank you for the beautiful basket of flowers. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.
The family of Jennie Funderburk

A big thank you to all those who helped with our Bible Hour Homecoming. A special thanks to Cathy Hallman and her mother, Doris Neal, for the embroidered blankets. They "warmed" our hearts.
Bible Hour Children

Dear West Erwin Church Family,

Jay and I would like to thank each and every one for your care and concern shown us during his recovery from shoulder surgery. The cards and calls have been so thoughtful, the food has been great. Please continue to pray that he will heal quickly and will have a complete recovery.
Our Christian Love,
Jay & Debbie Bynum

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held Wednesday in Pittsburg for Lillian Reynolds, Linda Marts' grandmother. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

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MEDINA CHILDREN'S HOME GROCERY TRUCK

The Medina Children's Home grocery truck will be in our area the week of May 8-12. West Erwin is asked to collect Ravioli's. Other needs are ramen noodles, peanut butter, paper plates, ranch dressing, Italian dressing, paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, brown sugar, white vinegar, Karo syrup, spaghetti's, chicken broth or cream of chicken. Cash donations are also appreciated as it is used to purchase milk, meat, fruit and vegetables. Thanks for your help.

CONGRATULATIONS

John and Ruby Cliver celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on February 21. We rejoice with them in this happy milestone in their lives.

WEDNESDAY EVENING LADIES CLASS

Beginning March 1 in the chapel

"Character Check"

taught by Dr. Marian Rowe

A fourteen week series includes lessons on:

Sincerity, Self-Control, Justice,
Gentleness, Forgiveness & Patience

NEW ADDRESS: Roberta Tindall, 4200 Old Omen Rd.
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2700 Chandler Street, Kilgore, Texas 75662

Friday, May 5, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.

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Five speakers from the Chandler Street congregation will give tips for this important makeover. Extreme Soul Fashion Show included! Join us for fellowship & refreshments.

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10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY
Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer Terry Frick
Scripture Dan Haile
Dismiss Phil Marts

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Darrell Beard

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
Prayer Aubrey Morman
Scripture Mike Watts
Dismiss Don Chaffin

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
Taylor Lemons Wilmer Little
Tyler Lott Josh Lowry
Ron Lott Terry Lowry
Jonathan Lowrance Michael Lowrance

GREETERS
Lee & Camille Mink & Walker Waggoner
Gary & Judy Mitcham & Maselyn Walker
Gene & Leah Moon & Caroline Weathers
Visitor Center: Dannie & Sue Skipper
Jim & Sue Carty

Pick up cards February 26: George Richardson, Spencer Shaw, Grant Perkins, Brayden Kempton, & Austin Millican.

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Phil Marts	Bill Mullins	June-Aug 6:00 P.M.	
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy	TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	7:00 P.M.
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IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU'RE GOING YOU MAY NOT LIKE YOUR DESTINATION

Several years ago we began to hear some in the church say that unless the churches of Christ underwent radical changes we would die. Of course, Christianity is about change. The act of conversion is about change from one kind of life to another kind of life. So when Peter said, "Repent therefore and be converted" (Acts 3:19) he was calling for change. The Christian life is about change as we grow more and more into the image of Christ (2 Corinthians 3:18). However, the changes of conversion and the Christian life were not what the advocates of radical change in the church had in mind. They wanted to change the church from seeking to be the church of the New Testament to being a denomination in the community church movement. They called for greater love, but if one challenged or disagreed with them, he experienced their wrath. They said there was no pattern for the church in the New Testament (ignoring such passages as 2 Timothy 1:13) and set out to follow the pattern of community churches like Saddleback in California and Willow Creek in Illinois. They speak of the need to emphasize grace (but apart from accepting the New Testament as the final authority in religion), the cross of Christ (but apart from commitment to His Word), and the teachings of Jesus over the Epistles (as though all of the New Testament is

not given by the authority of Christ -- see I Corinthians 14:37, but if they stayed away from the Epistles they would not have to deal with passages that would prevent them from doing what they wanted to do in worship and church organization). What does the change movement want to accomplish? They (at least many of them) want the church to be denominationalized; they want to accept the pious unimmersed into fellowship; they want to worship with instruments; they want women in church leadership roles; they want to disassociate themselves from congregations that seek to restore first century Christianity; and, rather than simply going out from us and starting churches of their choice, they want to take over established congregations and drive out those who resist their changes. That's where this movement is going. In spite of pious platitudes, this movement is not the work of shepherds of the sheep, but of wolves. It will not pass without fervent resistance. Do you know where you are going in your spiritual life? Do you know where the church to which you belong is headed? If you do not know where you are going, you may not like where you land. More importantly, we should be asking if the Lord will be pleased with our direction and destiny.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, February 26, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
10:00 A.M. "Going On To Perfection:
The Just Shall Live By Faith" (Romans 1:14-17)
5:00 P.M. "Life In The Local Church:
A Charge to Keep" (I Timothy 6:3-5)

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9-12 Chorus will meet @ 3:30.

3-5 & 6-8 Chorus will meet @ 4:00

Drama will begin on Sunday, Mar. 5.

Puppets are meeting on Wednesday nights.

Pre-Convention events - due (postmarked by) Mar. 6.

It is very important for you to be present at the team practices.

Your team is counting on you!

KARING KITCHEN

West Erwin will host the Karing Kitchen this Monday night. We will need some extra help due to Bible Quiz being the same night. If you can help, see me Sunday or show up at 5:00. We will need several extras to stay and help clean up too.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

EVANGELISM AND BENEVOLENCE

Ira North said,

"It is my judgment that the weakest link in the program of most congregations is in the area of benevolence..... There is a mystery in an active, wide-awake benevolent program that I cannot explain, but I have seen the results with my own eyes. It just seems that when a congregation gets involved in a program of benevolence that God opens the windows of heaven and the

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Christians today are under attack by a society that has come to embrace the ideals of humanism, atheism, and evolution. In addition, many Christians have become lethargic or depressed as they look out at the sad condition of the world. Christians need to step up to the plate (doctrinally) and be counted. Far too often, we do not take on various issues or topics that society throws at us because we feel that we are not prepared to do battle with society on such issues.

Help is on the way! It comes to us in the form of a new magazine written by our brothers and sisters in Christ who have dedicated their lives to doing battle against those who oppose the Word of God. The new magazine is called "THINK." It is published monthly by Focus Press and it is sponsored by the Woodson Chapel Church of Christ in Nashville, Tennessee. Brad Harrub, who spoke at our Summer Extravaganza 2005, is the

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Miranda Scarborough who participated in the recent UIL Band Solo & Ensemble Contest for Lindale Jr. High. Miranda received a 1st division rating in ensemble and a 1st in solo. Way to go Miranda!

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb. 26	High School Devotional
Feb. 27	West Erwin Hosts Karing Kitchen
Feb. 27	Bible Quiz
Mar. 5	Area Wide Devotional
Mar. 6	LTC Pre-Convention Deadline

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fountains of the deep and pours out His blessings."

I know he was not talking about West Erwin because we are active and wide awake to the needs of those in our community. And I too have seen that mystery and believe that we are going to see much more in the future. Therefore, let me commend you for your desire to show kindness and support for those in our community who need a hand up. We are never more like Christ than when we are helping those who are in need.

BENEVOLENT CENTER NEEDS LIST

When we move into our new building soon, we will be needing another refrigerator. If you should happen to have one and are willing to donate it to the center,

co-editor along with Jim Palmer. I have already received two issues of this magazine and I want to tell you it has a lot of Bible based information to aid you and strengthen you in your daily walk with God. It is primarily written for college age through adults. Please contact me at your convenience and I'd be happy to share the subscription information with you so that you can start receiving your personal copy.

Speaking of Brad Harrub, let me let you in on some good news: Brad will be back with us again during our Summer Extravaganza 2006. This year Brad will focus his attention on the subjects of: *Ethics and Morality*. He will speak on Sunday morning to our youth, then on Sunday evening to all of us, and then on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings (June 11-14). Even though we had record attendance last year, still some did not attend who could have. Please don't make that mistake again this year. Brad will deal with various issues facing us today in a forthright way, and he will refuse to compromise on God's Word. This could be four days that will change your life so please don't miss it.



IN APPRECIATION

We want to say a special thank you for all of you that came to be on Brice's team at the recent MDA walk and to those of you who made donations on his behalf. Brice had the biggest team with 87 walkers, thanks to so many of you. We are so very blessed to have so many loving and encouraging brothers and sisters in Christ to share in our joys and struggles. Your support made Brice feel special and we hope you can be on his team again next year.

The Sustaire Family

Dear West Erwin Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful garden bowl of flowers in memory of my dad, Ray Martin. When I got back to Tyler, my mailbox was overflowing with cards from everyone. I appreciate all of the words of encouragement that we received. I was amazed at how many of my friends that used to be in the West Erwin Singles Group that came all the way to Pittsburg to be there for me. I know that is a long drive but that meant the world to me. You couldn't ask for better friends. We have all been there for each other, through thick and thin, to the very end. I know that daddy is in a better place where he isn't suffering any more, but I will always miss him. I couldn't have asked for a better daddy. I wish that everyone here would have gotten a chance to get to know him. Keep my family in your prayers as we are trying to adjust to losing someone that was such a huge part of our lives. I will always cherish the memories that we made deep in my heart, until we meet again. What a glorious day that will be!

Love,
Sandie Martin

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Wesley Ackerman, Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Samuel Mink, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silbers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

FROM THE ELDERS:

The elders have received resignations of deacons, David Asbill and Jack Stringer. After much thought and prayer, both men feel they are not able to fulfill their obligations at the present time. Jack has served West Erwin as a deacon since 1964 and David has served since 2002. They have contributed greatly to the furtherance of the Lord's work at this place. It is with great regret that we accept their resignations. They have served well. Please continue to remember these men and their families in your prayers.

Also we would like to thank the congregation for its response in submitting names for additional elders. During the next four weeks we will be interviewing several of the men suggested. On March 12th we hope to place the names of these men for consideration. If no scriptural objections are submitted in writing to the elders as to why these men should not serve, they will be installed as shepherds of West Erwin on March 26th.

-Jay Bynum, Chairman of the Elders



BAPTISM

We rejoice with **Preston Haile** in his decision to put on his Lord in baptism Sunday. Preston is in the 7th grade and is the son of Dan and Lally Haile and the late Michelle Clay. He is the great grandson of Dan and Wini Cullinan. He lives at 204 Lexington, Whitehouse, 75791, ph. 871-8454 (mailing address P.O. Box 264 or 2230 Grande Blvd. #102, Tyler 75703). His dad, Dan Haile, came with him and asked for prayers for guidance and strength that he might be the Christian example he wants to be.

RESPONSE

Terry Lowry came Sunday to ask for the prayers of his church family that he might be forgiven of sin in his life and be the Christian man, husband, and father that God would have him to be.

WITH SYMPATHY

We were saddened to learn of the death of Claude Sessions on Monday morning. Claude and Odell have been faithful and vital members of the West Erwin church for many years. He will be missed. Services were held Wednesday at Lloyd James Funeral Home. Our love and sympathy is extended to Odell and to all the family.

TABLE SHOWER

Honoring Amy Estes
and baby daughter Kelsey Taylor
Sunday February 19 & 26
(needs diapers, wipes, etc.)

Ladies, this is your special invitation.



NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Jonathan and Laurie Stone on the birth of Logan Carter Stone on February 21. He weighed 7 lb. 1 oz. And was 19 inches long. Ethan is the big brother and Larry and Lynne Murphey are proud grandparents.

WEDNESDAY EVENING LADIES CLASS

Beginning March 1 in the chapel

"Character Check"

taught by Dr. Marian Rowe

A fourteen week series includes lessons on:

Sincerity, Self-Control, Justice,
Gentleness, Forgiveness & Patience

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Bible Class	413	432	431
Worship A.M.	638	633	648
Worship P.M.	445	405	418
Wed. P.M.	375	345	312
Contribution	\$24,585.02	\$25,942.11	\$20,112.44
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(2-12-06 Bldg. Fund \$790.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, February 19, and Wed., February 22: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Jay Bynum had shoulder surgery Monday. **Carolyn Stitt** is at home following a mild heart attack. **Kathy Portwood** is recuperating after recent surgery. **Jerry Howard, Gloria Thigpen** and **Nelda Smith** are undergoing cancer treatment. **Patsy Young** is hospitalized in Houston. **David Ingram** is in Health South after double knee replacement. **Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes, is in Houston for treatment and evaluation. Continue to remember **Jo Anders; Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin; **Vera Beard; June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; **Buck Brown**, Alice Thompson's brother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown; Delle Bullard; Tillie Carpenter; Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Cathy Culpepper; Mary Cutshall; Blanche Dalton; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Alan Fisher; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; Larry Hanson; Mattie Hawkins**, Kim Jordan's mother; **Lena Hays; Olyn Hill; John & Mabel Holbert; Joann Hunt**, Tammy Lemons' mother; **Modena Jones; Roy Jordan**, Curt Jordan's dad; **Buddy Kennedy; Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance; Nancy Martin; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Glen May; Ruth Meazell; Shirley McClenny; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Bill Mullins; Gary Nunn; Mini Outhouse**, friend of the Sublettes; **Kay Parrish; Taylor Nicole Reaves; Mary Richey; Judy Smith; Paul Stanley; Sue Starnes; Robert & Pat Stokes; Carl Stowers; Pattie Tate; Chris Waggener; Cindy Wagner; & Bobbie Wilson.**

SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY

Call to worship Brody Clark
Prayer James Phillips
Scripture Milburn Cook
Dismiss Ron Lott

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Matt Haws

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer Mike McClenny
Scripture Henry McRuiz
Dismiss Don Ingram

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Taylor Lemons Wilmer Little
Tyler Lott Josh Lowry
Ron Lott Terry Lowry
Jonathan Lowrance Michael Lowrance

GREETERS
Wilmer & Diane Little & Caylee Stamps
Carroll & Cherrie Magee & Monica Starr
Jim & Priscilla Mayer & Calley Waggonner
Visitor Center: Glynn & Fran Starnes
Fred & Sara Powell

Pick up cards February 19 & 26: George Richardson, Spencer Shaw, Grant Perkins, Brayden Kempton, & Austin Millican.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, February 19:
Nursery a.m.: Judy Yates; Nursery p.m.: Connie Sublette;
Toddlers a.m.: Donna Mullins & Shannon Snell; Toddlers p.m.: Camille & Mollie Mink; 2's: Stefan & Rebecca Andrews; 3's & 4's: Todd & Jana Hancock.

MINISTERS		ASSEMBLIES	
Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education	SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth	Bible School 9:00 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class 10:00 A.M.
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges	Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.	(Sept through May)
Jay Bynum	Jeff Holland	Evening Worship Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
Phil Marts	Don Durham	June-Aug 6:00 P.M.	7:00 P.M.
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy		
	Ron Lott	TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
	Dannie Skipper	Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	420 West Erwin - Tyler, Texas 75702-7133
	Leon Welborn	11:30 A.M.	(903) 592-0809

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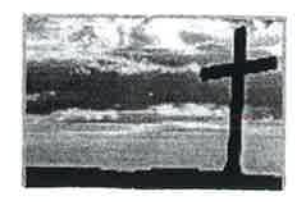
UPCOMING EVENTS

These are exciting times for the West Erwin church! We are having large, enthusiastic crowds at our worship assemblies and Bible classes; we are adding new families every few days; we are nearing completion of the first of our three-phase building program; and we are in the process of selecting additional elders. Add to these things the fact that involvement in the Lord's work of teaching, edification, and service continues here and around the world and it is easy to see that these are exciting times for us. We want you to mark your calendars for a special day in the near future: Sunday, March 26. Please make every effort to be in town that weekend and to participate fully in all the activities of that Sunday. Here is the schedule for the day.

- 9:00 a.m. Bible Classes for all ages
 - 10:00 a.m. Worship
(During this time we will be appointing our newest elders)
 - 11:30 a.m. Catered lunch in the Family Life Center
 - 12:30 p.m. Worship (In the Family Life Center)
 - 1:00 p.m. Tour of and formal dedication of our new Benevolent Center
(Following the activity we will be dismissed for the day -- no evening service at West Erwin)
- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, February 19, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
10:00 A.M. "Going On To Perfection: Grace, Faith, and Works" (Ephesians 2:4-10)
5:00 P.M. "Life In The Local Church: Honor" (I Timothy 5:1-3, 17; 6:1)

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to several of our teens who participated in the recent UIL Band Solo & Ensemble

Contest. Kelsi Wicks & Chloe Ainsworth received a 1st division rating in a woodwind quintet ensemble and will be going on to state. Kelsi also received a 1st in solo. Patrick Garrett received a 1st division in solo. Way to go guys!

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb. 19	Small Groups Meet
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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

YOUR BEHAVIOR

Here's a basic human principle: How you see yourself determines how you behave. Sometimes, you can change your behavior for a short period of time, but you cannot change for good until you change your image of yourself. Therefore, if you cannot change how you see yourself, you cannot change how you behave.

The Bible says that anyone who is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17). Jesus called his disciples the salt of the earth and the light unto the world. Until you see yourself as salt and light, you will never act like salt and light.

Scripture says you are the temple of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 6:19). Not until you see yourself as the temple of God's Holy Spirit will you act as such.

Peter says we are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God (1 Peter 2:0). If you cannot see yourself as a royal priest, you'll never act as a priest to God. If you never see yourself as a person belonging to God, you'll never behave like one of His.

The work of the Holy Spirit is to recreate you into what God sees you as. He's here to renovate your mind because if you will allow him to change the way you see yourself, you will change your behavior.

