

PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of April 15, 2017

Bible Class	54
Morning Assembly	90
Evening Assembly	50
Wednesday Bible Class	44
Contribution	\$3292.00
Budget	1871.00
Over the budget for week	1421.00



SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

A.M. = NOT GOOD TO BE ALONE
(Genesis 2:18)

P.M. = SERVE ONE ANOTHER
(Galatians 5:13-15)

SERMONS NEXT SUNDAY

A.M. = DEALING WITH LIBERTIES
(1 Corinthians 8:13)

P.M. = WALK AFTER THE SPIRIT
(Galatians 5:16)

WEDNESDAY P.M. DEVO

April 25th – Russell Dukes Sr.

May 2nd – Tyrone Powers



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)

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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	9:30 a.m.
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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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WHO DOESN'T LOVE A GREAT LOVE STORY?

The story of Hosea and Gomer is the story of God and Israel, and a very good illustration of the story of God and me.

God tells Hosea, “Go, take to yourself and wife of harlotry and have children of harlotry....” And he does what the LORD tells him to do. He has three children. The first is a son and He tells him to name the son Jezreel. This name is named for the place where God destroys His enemies and He is going to destroy the house of Jehu and Israel. (More about his later.) But Hosea may have thought a son to carry on his name. His wife conceives and gives birth to a daughter to be named Loruhamah which means “no compassion” because God will not have compassion on the house of Israel. This may be an indication that Gomer was being who God said she was, a harlot and this would not be compassionate for Hosea. The third child born was also a son to be named Lo-Ammi which means “not my people” and you can guess what that means to Hosea. It is not his child.

You can imagine how Hosea would feel married to a harlot who will sleep with anybody. So she goes off to live a life of harlotry. But when we get to chapter three we see that he goes and buys her back as the Bible says in Hosea 3:5, “So I bought her for myself for fifteen shekels of silver and a homer and a half of barley.”

And so the book of Hosea goes on to tell of God’s love story with Israel. And His willingness to buy her back to Himself. If the story of Hosea holds to form, and I believe that it does! Hosea paid a dear price to buy Gomer back to himself. And without a doubt our God paid a dear price to buy us back to himself. “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son....” And all of this to redeem us!

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

Janet Barnwell continues to deal with pain and various health issues.

Sharon Bradley received a good report on her recent test.

Jackie Crawford continues to recover from her recent surgery, she was in our assembly Sunday morning.

Stella Hamontree does not have brain cancer, she began chemotherapy April 19th.

Myrtle Jones received a good report from her doctor, her medication was changed and she is having to deal with that change.

Sam Rush will have a couple things done to prepare for the treatment at Methodist Hospital.

Maria Rush MRI herniated disc the doctor wants to do steroid injections in the hospital, for the spasms in her neck, he really doesn't want to do surgery.

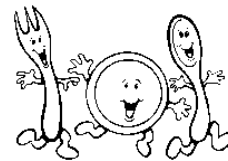
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Johnnie & Betty Thomas plan to fly to Michigan early Sunday morning for a visit with family and friends.

CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Dorothy Allee, Doug & Linda Allee, Mary Clara Barrett (Ira's sister has stage 2 cancer

begins treatment next week), Joycelyn Bradley, Shannon's 8 year old cousin Ryan, Sherlyn & Bill Cartwright, Vincent Davis (Ruth's brother), Betty Jo Dennis, Ronald Derks, Kimberly (Doris Dromgoole's granddaughter) kidney from a transplant is failing, Stacy Farmer, Tony Mendoza (is in the hospital and will be having dialysis four times a week), Ruthie Guterrez, Larry (has high blood pressure) Jessica Harold and their family also his niece Dana (lives in Florida, diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer and heart problems), Dr. Husain, Jerry Jefferson (recovering from gout), Bob & Billie Johnson, Rose Kuhn (friend of Debbie White) has cancer, Celia Mosley (recovering from pneumonia), Belinda Otero, Larry Powers (Tyrone's brother), Edith Ramos (friend of Marissa) is recovering from successful surgery to repair broken ankle, Tamara (classmate of Jaelyn) was hit by a car on her way to school both legs were broken, Judy Bentley Williams is recovering at home from surgery, Richard Zimmer (a friend of Judy's sister) has cancer of the pancreas, liver & kidneys), and those dealing with cancer and all other illnesses.



FAMILY, FOOD, FUN

THIS FRIDAY NIGHT

APRIL 20TH

7:00 P.M.

In the Fellowship Hall

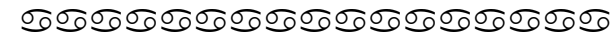
Theme: All American Picnic

A sign up list is posted in the foyer.



LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S HOME

Has requested “no show” girls socks, they will be here June 7th to pick up our donations.



We are in the process of getting a new church directory ready to print. Please let us know of any changes in your information.

BIBLE CLASS TEACHERS are needed if you can serve in this area, please let the elders know.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUMMER SERIES will begin soon. A form is available for your input. Please get one and fill it out.

FORMS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WANTING COPIES OF THE SUNDAY SERMONS. These are on the table in the foyer.

Remember that decisions for the church are made by the church. We need your input consistently and constantly. Thank you.

The Jerusalem council in Acts chapter 15 gives us the example and precedent. “Then it seemed good to the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to choose men from among them to send with Paul and Barnabus... (Acts 15:22).

GERALD'S GLEANINGS

We did have a good Sunday around 249 last week.

We are always thankful to have visitors each week, and last week was no exception.

We are winding down our Genesis study on Wednesday nights. And it has been a really good study. The summer quarter is rapidly drawing upon us. It looks like for you have chosen to have the Wednesday night guest speakers for the summer program. This will be the month of June, July, and August. We will invite 13 men to come and preach to us. As is mentioned elsewhere in the bulletin there are forms on the table in the foyer for you to give your suggestions as to who you would like to hear. Please give us your input.

We have had two sister to respond to the need for teachers. We need one more and there can be a rotation of teachers each quarter.

Johnnie and Betty Thomas are going to be away from us for a couple of weeks visiting family. Pray for their safe travels.

Judy and I will be traveling to West Monroe, Louisiana on Monday and returning on Wednesday. We will be going to celebrate our daughters' birthday and we will get to see our grandson in his band concert while there. We will be back for the Wednesday evening Bible class.

I love you

Gerald