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"I Hope You Know"

From the Eden's garden, the principle of man's created nature was announced by God as being made, "in Our image." Furthermore, man was given the privilege and responsibility to procreate this image (Genesis 1:28). While Noah was permitted to use animals of the field for his needs, he was reminded of the image man bore, and that no blood of man should be shed (Gen 9:2-6). The Psalmist declared, "Know that the Lord, He is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves" (Psalm 100:3). Solomon told us seven things our God hates, and one was hands which shed innocent blood (Prov 6:17). Solomon also made it known, that children should "Listen to your father who begot you..." (Proverbs 23:22). The express image and value of human life should not be forgotten and cannot be overemphasized today.

Our advancements in technology seem to move at a dizzying pace, but also bring distinct blessing. Diseases, which under a century ago would have faced an outcome of death, have in many places, been eradicated. Individuals who suffer from injury or maladies, through various interventions cannot only find a meaningful quality of life, they can adapt to daily routines which in other ages would have seemed impossible. Many hurdles of medical science have been cleared. Not a few remain. What must remain in our perspective is the commitment best described through the oath, "do no harm."

Life, all life, is given from one source, a truth made known by Paul, while standing in the midst of many motivated through scholarly pursuits (Acts 17:25). God, as the giver of life, has chosen in His divine knowledge and power how to transmit the gift of His "breath of life" from Adam's nostrils to our nature. When telling of the Messiah's divine life, we're taken not to a manger, but to the "matrix of My mother" in order to see His presence was from the womb (Isaiah 49:1). The Psalmist declared the making of man is done in "secret" and is "skillfully wrought" (Psalm 139:15), revealing that God is aware of our conceived "substance" within the place where Jeremiah was known and called, from the womb (Jeremiah 1:5).



Those who have called for violence toward those who would willfully perform abortions under the guise of "women's health" are no better than the ones they oppose. The spirit of Christ will never be seen through a distorted image of His love. While there are those who advocate for abortion on demand in our country, and while we have for decades permitted such, we cannot connect with those who would choose abortion through merely condemning the act. Some hearts may be scared, while others may be steered by the same selfish influences which lead them to their dilemma. Should the only voice of faith they hear, be one of condemnation of their actions and not concern for their soul, we've missed a grand opportunity for the gospel. Surely not a few who believe abortion is the answer to their problem, stand at the intersection of fear and a future. Our Savior stood there too. His prayer was, "not My will, but Yours be done." He was shown a better way, one that did not surrender to a misguided desire. I hope you know, all life is precious, and needs to see the light of day in order to touch the light of the Savior's deliverance.

Centerville Church of Christ

Sunday 9am / 6pm Wednesday 7pm

Visitors Welcome!

Area Events

Events

...Singing at the Fairview Church of Christ November 11, 2016 at 7 P.M. 9 P.M. break for finger foods and fellowship.

...Special 5th Sunday Service at the Brushy Church of Christ. Speaker: Kyle Butt 9a Bible Class: *Islam In The US* 10a Worship: *The Bible And America* followed by a fellowship meal 1p Worship: *Christianity and Culture*

...Ladies' Day at the South Gate Church of Christ November 5, 2016. Brunch at 9a in the Fellowship Hall Speaker: Erin Wells Topic: *What's In Your Luggage?*

All Committee Chairmen !



All Committee Chairmen, please pick-up an event schedule form in the lobby and return it to the

office by November 7th. The 2017 calendar is set to be completed by December 5, 2016. We deeply appreciate your help in coordinating our events for the year and anticipate 2017 being a great year for the Centerville Church of Christ !

Address for:
Justin Barber



AB Barber, Justin T
323TRS/FLT 019
Dorm 2C2
1320 Truempee Street
Unit 369557
Lackland AFB, Texas
78236-6408

Please encourage Justin with a note or a card



YOUTH ON HIS PATH

Praise Apply Teach Heighten
Craig Shelton

Wed. Nights

L2L

L2L Classroom in
Lighthouse

Wed. Nights in

Oct & Nov

Timothy & Tabitha
Classes

October 26

LIGHTHOUSE

Bryce Hughes

5-7

October 28-29

TEAM HARVEST

YOUTH HUNT

October 29

CENTERVILLE

PARADE

5:15 Bus Garage

October 30

YOUNG MEN

LEAD SERVICES @

COBLE

10:15-12

October 30

TRUNK OR TREAT

November 3

PRAYER

BREAKFAST

7-7:30

November 9

LIGHTHOUSE

Danny & Melody

Skelton

5-7

November 11

LAZERQUEST

LOCK-IN

10:30-7:30

November 13

JUNIOR HIGH

FIRESIDE

Maty Hunt

7-9

November 14

BIBLE STUDY

Girls @ Newsom's

Guys@Dotson's

6-7

A TRUE FIRESIDE FOR THE SENIOR HIGH. Sunday night we had a large crowd and a large time at Philip & Alice Anne Jacobs as they, Mike & Regina Elkins, and their families hosted the Fireside. We enjoyed some delicious food and the time around the fire roasting marshmallows. Some beautiful singing, prayers, and devotional rounded out the night. Thanks to the Jacobs and Elkins for the wonderful evening!