Therefore, know this: you are the worship center of God. Allow Him to work in you. Allow Him to begin with the vision of your self.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

There's always excitement in the air around this time of the year. Yes, it's LTC time and things are going to get hectic around here for a couple of months. Our youth will be putting a lot of time and energy into their various LTC activities and in the process our Wednesday evening Bible classes (3rd grade through high school and even some of our adult classes) will take a direct hit. Most of our students (3rd through 12th grades) will participate in LTC, some will not. For those who do participate please realize that you are in a ministry that could help build your leadership skills for years to come; for those who decide not to participate let me assure you that I will try my best to insure that you have a class to attend. We want you here and we want you to continue to grow in God's Word. The flow of our classes will not be nearly as smooth (during LTC) but we will have quality teachers dealing with vital information from God's

Word. The way that I hope it works is that we will still have our 3rd grade class through senior high classes during LTC. As of right now, I have all of my Sunday morning teachers in line. However, on Wednesday evening I still need to find a 3rd grade teacher. Because of all of the involvement of our adults, my list of teachers has dwindled considerably and so I'm putting out a call to anyone who thinks they'd like to take on the responsibility of teaching the 3rd grade for the spring quarter on Wednesday evenings. Call me or come by my office and we will talk about it. The class will be extremely small until LTC ends (the convention is April 14-16) and then on Wednesday, April 19th, it will be back to its regular size. I'm looking forward to hearing from you regarding this matter.

Our teachers are doing an outstanding job. I know you don't hear "thank you" as much as you should so let me take this time to publicly thank you for the way in which you are carrying out the Great Commission. May God continually bless you in this great effort.



IN APPRECIATION

To my Church Family,

You are a very caring group of Christians and I'm thankful I'm one of you. Thanks for the prayers and sweet cards I received during my surgery.

In Christian love,
Zena Wright

I want to thank all of you for your concern on the death of my sister Frances Barker. David and I appreciate your kind words, prayers, notes and cards. May God bless you.

Sincerely,
Virginia Demic

Thanks for your prayers, visits, cards, call and all your expressions of love during my recent surgery and recovery. Bobbye and I are truly blessed to be a part of such a loving and caring church.

Glen May

NEW ARRIVALS

Lorene Venable is the proud great grandmother of a new baby girl! Nichole Leigh Grogan was born February 7 to Randy and Tammy Grogan. Ruth Hearne has a new great granddaughter! Emma Renee Richard was born February 5 and weighed in at 6 lb. 5 oz. and was 17 1/2 inches long.

WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Sunday for Michelle Clay, Preston Haile's mother. Services were held Tuesday at New Hope Funeral Home in Sunnyvale for Jennie Funderburk, Carlos Morgan's sister. Services were held Wednesday in Athens for Bill Cliver, John Cliver's brother. Ashley Fountain's grandmother died last week. Our love and sympathy is extended to all these families.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Christian Homes of Abilene is accepting applications for the position of Adoption/Maternity Caseworker. Worker provides adoption and maternity related services: home studies and case management. Minimum requirement: B.S.W., B.S. or B.A. in social work or related field, child-placing or related social work experience preferred; prefer MSW or master's in related field. Only female applicants considered because of the nature of the job. Competitive salary and benefits offered. For an application and/or job description, please contact Cindy Miller at cmiller@christianhomes.com or 915-677-2205 or 800-592-4725.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

Wednesday, February 22 - Mexican food.
Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We are very pleased to welcome Michael and Rebekah Carnathan and Matt and Lindsay Kelly into the West Erwin family. They came Sunday to make known their desire to work and worship with the church here. We hope to be a blessing to them as they have blessed us by their coming. The Carnathan's live at 226 Hillside Circle, Lindale, 75771, ph. 714-3938 and the Kellys live at 526 Circle Drive, Lindale, 75771, ph. 881-9440.

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Sunday February 19 & 26
(needs diapers, wipes, etc.)
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EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

The time has arrived once again for the opportunity to support Christian education by participating in the annual ETCA Charity Auction. This auction is the primary fund raising event sponsored each year to benefit the school. This year's auction, "Celebrate the Children," will be held February 25 at the Glenwood church of Christ. We hope to continue the tradition of success with your generous participation. More details will follow, however if you would like more information or for tickets, please contact ETCA at 903-561-8642.

EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY PREVIEW NIGHT

Potential new students and their parents are invited to join teachers, parents, and students of ETCA for tours and information about the school on Tuesday, February 21, 2006. The event will be "come and go" from 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm at 1797 Shiloh Road, at the corner of Shiloh and Paluxy. There will be information available about academics, athletics, fine arts and enrollment. Call Joan Colwell, Director of Admissions, at 903-561-9582 for more information.

SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

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GOSPEL MEETING

Longview Church of Christ, 1401 Eden Dr., Longview, 75605
March 5-8, 2006, Sunday 9 & 10 am & 6 pm; Mon-Wed. 7 pm
Theme: "Where Will You Spend Eternity?"
Maxie Boren preaching

"To change everything, simply change your attitude."

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Worship A.M.	633	624	621
Worship P.M.	405	423	362
Wed. P.M.	345	349	327
Contribution	\$25,942.11	\$24,199.59	\$21,522.35
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(2-5-06 Bldg. Fund \$1,010.00)	

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PRAYER AND CARE - Dub Mathews was admitted to ETMC Monday. **Phyllis Rachui** got a good report after a heart cath Tuesday. **Louise Culpepper, Larisa Mitcham, Kathy Portwood, Burney Wilson, & Zena Wright** are all recuperating after recent surgeries. **Jerry Howard, Gloria Thigpen and Nelda Smith** are undergoing cancer treatment. **David Ingram** is in Health South after double knee replacement. Continue to remember **Jo Anders; Bill Barnes, Tommy Price's** cousin; **Vera Beard; June Bentley, Sue Carty's** sister-in-law; **Buck Brown, Alice Thompson's** brother; **Henry & Mozelle Brown; Delle Bullard; Tillie Carpenter; Beth Carruth, Les' mother; Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Cathy Culpepper; Mary Cutshall; Blanche Dalton; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Alan Fisher; Jennie Funderburk, Carlos Morgan's** sister; **Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; Mattie Hawkins, Kim Jordan's** mother; **Lena Hays; Olyn Hill; John & Mabel Holbert; Joann Hunt, Tammy Lemons' mother; Modena Jones; Roy Jordan, Curt Jordan's** dad; **Buddy Kennedy; Kimberlee Lawless, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's** daughter; **Tommy Lowrance; Nancy Martin; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Glen May; Ruth Meazell; Shirley McClenny; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Bill Mullins; Gary Nunn; Mini Outhouse, friend of the Sublettes; Kay Parrish; Taylor Nicole Reaves; Mary Richey; Judy Smith; Paul Stanley; Sue Starnes; Robert & Pat Stokes; Pattie Tate; Chris Waggener; Cindy Wagner; Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young.**

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THE POWER OF IDEAS

Quite a stir has occurred over the Danish newspaper cartoon depicting Mohammed wearing a missile as a headdress. The people of Islam take this as an insult to their founder as it portrays Mohammed as a man of violence and destruction. As a result, riots by the most radical Muslims are taking place in many places. Please understand that I would never agree with making light of anyone's religion. However, neither do I concur with the kind of violence that supposedly has come about because of the cartoon. One can only wonder if the riots are the result of the cartoon or if the cartoon is only an excuse to riot. When one feels his religion is under attack, is being made fun of, or is being unfairly portrayed, there are peaceful ways to combat the real or imagined cause. When that so called artist in New York added his contribution to the art gallery depicting Jesus with human waste, those who believe in Jesus did not burn the museum down. When the television industry brought the *Book of Daniel* to the TV screen, did a series that portrayed

a so-called Christian family as dysfunctional, we didn't torch the local TV station. When Hollywood lauded the homosexual movie, *Brokeback Mountain*, we didn't picket the theater. What do we do when we feel our religion is being attacked or portrayed unfairly? We speak out and we refuse to participate in the activity. Because so many have spoken out, the *Book of Daniel* lasted only four episodes and *Brokeback Mountain* is far from a financial success. The power of words fitly spoken and of voices united for a cause can hardly be overstated. When churches move in what we believe is the wrong direction, we do not set fire to the buildings or assassinate the character of the people involved. We simply speak calmly, firmly, and with conviction about those matters that trouble us. In the arena of ideas, truth always wins. Radicalism, violence, and hatred always show the weakness of one's position. Radicalism will always drive thoughtful people away and can never win ... in the world or in the church.

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, February 12, 2006

by Dr. Jay Lockhart
10:00 A.M. "Going On To Perfection:
Justified By Faith" (Romans 5:1-5)
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3rd-8th Video Bible Drama will meet Sunday from 3:00-4:00. Your group will tape on Sunday, Feb. 19.

Chorus will meet @ 4:00.

Puppets will be meeting on Wednesday nights.

It is very important for you to be present at the team practices. Your team is counting on you!

THANKS!

Thanks to all of those who came to the Super Bowl Party this past Sunday night. Thanks to all of those who helped with the food and cleaning up.

FIRE IN MY BONES...

This past weekend, 22 of us were together for the Servant Retreat in Lone Star. We were challenged to be like Jeremiah, with a "fire in my bones." Our teens took hold of the challenge and grew spiritually. Thank you to Caysi Bynum, Barry Scarborough & Lisa Snell for going as sponsors.

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MINISTERS OF RECONCILIATION

Our sin made us enemies of god, but through Christ's sacrifice on the cross, God reconciled us to Himself. The cross of Christ not only heals our broken relationship with God, but also heals relationships between men and women. Ephesians 2:11-22 describes how Christ broke down the walls that divide us. All who believe are now members together one body.

Doing the work of reconciliation is much harder than preaching about it, yet we are called to the task. We preach confession and forgiveness which

naturally leads to reconciliation in most cases, but not all. Full restoration can still be difficult even after confession and sincere forgiveness.

The other side of conflict is love. Love demands that we confront sin, restore relational breakdowns, and live in harmony. Only communities characterized by submission to the Word of God and the practice of love will meet such conflict with grace and skill. It's still difficult. It demands sacrifice. It calls for resolve. It takes time. Tears may flow. But we can rest assured it will be the most fruitful work we do together.

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Last week I had the opportunity of traveling back to Gulfport, Mississippi. It was my first trip back down to the coastal region since I visited that area shortly after Katrina hit. I noticed significant improvement in the clean up effort even though the damage is still overwhelming. Little by little this region is trying to rebuild. From all indications it is going to take a long, long time to accomplish this goal.

On behalf of a relief organization, I had the chance to talk to two ministers from that region (Les Ferguson who preaches for the Orange Grove church and Mark Hodges who preaches for the Long Beach congregation). Both of these men, along with their leaders and their members, have been busy since August trying to get things somewhat back to normal. Everyone along the gulf coast seems to be running on empty. They are still in need of our help so let's remember them in our prayers, let's remember them financially, and let's contribute our time and energy to help them if the opportunity presents itself. Both the

Orange Grove congregation and the Long Beach congregation are engaged in similar works at this time. They are busy in their communities, doing a lot of roofing and sheet rocking. They are still clearing debris off of lots, etc. The help that was so prevalent immediately following the hurricane has dwindled and so they have been left to take on the bulk of that responsibility. They would love to have teams of trained men/women to help in the above mentioned areas. The Long Beach congregation has offered their building to house any team that can make this journey. They recommend that you bring your own food and they have cooks who will prepare the meals for you at the building. The Orange Grove church also needs workers but they also need spiritual disaster relief. They need a team of workers to come in and follow up on contacts they have made since August. There are simply too many names for this congregation to get to and still do the sheet rocking, etc. Perhaps we can be of assistance. Let's continue to involve the Lord and let's see if we can help. Let me know what you think our involvement should be in this matter.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Christian friends,

It hardly seems possible but we have been with you almost a year. You have ministered to our needs both physically and spiritually which has been our strength during Jo's down time with surgery on both feet and the Bells Palsy which is ongoing but hopefully improving. Our special thanks for the delicious food from the Tuesday Lunch Bunch. Blessings to you and others who have shown concern in various ways, especially your prayers.

Love in Christ,
Johnny & Jo Anders

NEW ARRIVALS

Amy Estes has a new baby girl! Kelsey Taylor was born February 1. She weighed 6 lb. 8 oz. and was 20 inches long. Danny & Cassandra Estes are proud grandparents. Congratulations to Don and Mary Crowder on the birth of a new great granddaughter! Sadie Renae was born January 24 in Midland to Cedric and Holly Smithers. She weighed 8 lb. 7 oz. and was 20 inches long.

WITH SYMPATHY

Frances Barker, Virginia Demic's sister, died January 22 in Lubbock. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

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WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

Fern Davis came Sunday to make her known her desire to be recognized as a part of the West Erwin family. We are very pleased to welcome her into this church family. She is the aunt of Gail Bennett and Carmen Hilliard and lives at Rosewood Estates, 506 Rice Road, #138, 75703, ph. 561-1439

VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED

If you would like to volunteer to help in the nursery two Sunday mornings and evenings (these times are split so that you never miss both services) during the year, please call Diane Weathers at 903-839-9797.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The Wednesday night meal for Wednesday, February 15, will be from burgers, fries and homemade pies. It is important that we know how many to prepare for. Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Church of Christ, 1701 North Tenneha, February 26, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. Choral singing by the A Cappella Chorus, sermonettes by ministerial students, admission information, an address by the President and an offertory appeal. Please plan to attend.

2ND ANNUAL EAST TEXAS MEN'S RETREAT

Shiloh Road Church of Christ, May 5-6, 2006
"Faith In The Red Zone" with Willie Franklin

COORDINATORS MEETING

There will be a meeting for all Bible Hour coordinators (i.e. Tots 4 Christ; Bible Hour; and Kids For Christ) Wednesday, February 15 at 6:15 in room 112. Coordinators, please be sure to be present for this meeting.

CAN YOU HELP? Do you have a working sewing machine that you are not using? There is a need for more machines for work in the Benevolent Center. Or if you would like to come with your machine, that would be even better!

GOSPEL MEETING

Longview Church of Christ
1401 Eden Dr., Longview, 75605
March 5-8, 2006,

Sunday 9 & 10 am & 6 pm; Mon-Wed. 7 pm
Theme: "Where Will You Spend Eternity?"
Maxie Boren preaching

LEADERSHIP: "The ability to arouse enthusiasm among people is one of the greatest assets to possess, and the way to develop the best that is in a person is by appreciation and encouragement."

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart

aired each Sunday
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Bible Class	439	411	427
Worship A.M.	624	586	621
Worship P.M.	423	445	362
Wed. P.M.	349	363	327
Contribution	\$24,199.59	\$19,624.65	\$21,522.35
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PRAYER AND CARE - Glen May is at home following recent surgery. **Larisa Mitcham** had outpatient surgery Tuesday. **Zena Wright** had hand surgery last week. **Burney Wilson** is at home after recent eye surgery. **Jerry Howard, Gloria Thigpen** and **Nelda Smith** are all undergoing cancer treatment. **"Buck" Brown**, Alice Thompson's brother, is in Mother Frances. Continue to remember **Jo Anders; Bill Barnes**, Tommy Price's cousin; **Vera Beard; June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; **Henry & Mozelle Brown; Delle Bullard; Tillie Carpenter; Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Cathy Culpepper; Mary Cutshall; Blanche Dalton; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Alan Fisher; Jennie Funderburk**, Carlos Morgan's sister; **Rudy Gaddis; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; Mattie Hawkins**, Kim Jordan's mother; **Lena Hays; Olyn Hill; John & Mabel Holbert; Modena Jones; Roy Jordan**, Curt Jordan's dad; **Buddy Kennedy; Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance; Vaughn Lowry; Nancy Martin; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Ruth Meazell; Shirley McClenny; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Jane Morrow**, Priscilla Mayer's cousin; **Bill Mullins; Gary Nunn; Kay Parrish; Taylor Nicole Reaves; Mary Richey; Judy Smith; Paul Stanley; Sue Starnes; Robert & Pat Stokes; Pattie Tate; Gloria Thigpen; Chris Waggener; Cindy Wagner; Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young.**

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Charles & Bettye Sue Harris & Samantha Richardson
Rob & Carmen Hilliard & Shannon Snell
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ELDER SELECTION

One of the most important choices that a congregation makes is who its leaders will be. The appointment of elders determines the direction a church will take in the near and distant future. For this reason, we enter a most significant time in our history as we prepare to select additional elders. A relatively new member of our congregation recently remarked that one of the things he appreciated so much about this church was the elders we have. I agreed with him. Our elders seek to fulfill their tasks with faith, love, and loyalty to Scripture. There is no substitute for this. Our present elders feel that they need help in this important work they do in leading this congregation of 780 members. They are asking us to be involved in the selection process of additional elders. This will be the sixth time we have added elders in the last 21 years. It is an important, a sobering, and even a critical time. We are asked to

pick out from among ourselves men who meet the qualifications of I Timothy 3 and Titus 1 to serve with the present men who serve as shepherds. The procedure is as follows:

Pick up forms at the Visitor Center. Place forms in the Elder's Box in the foyer by Sunday, February 12. On Sunday, March 12, our elders will present the names of the potential elders before the church for approval. On Sunday, March 26, the new elders will be appointed.

Be prayerful and conscientious in your recommendations. Let's have as many of our members as possible to participate in the process. As always, God will bless and guide us as we select these men and as all of our elders lead us as we "go on to perfection."
- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, February 5, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart

**10:00 A.M. "Going On To Perfection:
The Faith Of Abraham"**
(Romans 4:1-3)

**5:00 P.M. "Life In The Local Church: The Making
Of A Minister" (I Timothy 3:8-13)**

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THANKS!

Thanks to Carolyn Philpot, Mark & Ginger Philpot & Lisa Snell for helping with the devo this week.

Thanks to all the young people who participated in Bible Quiz this week. You guys did a great job!

SERVANT RETREAT

Feb. 3-5 are the dates for the High School Servant Retreat. Meet at West Erwin Friday @ 5:30. Please bring supper money.

