

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

Building a community of Faith, Hope and Love; Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him.

Schedule of Services: Bible Class 9:30am; AM Worship 10:30; PM Worship 6:00; PM Wednesday 6:00

Date: Sunday, September 23, 2018

Are You a Church Member or a Church Customer?

So many people treat the precious, blood-bought church like a cheap discount store. "The church's job is to serve me, and if it doesn't, well, we're out of here." How often have I heard someone say, "That congregation did nothing for me."

This attitude is the absolute opposite of the Lord's will. He calls on us to serve, not be served:

"It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the son of man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many," (Matthew 26:26-28).

You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I, then, your Lord and teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet," (John 13:13,14).

The very ethos of Christianity is not to be served, but to serve. If one were to declare that it was the responsibility of others to serve him, note well, he did not miss the main point of serving God, he missed serving God entirely!

To be Christian is to serve; not to serve is to fail to be Christian. There is no third choice! Are you an integral part of a congregation of God's people? I am not asking necessarily if you are delivering sermons or leading songs, but I am asking, do you make a difference in your congregation, consistently regularly, definitely?

Churches do not make a difference in their community by accident. Churches do not help the poor and hurting by accident; Churches do not raise faithful children by accident.

Someone, somewhere, must serve!

We serve the weak, the sinner, the little child, the poor, the missionary, the elderly; we serve, or we're not living the life for which Christ called us!

The church is the vehicle through which we serve the world. When we serve as members of a church, Christ gets the credit, not us; when we serve as members of the church, the Lord is given the glory, not us (Matthew 5:16).

So, I ask it again, beloved: Are you a church member, or a church customer?

Bv Stan Mitchell

In Spirit and Truth: Giving

Introduction	
How does Jesus show His love?	
How can we reflect that love?	
The Offering (Romans 12:1-2)	
In the old covenant Israel was	to make offerings as sin payment.
What are we commanded to offer?	
The Gratitude (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)	
Offering our bodies to God is only	something He already owns.
When did the Holy Spirit make His	in us?
Anything that we give in return is merely an	of gratitude.
The Response (2 Corinthians 8:1-5)	
How could they possibly be generous when they	y were in extreme poverty?
What was their priority in giving?	
The Collection (1 Corinthians 16:1-2)	
• This was a special collection for the saints in ne	ed, under
He made it simple and logical, a	they could form over time.
The Giving Heart (2 Corinthians 9:6-7)	
Do you really get what you pay for?	
• Why does God leave this decision up to our hea	arts?
How Much? (Mark 12:41-44)	
How much did the poor widow give?	
She gave her, all money, though	ght, intention, service, love, and action.
Conclusion (John 4:24)	
What does it mean to	in sprit and truth?
What if Jesus was all we had to live on?	
• What would Jesus do? What would the early ch	urch do?

PRAYER REQUESTS

Joe Dixon, Charlie Scott's uncle, needs to thicken his blood before he has surgery. He is scheduled for a colonoscopy on Oct 3rd.

Martha Trevino will have back surgery on Tuesday, Sept. 25th.

Joyce Carroll, Jerry Mitchell's sister in law, has bladder cancer and it has spread to her bones.

Wanda Knutson, former member, has stage 4 cancer.

Bruce Wharton, Eric Wharton's brother, is in rehab after surgery and is having problems with memory.

PRAY FOR

>James Lewis, Felicia Ann Lambert, Terry Wiggins, Ed St Claire, Danny Paschal, Ever Johnson, Larry Havard Sr. Joyce Ross, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. David Banda, Ed Frields, David Anderson, Karen Freyer, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Karen McKenzie, Glenda Tynes, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham, Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe, Tommy Cross, Sherril Polansky, Cora & Sonny Gore, Mark Hardwick, Joey Primeaux, Gary McDaniel, Larry Scott, Madeleine Anderson, Ernest Sanchez, Larry Lykins.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Randy Eubank (27th) Carolyn Commander (28th) Josiah & Justyc (28th) Matt & Cherie Winget (30th)

OTHER NEWS

Don't forget, **Pictures with William** today after morning worship services.

Wednesday night meal will be Chalupa & Mexi Chicken at 5:30pm. Sign-up sheet on table in the foyer.

Next Sunday is Pot Luck, Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm and no evening services.

There will be an 80th birthday party for Nancy Fletcher on Saturday, October 6th in the FAC at 5pm

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 29th FAC reserved for the Summers. **September 30th** Pot luck after morning worship. **September 30th** Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

September 30th No evening services.

September 30th FAC reserved for Meyers twins 3 year old birthday party.

October 6th FAC reserved for Nancy Fletcher.

October 7th FAC reserved for Winget's.

October 28th Pot luck after morning services.

October 28th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

October 28th No evening services.

November 1st Ornament Party at 6pm.

November 4th change time. (fall back)

November 21st area wide Thanksgiving services at New Road Church of Christ at 7pm.

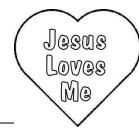
November 22nd FAC reserved to Markwardts.

November 26th thru 28th garage sale work days. **November 29th thru December 1st** garage sale

days.

December 8th Holiday Pot Luck at 6pm. **January 1, 2019** FAC reserved to Dolores Davis. **June 14 & 15, 2019** FAC reserved to Bancales

Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for children's time.



10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Song Order:

102 - Great Is the Lord Almighty538 – My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Prayer: David Ellis

Song Order:

429 – Oh to Be Like Thee 319 – Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone

Scripture:

Mark 10:32-34

Communion:

Bill Acock Joe Saucedo

Randy Eubank Charlie Scott

Song Order:

354 – I Gave My Life for Thee 1014 - "Jesus Loves Me"

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order:

506 - No One Ever Cared for Me like Jesus

Sermon by Chris Wheat

"In Spirit and Truth: Giving"

Invitation Song:

874 - Walking Alone at Eve

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Prayer: Aubrey Minchew

If you are visiting with us we extend you a warm welcome!

	Week of Sept 9	Monthly Average
Bible Class	<u>62</u>	<u>59</u>
AM Worship	<u>103</u>	<u>105</u>
PM Worship	<u>21</u>	<u>26</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>60</u>	<u>58</u>
Contribution	\$2,882	<u>\$3,265</u>

Northside Leadership		
<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>	
Phil Bancale	Randy Eubank	
Chris Borland	Karl Helpert	
Aubrey Minchew	Joe Saucedo	
Nelson Moore		
<u>Minister</u>	Worship Leader	
Chris Wheat	Chris Borland	
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Words of Wisdom



Little words spoken, like "Please forgive" or "I care," will make a big difference to your family. Don't neglect the seemingly little words; they speak richly of your special love and attention.