A BUSY WEEKEND for all ages is coming up! Friday night Team Harvest is hosting a Youth Hunt. The festivities begin at John & Vicky Smith's home at 4:30 with several games, supper and a devotional planned. Saturday the groups will go their separate ways and hope to enjoy a morning hunt teamed with adults. If you would still like to participate, let Monty Dunn know or call the church office!

THE CENTERVILLE PARADE IS SATURDAY. We will be putting a float in the Centerville Halloween Parade again this year. We will meet at the bus garage at 5:15 to load up. Be sure you wear your costume if you like and bring a lot of candy. This is for all ages of youth.

SUNDAY MORNING TAKES US BACK TO COBLE! We always look toward the 5th Sunday with excitement as we get to travel to Coble together as our young men lead the services there. We will leave at 10:15 and return just before 12. We appreciate those who join us, especially our young ladies support.

HAVE YOU PICKED UP YOUR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER CALENDAR? They are loaded with activities as we wind out the year. From Firesides, Bible Studies, and Lighthouses to Timothy & Tabitha Classes, Servant Saturdays, LazerQuest Lock-in (which you can sign-up for now), Progressive Dinner, Angel Tree Shopping, Breakfast with Santa, Sunshine Baskets, and even more! Info is at the Youth News Board, our Webpage, Twitter, Facebook, or Instagram!

"O DEATH WHERE IS YOUR STING?" The recognizing of death this time of year traces back to the Celics and the god of death to be later changed by Christians to pay homage to the saints who have passed away in the previous year. None-the-less, death comes to mind. As we discussed Sunday night three things we need to do. First, check our spiritual health. Second, be aware of the spiritual health of those we associate with. Finally, pick out a tombstone because death will come to us all unless the Lord returns first. Are you living a life in preparation for death? Where will your eternity be spent? Thanks be to God that through His Son you too have the opportunity to overcome sin and death (I Cor 15:50-58)... follow His path, -Craig

Sympathy

...We express our sympathy to the family of Margaret Jo Petty who passed away. She was the sister of Marsha Shelton.

...We express our sympathy to the family of Kevin Barber who passed away. He was the nephew of Guy (Janet) Barber.

Thank You

Percy & Polly Lancaster write: "We want to thank everyone that brought food, called, visited, and prayed for us. Thanks to Jimmie & Cathie Copley for the good care given to us."

Betty Litton writes: "I want to thank you for asking about my nephew, Justin Barber, who is now in the Air Force. Thanks to the elders for the concern and the time they spent with him before departing to serve our country."

Bobbie June Kittrell writes: "I want to thank everyone who warmly welcomed my son and me at the Centerville Church of Christ this past Sunday. Bill was here to enjoy his 40th class reunion and he enjoyed the worship service."

James & June Aydelott write: "We truly are blessed again by your remembrance in prayer, visits, calls, cards, and best wishes. Thank you to Ward Mayberry's Sunday A.M. class for the meals and delivery. It is so wonderful to have a caring church family. Your love, cares, and concerns are cherished."

Johnnie Ruth Denton writes: "September, 2012 the family of Jeff Denton asked for your prayers. Four long years you never missed a Sunday calling his name in prayer. That meant so much to Jeff. Sometimes when my heart is breaking, you have shown me so much love & concern. Your prayers, hugs, smiles and just holding my hand has meant so much. Thank you for every act of kindness, cards, and wind chimes. God Bless each of you."

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

CONTRIBUTION

\$12,341.00

BUDGET

\$ 12,784.00

Camp Meribah

\$ 155.00

Memorial

...a Memorial has been given to the Mable Dunn Mission Fund in memory of Jeff Denton by Jerry & Marilyn Nash.

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of Jeff Denton, Kenneth Jenkins, and Carl Tidwell by Don Luther.

...a Memorial has been given to the Camp Meribah Scholarship Fund in memory of June McClannahan Carmona by Doug & Billie Sue True.

...a Memorial has been given to the Bobby Morrison Scholarship Fund in memory of Kenneth Jenkins, Jeff Denton and Bobby Brown by Randy & Kim James.

A Baby Shower !



You are invited to a baby shower for Hannah & Jonathon Longworth on Sunday, October 30, 2016 at the Outreach Center from 1:30-3:00. They are registered at Buy Buy Baby and Target.

It's a girl !

New Address



Georgia Moss has moved. Her new address is :

Georgia Moss
C/O Olive Branch
110 Luther Road
Dickson , Tennessee 37055



...Ruth Reece is at home. She will undergo dialysis 3 times each week.

...James Aydelott is recovering from surgery at home.

...Mike Plunkett had knee replacement surgery October 25th at St. Thomas Mid-Town.

...Jane Berryman will be going to Dickson Health & Rehab. for therapy.