SUPER BOWL PARTY

Teens, join us this Sunday as we watch the Super Bowl together after church. We should be finished by 9:00 or shortly after the game is over. Please bring a finger foods and a friend. We will have prizes for those who pick the closest score. So... Be thinking about the outcome of the game!

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All of those who signed up for Video Bible Drama need to meet this Sunday from 3:00-4:00. We will meet all day on Feb. 12 for taping. Make sure you are there!

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Please verify with me your LTC housing plans by Feb. 5. I need to know (in writing) if there are any changes to your original plans.

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Embrace -- to gather in one's arms usually as an expression of affection.

Matthew's account of the Beattitudes from Eugene Peterson's *The Message* reads some of the most incredible words. He starts by saying, "You're blessed when you're at the end of your rope. With less of you there is more of God and His rule." Then a phrase leaps off the page and grabs your heart. Listen. "You're blessed when you feel you've lost what is most dear to you. Only then can you be embraced by the One most dear to you." Embraced! Embraced by the One most dear to you! Embraced! Gathered in His arms! Embraced by God!

Oh, how the Father longs to embrace each of us. He longs to be our Comforter and Encourager, our Healer

and Cleanser. He longs to embrace us. God has taken the step toward us with His gracious gift of Christ Jesus. He took another step toward us to supply us with Scripture that will lead us into His arms. Passages like Psalm 139:23-24: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

Luke 15 gives us the visual. Watching. Waiting. Running to meet us. Arms open wide. Then comes the embrace. God longs to embrace us. We are blessed when we are at the end of our rope because there is less of us more of Him.

DON'T FORGET THE WSM CAR CARE SERVICE

Widows and Single Moms

Saturday, February 4, 2005

9:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the church building

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

David Lewis struggled with his finances. He was a hard worker but he just couldn't seem to get his finances in order. He had a growing family, he liked to spend time with them, but work kept getting in the way. He tried his hand at construction for a while, but that took him farther and farther away from his family. His wife is also a hard worker who is putting the finishing touches on her master's degree in a health related area of service. David made sure that the time that he had to spend with his family was quality time. One of the highlights of this family was their church time. David made sure that his family not only went to church, but that they were involved in the work of the church. This family lived a quiet and peaceful life until the early morning of January 2, 2006 when they were thrust into the limelight after an explosion occurred at the Sago Mine in West Virginia. Their lives were forever changed after the news arrived that all but one of the miners had perished in that disaster. David Lewis was one

of those who did not survive that tragic day. On his body was found the following note:

"I love my family, I love my wife, I love my daughters. I want my daughters to go to church so that they can be with me in heaven one day. Please forgive me of my sins."

I take great comfort in the words of David Lewis. I see a man who loved his family and his God. David Lewis had prioritized his life in a beautiful way.

When we're faced with uncertainties, when our struggles seem to blitz us in an overwhelming way, I hope we've prioritized our lives in such a way that at the end of our lives we can have such a list as David Lewis; the love of God, the love of family, and the knowledge to realize our shortcomings and to ask God for forgiveness. Brother E. Claude Gardner (who was at one time the president of Freed Hardeman University) used to end chapel each day with the following comment: "Live your life in such a way that at the end of each day you will have no cause for serious regret." It doesn't get much simpler than that, does it?



IN APPRECIATION

Thanks to the entire West Erwin family for your thoughts, cards, phone calls, and prayers after the death of our father, father-in-law, husband, and "PawPaw," Frank Moore. You provided what we needed before we knew what to ask. Continue to pray for us as we work through this difficult time.

Matt & Rhonda Haws & family
 Frank & Martha Moore family

The family of Harley Turner acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expression of your sympathy.

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BAPTISM

We rejoice with Amy Lynn Estes in her decision to be baptized into Christ Thursday evening. She is the daughter of Danny & Cassandra Estes and they live at 1204 South Donnybrook, 75701, ph. 903-595-2038.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We are delighted to welcome Don and Kaye Chaffin back home to West Erwin. They were members here several years ago, moved away, and are now back home. They are good people and will be an asset to the Lord's work. Their address is 212 Ridgecrest, 75701, ph. 595-6564.

VOLUNTEERS REQUESTED

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

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2ND ANNUAL EAST TEXAS MEN'S RETREAT

Shiloh Road Church of Christ, May 5-6, 2006

"Faith In The Red Zone" with Willie Franklin

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

You can make a difference by learning to pay attention to the little things of everyday life.

Then they become contagious. And environments improve. For example: Make few promises, but keep every one you make.

Live within your means, and pay your bills on time. Do more than your share on any project.

Be grateful for your job, and smile while doing it. Get to work early, ignore the clock, and give it your best.

Never cheat your company or your customers. Be faithful to your spouse, and say only positive things about him or her.

Know what is going on in the lives of your children.

Be especially kind to anyone who appears sad or angry. Face your problems with prayer - not pills or alcohol.

Give people the benefit of the doubt. Use "please," "thank you," and "excuse me" often and naturally.

Be generous with praise and stingy with criticism.

Do as many good deeds as you can anonymously.

Apologize when you are wrong.

Appreciate the beauty God has put around you in nature.

Your character is the sum total of the little behaviors you practice in life's daily routine. "Excellence," said Aristotle, "is habit." The person who has the potential for being a hero in some gigantic crisis is the one who has learned self-discipline in a thousand minor challenges. To make a big difference, let God teach you to do little things well.

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Records	Sunday January 22	Sunday January 15	Year Ago
Bible Class	411	426	438
Worship A.M.	586	624	628
Worship P.M.	445	484	395
Wed. P.M.	363	368	343
Contribution	\$19,624.65	\$24,699.83	\$20,596.42
Weekly Budget	\$23,047.00	(1-22-06 Bldg. Fund \$235.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, January 29, and Wed., February 1: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. Please call if you need transportation.

PRAYER AND CARE - Jerry Howard is undergoing treatment for lung cancer. Mary Gaiser is back in Garden Estates. Lena Hays and Gary Nunn are both in The Clairmont. Sue Starnes is back home. Cathy Culpepper and Alan Fisher both have a broken leg. Gloria Thigpen and Nelda Smith are undergoing cancer treatment. Ray Martin, Sandie Martin's dad, is now under hospice care. Bill Barnes, Tommy Price's cousin, needs prayers. Continue to remember Jo Anders; Vera Beard; June Bentley, Sue Carty's sister-in-law; Henry & Mozelle Brown; Delle Bullard; Tillie Carpenter; Beth Carruth, Les' mother; Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Mary Cutshall; Blanche Dalton; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Rudy Gaddis; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; Olyn Hill; John & Mabel Holbert; Rafael Horton; Modena Jones; Roy Jordan, Curt Jordan's dad; Buddy Kennedy; Kimberlee Lawless, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; Tommy Lowrance; Vaughn Lowry; Nancy Martin; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Ruth Mezell; Shirley McClenny; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Jane Morrow, Priscilla Mayer's cousin; Bill Mullins; Kay Parrish; Taylor Nicole Reaves, (undergoing chemo); Judy Smith; Paul Stanley; Sue Starnes; Robert & Pat Stokes; Pattie Tate; Gloria Thigpen; Chris Waggener; Cindy Wagner; Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young.

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Call to worship Danny Snell
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Scripture Casey Haws
Dismiss Leon Welborn

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Dale White

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer John Lacy
Scripture Lee Mink
Dismiss Scottie Hart

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER

Dick Higginbotham Greg Jones
Bill Hawkins James Hughes
Robert Hilliard Rob Hilliard
Tim Holt Roger Howell

GREETERS

Howard & Linda Dickson & Michael Ragsdale
Don & Norma Durham & Maggie Ragsdale
Chuck & Linda Gillam & Miranda Scarborough
Visitor Center: Ron & Pam Lott
Gene & Leah Moon

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Toddlers a.m.: Mary June & Melanie Goodson; Toddlers
p.m.: Julie & Cameron Ables; 2's: Brody & Kimberly
Clark; 3's & 4's: Dr. Monique Mills & Cassandra Estes.

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Dr. Jay Lockhart - Pulpit	Doug Yates - Education	
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth	
MISSIONS		
Rafael Falcon	Keith Hodges	Jeff Holland
ELDERS		
Jay Bynum	Don Durham	Ron Lott
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ASSEMBLIES	
SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
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Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.	(Sept through May)
Evening Worship Sept-May 5:00 P.M.	
	June-Aug 6:00 P.M.
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	7:00 P.M.
Christian Service Center 9:00 A.M.	WEST ERWIN CHURCH OF CHRIST
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SOME STRANGE FACTS ABOUT GIVING

- ◆ Giving in the church brings forth interesting and often puzzling responses from people. Interesting because of the abundant liberality of some and puzzling because of the attitudes and comments of others. Here are some of them.
- ◆ People often say that they cannot purpose to give a certain amount over the course of a whole year because they are not sure they could keep up with their commitment. These same people may have signed a note for five years to purchase a car and thirty years for a mortgage. Interesting.
- ◆ Some folks say that they do not give at least a tenth of their incomes to the Lord because tithing was under the Law of Moses and is not a part of the New Testament. This gives them the right to give 3% (the national average of giving). While everything under the gospel is better than the Law of Moses (Hebrews uses the term "better" thirteen times to show the superiority of the gospel over the law), the Lord, we are told, is pleased when we give less than did the people under the law. Strange.
- ◆ Those who are the most liberal in their giving and who give the most toward special contributions and building programs never seem to say much about "the church is always needing money." On the other hand, those who give the least resist teaching on giving and make negative comments about the budget of the church and exhortation from the leaders of the church to increase our giving. Astounding.
- ◆ Some people who live on fixed incomes have little to give, yet from their little give much. Others tell us they live on fixed incomes, but because of investments and inheritances their fixed incomes put them in the upper levels of income in the church. These folks, from their much, give little. Puzzling.
- ◆ There are those who can quickly believe many of God's promises, but when God says, "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work" (2 Corinthians 9:8), they can easily disbelieve and explain away this promise. Remarkable. - Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, January 29, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart
10:00 A.M. "Life In The Church: The Position Of A Bishop"
(I Timothy 3:1-7)
5:00 P.M. "Life In The Church: Deacons"
(I Timothy 3:8-13)

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"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

THANKS!

Thanks to Barry Scarborough, Patti Grounds & Cathy Scroggins for helping with the High School Devo this week. Let's remember to focus on the important things.

Thanks to all of those who helped with the Karing Kitchen this Monday. We served about 120 people. Let's keep our light shining!

SERVANT RETREAT

Feb. 3-5 are the dates for the High School Servant Retreat. Teens, plan to attend this inspirational weekend. The cost will be \$30.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

All of those in the middle school group are invited to the devotional this coming Sunday night after church. We will be finished @ 8:30. Invite a friend to come and enjoy this special time together. Please bring \$3 for supper.

BIBLE QUIZ

The next Bible Quiz will be Jan. 30. The text will be Joshua 13 - Judges 5. Plan to be at Shiloh Rd. @ 6:45. Parents can pick you up at the Braum's on Troup @ 8:25. Bible Quiz is a great opportunity to get into God's Word. Plan to participate!

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All of those who signed up for Video Bible Drama need to meet this Sunday from 3:00-4:00. Chorus will meet @ 4:00.

Please verify with me your LTC housing plans by Feb. 5. I need to know if there are any changes to your original plans.

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan. 29	Middle School Devo
Jan. 30	Bible Quiz
Feb. 3-5	High School Servant Retreat

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

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"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Even though our Summer Extravaganza is a few months away, I wanted to let everyone know the dates for this event and our focus for this years VBS. We've picked June 11th-14th for our Summer Extravaganza. We've once again asked Brad Harrub to be with us. Brad will speak to all of us on Sunday evening and then on Monday through Wednesday he will speak to the junior high through adults regarding Christian ethics and morality. We will be inviting all the surrounding churches of Christ as well as the Tyler community to this event. Please start praying for the success of our Summer Extravaganza right now. On Sunday night (June 11th) as we kick off our VBS I will be teaching a class for our kindergarten through 5th grades in the Family Life Center and Velma Lemons will coordinate our preschoolers who will be meeting in the Heritage Room. Let's all get behind this great effort as we grow as God would have us to grow.

Ray Vannoy sent this list to me and I wanted to share a condensed version of it with you. It is entitled: *Things You Don't Want To Hear During VBS:*

10. There is a minor problem with the air conditioning; it should be fixed by Friday.
9. We were running short on refreshments so we fed the kids chocolate candy and Mountain Dew.
8. Can you come and talk to the first graders? They've been crying ever since this morning's lesson on the lake of fire.
7. Can you help for a few minutes with the four year olds? A couple of teachers left the room screaming.
6. No one told us these were permanent markers.
5. What time was the class supposed to be back from the field trip to the maximum security prison?
4. Using a hammer is too difficult for our fourth graders so they're using a nail gun to build their bird houses.

As I said, this is the condensed version. See Ray Vannoy for additional comments regarding things you don't want to hear during VBS.



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

What a blessing to us to be here at West Erwin in our later days. A church active in all ways - teaching, loving, caring, serving, helping in all ways those in need. Larry and I want to thank you for the support and loving care given us when I was sick. Delicious meals were brought in, then Larry got sick and there they come again. We want to thank all the sweet sisters for the delicious meals and all the kind brothers who do the delivery of these meals to our door. We love and appreciate each and every one here at West Erwin.

In Christian love and fellowship,
Larry & Jane Ground

In as much as my Christmas holidays were spent in the hospital and the new year in rehab, I'm late (Jan. 20) in thanking every one of you for remembering me throughout my "celebration;" the visits, calls, cards and flowers were all so beautiful. I have been checking them this morning and I am amazed at the "caring family" that I'm blessed to be a part of. Thanks. I love all of you.

Sue Starnes

Thank you for thinking of us at Christmas time. We appreciate your gift and the love which accompanied it. With our love,

Jeff, Brenda, Josiah, Ellianna, & Rebecca

Dear Brothers, Sisters, Friends and Family:

This "Hurricane Katrina" experience has been quite a struggle for all who live here. Experiencing the devastation and desperate need of so many here had briefly left most of us feeling we were alone. But the outpouring, be it monetary, supplies and/or physical work, of so many like you has reminded us that God is good, we are not alone, and He will provide for our needs. We wish to thank you for your generosity in giving to the relief effort in this area. Without your assistance we could not have helped as many people and families as we have. In addition to thanking you for your generosity, we ask that you continue to keep us and God's mission in your prayers.

Sabrina Collins

Orange Grove Church of Christ

Gulfport, Mississippi

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Wesley Ackerman, Rowdy Anthony, Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Samuel Mink, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

WANT TO "RAISE A SPIRIT" IN ONE HOUR?

Come walk with Brice Sustaire's Spirit Raisers Team at Broadway Square Mall February 4th, 9-10 a.m. First annual MDA stride and Ride. YOU can help make Brice feel like the most special boy in East Texas.



WITH SYMPATHY

Services were held last Friday at Stewart Funeral Home for Frank Moore, Rhonda Haws' dad. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Ed and Margie Hunt on the birth a great granddaughter! Calliee Renee Hunt weighed 7 lb. 9 oz. Richard Hunt is the grandfather and Thelma Bennett is the great-great grandmother.

EAST TEXAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

The time has arrived once again for the opportunity to support Christian education by participating in the annual ETCA Charity Auction. This auction is the primary fund raising event sponsored each year to benefit the school. This years auction, "Celebrate the Children," will be held February 25 at the Glenwood church of Christ. We hope to continue the tradition of success with your generous participation. More details will follow, however if you would like more information or for tickets, please contact ETCA at 903-561-8642.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

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HOUSING FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Doug Yates is trying to put together a list of our members who have rental properties for college students who need a place to live during the school year. Please see Doug if you can help.

BOLES CHILDREN'S HOME

Boles Children's Home's annual Dallas Dinner and Silent Auction will be Friday, February 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Grand Hall of Dallas Union Station, 401 South Houston Street. Ken Starr, Dean of Law at Pepperdine University will be the guest speaker and comedian Damon Whaley will entertain. Individual tickets are \$150, sponsor tables are \$1500 and Platinum Sponsor Tables are \$2500 and include a pre-dinner reception with Ken Starr. Tables seat 10. To purchase tickets or tables contact David Arnwine at 214-770-5878 or Kristen Bollman at 903-883-2204.

SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

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Records	Sunday January 15	Sunday January 8	Year Ago
Bible Class	426	475	455
Worship A.M.	624	667	645
Worship P.M.	484	452	448
Wed. P.M.	368	360	344
Contribution	\$24,699.83	\$24,956.32	\$22,665.76
Weekly Budget	\$21,617.00	(1-15-06 Bldg. Fund \$935.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, January 22, and Wed., January 25: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. **Please call if you need transportation.**

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Prayer Phil Marts
Scripture Michael Bozeman
Dismiss Ray Vannoy

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
J.D. Osborn

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
Prayer Wilmer Little
Scripture Chandler Cook
Dismiss Kenneth Muncy

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
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Bill Hawkins James Hughes
Robert Hilliard Rob Hilliard
Tim Holt Roger Howell

GREETERS
Melvin & Nina Crow & Tanner Philpot
Ken & Cathy Culpepper & Mallori Philpot
Harold & Shirley Denman & Chris Scroggins
Visitor Center: Phil & Linda Marts
Charles & Linda Westerfeld

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Ginger & Mallori Philpot; 2's: Stuart & Kathy Means; 3's
& 4's: David & Sharon Hammond.

