

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of July 30, 2017

Bible Class	52
Morning Assembly	85
Evening Assembly	38
Wednesday Bible Class	29
Contribution	\$2873.00
Budget	1871.00
Over budget for week	1002.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = BORN FROM ABOVE
(John 3:1ff)

P.M. = ADORNING THE DOCTRINE
(Titus 2:9-10)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUMMER SERIES



AUGUST 9th - Paul Jones

AUGUST 16th - James Brandon

WELCOME VISITORS

We want to personally thank you for joining us today. It is our prayer you leave our worship service with an uplifted spirit. Below is what you can expect during our services.

SINGING: Non-instrumental singing plays a great part of our worship services. We hope that you will find this to be an uplifting praise to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19)

LORD'S SUPPER: Each Sunday we observe the Lord's Supper, which reflects on the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and the hope of everlasting life we now can live through Him. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

CONTRIBUTION: During the service, we as members are given the opportunity to give a portion of what God has given us. This money is used to support the church and to help spread God's Word. (I Cor. 16:2)



Schedule of Services

Sunday:
Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
Assembly 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Class: (Sept-May)
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

Preacher Gerald Bennett
Song Leader Tommy Bennett
Elders Gerald Bennett, Jamie Cobb
Deacons Dave Donohoe, Russell Dukes Jr.



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IT'S ALL GOOD!

This is a saying that people use all the time. What I think that they mean by it is that everything is all right. But everything is not all good! It is not all good even with the best of us. For even at our best, we are all sinners and we live in a world of sinners. Even in our families, we live with sinners. And we do not always treat each other as we ought to do. Husbands and wives, even Christian husbands and wives do not treat each other as they ought. And for us to call something that is bad, good, will not make it good. And as we live and deal with people in our world, we are dealing with sinners in a sinful world. And when people sin against us, it is not good.

But there is one who is always good and always wants good for us. That good is for us to be like Him for He is the only one that is truly good all the time. And for us to be like Him we must learn to love Him with all of our hearts and love each other. And for us to say that we need to learn to love like Him is truly redundant. Love is love and the only love there is the kind of love that God does. God is good, all the time and all the time, God is good. So when Paul told the Corinthians that he was showing them a more excellent way, He was talking about the way they should have been treating each other there in Corinth instead of being divided and jealous over each other.

Here is what love does. "Love is patient, love is kind *and* is not jealous; love does not brag *and* is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong *suffered*, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things" (1 Cor. 13:4-7).

It is "all good" when things are that are done are good and we respond in kind. Otherwise it is not all good. But when we trust God and respond to the bad that people do to us as God would have us do then God can work things together for good. Our love for God should cause us to desire to want to do what God wants us to do. It should make us always want to do good to each other for God.

When you look at your life what do you see? Do you see it all good? Or do you see when evil is evil, sin is sin, and call it good? Or in spite of all this do you see that God is the one who is good all the time?

THINK ABOUT IT!!!

GERALD

PRAYER LIST

"Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:16



Our 249 Family

Dave & Neida Donahoe were ill due to heat exhaustion and stomach problems.

Mary Kemp continues to deal with the pain associated with the Shingles.

Jason Powers is dealing with his diabetes and blood sugar levels.

Truman Brown son of Doris is in Waco recovering from his third surgery on his leg, she is with him.

Jerry Jefferson has been in the hospital due to stomach problems.

Continue to Pray For:

Robert Aguirre, Janet Barnwell, Doris Brown, Sharon Bradley, Sherlyn & Bill Cartwright, Jackie Crawford, Alcadio & Sherlyn Gonzalez, Stella Hamontree, Jane Moody, Luv Moore, Doris Peavler, Daniel Williams and Robert Winston.

Friends and Family

Luther Barnes (father of Melissa Bennett), Bill Murry's parents, Norris Sterling (husband of Nancy-Sharon Foster's sister) has lung cancer, Larry & Jessica Harold Family, Tony Mendoza (nephew of Lydia Walden), Ben Moon (son of Mike & Carolyn), Van Webb (Brother-in-law of Mike Moon), Dot, Jerry, Leon & Morris Allee, Roy Allee, Stephen Gillespie, Andre

White (Debra's son), Mrs. George (Shannon Cobb's grandmother), Johnny Atkinson (Shannon's cousin), Doris Dromgoole, Debbie Bachmeyer, Howard (Dixie's husband - Doris Peavler's sister), Terry Peavler, Owen Cobb (great grandson of Linda Cobb), Mike Howsley (Doris Peavler's great nephew), Pam & Leslie Woodley, Charlie Womack, Laura Tullis, Ruthie Guterrez (friend of the Bennett's), surgery scheduled for August 8th. and Tina Jinks (friend of Shari Owen) have both been diagnosed with cancer, Rose Sanchez (sister of Robert Aguirre) is recovering from spine surgery, Virginia Martin and her 90 year old mother (neighbors of Linda Cobb), Wade Walker (brother of Mary Lewis) has stage 4 cancer, Brandon Rendon, Lyndon Richardson (Linda Cobb's cousin) has cancer of the blood. Linda & Jenifer Breithaupt, Clarisa Jones is dealing with struggles in her life, her baby is due August 24th, Elizabeth Santee, Glyn Kemp (brother of Mary recovering from pneumonia), Arthur Ray (brother in law of Angela Jones has begun chemo), Bonnie Love (her son Richard called and asked for our prayers for her and the family as they have decisions to make concerning her).

Shut-Ins: Thomas Bailey, Joyce Bradley, and Debbie Goode



The Next Area Congregational Singing

Will be here!

August 26th – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



We want to thank our sisiter Betty Love for bringing our lesson last Sunday morning.

Gerald taught the Auditorium class. He gave an overview of the history of the time of the Kings and the Babylonian captivity. We will continue our study of Daniel Sunday morning.

FIFTH SUNDAY SINGING was enjoyed by those who attended, and Tommy gave the history on a few of the songs. And built the invitation around the song "Just As I Am". Thanks to those who participated.



TRAVELING

Wanda has been in California with her sisters visiting other family members. **Ed** has been working in the Northeast and was able to visit family members in the Carolina's recently. **Gerald and Judy** made a short trip to Fredericksburg last week.

John Gooch from Jersey Village brought our lesson Wednesday night on lessons learned from Noah as revealed in the New Testament. It was a great lesson and all who were in attendance were blessed by it.

GERALD'S GLEANINGS

Sundays are mostly always good around 249.

We had 85 in attendance last Sunday morning. We had visitors from out of town and around town. We are very thankful for all of our visitors.

I went up to Cresson, TX just south of Fort Worth on Sunday evening. I went to visit my good friend Rick Edwards. Tuesday, August 1st was my birthday. I had a great visit and we played golf Monday and Tuesday morning. I think that I have realized that I cannot play golf two days in a row. I am getting too old for that. I got back home Tuesday night about 7:30 p.m. But I do appreciate all of the happy birthday wishes from all who gave them.

As I said when I introduced John Gooch Wednesday evening he is the one who introduced me to the book Muscle and A Shovel. I have read the book two times and have recommended it to many people and I recommend it to you. I have also given the book as a gift to several. It is a good book to give to those whom you are interested in helping be saved and convert to Christ.

I sent emails out Wednesday evening to our family to remind us of the Summer Series sermon. I will be sending emails to communicate future events as well. Please check your email often.

I love you!

Gerald