...Ritchie Teet, brother of Chris, will have surgery October 26th at Centennial Hospital to have his left kidney removed.

...Glenda Teet, mother of Chris, is at the Life Care Center for therapy following surgery.

...Terry Johnston, son of Ann, is recovering from surgery for a broken hip at NHC Hillview in Columbia.

...Jo Atkinson is in Centennial Hospital.

...Martha Jo Wallace is in Vanderbilt Hospital with congestive heart failure.

...LaVergne O'Guin, grandmother of Shela (Mark) Chessor, is in St. Thomas West with congestive heart failure.

The following are recovering from surgery or dealing with an illness: Margaret James, Danny Skelton, Linda Mays, Anna Cate King, Bob Sutphin, Bruce Bowen, Susan Sullivan, Melissa Bryant, Terry Johnston, Danny Bates, Debbie Lancaster, Bessie Shepard, Jimmy Mathis, John Ed Hooten, Lindrell Barrett, Susan Campbell, Bonnie Runions, Jack Lowery, Gabriel Roberson, Sheryl Elkins, Richard Tate

Home: Louise Bates, Charles Horner, Sammye Elrod, Charles & Martha Minick, Pauline Jimerson, Mary Helen Barber, Fronia Nash, Alvitea Sunder, Dan & Martha Jo Wallace, A.J. & Willie B. Coates, Dorothy Easley, J.W. & Sue Roder, Troy Parks.

Nursing Home Residents:

Life Care Center: Helen Hudgins, Christine Sawyer, Larry Talley, Nellie Kalosis, Lucy Noles, Stella Greer, Thelma Chessor
Hickman County Nursing Home: Allene Worley, Eltie Davis

The Gospel Is For All

(Report From The Mission Committee)

Place
Stamp
Here

Several mission points, which our congregation sponsors or provides some support, have a need for additional funds from individuals or congregations to support the ongoing works. Please consider one or more of the works listed below when making a special contribution or when contributing 'in memory' or 'in honor' of an individual or group. All special funds, not regular budgeted funds, earmarked for special purposes and overseen by the Elders of the Centerville church of Christ have varying amounts that have been contributed toward the purpose of the special fund. The Mission Committee wants to make you aware that some Special Mission Funds do not currently have any funds on hand. These special funds are in addition to regular budget funds for mission work. If you would like to contribute to any of these special funds (Turks & Caicos, Uganda, Korea, et cetera) any amount will be appreciated.

Hurricane Matthew did not cause any major damage to the building of the *Providenciales Church of Christ in the Turks and Caicos Islands*. This building has recently been purchased and made usable, in part, by contributions from the *Mable Dunn Mission Fund*, the *Clevenger-Elrod Fund*, and individuals. Approximately \$95,000.00 remains to pay off the indebtedness. On Saturday, November 5th, beginning at 10:00 AM in the old Levi's building on Skyview Drive, there will be an auction, conducted by individuals interested in reducing the indebtedness of the *Turks & Caicos* building, of items donated by individuals toward that purpose.

The *New Bethel Church of Christ* has recently donated 23 Bibles and paid for their shipping to the work in *Uganda, Africa*. *Mwizerwa Emmanuel* is the preacher who distributes the Bibles.

The work in *South Korea* is progressing with new technology outreaches coming on-line to reach those in the Far East. John T. Givens has additional information on this mission area.

John Durham has been doing mission work in the *Ukraine* and has now returned home.

The fall trip to *Anderson, South Carolina*, a former mission spot the congregation has supported, had to be postponed. It is being rescheduled for early spring (2017). Please see John Plemmons for additional information.

A trip to *Farmville, Virginia*, a former mission spot the congregation has supported, is being planned for next fall (2017). Please see Wayne Chessor for additional information.

...Sunday, October 30th...



Trunk-Or-Treat

in the front parking lot following 5p worship!
Sign-Up in the lobby if you will be entering a decorated car!

Hot dogs, popcorn, drinks, candy !



Life-Line

Daily Updates & Devotional Message
931-729-5055, 931-729-0022

Wait on Table

5th Sunday
Bill McDonald

Right Side
Jeremy Qualls
Wayne Rediker
Matthew Fakes
Riley Qualls

Left Side
Derek Newsom
Randy Wright
Daniel Poff
Will Mayberry

Alternates
Lonnie Mayberry
Eric Coleman

Ministers

Bryan McAlister	931-994-3525
Matthew Dotson	615-418-2051
Craig Shelton	615-418-2228
Shane Willis	615-308-9161

Secretary Tammy Willis 729-4201

Prayer Week of October 30

S.M.W. Cody Woods S.E.W. David Brown W.E.B.S. Mike Brown	S.M.D Scott Bailey S.E.D. Brandon McCauley W.E.D. Brett Martin
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Read Scripture
Oct. 30 Joey Hunt
Nov. 6 Ken Dickerson

Elders' Prayer
October 30
Mike Goodpasture