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PROPAGANDA

The dictionary defines "propaganda" as "the spreading of ideas, information, or rumor for the purpose of helping or injuring an institution, a cause, or a person." During World War II there was a lot of propaganda used by the Axis powers in an effort to demoralize the Allies and to make their losing cause to look better than it was. There is propaganda being used today concerning the war in Iraq. Hollywood uses propaganda to further its-cause. A case in point is the recent Golden Globe Awards, a Foreign Press Association that passes out awards for what they say are the best movies, television programs, and actors and actresses. "Brokeback Mountain," a film about a romance between two cowboys, won four prizes; "Transamerica," a story about a man's sex change surgery, won an award; and a prize went to "Capote," a film about gay author Truman Capote. The television show "Desperate Housewives," a show about dysfunction and promiscuity, won the award for best musical or comedy series. What message is Hollywood sending us? The message is this: these movies and television themes are good, acceptable, and normal and should be rewarded. Either Hollywood's memory is short or its

commitment to its obscene agenda is great. Wholesome films like "Beauty and the Beast," "Lion King," "Remember The Titans," and "The Chronicles of Narnia" were box office smashes, but how do the obscene films do? But the public keeps having this stuff pushed on it. On television more people watched the Rose Bowl than watched "Desperate Housewives." So, what's going on? It's propaganda. A similar thing is happening in the church. We are told by some that the church is dying and without radical change it will die. We are told that we are losing our young people because we are not keeping up with the times. We are told that holding too closely to biblical teaching keeps us from growing. However, according to Flavil Yeakley, a respected pollster among churches of Christ and author of "Separating Fact From Fiction," we rank 10th among 245 religious groups in America; we are 4th in number of congregations; our dropout rate among young people is lower than other groups; and multitudes of people want the church to be clear and firm concerning doctrine. In all areas of life we need to know the difference between truth and propaganda.

-Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"



Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, January 22, 2006
10:00 A.M. "A Purpose And A Plan"
(Jeremiah 29:11-13)
West Erwin Elders
5:00 P.M. "Life In The Local Church: Worship"
(I Timothy 2:1-7)
by Dr. Jay Lockhart

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

THANKS!

Thanks to David Wicks, Patti Grounds & Jeri Prestidge for helping with the service project last week. Thanks to all the young people who painted the Tots For Christ benches and the wooden cutouts for the classroom. Way to go!

SERVANT RETREAT

Feb. 3-5 are the dates for the High School Servant Retreat. Teens, plan to attend this inspirational weekend. The cost will be \$30. Please sign up by Wednesday, Jan. 25. Don't miss it!

HIGH SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

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COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

There are no "ungifted" people in the kingdom of God! Scripture speaks of many different gifts among Christians and that the Holy Spirit gives them to each one of us as He determines (I Corinthians 12). Also, Ephesians 2:10 tells us that we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God Himself prepared in advance for us to do. As the Involvement Minister, I am here to help you find your place in ministry so that you can use your God-given talents to glorify Him

We encourage church attendance every week, yet often skip the part about being gifted and called to be servants. Plan to make your worship to God complete

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

In the fall of 1977 I entered college at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. I was both excited and nervous about this venture. For the first time in my life I was stepping out on my own. Thinking I was prepared to meet the challenges that lay ahead I quickly found out that I wasn't even close to being ready. The very first decision that I had to make was where to live. Would I live in a dorm or off campus? I decided to live off campus. The place I selected was my first mistake. It was nice enough but the residents were as rowdy as one could imagine. After one month of putting up with this type of nonsense I packed up and moved into a basement apartment right next to some friends of mine. That was one of the better decisions that I made. That's where I lived during my freshman year of college. It wasn't much but it was good enough for me and it really put me in a good environment where I could actually study some and even get some sleep. I found that apartment, not through the classifieds, not through a note on a

BIBLE QUIZ

The next Bible Quiz will be Jan. 30. We will have a study session on Jan. 22. We will eat lunch together and work until 3:00. Please bring money for Wendy's. The text will be Joshua 13 - Judges 5. Bible Quiz is a great opportunity to get into God's Word. Plan to participate!

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All of those who signed up for Video Bible Drama need to meet this Sunday from 3:00-5:00. Chorus will meet again on Jan. 29 @ 4:00.

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Jan. 22	High School Devo
Jan. 23	Karing Kitchen - West Erwin Hosts
Jan. 29	Middle School Devo
Jan. 30	Bible Quiz
Feb. 3-5	High School Servant Retreat

by finding your place of ministry and serving Him for this new year. So, don't just tuck it away in a closet somewhere for safe keeping, use what God has given you! I'm here to help. dcrawford@westerwin.org or 903-592-0809.

Thought for the Week

Each and every one of us are going through tough times -- just in different ways.

God still sits on the throne!

God is getting ready to pour out

His blessings on you.

He will do it in such a way

that you will know it came from Him.

Keep the faith!

bulletin board at the University, but rather through a Christian friend of mine who was aware of the vacancy. I'm convinced that if he had not told me about that apartment that my first year in college would have been a miserable experience.

Since I started the young professional's ministry (a couple of years ago) quite frequently I receive phone calls from nervous parents who are in the process of looking for apartments for their sons or daughters who are moving to Tyler to begin their college years. I know exactly what's going through their minds and they would love to be able to get their children into a location that would be beneficial to their children instead of detrimental. I know that we can help ease the concerns of these parents. Here's how! If you or your friends or relatives have an apartment, efficiency apartment, mobile home, room, etc., please let me know. Even if it is currently rented out I still need to know. I'll need a contact number, address, and brief description of the place to be rented. Let's help each other in this endeavor. You can help put some parents concerns to ease by providing a place for their children to live and the church can help provide you with a quality person to rent your property. Your help is needed.



IN APPRECIATION

To my beloved family at West Erwin,

Your expressions of sympathy and cards were gratefully and deeply appreciated at the loss of my brother, Herbie, and also for the prayers on his behalf while he was so ill.

With Christian Love,
Irene Whaley

Thanks to all for the prayers, hospital visits, phone calls, cards and your interest during my recent heart procedure. I am doing very good and feel like a new man.

Buck Nowell

NEW ARRIVAL

Larry and Jane Ground have a new great grandson! Gage Diamond was born January 9 to Josh and Dixie Diamond. He weighed 7 lb. 13 oz. They live in Bullard.

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE MILITARY

Wesley Ackerman, Rowdy Anthony, Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Blake McGee, Samuel Mink, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

"True wealth is what you are, not what you have"

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BOLES CHILDREN'S HOME

Boles Children's Home's annual Dallas Dinner and Silent Auction will take place on Friday, February 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Grand Hall of Dallas Union Station, 401 South Houston Street. Ken Starr, Dean of Law at Pepperdine University will be the guest speaker and comedian Damon Whaley will entertain. Individual tickets are \$150, sponsor tables are \$1500 and Platinum Sponsor Tables are \$2500 and include a pre-dinner reception with Ken Starr. Tables seat 10. To purchase tickets or tables contact David Arnwine at 214-770-5878 or Kristen Bollman at 903-883-2204.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

We are very pleased to welcome **Brenda Browning** into the West Erwin family. Brenda works for the Federal Probation Office and is the daughter of Aubrey and Jean Morman. She lives at 2021 Clubview, ph. 597-9091.

WANT TO "RAISE A SPIRIT" IN ONE HOUR?



Come walk with Brice Sustaie's Spirit Raisers Team at Broadway Square Mall February 4th, 9-10 a.m. First annual MDA stride and Ride. YOU can help make Brice feel like the most special boy in East Texas.

NEW ADDRESS: LaDawn, Michael & Maggie Ragsdale, 501B Hamrick, Lindale, 75771.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The Wednesday night meal for Wednesday, January 25, will be Mexican food. Please sign card if you plan to participate. It is important that we know how many to prepare for. Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children.

TEACHERS MEETING

There will be a teacher's meeting for all of our preschool through elementary teachers Sunday, January 22 at 4:15 in room 112.

HOUSING FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Doug Yates is trying to put together a list of our members who have rental properties for college students who need a place to live during the school year. Please see Doug if you know of places available.

AREA WIDE SINGING - Sunday, Jan. 22, 2-4:00 p.m

Arp Church of Christ, 109 Gordon Street, Arp, Texas
Everyone is invited to a fun afternoon of praising the Lord in song.

WRITING YOUR STORY

No matter what else you are doing - from cradle days through to the end - You're writing your life's secret story; each day sees another page penned. Each month ends a thirty page chapter, each year means the end of a part, And never an act is misstated, not ever a wish from the heart. Each day when you wake the book opens, revealing a page clean and white. What thoughts and what words and what actions will cover its surface by night? God leaves that to you - you're the writer, and never one word shall grow dim 'Til someday you write the word "finis" and give back your life book to Him. - author unknown

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Records	Sunday January 8	Sunday January 1	Year Ago
Bible Class	475	364	464
Worship A.M.	667	591	658
Worship P.M.	452	NS	454
Wed. P.M.	360	331	340
Contribution	\$24,956.32	\$19,045.60	\$21,033.95
Weekly Budget	\$21,617.00	(1-8-06 Bldg. Fund \$1,115.00)	

Minibus Driver for Sunday, January 15, and Wed., January 18: Jeff Parrish, ph. 839-1503. **Please call if you need transportation.**

PRAYER AND CARE - Gary Nunn is in ETMC, room 4475. Vaughn Lowry is in ETMC. Alan Fisher is in Mother Frances after a fall in which he broke his leg. Cathy Culpepper broke her leg in a skiing accident. Nelda Smith is undergoing cancer treatment. Warren Gary and Chris Waggener are both at home after being hospitalized with heart problems. Buck Nowell had 3 stints implanted last week. June Bentley, Sue Carty's sister-in-law, is having serious health problems. Roy Jordan, Curt Jordan's dad, suffered a stroke recently in Richardson. Frank Moore, Rhonda Haws' dad, is now in Health South. Continue to remember Jo Anders; Vera Beard; Henry & Mozelle Brown; Delle Bullard; Tillie Carpenter; Beth Carruth, Les' mother; Marjorie Cox; Zona Crone; Wini Cullinan; Mary Cutshall; Blanche Dalton; Lela Duncan; Clelia Elliott; Rudy Gaddis; Mary Gaiser; Warren & Gaynelle Gray; Buck Hamilton; Olyn Hill; John & Mabel Holbert; Rafael Horton; Modena Jones; Archie Kennard; Buddy Kennedy; Kimberlee Lawless, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; Tommy Lowrance; Nancy Martin; Ray Martin, Sandie Martin's dad; Dub & Opal Mathews; Teen Matysiak; Ruth Meazell; Shirley McClenny; W.A. Monk; Frances Moore; Jane Morrow, Priscilla Mayer's cousin; Bill Mullins; Kay Parrish; Taylor Nicole Reaves, (undergoing chemo); Judy Smith; Paul Stanley; Sue Starnes; Robert & Pat Stokes; Pattie Tate; Gloria Thigpen; Cindy Wagner; Bobbie Wilson & Patsy Young.

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 Prayer Tommy Parrish
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 Dismiss Ray Vannoy

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 Prayer David Frick
 Scripture Churck Gillam
 Dismiss John Cliver

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 Casey Haws Dalton Harris

GREETERS
 Gene & Gwen Chandler & Mollie Mink
 John & Ruby Cliver & Kara Murry
 Milburn & Jan Cook & Andy Murry
 Visitor Center: Jerry & Becky Howard
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A GREAT BEGINNING

What a great beginning to the New Year! Last Sunday we had 475 in Bible classes, 667 in worship, 452 on Sunday night, and \$24,906.32 in contribution (\$1,115 was for the building fund). Many visitors were a part of that great attendance and excitement ran high. You are to be commended for making Sunday such a wonderful day.

THEME FOR 2006: "Going On To Perfection"

At the beginning of each year we announce a theme for the new year. "Going On To Perfection" is the new theme and is based upon Hebrews 6:1. Each quarter of the year will find us emphasizing an additional aspect of the theme. For the first quarter it is "Faith." Be among those who will be "Going On To Perfection" in 2006.

NEW BUDGET TO BE ANNOUNCED

On January 22 our elders will share the new work program for West Erwin for 2006. With our threefold building program in full swing, a portion of our weekly contributions will be going to the building fund. With many other good works that are accomplished by this church, our new budget will be challenging but attainable. Consider your personal giving and prayerfully think about increasing your giving in the new year. The blessings of God will be abundant as He is able and willing "to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work" (2 Corinthians 9:8). The Lord has brought us to this moment "for such a time as this" (Esther 4:14).

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1

Sermons for Sunday, January 15, 2006
 by Dr. Jay Lockhart

10:00 A.M. "Going On To Perfection: The Faith of the Gospel" (Philippians 1:27-30)
5:00 P.M. "Life In The Local Church: Apostolic Teaching" (I Timothy 1:1-7)

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"The Church With Heart"



IN APPRECIATION

Thank you for the cards, calls and visits. Also a special thanks to the Lunch Bunch and Dannie Skipper for the delicious lunches. I am some better now.
In Christian Love,
Judy Smith

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Don and Nancy Crawford on the birth of a new grandson! Jackson Dean Crawford was born January 7 in Witchita, Kansas to Ben and Leana Crawford. He weighed 8 lb. 14 oz. and was 21 inches long.

WITH SYMPATHY

Harley Turner, long time West Erwin member, died last Thursday after a lengthy illness. Graveside services were held Saturday at Bascom Cemetery. Our love and sympathy is extended to all the family.

ELDER RESIGNS

To The West Erwin Church:

This is to let you know that I have resigned as an elder effective Monday, January 9, 2006. I have taken this action after a lot of prayerful thought. The decision is based on personal considerations and I assure you that it is not because of any disagreement or quarrel with anyone. Sue and I love the West Erwin church and we support the Elders, Staff, and other leaders. We plan to continue to worship and work at West Erwin. Thank you for all your prayers and encouragement during the years that I served as an elder. We love you all and pray that God's grace and peace will be with each of you.
Dannie Skipper

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NEW ADDRESS: Kyle Stowers, 3rd Battalion, D Co.,
P.O. Box 788274, Twenty Nine Palms, CA 92279



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HURRICANE RELIEF UPDATE

Soon after the hurricanes hit the Gulf Coast, 22 men from West Erwin went to Gulfport, Mississippi with tractors, chain saws, etc. and supplies to aid those who were devastated by the storms. After assessing the damage and working in the area for several days the group reported to the elders at West Erwin church and we sent \$12,802.47 to leaders in the church in Gulfport, men we trusted to properly disperse the money. Additionally, in Tyler we served as a distribution center for clothing and food for the 2000 evacuees who came to our city, so \$10,445.89 went to this work. Further, we contacted the Churches of Christ Disaster Relief effort in Nashville, Tennessee to find what areas of the Gulf Coast could best be served by our efforts. These included Biloxi and Hattiesburg, Mississippi and Mandeville, New Orleans, and Lake Charles, Louisiana. \$30,000.00 went to these areas. Finally, we sent another group of men from our congregation to Jasper, Texas to help with cleanup and distribution of needed commodities and \$3,252.43 of funds were spent there. In all, we received \$35,004.75 from 14 congregations and individuals outside of Tyler and West Erwin contributed \$21,496.04 for a grand total of \$56,500.79 which has been used for helping hurricane victims. We have closed the Hurricane Relief Fund with a -0- balance. Thank you for your generosity in helping in this work.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The Wednesday night meal for Wednesday, January 18, will be burgers, fries and homemade pies. Please sign card if you plan to participate. It is important that we know how many to prepare for. Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children..

ELDER'S MEETINGS

Generally the elders meet every other Monday night at 7:00 p.m. One of the elders serves as chairman for the quarter. If anyone would like to meet with the elders, please contact the current chairman. If the regular meeting time is not convenient another time will be arranged. Jay Bynum is the chairman for this quarter (January - March). Home phone is 903-839-3133 or cell ph. 903-780-4913.

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Youth With Heart... *by Danny* THANKS!

Thanks to Barry Scarborough & LaDawn Ragsdale for helping with the devotional this past Sunday. We had a great time together and answered the question, "Who Am I." Thanks to all who made it a great evening.

SERVANT RETREAT

Feb. 3-5 are the dates for the High School Servant Retreat. Teens, plan to attend this inspirational weekend. The cost will be \$30. Please sign up by Wednesday, Jan. 25. Don't miss it!

KARING KITCHEN

West Erwin will host the Karing Kitchen on Monday, Jan. 23. If you are interested in helping, let me know.

SERVICE PROJECT

We will have a service project on Monday, Jan. 16 from 9:00-12:00 at the home of David Wicks (4517 Inverness). We will be repainting the Tots for Christ benches and working on some decorations for them. Plan to come and help.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

The study of generational characteristics is so fascinating to me. As the Lord's church we have all generations represented and we are challenged by all.

One of the legacies of the Baby Boomers (born 1946-1964) is their demand for excellence in everything they encounter. Entities that fail to live up to their expectations are quickly dismissed.

The pet peeve of the post baby boomer generation, also called Generation X, or Baby Busters (born 1965-1980), is irrelevance. They are quick to abandon anything that is not relevant or applicable to their personal passions. They have little patience for anything based on tradition,

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

By the time you read this article, I'll be in San Antonio, Texas either listening to a lecture or perhaps shopping on the river walk or maybe eating a great supper at Joe's Crab Shack. I can't wait to get to San Antonio.

Every year at this time I attend the Christian Educator's Conference which is sponsored by Churches of Christ throughout the United States. It is a really good conference.

Christian Education takes on so many different forms that it is kind of hard to define. At this conference there will be classes that focus on Children's Ministry, classes that focus on outreach through the education ministry, classes that focus on leadership within the church, and classes that focus on evangelism. By the time I get home I will have spent right around 15 to 20 hours in the classroom (unless I get stuck over at Joe's Crab Shack for a prolonged period of time). Hopefully I will bring back a lot of information that will allow me, as well as West Erwin, to grow

BIBLE QUIZ

The next Bible Quiz will be Jan. 30. We will have a study session on Jan. 22. We will eat lunch together and work until 3:00. Please bring money for Wendy's. The text will be Joshua 13 - Judges 5. Bible Quiz is a great opportunity to get into God's Word. Plan to participate!

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

All of those who signed up for Video Bible Drama need to meet this Sunday at 3:00 in the small auditorium. Chorus will begin this Sunday at 4:00.

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan. 15	Small Groups Meet
Jan. 16	Service Project Day
Jan. 22	Bible Quiz Study Session
Jan. 22	High School Devo
Jan. 23	Karing Kitchen - West Erwin Hosts
Jan. 29	Middle School Devo
Jan. 30	Bible Quiz
Feb. 3-5	High School Servant Retreat

customs, or social acceptability. If the relevance of something is not immediately sensed, they dismiss it and move on to the next alternative.

Each generation has the ability to reshape the spiritual landscape of our country. Now that the first Baby Busters are entering their forties, we are beginning to feel their influence in the church. This puts heavy responsibilities on the leadership of the church to hold each of us altogether with our different needs and requirements and remain true to God's Word. May He bless each of our leaders with hearts that are sensitive to these differences. May God help us all to love those differences.

Do not be afraid of tomorrow: God is already there!

through our education ministry. Please pray that this conference will be a great success.

Allow me to take just a moment to update the congregation regarding our Young Professionals' ministry. About two years ago I started a small group with our graduated seniors through age 25. We would meet once a month on Sunday evening in the Family Life Center. Right around November of 2004 we started meeting weekly (first on Monday evenings and then later we switched it to Thursday evenings) in the Family Life Center for a time of fellowship, activities, and a devotional. As with any group, it's hard to get everyone there at the same time. All of us have to pick and choose the nights that work best for us; all of that is understood. However, just in case those between the ages of 18-25 are not aware of this ministry, please pick a Thursday night and join us as we grow together. Periodically we have events that we participate in. Last year we did several service projects, attended a Ranger's baseball game, went hiking, camping, etc., and formed a softball team. Get involved with us in 2006. Help us to grow as God would have us to grow.

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Records	Sunday January 1, 2006	Sunday December 25	Year Ago
Bible Class	364	No class	415
Worship A.M.	591	640	637
Worship P.M.	360	NS	329
Wed. P.M.	NS	331	NS
Contribution	\$19,045.60	\$20,034.10	\$19,745.76
Weekly Budget	\$21,617.00	(12-25 & 1-1 Bldg. Fund \$44,650.00)	

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PRAYER AND CARE - Gary Nunn is in ETMC, room 4475. **Gloria Thigpen** is undergoing treatment. **Blanche Dalton** is recovering after recent knee surgery. **Cindy Wagner** had major surgery last Thursday. **Sue Starnes** is in Reunion Plaza. **Warren Gray** was hospitalized due to a heart attack but is now at home. **Nelda Smith** is beginning cancer treatment. **June Bentley**, Sue Carty's sister-in-law, is having serious health problems. **Roy Jordan**, Curt Jordan's dad, suffered a stroke Tuesday in Richardson. **Frank Moore**, Rhonda Haws' dad, is now in Health South. **Ray Martin**, Sandie Martin's dad, is undergoing treatment for brain cancer. Continue to remember **Jo Anders**; **Vera Beard**; **Henry & Mozelle Brown**; **Delle Bullard**; **Tillie Carpenter**; **Beth Carruth**, Les' mother; **Marjorie Cox**; **Zona Crone**; **Wini Cullinan**; **Mary Cutshall**; **Lela Duncan**; **Clelia Elliott**; **Rudy Gaddis**; **Mary Gaiser**; **Warren & Gaynelle Gray**; **Buck Hamilton**; **Olyn Hill**; **John & Mabel Holbert**; **Rafael Horton**; **Modena Jones**; **Archie Kennard**; **Buddy Kennedy**; **Kimberlee Lawless**, Ernie & Sharon Gordon's daughter; **Tommy Lowrance**; **Nancy Martin**; **Dub & Opal Mathews**; **Teen Matysiak**; **Ruth Meazell**; **Shirley McClenny**; **W.A. Monk**; **Frances Moore**; **Jane Morrow**, Priscilla Mayer's cousin; **Bill Mullins**; **Kay Parrish**; **Taylor Nicole Reaves**, (undergoing chemo); **Judy Smith**; **Paul Stanley**; **Robert & Pat Stokes**; **Pattie Tate**; **Harley Turner**; & **Bobbie Wilson**.

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10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY
Call to worship Danny Snell
Prayer Dr. Aaron DuVall
Scripture Jay Culpepper
Dismiss James Sublette

PRESIDING AT LORD'S TABLE
Wally Dawkins

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY
Prayer Howard Dickson
Scripture Tyler DuVall
Dismiss Curtis Elmore

SERVING LORD'S SUPPER
Gary Heath, Jr. Scottie Hart
Ralph Henderson Dayne Harris
Matt Haws Mike Harris
Casey Haws Dalton Harris

GREETERS
Wayne & Bitsy Berryman & Haylee Lowry
Dale & Carolyn Blackstone & Chase Mink
Bill & Pat Bratcher & Chelsea Meazell
Visitor Center: Jay & Debbie Bynum
Gene & Gwen Chandler

Pick up cards January 8 & 15: Justin Parrish, Sean Denman, Tanner Perry, Carson Hancock & Chase Mink.

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THE NEW YEAR

As we enter a brand new year we have the opportunity to make it the best ever for our church family. Our theme for 2006 is "Going On To Perfection" and each quarter we will emphasize a different aspect of our theme: "Going On To Perfection ... In Faith" (January - March); "... In Hope" (April - June); "... In Love" (July - September); and "... In Service" (October - December). If all of us will take the theme seriously and apply it personally, the whole church will benefit. So, let me wish you a happy new year and encourage you to "Go On To Perfection" this year!

- N**ow is the time (begin today)
- E**xcitement is necessary
(be zealous in every good work)
- W**ord is essential to growth (be a student)
- Y**our responsibility (determine to grow personally)
- E**vangelism is the mission (be alert to opportunities)
- A**ttendance is expected (worship regularly)
- R**emember priorities (seek first God's kingdom)

- Jay Lockhart

"Going On To Perfection"

Hebrews 6:1



Sermons for Sunday, January 8, 2006
by Dr. Jay Lockhart

10:00 A.M. "Going On To Perfection ... In Faith"
(Hebrews 11:1-6)

5:00 P.M. "Life In The Local Church"
(I Timothy 1:1-7)

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Youth With Heart... *by Denny*

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COMBINED DEVOTIONAL

Join us this coming Sunday night after church for the first devotional of the new year. We will spend some time planning the year as well as working on New Years Resolutions. Please bring \$3.00 for supper. Don't miss this important time.

COMMUNITY

..... by Don Crawford

POWERFUL MINISTRY DEPENDS ON CHOICE

There are no shortcuts to becoming a powerful ministry just as there is no easy way to build a Super Bowl Winning Team. It requires a decision to make it happen, then a strategy to make it real. As long as the parameters are in place, the methodology can shift along the journey.

Therefore, everyone must know where we are headed and secondly, everyone must know what it will take to accomplish the goal. When that happens we can communicate compellingly. People have always responded proportionately to the conviction within the invitation.

In this new year God is about to open doors to ministry in our community that are wider than our imaginations. The new benevolent center will open in a couple of

"Heirs Of Life Together"

I Peter 3:7 Douglas L. Yates

Well, we have successfully concluded another year here at West Erwin and I'm proud to say that we have once again experienced growth. Of course, it goes without saying that we are talking about spiritual and numerical growth. Spiritual growth is a process that some suggest cannot be measured accurately. I'm not exactly sure that I agree with such a statement. I don't know how many times I have read the Bible completely through but however many times it is I can guarantee you this, I always learn something new. It is the most amazing book I've ever read. All of us should be studying our Bible because if we stop studying God's Word, we stop the spiritual growth process. Through a continual Bible study we will move forward or perhaps a better way of saying it, we will move upward. I look at spiritual growth in terms of stairs. If I study to show myself approved, I should be at least one step higher than I was last year. Failure to be a good student of God's Word will not keep me where I was last year but I'll actually be one step

SERVANT RETREAT

Feb. 3-5 are the dates for the High School Servant Retreat. Teens, plan to attend this inspirational weekend. The cost will be \$30. We will have a sign-up list available soon. Don't miss this great weekend.

IMPORTANT DATES

January 8	Combined Devotional
January 15	Small Groups Meet
January 22	Bible Quiz Study Session
January 30	Bible Quiz
February 3-5	High School Servant Retreat

months. That will open new opportunities to teach, serve, and work together as a kingdom of believers to the glory of Christ our Lord.

Please remain prayerful for God's guidance, vision, and energy to do what He has in store for us. He has prepared the way for this ministry by sending us over 3500 families representing 14,600 individuals in 2005. He has supplied all the resources to help this multitude of people. Surely He will see this ministry through the next year Maybe the greatest year ever! We must be ready and willing to answer this call.

DON'T FORGET THE WSM CAR CARE SERVICE

Widows and Single Moms

Saturday, January 7, 2005
9:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the church building

lower. If I want to grow spiritually I must study to show myself approved.

Numerically (within our Bible school ministry) we once again grew. The growth was very small this year but nonetheless we did grow. When you consider that just 5 years ago we were declining at an annual rate of -5% in our Bible school attendance, even this small growth is welcomed. Our Sunday morning Bible school attendance only saw a net increase of 1 this year. I must tell you it could have been and should have been much greater than this. Over the last 5 years we have increased our Sunday morning attendance by +25. Our Wednesday evening attendance in 2005 grew by +9. Five years ago we were plateaued at 250, today we are averaging 331. That's +81! That's not bad. We are fast approaching the +100 mark for Wednesday evenings. We have many things planned for 2006 and perhaps at this time next year when I give my year end report, I'll be able to say that we grew significantly in 2006. It'll happen if we all get behind our Bible school ministry. Let's grow as God would have us to grow!



IN APPRECIATION

Dear Christian Friends,

Thank you for honoring your sister in Christ, Signa Stanley, with the beautiful floral basket of gladiolas, roses, and cremons for her memorial service in Brady. Your many encouraging cards, calls, and tributes have touched our hearts and reminded us how special the West Erwin family is. Our faith in God's eternal promises have uplifted our family in knowing Mom is at peace. We will always love and cherish the sweet fellowship with our Tyler brethren.

Paul Stanley
Mary Beth Lewis & family

WITH SYMPATHY

Ardell Henderson, Bill Meazell's cousin, died December 22 in Grapevine. Our love and sympathy is extended to Bill and Ruth and to all the family.

NEW ADDRESSES:

Kalon & Sharon Ainsworth & family, 1708 Wendover Palce, 75703, ph. 903-581-8774

Danny & Cassandra Estes & family, 1204 South Donnybrook, 75701, ph. 903-595-2038

PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

IN THE MILITARY

Wesley Ackerman, Rowdy Anthony, Aaron Arcega, James Baggett, Jonathan Bentley, Nicholas Blackstone, Ryan Blackstone, Brent Carder, Craig Cooper, Eric Cummings, Christopher Draughon, Evan Draughon, Chuck Freeman, Glenda Gacilos, Josh & Andrea Gaspard, Scott Gray, Eric Hass, Harry Hayes, Shelly Henry, Robert C. Holt, Chad Hughes, Jay Landon Jones, Kobe Kelley, Joe Kennedy, Greg Lowe, Jon Mason, Derek McCaghren, Blake McGee, Samuel Mink, Chris Montgomery, Brad Murrell, Seth Pace, Demecia Rogers, Jared Sebastian, Brandon Silvers, Robert Songer, Russell Spicher, Paul Stambaugh, Kyle Stowers, Hank Trimble, Tim Wagner, Timothy Wallace, & Jordan White.

A NEW YEAR BLESSING

May the road you walk be a smooth one,
May your troubles be few - if any,
May the days and years that lie ahead be
Healthy, happy and many,
May you have friends in abundance,
may the sun shine bright around you,
May the world be a wonderful place to live,
and may God's love always surround you.

ATTENTION LADIES!

The Broadway Church of Christ will be having a wonderful ladies event Saturday, January 21 from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Guest speakers Sunny Workman and Dr. Annie Edwards will inspire us to be better and stronger Christian women. Traditions will cater a delicious luncheon and lots of door prizes will be given. The cost is \$7.00 payable at the door but phone reservations will need to be made no later than January 19. Please call Sandra at 561-8314 or 520-8376.

"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."

BAPTISM

We rejoice with **Nelda Smith** in her decision to be baptized into Christ Tuesday morning. She has been attending here for some time and has been studying with Don Crawford. Her address is 418 East Eighth, Tyler, 75701, ph. 903-596-7389.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

We are pleased to welcome **Debbie Baldwin** back home to West Erwin. She moved away but recently moved back to Tyler and wishes to be recognized as a member of the West Erwin family again.

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HOUSING FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Doug Yates is trying to put together a list of our members who have rental properties for college students who need a place to live during the school year. Please see Doug if you know of places available.

A NEW BEGINNING

The old year is behind us. Forever! Some things God gives often, but He gives time only once. The flowers of spring return again and again. The trees burst into a new foliage year after year. But time does not come twice to anyone. We enter into the New Year with high hopes. Every new year holds a brighter hope than the last, and we are ever ready to shake off bad habits and to give life a new start and a new effort. Such thinking has possibilities, for every improvement begins with a thought. This was the power that turned the feet of the ancient Psalmist who said, "I thought about my ways, and turned my feet to Your testimonies" (Psalm 119:59). The trouble has been we have allowed some conflicting thoughts to grab us and change the direction of our feet.

So our first resolution is to keep our thoughts working for us. No person is better, bigger or stronger than his or her thoughts.

Second, let us be grateful for the many blessings of last year. We are not worthy of more if we are ungrateful for what we have.

Third, may we determine to be sympathetic toward all persons less fortunate than ourselves. Having a heart is a big accomplishment.

Fourth, let us resolve to place the best reasonable construction on the words and deeds of others.

Fifth, let us build life on the good foundation of loving God and our fellow men. - (copied from North Tennecha bulletin)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

The Wednesday night meal for Wednesday, January 11, will be from Bruno's. Please sign card if you plan to participate. It is important that we know how many to prepare for. Cost is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children..

THE SEARCH with Dr. Jay Lockhart



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Moments With Mike

Write It Down

"Write this down so you don't forget it!" How many times have we heard that excellent advice? Chances are you've heard that phrase from teachers, parents, your spouse and several others.

Writing things down is such a simple solution to many problems. If students are able to take good notes in class, then they likely will fare much better when it is time to take exams. This allows them to better remember what they heard in class.

Preachers and Bible class teachers like to see people taking down notes during their lessons. Scriptures, main points and illustrations that are written down will help to reinforce a person's memory of the lesson they have just heard.

God saw the importance of having a written representation of a message. God wrote the 10 commandments in stone. After God gave the children of Israel a victory over Amalek in Exodus 17, God gave the following instruction to Moses. **"Write this for a memorial in the book and recount it in the hearing of Joshua, that I will utterly blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven."** God understands that if we write it down, we will remember it better.

Moses recorded that the people of Israel were to revere the word of God and that they were to write it down and teach it to their children. **"And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by**

the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." Deuteronomy 6:6-9.

But God didn't limit His writing to stone or paper. In Jeremiah 31:33 we read, **"But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people."** These thoughts are echoed in Hebrews 8:8-12 and 10:16-17.

In the popular hymn, *Tell Me The Story Of Jesus*, Fanny Crosby penned the following words in the first verse. "Tell me the story of Jesus, write on my heart every word." What a wonderful vision! Having the story of Jesus written on our hearts, embedded into our minds, forever with us!

Do you have the words of God written on your heart today? Make it your goal this year to become a more frequent reader of God's word. Keep a notebook or pad of paper handy as you read and write down key words, thoughts and principles. Always keep the written word of God in front of your eyes. And keep the story of God's love written on your heart.

See you Sunday! Mike

Open Our Eyes That We May See...

"Commitment"

To our Lord and to our families.

Sermons for July 6, 2008 by Mike Baker
A.M.: We Hold These Truths (John 8:31-32)
P.M.: Have You Considered My Servant Job? (Job 1:8)
Tune in to KTBB AM 600 Sundays from 7:30-8:00 a.m.
for **"Our Living Hope."**

"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

MIDDLE SCHOOL DEVOTIONAL

All of those in the middle school group are invited to the devotional this coming Sunday night in the FLC. Please bring \$3 for supper and invite a friend to join us. Wear tennis shoes. We will be finished at 9:00 p.m.

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MEXICO MISSION

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NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

As you read this bulletin, 40 folks from West Erwin will be in West Point, Nebraska on our 18th mission trip to this amazing town. We will have the opportunity to teach over 100 kids and plant seeds that God will grow. We will also have a very unique opportunity to help the church sponsor a food booth for West Point's Sesquicentennial (150 Years) Celebration. During July 3-5, we will have the opportunity to have contact with several thousand folks attending this special weekend. Pray for us to be the light!

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Harry Potter Mania

Harry Potter mania....what's it all about? It's about adventure and courage. For generations, men have learned heroism and self-sacrifice through great stories we have stored in our hearts since we were boys. Christianity is no different. Christianity is an adventure- not a religion! This is why GOD has filled His Book with stories of people following Christ courageously.

Whatever you do, parents and teachers, do not avoid the gross stories in the Bible that talk about heads being cut off, tent pegs being driven into a man's temple or swords being shoved so deep into a fat king's belly that it disappeared. GOD put these stories in the Bible just for boys,

stories they will tuck away in their hearts and stories that will help them develop their own adventure for following Christ. Why do you think so many boys read Harry Potter instead of their Bibles?

Sit down with your young sons and read the stories such as 2 Sam. 23, in particular, the stories about Benaiah in verse 20. Talk about what it means to be a warrior for the cause of Christ. Who will be the next man GOD chooses to be a great warrior? What stories will be written about him? Did GOD stop the adventure in Acts 28? GOD needs more great warriors for Acts 29. And you and I are living Acts 29 right now. We have never needed great warriors as desperately as we need them now.

.....By Don Crawford

START FINISH

MICHAEL
WHITWORTH

This Sunday, July 6th, will be a Sunday of transition in some ways. **Tim Grounds** will be assuming the role as teacher from **Todd Hancock** for the adult Bible class which meets in the Family Life Center. Todd has just wrapped up an incredible study of Hebrews, and I want to take this opportunity to thank him for his dedicated service as a teacher. We need more servant-hearts like his!

Tim will begin a study of the Old Testament **book of Amos**. This ancient prophet was called from the small town of Tekoa to minister to the northern kingdom of Israel in the eighth century B.C. Much of his time was spent speaking out against the idolatry and social injustices of the northern kingdom, calling the nation to prepare to meet their God. In the long and rich heritage of the prophets, Amos is remembered for his courage and faithfulness. Tim's study of this man of God, and the inspired Old Testament book he left behind, promises to be a very insightful, instructive, and inspirational class. If you are not currently attending one of West Erwin's Bible classes on Sunday morning, I would like to strongly encourage you to consider Tim Grounds' class on Amos in the Family Life Center.

With Sympathy...

We extend our love and prayers to the family of **Buck Nowell**, who passed away Friday. Services were held Tuesday at West Erwin Church of Christ.

Funeral services for **W. A. Monk** were held Wednesday at Lloyd James Funeral Home. We extend our sympathy to his niece, Kayla Ables and the family.

We also extend our sympathy to Billie Bob Hickman on the loss of her son, **Harry Hickman** of Longview. Services were held Thursday at Rader Funeral Home.

We extend our love and prayers to Dorothy Kennedy and Karen Fedell on the loss of their son and brother, **John Knox**, who passed away Tuesday. The family will have private services.

We extend our love and sympathy to these families.

60th ANNIVERSARY



*Please come to a 60th Wedding Anniversary
Reception honoring
Audie & Opal Golden*

*July 6th
2-5 p.m.*

*At the home of
Marcus & Dianna Hall
209 Karla
Whitehouse, Texas
Given by their children
Your presence is your gift*



Welcome...

Welcome new members **Jim & Phyllis Holleman!** Their address is 6902 Hollytree Circle, Tyler, TX 75703 and phone number is 903-581-1013. We are glad to have you as a part of the West Erwin family!

Prayer Request...

Please pray for **June Chapel**, former West Erwin member who is having health problems. Her address is 4461 CR 427, Tyler, TX 75704.

Thank You...

Dear West Erwin Church,

I just wanted to tell you how much I appreciate all of your visits, cards of encouragement, the food you have brought and especially your prayers. This has been a very difficult time for me, and I would not have made it without you. I am still healing so I ask for your continued prayers. We love each and every one of you.

Kay & Tommy Parrish

Thank you so much for the flowers, cards and prayers for our family during the recent loss of our father, Troy Portwood. Each expression of concern received was appreciated.

**Johnny & Kathy Portwood
The Brant Prestidge Family
The John B. Portwood Family**

Dear West Erwin Brothers & Sisters,

Thank you so much for the beautiful plant I received from you and cards, kind words and especially the prayers at the loss of my sister, Mary.

Love & prayers,
Irene Whaley

Thank you so much for your prayers for Scott's dad, Jim. We found out that his cancer is now in remission. We would also like to thank you for your continued prayers for Scott. His radiation is going well.

In Christian love,
Michelle, Scott & Wesley Smith

There will be a meeting for all adult Bible class teachers on Sunday, July 13th, at 5:00 p.m. in the small auditorium. Those planning to teach adult classes in the Fall are also encouraged to attend.



Seeking Spiritual Renewal

Wednesday, July 9

*Renewing Our Purpose: Seek and Save
John 20:21*

Tim Pyles

*For a complete series list of speakers and topics,
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Records	Sunday-June 29	Sunday-June 22	Year Ago
Bible Class	413	446	394
Worship A. M.	647	711	654
Worship P. M.	424	478	428
Wed. P. M.	289	305	303
Contribution	\$23,060.08	\$59,861.89	\$27,929.68
Weekly Budget	\$26,060.00		

PRAYER AND CARE: Darrell Beard is now home from the hospital. | Lowrane Canada is still at ETMC after surgery. | Les Carruth is now home after surgery. | Diane Denman will have day surgery July 9. | Louise Harris is still in ICU at Mother Frances. | Warren Gray is at ETMC, room 2214.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER: Erin Amundson, Kathy Portwood's nephew's wife | Bill Barrett, friend of Morris Hallman | Gerald Boykin | Lowrane Canada | Diane Carroll | Carroll & R.D. Cawyer, Bud's brothers | Allen Cook | Dan & Wini Cullinan | Louise Culpepper | Frank Doherty, Lowrane Canada's brother-in-law | Debra George, Becky Howard's neighbor | Warren & Gaynelle Gray | Frank Haddock, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law | Jean Henry, Donna Wright's mother | Billie Bob Hickman | Trey Jackson | Lou Jarrett, Rebekah Carnathan's uncle | Linda Keeling, Tim Grounds' sister | Buddy Kennedy | Clay Kirby | Joel Knox | Gus Krewall | Jean Martin, Sandie Martin's mother | Leo May | Dub & Opal Mathews | Bobbye May | Mary McFadden | Shirley McClenny | Kay & Billy Bob McCool, Kathy Portwood's sister & brother-in-law | Ruth Meazell | Tommy Montandon, Paul's dad | Linda Morales, Jeri Prestidge's aunt | Will Orr, Friend of Blair Ethridge | Suzan Parker, Noel & Jean Parker's daughter-in-law | Jim Pierce, Faye Kennard's brother | George Richardson | Mary Richey | Butch Roach, neighbor of the Tanksleys | Sarah Rowland, daughter-in-law of Jo & Art Rowland | Stephanie Rudell | Odell Sessions | Ray Silvertooth, Ruth (Hearne) Moore's brother | Judy Simpson, Ruth Ellis' sister | Garrett Smith | Judy Smith | Scott Smith, Michelle's husband | Jim Smith, Scott Smith's dad | Joy Taylor, Bill Meazell's sister | Molly Lou Terry | Sylvia Tharpe | Mark Waggoner | Esther Wilson | Earlyne Wimberly | Dorothy Woods | Carey Woods | & Patsy Young.

**SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY**

Call to worship	Don Crawford
Prayer	David Blaylock
Scripture	Scott Albritton
Dismiss	Don Durham
Presiding At The Lord's Table	Bud Cawyer

SERVING COMMUNION

Dalton Harris	Jim Hartt
Dayne Harris	Mike Harris
Charles Harris	Gary Heath
Scottie Hart	Bill Hawkins

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer	Joey Coker
Scripture	Chris Conder
Dismiss	Dan Cullinan

GREETERS

Michael & Candace Hall & Chloe Ainsworth
Charles & Bettye Sue Harris & Betsy Asbill
Rob & Carmen Hilliard & Keaton Ainsworth
Visitor Center:
James & Connie Sublette
Gary & Judy Mitcham

Pick up cards June 22 & 29: Trey Jackson, Caleb Grounds, Colton Haile, Nicolas Means & Keaton Conder.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, June 29: Nursery a.m.: Rita Sitton; Nursery p.m.: Gail Vannoy; Toddlers a.m.: Debbie & Caysi Bynum; Toddlers p.m.: Pam & Lindsey Lott; 2's a.m.: Vance & Jamie Metcalf; 3's & 4's a.m.: Brant & Jeri Prestidge; 2's, 3's & 4's p.m.: John & Terry Shaw

Minibus Driver for Sunday and Wednesday: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

MINISTERS			
Mike Baker - Pulpit Minister			
Don Crawford - Involvement	Danny Snell - Youth		
Michael Whitworth, Education Minister	Israel Sandoval, Hispanic Minister		
MISSIONS			
Rafael Falcon	John Baker	Armondo Alaniz	B.I.C.A.
ELDERS			
Jay Bynum	Don Durham	Dr. Aaron DuVall	
Ron Lott	Phil Marts	Bill Mullins	
James Sublette	Ray Vannoy	Leon Welborn	Fred Wingate

ASSEMBLIES	
SUNDAY	
Bible School	9:00 A.M.
Morning Worship	10:00 A.M.
Evening Worship	Sept-May 5:00 P.M. June-Aug 6:00 P.M.
TUESDAY AND THURSDAY	
Christian Service Center	9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
WEDNESDAY	
Ladies Bible Class	10:00 A.M. (Sept through May)
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Moments With Mike

Are You Listed?

With the advances in technology in recent years, there is literally no telling how many places have our names listed in their files and records. Every time we make a purchase with a check or credit card, a record is made. When we register our cars or make our tax payments a record is made. Sign up for phone service and your name will be listed in the local phone book.

It might surprise you to know just how many places have your name listed in their records. Most have your name listed for legitimate reasons, although some do not. It stands to reason that a prudent individual would want to be aware of the places that list his name.

From a spiritual perspective, there is a place where all of us should desire to be listed. That place is the Lamb's Book of Life. If we are in this book we will be the recipients of countless blessings, both in this life and the life to come. We will enjoy the assurances of God as we walk this earth. An eternal place of abode will be prepared for us in Heaven. We will enjoy the fellowship of others who are also in that great book.

One may rightfully ask, "How does a person have their name added to the Book of Life?" That is an excellent question. The answer is found in our obedience to the gospel. If we fail to obey the gospel, we will receive the vengeance of Jesus, and we will

obviously miss the blessings of Heaven. 2 Thess. 1:7-9. However, when we become a Christian by obeying the gospel, God washes away our sins and adds us to the body of Christ, the church. Acts 2:38, 41, 47; Rom. 6:1-6. God adds us as we are being saved.

Are you listed in the Lamb's Book of Life? If not, why not? Please consider these passages.

Rev. 20:12 ***And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.***

Rev. 20:15 ***And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.***

Rev. 21:27 ***But there shall by no means enter it (Heaven) anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.***

Friends, it is possible to have our names blotted out from that great book, (Rev. 3:5) so we must all live righteously so as to keep our names there.

Of all the places that list our names, the Lamb's Book of Life is the most important one. Let's be sure that our name is listed there and remains there!

See you Sunday! Mike

Open Our Eyes That We May See...

"Freedom"

from sin and from temptation

Sermons for July 13, 2008 by Mike Baker

A.M.: Roll Call (Rom. 14:12)

P.M.: Having A Long Lasting Impact (Matt. 5:13-16)

Tune in to KTBB AM 600 Sundays from 7:30-8:00 a.m.

for "***Our Living Hope.***"

"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny* **NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP**

We had a great trip up to Nebraska and arrived at 10:00 am on Friday morning. By noon, we were set up to serve Fajitas to all those attending the West Point Sesquicentennial Celebration. We finally were able to use our Hotel beds about midnight. That was a long 40 hour day!!! Our teens worked in the food booth and parked cars and set up for the celebration. Over the course of the weekend we served about 500 people. Our first day of VBS was awesome!!! We had 89 attend and hope for more kids for the rest of the week. It has been wonderful to be with the folks in the West Point church. The Luebberts and the Maxwells send their greetings to you our brothers and sisters in Tyler.

THANKS!

Thanks to all who helped with the middle school devotional this past Sunday night.

Thanks to Tim Grounds and David Blaylock for helping teach the youth classes while we were in Nebraska on the mission trip.

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Our Visitors

Last Sunday two men came into our worship separately and looking for different things. One was staying in the American Inn and a West Erwin member gave him a ride. The other one came in looking for peace because of a troubled spirit and you drew him in, visited with him, and prayed with him. I want to say thank you for what you did to help. They were dressed differently; they looked troubled and in need of help and you were there for them.

Our location places us on the main thoroughfare for such traffic and it is GOD who wants us here. For Jesus laid down his life for such as these and then HE called us to continue doing what He was doing. Thank you for being who GOD wants you to be.

Adversity

Have you ever thought about adversity being a blessing? Life without adversity would be like zero gravity.....no problems, no issues, no challenges. But zero gravity is hazardous to our health. Astronauts who spend any length of time in space face the possibility of serious medical complications. Without any resistance we tend to lose muscle mass, bone density, and our heart suffers. They can hardly walk after reentering the earth's atmosphere.

GOD has a way of turning adversity into ministry. Therefore, the more problems you have the greater the potential you have to help others. And conversely, if you don't have any problems, you don't have any potential. Our problems never disqualify us from being used by GOD.

START FINISH

MICHAEL
WHITWORTH

By this point, I have a little more than a month under my belt as the education minister here at West Erwin. It has been an exciting month filled with challenges. I know that more difficult days still lie ahead, but this congregation has been very supportive of me so far, and I am more than confident that we can together clear any hurdle that stands in the way of great success to the glory of God!

If you are a teacher for one of our adult classes this quarter, I hope to see you at our teachers' meeting this Sunday at 5 p.m. in the small auditorium. Please bring along any ideas you might have that will help us improve the education program. Also, if you plan to teach an adult class this Fall, please make plans to attend. If you are unable to attend this meeting for any reason, please let me know. For those of you who teach children's classes, don't worry. I haven't forgotten you. I will be meeting with all of you in the near future on a date to be determined. In the meantime, I solicit your prayers for this ministry and am thankful for your encouragement. If you ever find yourself discouraged, remind yourself: The One in us is greater than the one in the world for we are of God (1 John 4:4)!

Letter from Germany

Please go by the News & Notes bulletin board in the hallway by the small auditorium to read a note from Rudolf Rischer, a missionary West Erwin sponsored in Germany.

With Sympathy...

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jim Mayer on the loss of his mother, **Julia Mayer**. Services were held Saturday in Nixon, Texas.

Pauline Aven, past member of West Erwin, died Saturday morning. Services were held Tuesday in Sulphur Springs at League St. Church of Christ.

Save the Date!

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Felicita in Tyler. For sponsorships or table reservations, please contact Brad Spradlin at 903.509.0558 or bspradlin@christianhomes.com.

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Teachers' Meeting

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Seeking Spiritual Renewal

Wednesday, July 16

Renewing Our Christian Families: "As for me & my house..."
Joshua 24:15

David Asbill

Dessert: Bring you favorite cobbler

For a complete series list, see sheets on entry doors or visit the website at www.westerwin.com.

Wedding Shower!

Please join us for a wedding shower honoring **April Butler** and **Jordan Lyons!** It will be held Sunday afternoon, July 20 from 4-5:30 in the Family Life Center. The couple's selections are at Dillard's, Bed Bath & Beyond, Macy's and Target.



Thank You...

Dear West Erwin Church of Christ Family, We would like to express our sincere appreciation for your thoughts and prayers during our time of loss. Although W.A. had been physically unable to attend services for many years, West Erwin was always his church home. He enjoyed the televised services and taped messages which were mailed to him. It was very nice of Mike Baker & Don Crawford to attend the services. The meal prepared for our family at the church building was wonderful. A special thanks to Faye Kennard, Pat Hackett, Agnes Ables & Julie Ables for the meal. Thanks again for everything.

Bruce Monk & Family

Thank you is such a small word for all that you have done for me & my family-the food, visits, prayers & cards. I appreciate it so much. Buck loved West Erwin & all the members. Thank you.

In Christian Love,
Kathleen Nowell & Family

Your expressions of sympathy will always be remembered. Your thoughtfulness and caring meant so much to us. Thank you.

The Family of Vera Beard

Dear Christian Friends, I would like to thank all of our wonderful Christian friends in the Tyler area for your generous donations to the Medina Children's Home. On behalf of all our children and mothers, "Thank you!"

Yours in Christ,
George W. Rose

Thank you to the Christians & elders of the church at West Erwin. Your calls, cards, words of concern and encouragement are appreciated. God has answered prayers for Ponder's successful surgery. He remains under doctors' care. Continued prayers for him are a comfort to our family. We are very grateful for the church and the love shared at West Erwin.

The family of Ponder Wright, Sr.

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Records	Sunday-July 6	Sunday-June 29	Year Ago
Bible Class	401	413	426
Worship A. M.	683	647	653
Worship P. M.	370	424	417
Wed. P. M.	318	289	315
Contribution	\$43,399.11	\$23,060.08	\$26,800.29
Weekly Budget	\$26,060.00		

PRAYER AND CARE: Lowrane Canada is now at Olympic Plaza. | Warren Gray is now home. | Louise Harris is still in ICU at Mother Frances. | Clay Kirby had knee replacement surgery and is at Olympic Plaza. | Paul Montandon is now home after surgery. | Thomas Park had cataract surgery Tuesday. | Tom Ramsour had three stints put in last week. |

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER: Erin Amundson, Kathy Portwood's nephew's wife | Bill Barrett, friend of Morris Hallman | Gerald Boykin | Diane Carroll | Carroll & R.D. Cawyer, Bud's brothers | Allen Cook | Dan & Wini Cullinan | Louise Culpepper | Frank Doherty, Lowrane Canada's brother-in-law | Debra George, Becky Howard's neighbor | Warren & Gaynelle Gray | Frank Haddock, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law | Jean Henry, Donna Wright's mother | Billie Bob Hickman | Trey Jackson | Lou Jarrett, Rebekah Carnathan's uncle | Linda Keeling, Tim Grounds' sister | Buddy Kennedy | Clay Kirby | Joel Knox | Gus Krewall | Jean Martin, Sandie Martin's mother | Leo May | Dub & Opal Mathews | Bobbye May | Mary McFadden | Shirley McClenny | Kay & Billy Bob McCool, Kathy Portwood's sister & brother-in-law | Ruth Meazell | Tommy Montandon, Paul's dad | Linda Morales, Jeri Prestidge's aunt | Will Orr, Friend of Blair Ethridge | Suzan Parker, Noel & Jean Parker's daughter-in-law | Jim Pierce, Faye Kennard's brother | George Richardson | Mary Richey | Butch Roach, neighbor of the Tanksleys | Sarah Rowland, daughter-in-law of Jo & Art Rowland | Stephanie Rudell | Odell Sessions | Ray Silvertooth, Ruth (Hearne) Moore's brother | Judy Simpson, Ruth Ellis' sister | Garrett Smith | Judy Smith | Scott Smith, Michelle's husband | Jim Smith, Scott Smith's dad | Joy Taylor, Bill Meazell's sister | Molly Lou Terry | Sylvia Tharpe | Mark Waggoner | Esther Wilson | Earlyne Wimberly | Dorothy Woods | Carey Woods | & Patsy Young.

**SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY**

Call to worship	Don Crawford
Prayer	Jim Carty
Scripture	Caleb Bynum
Dismiss	Aaron DuVall
Presiding At The Lord's Table	Wally Dawkins

SERVING COMMUNION

Dick Higginbotham	Jess Hopkins
Rob Hilliard	Greg Jones
Robert Hilliard	James Hughes
Roger Howell	Matt Kelly

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer	Frank Debenport
Scripture	Harold Denman
Dismiss	James Ellis

GREETERS

Don & Nerene Ingram & Betsy Asbill
Louis & Jane Jones & Jonathan Baker
Todd & Kenna Kempton & Joseph Baker
Visitor Center:
Ray & Carolyn Womack
Louise Seaberry

Pick up cards July 13: Trey Jackson, Caleb Grounds, Colton Haile, Nicolas Means & Keaton Conder.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, June 29: Nursery a.m.: Gail Vannoy; Nursery p.m.: Rita Sitton; Toddlers a.m.: Gary & Judy Mitcham; Toddlers p.m.: Kelli Malone & Jessica Keeney; 2's a.m.: Tim & Patti Grounds; 3's & 4's a.m.: Will & Stephanie Christian; 2's, 3's & 4's p.m.: Jonathan & Laurie Stone

Minibus Driver for Sunday and Wednesday: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. Please call if you need transportation.

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Moments With Mike

Oh, Grow Up!

My wife and I are really proud of our two sons, and rightfully so. They have accomplished quite a bit in their 17 years. But at times we have found ourselves wondering if they would ever “grow up,” take on more responsibility, and set their minds on their own futures.

Like other parents, we looked forward to the various stages of growth for our boys. While we enjoyed holding them and rocking them to sleep as infants, we also longed for the day when they could walk and not have to be carried around everywhere.

The same was true for other stages in their lives. While we enjoyed that stage, we also knew that something even better was waiting at the next stage. Some children embrace this progression with a “can’t wait” attitude toward what the future holds. Others need a bit of prodding to reach for the future.

In the past few weeks, our boys have made real strides for those next stages. New jobs, driver’s license, a car (older, safe, cheap) of their own and the newfound independence that goes along with it.

Jonathan hasn’t even started his senior year, but he started a college course this week for dual credit. In just a month’s time they have gone from being totally

dependent on us to being fairly independent. Why do I suddenly feel so old?

Joseph warned me a couple of years ago when he said, “Dad, one day you will be sorry you asked us to grow up.” Well, in a way, he’s right. It seemed to have happened pretty fast. But then, the whole point of life is to keep progressing from one stage to another.

Christians also need some helpful prodding from time to time as we progress from one stage of spirituality to another. Paul told the Christians in Ephesus that they should no longer be “children,” but rather they should “grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ.” Eph. 4:15. That growing up helps to produce growth and edification for the body, the church, as each part of the body does its share.

In whatever stage we find ourselves as Christians, we should always be looking to continue “growing up” and making progress in our spiritual journey. God loves us at every stage, but knows that even better things are ahead as we mature.

May God help us to develop a “can’t wait” attitude toward the next steps of our spiritual future.

See you Sunday! Mike

Open Our Eyes That We May See...

“Freedom”

from sin and from temptation

Sermons for July 20, 2008 by Mike Baker

A.M.: Did You See The Sign? (John 2:11)

P.M.: With Christ (Col. 3:1-4)

Tune in to KTBB AM 600 Sundays from 7:30-8:00 a.m.

for “*Our Living Hope.*”

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

NEBRASKA MISSION TRIP

Our mission trip to Nebraska was a huge success. We had great attendance at the VBS with a high of 120. Our teens did an outstanding job of planting seeds and letting their light shine. I hope you will have an opportunity to hear some more about that trip in the near future. Continue to pray for the church in West Point.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MADNESS

As you read this, 36 folks from West Erwin will be in Galveston for our Middle School Madness. Pray for our success in spiritual growth and safety. We will return on Saturday afternoon.

GOOFY GAME DAY

All of those in the Middle School Group are invited to the Goofy Game Day on Tuesday, July 22 from 1:00-4:00 @ the FLC. Please wear tennis shoes. Invite a friend to join us!

MEXICO MISSION

All of those who are going to Mexico need to begin getting your paperwork together. You will need an official picture ID and a certified Birth Certificate or a passport. We will have a meeting on Sunday, July 20 @ 4:00 in the High School Classroom. The fee is \$50 and needs to be paid by July 23. All forms need to be turned in as well.

KARING KITCHEN

West Erwin will host the Karing Kitchen this coming Monday night at 6:00. This is a great ministry opportunity to serve those in need. If you would be interested in helping, come about 5:00. We finish cleaning up by about 7:15.

IMPORTANT DATES

July 16-19	Middle School Madness
July 20	Mexico Meeting
July 21	West Erwin Hosts Karing Kitchen
July 22	Middle School - Goofy Game Day
July 25-30	Mexico Mission Trip

American Cancer Society

The ACS is seeking volunteers who will donate their time taking people to receive the medical help they need using their own personal vehicles. Schedules are flexible. If you are interested in helping call 903-597-1383.

West Erwin Talent Show

In the past we have enjoyed talent shows in the Family Life Center and there is an interest in having another one in October. One of the adult classes is considering being the sponsor for that event. We would like to know how much interest the rest of you have. You may show

your interest by volunteering to participate. We will have contact numbers available next week. Let's plan for a fun event!

Prayer

Sometimes the hardest part of praying is getting started. Try these words if they are applicable:

Lord, when I put my faith in you
my life evens out,
my days are not so tough,
my nights are peaceful,
my temper is calm,
my joy comes back up to the surface.

Why can't I live like that
all the time, Lord?

....by Don Crawford

START FINISH

MICHAEL
WHITWORTH

History is filled with the names of men and women who courageously altered the course of history. They were fearless on the battlefield of ideas. They were passionate about helping other people. Their citizenship was firmly entrenched in heaven. The author of Hebrews spoke in a revered tone when he mentioned that the world was not worthy of these world-changers (Heb. 11:38).

As teachers, you and I have the opportunity to influence another's life and change the world. As Mike talked about this past Sunday night, only eternity will be able to tell the lasting impact we will have. It is admittedly difficult to be a world-changer. Many stand ready to give us unsolicited criticism. But are not the rewards infinitely worth the pain? It is like the difference between a thermometer and a thermostat. A thermometer notices that the room is too cold and says, "It's too cold," but does nothing about it. A thermostat, however, will say, "This room is too cold," and warm the room up, or "This room is too hot," and cool the room down. A thermostat changes its environment. A thermometer simply complains. "Lord, give us more thermostats. The world is full of thermometers."

Playschool Enrolling!

West Erwin Playschool is now enrolling for fall. Hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:15 a.m.-2:15 p.m. for infants through Pre-K. Call Kim DuPree at 903-530-4948 or West Erwin Church of Christ at 903-592-0809 for more information.



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Caddie Niles' new phone number is (903) 350-0151. Please update your directories.



Seeking Spiritual Renewal

Wednesday, July 23

Renewing Our Youth: "Let no one despise thy youth..."
1 Tim. 4:12

Danny Snell

For a complete series list, see sheets on entry doors or visit the website at www.westerwin.com.

There will be no dessert this week.

Thank You

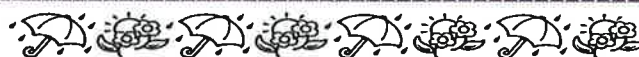
West Erwin church,
Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers. The West Erwin church is a wonderful church. Buck was so pleased to be a member there.

The Buck Nowell Family

Dear church family,
Words cannot express how much your cards, food & flowers meant to me at the loss of my son. But your kindness & thoughtfulness fills my heart. It makes my loss somewhat easier to bear. Thank you for being my church family.

In Love,

Billie Bob Hickman



You are invited to a baby shower to welcome
Walker Smith
Sunday, July 27
4-5:30 p.m.

West Erwin Family Life Center
Selections at Babies R Us

Congratualtions to parents Blake & Kenzie Smith and big brother Wyatt!
Also to grandparents Greg & Kris Walker and Uncle Maselyn!



Congratulations!

John Cruz Mullins was born July 15 in Parker, Colorado to Kyle & Marissa Mullins. He was 9 lbs., 12 oz. and was 22 in. long! Congratulations to grandparents Bill & Donna Mullins and great-grandparents Jim & Mary Ruth Cox!
Also to Uncle Alex, Uncle Jordan & Aunt Shelly!

Wedding Shower

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Bible Class	447	401	402
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Worship P. M.	460	370	355
Wed. P. M.	287	318	336
Contribution	\$24,911.32	\$43,399.11	\$27,613.40
Weekly Budget	\$26,060.00		

PRAYER AND CARE: **Johnny Anders** is having health problems. | **Louise Culpepper** had a heart catheterization at Mother Frances. | **Lowrane Canada** is still at Olympic Plaza. | **Patrick Garrett** had a tonsillectomy Thursday. | **Louise Harris** has moved to a room at Mother Frances. | **Courtney Huddleston** is at Scott & White after surgery. | **Kalli Huff** is in room 530 at UT Health Center. | **Clay Kirby** is at Olympic Plaza. | **Bill Meazell** had a heart catheterization Wednesday at Mother Frances Hospital. | **Paul Pike**, son of John & Virginia Pike, is having health problems. | **Carey Woods, Jr.** will be returning to M.D. Anderson.

SYMPATHY: Please remember to keep those who have lost loved ones in your prayers. Aven & Roberson families on the loss of **Pauline Aven**.

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10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY**

Call to worship	Don Crawford
Prayer	Howard Dickson
Scripture	Tyler DuVall
Dismiss	Phil Marts
Presiding At The Lord's Table	Daniel DuPree

SERVING COMMUNION

Dick Higginbotham	Jess Hopkins
Rob Hilliard	Greg Jones
Robert Hilliard	James Hughes
Roger Howell	Matt Kelly

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer	Randy Farrar
Scripture	Ken Culpepper
Dismiss	Melvin Crow

GREETERS

Odie & Dolores Kennedy & Brianna Bradshaw
Paul & Shelia Lewis & Barrett Carter
Carroll & Cherrie Magee & Preston Conder
Visitor Center:
Frank & Gail Debenport

Pick up cards July 20 & 27: Caleb DuPree, Jack Clark, Connor Clark, Jake Skender, Zack Skender.

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, July 20: Nursery a.m.: Candace Montgomery; Nursery p.m.: Sharon Gordon; Toddlers a.m.: Kelli Malone & Jessica Keeney; Toddlers p.m.: Gary & Judy Mitcham; 2's a.m.: Joey & Mindy Marse; 3's & 4's a.m.: Brody & Kim Clark; 2's, 3's & 4's p.m.: Corey & Angie Coleman

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Moments With Mike

The Smallest Effort Is Worth More Than The Greatest Excuse

A few years ago a news story appeared about a man who lost a local election by just one vote. Unfortunately for him, the man's two sons had failed to cast their own votes which would have given him the victory. Whatever excuse they provided in their defense certainly was of little comfort to the defeated candidate. The saying is very true: "the smallest effort is worth more than the greatest excuse."

Sometimes we can underestimate the amount of good that can be generated through our actions. For example, some may be unsure of their ability to teach the gospel to others, thinking that they don't know enough. But as someone has said, "If you know enough to be a brother, you know enough to teach another." Any effort is better than none at all.

A story is told of a young boy who was walking along the seashore. As he walked, he would stoop down and pick up a starfish off the sand and then toss it back into the water. Someone stopped the young boy and said, "What do you hope to accomplish? There are far too many starfish and you can't possibly toss them all back into the ocean." The young boy replied, "No, I can't get to them all, but to the ones I do get to it makes a big difference."

That should be our attitude when it comes to doing the work of our Lord. When called upon to trust God and put our efforts into a cause we should be ready and willing to give it our best effort. Reality will creep in at times and try to persuade us that our effort won't make a difference. When that happens we

need to refocus on our task and know that whatever we do in God's name will be of good to someone somewhere.

When Jesus challenged His disciples to find a way to feed 5,000 people, Andrew responded in John 6:9 and said, "There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?"

Likewise, we sometimes look at the great commission and other commandments and think, "With so many people in the world, how can my effort make any difference?" But remember, the smallest effort is worth more than the greatest excuse.

What difference does it make if you are faithful in attendance in worship and Bible school? Someone may be patterning their habits after yours. You make a big difference in the lives of others, especially in your own family.

What difference does it make if you are honest in business or dress and act modestly during the week? You portray the body of Christ every day, not just on Sundays. Every action in your life has the potential to draw others closer to Christ or to repel them.

May we remember to make good on our commitments to God, to the church and to others. May our life and actions become a force to draw others to Christ. May we all learn to stop making excuses and start making a difference.

See you Sunday! Mike

Open Our Eyes That We May See...

"Unity"

of all who obey the gospel

Sermons for August 10, 2008 by Mike Baker
 A.M.: According To His Own Ability (Matt. 25:14-15)
 P.M.: Youth Service: Robbie Hurlocker to preach
 Tune in to KTBB AM 600 Sundays from 7:30-8:00 a.m.
 for "*Our Living Hope.*"

"The Church With Heart"

Youth With Heart... *by Danny*

THANKS...

Thanks Barry Scarborough & Robbie Hurlocker for helping with the devotional this past Sunday.

COMBINED DEVO & ROBBIE'S GOODBYE!

Come and join us for a special evening to play some games, have some devotional time and honor our intern, Robbie Hurlocker. Robbie will be leaving this next week and this will be his last Sunday with us. We have enjoyed having Robbie here and he has blessed us greatly! Bring \$3 for supper. Join us Sunday! Wear one of your mission trip shirts!

GOOFY GAME DAY

All of those in the Middle School Group are invited to the Goofy Game Day on Thursday, Aug. 14 from 1:00-4:00. Please wear tennis shoes. Invite a friend to join us!

FALL WEDNESDAY CLASSES

We are planning some very special classes for the fall on Wednesday nights. We will have the girls & guys separate. We are excited about the teachers and the direction. Be watching for more details to come... and make plans now to be present on Wednesday nights!

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug. 10 Youth Presentation @ Evening Worship
Aug. 10 Combined Devotional
Aug. 14 Middle School - Goofy Game Day
Aug. 17 Small Groups Meet
Aug. 24 Middle School Devotional
Aug. 31 Out To Eat

Thought for the Week...

"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 17:23

Coming in September!

September 2 — Special Men's Class

Tuesday Nights
6:30PM

Limited to 20 per class
Nine Weeks Only
Sign-up Sheet & Brochure available
at the Visitor Center

September 15 — West Erwin Hosting Karing Kitchen

Coming in October!

October 11 — West Erwin Trap & Skeet Shoot Rose City Flying Clays (formerly Tyler Gun Club) 10:00 AM

October 18 — West Erwin Talent Show

Sponsors: Young Married Class
A Fun night for all!
Family Life Center
To Share Your Talent
Contact: Steve Denman
903-881-0470
or
Lindsay Kelly
903-592-0809

START FINISH

MICHAEL
WHITWORTH

I have been looking forward to this Sunday, August 10th for quite a while now. This Sunday morning, in all of our adult Bible classes, a **survey** will be administered by your teacher so that you will have an opportunity to provide your input, comment, and feedback about the education ministry here at West Erwin. You are my constituency, and I want to ensure that your needs are being met.

The survey will ask questions concerning the effectiveness of your teacher, the class topics and material, and other various issues. I also want to know whether you feel comfortable inviting visitors and friends to Bible class. Are our classes warm and inviting, or cold and confrontational? My goal for this survey is to determine the current state of our Bible classes and the direction in which we should move in the future. The surveys will be distributed at the beginning of class, and you will be asked to complete it during the class period. At the end of class, please return it to the teacher, and you will see a report of the results in class the next Sunday morning, August 17th. Please take the next few days to reflect on your Bible class, and come prepared to share your thoughts. See you Sunday!

Thank You

Dear West Erwin church,
Thank you for the beautiful flowers sent to us when we lost our son, Randy. All your cards, hugs and kind words have been so comforting to us. And knowing you were remembering us in your prayers is especially helpful. West Erwin is such a special congregation. Thank you for making us a loved part of the family.

Sincerely,

Dale & Dot White

Thanks for all of your prayers for our son, Paul Pike. All tests for cancer have been negative and he is improving at home.

John & Virginia Pike

West Erwin Church of Christ,

Thank you so much for your kind words, prayers, cards, meals, flowers & support during the loss of my husband Gary. The family also wants to thank you.

Anna Nunn & Family

Invitation for Young At Heart

Shiloh Road Church of Christ Prime Timers invite the Young At Heart group to a taco stacking August 15 at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP by Monday, Aug. 11 at 903-839-2931 to give the number of those planning to attend.

Ladies' Day

All ladies are invited to the Ladies' Day at North Tenneha Avenue Church of Christ August 23. For more information, see the News & Notes bulletin board by the small auditorium.

Openings at ETCA

ETCA has two positions available: receptionist-M-F 3:15-6 p.m & after school Pre-K & Elementary Teacher-M-F 3-6.

Tyler Tea & Luncheon Fundraiser

All ladies are invited to a tea & luncheon benefiting:

 Boles
Children's Home

at Roseland Plantation
Ballroom
2601 State Hwy 64
Ben Wheeler, TX 75754
Sunday, August 17, 2008
Lunch - Noon to 2 pm
Tickets per person - \$15
To RSVP or for more
information, contact Kristen Bollman
903-883-2204 &
bolang@boleschildrenshome.org



50th ANNIVERSARY

The children and grandchildren of
Harold & Shirley Denman
invite you to celebrate their parents'
Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary
Saturday, the ninth of August
2 until 5 o'clock in the afternoon
Family Life Center
West Erwin Church of Christ

Teachers' Meeting

There will be a teachers meeting for all current and future K-5th grade Bible class teachers on Sunday, August 17 at 5:00 pm in the small auditorium.

Survey of Adult Bible Classes

This Sunday, a survey of the West Erwin Education Ministry will be conducted during the Adult Bible Classes. Your participation is solicited and appreciated.



Roger & Glenda Howell's new phone number:
903-881-0366

Seeking Spiritual Renewal

Wednesday, August 13

*Renewing One's Life Against Sin: Wages of sin vs. Gift of God
Romans 6:23*

Jeff Jenkins

Join us in the FLC after services for popcorn & cokes.

Moved Away

West Erwin Church of Christ,
Our new address is 515 Westminster Dr., Rainbow City, AL 35906 and our email is babyseals@att.net. We are now settling in our new house in Alabama. We are sorry that there were so many people that we did not get to see for a final goodbye— but no goodbye is final for Christians!

Love,

Shanon, Angela, Talon & Terrin Seals

Our new address is 527 N Bradford Street, Seaford, DE 19973. We had so many come to help us load the truck and I cannot thank them enough. Fortunately, when we arrived, we had several who helped us unload. Believe it or not, nothing was broken! (Yet..we have not opened all the boxes!) Thanks to all of you who were there!

G.W. & Valentina Cliver

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Records	Sunday-August 3	Sunday-July 27	Year Ago
Bible Class	430	428	405
Worship A. M.	697	668	685
Worship P. M.	417	392	388
Wed. P. M.	349	297	337
Contribution	\$28,678.50	\$22,385.06	\$25,879.84
Weekly Budget	\$26,060.00		

PRAYER AND CARE: **Johnny Anders** fell at home Saturday. The ER report showed no fractures but he is in pain and is at home. | **Tammy Asbill** had outpatient surgery Thursday, 7/31. | **Adelle Hamilton**, mother of Allene Smith, is under hospice care in Mansfield, TX. | **Louise Harris** is in extended care at Mother Frances, room 414. | **Phyllis Holleman** has a lung infection. | **Jean Martin**, Sandie's mother, is still undergoing chemotherapy and will be taking radiation when she finishes chemotherapy. | **Bobbye May** will have hip replacement surgery Friday, 8/8. | **Barry Rivers**, friend of the Harold Denmans, had heart surgery Wednesday at Mother Frances. | **Judy Wilmeth** had foot surgery Tuesday, 8/5, and is now home.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER: Erin Amundson, Kathy Portwood's nephew's wife | **Jill Amundson**, Kathy Portwood's sister | **Brittany & Brad Asbill** | **Bill Barrett**, friend of Morris Hallman | **Darrell Beard** | **Gerald Boykin** | **Diane Carroll** | **Carroll & R.D. Cawyer**, Bud's brothers | **Allen Cook** | **Dan & Wini Cullinan** | **Frank Doherty**, Lowrane Canada's brother-in-law | **Debra George**, Becky Howard's neighbor | **Warren & Gaynelle Gray** | **Frank Haddock**, Bettie Thorne's son-in-law | **Jean Henry**, Donna Wright's mother | **Billie Bob Hickman** | **Lou Jarrett**, Rebekah Carnathan's uncle | **Linda Keeling**, Tim Grounds' sister | **Buddy Kennedy** | **Clay Kirby** | **Joel Knox** | **Gus Krewall** | **Leo May** | **Dub & Opal Mathews** | **Bobbye May** | **Mary McFadden** | **Shirley McClenny** | **Kay & Billy Bob McCool**, Kathy Portwood's sister & brother-in-law | **Ruth Meazell** | **Linda Morales**, Jeri Prestidge's aunt | **Will Orr**, Friend of Blair Ethridge | **Suzan Parker**, Noel & Jean Parker's daughter-in-law | **Jim Pierce**, Faye Kennard's brother | **Paul Pike** | **George Richardson** | **Mary Richey** | **Butch Roach**, neighbor of the Tanksleys | **Sarah Rowland**, daughter-in-law of Jo & Art Rowland | **Odell Sessions** | **Ray Silvertooth**, Ruth (Hearne) Moore's brother | **Judy Simpson**, Ruth Ellis' sister | **Garrett Smith** | **Judy Smith** | **Scott Smith**, Michelle's husband | **Jim Smith**, Scott Smith's dad | **Joy Taylor**, Bill Meazell's sister | **Molly Lou Terry** | **Sylvia Tharpe** | **Esther Wilson** | **Earlyne Wimberly** | **Dorothy Woods** | **Carey Woods Jr.** | **Ponder Wright, Sr.** & **Patsy Young**.

**SERVING SUNDAY
10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY**

Call to worship	Mike Baker
Prayer	Forest McFadden
Scripture	Bob Hackett
Dismiss	James Sublette
Presiding At The Lord's Table	Mike Gravois

SERVING COMMUNION

Garland Latham	Stephen Leung
John Lacy	Pete Leung
Marc Lemons	Michael Carnathan
Taylor Lemons	Ron Lott

6:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Speaker	Robbie Hurlocker
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GREETERS

Paul & Carolyn Montandon & Grant DuVall
 Carlos & Emma Morgan & Samantha DuVall
 Kenneth & Evelyn Muncy & Jamie Ellis
 Visitor Center:
 Dannie & Sue Skipper
 Jim & Sue Carty

Pick up cards for August 10 : Matthew Kimball, Brayden Kempton, Evan Kingsbury, Carson Hancock, Grant Perkins

Minibus Driver for Sunday and Wednesday: Don Ingram, ph. 509-8955. **Please call if you need transportation.**

Children's Worship Workers for Sunday, July 20: Nursery a.m.: Jan Cook; Nursery p.m.: Donna Wright; Toddlers a.m.: Kristi Harris & Megan; Toddlers p.m.: Cathy Culpepper & Wendy; 2's a.m.: Blake & Mary Lockhart; 3's & 4's a.m.: Mark & Melissa Frick; 2's, 3's & 4's p.m.: Joey & Mindy Marse

- ◆ Bible-based
- ◆ Christ-centered
- ◆ People-oriented
- ◆ Heart-filled
- ◆ Sent out

Moments With Mike

Heed The Warning

Hurricane Ike swept through our area and, thankfully, we were mostly untouched. Many of our members were without electricity for a few hours and a few of them were without it for days. But we were all unharmed and for that we are very thankful.

As I watched the news coverage of the storm I was struck by the foolishness of people who were unwilling to heed the warning of this severe storm. One scene in particular showed a group of people drinking outdoors at a sea side bar as the storm was approaching Galveston.

During an on air interview, one newscaster pleaded with them to reassess their decision to stay and to seek safety away from the storm. Yet they were determined to stay and drink their way through it.

Have you ever wondered why some people simply will not heed the warnings given to them? The warnings from the authorities stated that "certain death" was in store for those who did not evacuate. But many people would not evacuate. As far as I know, this group at the bar escaped with their lives.

The writer of Hebrews reminds us in Hebrews 9:27, that "it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment." One may escape paying taxes and may elude other responsibilities in life, but one may not escape the

certainty of physical death. It will happen. Maybe not today, or even within a decade. But we will all die.

In a manner similar to those at the sea side bar, many people today will not heed the warnings of the Bible to prepare their souls to be right with God. They will ignore, discard and belittle the pleas from God through us (2 Cor. 5:20) for them to reconcile to God while they still have the chance.

I'm glad those people at the bar survived the storm. But instead of feeling more sure of their decision, I hope that this close call will cause them to think more responsibly about the safety of both their physical and spiritual lives.

Friends, we live in a world where people think they are invincible. An estimated 140,000 defied the order to evacuate and some 2,000 people had to be rescued in the aftermath of Ike. I'm glad they found physical safety. I pray that they, and others, will seek and find spiritual safety as they heed the warnings from God.

"For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away." James 4:14. Friends, let's heed God's warnings and prepare for eternity!

See you Sunday! Mike

Open Our Eyes That We May See...
"Our Neighbors"
 and meet their needs through our love.

Sermons for September 21 by Mike Baker
 A.M.: Everybody Ought To... (Heb 10:23-25)
 P.M.: Overlooking Ignorance No More (Acts 17:30-31)
 Tune in to KTBB AM 600 Sundays from 7:30-8:00 a.m.
 for "***Our Living Hope.***"

Youth With Heart... by Danny

THANKS!

West Erwin hosted the Karing Kitchen this past week. Thanks to Matt Hamm for taking over for me on cooking hamburgers. Thanks to all who helped!

LIVING GODLY IN AN UN-GODLY WORLD

We are planning a very special class for the fall on Wednesday nights. The title is "Living Godly in an Un-Godly World." We will have separate girls & guys groups. We are excited about the teachers and the direction. Be watching for more details to come... and make plans now to be present on Wednesday nights!

FALL FESTIVAL

Sunday, Oct. 26 is the Children's Fall Festival. Our teens host this evening for the children... of all ages! It is a special evening of great fun and fellowship. Mark your calendars!

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept. 21	Small Groups Night
Oct. 5	: Middle School Devotional
Oct. 12	High School Devotional
Oct. 26	Fall Festival
Nov. 2	Area-Wide Jr. High Gathering @ W.E.
Nov. 21-23	Middle School Retreat

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

"For we are God's workmanship,

created in Christ Jesus to do good works,

which God prepared in advance for us to do."

Ephesians 2:10

Was Work Really Adam's Curse?

Have you ever been unhappy at your job? Have you ever heard anyone complain about their jobs? Have you ever thought work is the result of the curse Adam was given in Genesis ?

Contrary to what some folks think, work is not the result of Adam's curse. The curse was the addition of thorns and thistles that turned the work into "painful toil" (Gen. 3:17) and work became a hassle. But, work itself is a privilege. A calling. A GOD given assignment to be carried out for the glory of GOD for Adam was called by GOD to work the Garden and care for it before Satan entered the scene. The thorns and thistles added irritation because of the sin to make work miserable.

The thorns are those little sharp things that cause pain. Thistles are a constant source of discomfort

and frustration. For most of us, Satan has made both thorns and thistles into people. People who are a pain and frustration to work with. People who daily turn work into what seems like a sweaty curse.

The difference of work being a GOD given assignment that we fulfill to His glory and work being a mere job filled with misery is people. You and I are people. Therefore, the work place will never be better than you and I make it. It's not the products that make a company great; it's the people. People who are willing to do their best, regardless of who gets the credit.

Try reading 2 Thessalonians 3 a few times and learn to enjoy what GOD has given you to do and never tire of doing what is right. Have a great week using your new attitude.

Don Crawford

START FINISH

MICHAEL
WHITWORTH

"Lord, make me a servant. Lord, make me like You for You are a servant; make me one too. Lord, make me a servant, do what You must do to make me a servant. Make me like You." I remember learning this song in my teen years at summer camp. The song is a simple one, at least in a musical sense, but the power of its message is anything but simple. This is what I mean:

One of Jesus' greatest desires was that His followers be servants. On the night before His death, he left a powerful image in the minds of the disciples by washing their feet (John 13). Today, we have an obligation as Christians to develop a servant's heart. I am thankful for the dozens of individuals who give of themselves so freely for the good of West Erwin, and particularly the education program. **Let us continue to promote that spirit!** I am quite confident that none of us serve as we do in order to promote ourselves. Rather, we seek to glorify God! When we do not get our way, or when we are asked to do something for the good of the congregation, let us step up with humility and say, "Lord, make me like You! Do what you must do!" Let us have the mind of Christ (Philippians 2:5-8) in all we do!

Thank You

Dear West Erwin,
Thanks for the prayers, visits and cards during my surgery. I am doing well. I love you all at West Erwin.

Henry McRuiz

Thank you for the food, cards, calls and flowers at the death of my brother. You are a loving church family.

Jack & Johnnie Stringer

We are so grateful for your expression of sympathy during our time of loss. Thank you for the beautiful basket of flowers and for your prayers for the Davis and Womack families, which helped us through a difficult time.

The Family of Bob Davis

Welcome New Members!

Bobby, Rachel, Chelsea & Chloe Dingler

3001 Cameron Ave., Tyler, 75701 903-592-4334

Fred & Mitzi Wilkinson

2627 Golden Road, Tyler, 75701 903-592-2110

Benevolence Center Needs

The Benevolence Center is in need of men's shirts and ladies' plus size clothing.

Mark Your Calendars

You are invited to an all church sandwich supper at the Family Life Center Sunday, September 28 after evening services. We will be honoring Danny Snell, Frances McBee & Leonard Thompson for their time and service to the congregation here at West Erwin. Please bring sandwiches and/or desserts. Drinks will be provided. Please make plans to attend to show our appreciation to Danny, Frances & Leonard!



Men's Day at North Tenneha

Men are invited to the 1st Annual North Tenneha Church of Christ Men's Day Program Saturday, October 18 from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. See the brochure on the News & Notes bulletin board by the small auditorium.

Gospel Meeting at Chandler Street

Chandler Street Church of Christ in Kilgore invites you to join them for their annual Gospel Meeting with speaker Darwin Hunter October 26-29, 2008. See the flyer on the news & notes bulletin board by the small auditorium.

Tyler Churches Golf Tournament



Sign up at the Visitor Center for the Tyler Churches of Christ golf scramble. The cost is \$75 per person. Give your money to Don Crawford.

A Family For Every Child Dinner

Christian Homes & Family Services presents A Family For Every Child 2008 Fund-raising Dinner with special guest, Ryan Dobson. The dinner will be Tuesday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m. at Villa di Felicita, Hwy. 110 North, Tyler. Tickets are \$50.00 each and table sponsorships are available. For more info, contact Brad Spradlin at 903.509.0558 or bspradlin@christianhomes.com.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2008

EEM

THE \$1,000,000 SUNDAY

THE BIBLE. WE WANT EVERYONE TO GET IT.

THEY KICKED GOD OUT OF SCHOOLS IN RUSSIA AND UKRAINE- NOW THEY ARE ASKING US TO HELP BRING HIM BACK IN. THE STATE OF DONETSK, UKRAINE, HAS RECENTLY ASKED EASTERN EUROPEAN MISSION TO PROVIDE BIBLES AND BIBLICAL LITERATURE FOR ALL 1,188 PUBLIC SCHOOLS, IN WHICH THERE ARE ABOUT 366,000 STUDENTS. WHILE WE ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO EVEN PRAY IN AMERICAN SCHOOLS. WE SAID YES. NOW WE ARE ASKING CHURCHES OF CHRIST NATIONWIDE TO PROVIDE GIFTS TO THE 1,000,000 SUNDAY TO FILL THE SCHOOLS IN RUSSIA & UKRAINE WITH GOD'S WORD.

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Records	Sunday-Sept. 14	Sunday— Sept. 7	Year Ago
Bible Class	469	502	453
Worship a.m.	645	740	694
Worship p.m.	439	440	408
Wed. p.m.	378	296	383
Contribution	\$25,037.27	\$30,163.27	\$27,059.54
Weekly Budget	\$26,060.00		

Updates: Louise Harris is in Mother Frances Hospital. | Ed & Carolyn Stitt are undergoing health problems. | Geri Moore will be having knee replacement surgery Sept. 23. | Glen Pimberton, brother-in-law of Danny Snell, is suffering from a foot injury. | Coleen Pilkinton, friend of Michael Whitworth, will be having cancer surgery Friday, 9/20. | Bill White had a stent put in Tuesday, 9/16 and is now home. | Dale White had a pacemaker implanted Tuesday, 9/16 and is now home.

West Erwin Family: Johnny Anders | Darrell Beard | Delle Bullard | Delores Bundy | Allen Cook | Warren & Gaynelle Gray | Merle Lane | Dub & Opal Mathews | Bob May | Bobbye May | Shirley McClenny | Penny & Wade McDonald | Henry McRuiz | Ruth Meazell | Hugh Mills | Samuel Mink | Thomas Park | Kay Parrish | Bettye Price | George Richardson | Odell Sessions | Judy Smith | Scott Smith, Michelle's husband | Sylvia Tharpe | Esther Wilson | Ray Womack | Ponder Wright, Sr.

Family & Friends: Marlana Battenfield, Michelle's Smith's sister | Rheba Burgess, Norma Durham's mother | Carroll Cawyer, Bud Cawyer's brother | Jan Faubian, friend of Bud & Charlotte Cawyer | Frank & Carla Haddock, son-in-law & daughter of Bettie Thorne | Nelva Higgs, Chad Chauncey's aunt | Joey Merling, friend of Irene Whaley | Jim Smith, Michelle Smith's father-in-law | Carey Woods, Dorothy Woods' stepson

Also continue to pray for those who are shut-in and those in nursing homes.

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Scripture	Mike Harris
Dismiss	Jay Bynum
Presiding At The Lord's Table	Ralph Henderson

SERVING COMMUNION

Gary Mitcham	Tim Moody
Jerry Mitchell	Aubrey Morman
J.D. Mitchell	Alan Montgomery
Paul Montandon	Larry Moore

5:00 P.M. ASSEMBLY

Prayer	Tom Hale
Scripture	Michael Hall
Dismiss	Jeff Fennell

GREETERS

Charles & Linda Westerfeld & Emily Hearon
David & Ginny Wicks & Taylor Holly
Bill & Barbara White & Krista Huff
Visitor Center:
Don & Norma Durham
Joe & Frances McBee

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