



Northside Church of Christ

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, November 4, 2018

Pulling Hair

And I confronted them and cursed them and beat some of them and pulled out their hair. And I made them take oath in the name of God, saying, "You shall not give your daughters to their sons, or take their daughters for your sons or for yourselves." (Nehemiah 13:25, 27)

One of the most interesting scenes in scripture is described in **Nehemiah 13:25**. Nehemiah tells on himself that he actually beat some people and pulled out their hair. Why on earth would a man of God act like that? Doesn't that sound abusive?

Actually, Nehemiah's reaction seems reasonable when you look at the event. The fall of Jerusalem and destruction of the temple could be directly attributed to Israel's adoption of pagan idols and their worship. And that behavior was compounded by their tendency, in direct violation of God's commands through Moses, to intermarry with the pagan nations around them. Now, in Nehemiah's time, the temple and the walls of Jerusalem have been rebuilt, proper worship has been restored, the priesthood has resumed its former significance – and here are former exiles who have married foreign wives and produced children who cannot even speak the language of Israel. Nehemiah's thoughts ran to Solomon who was made to sin by the foreign wives he had taken, and in anguish he asked the people, "Shall we then listen to you and do all this great evil and act treacherously against our God?" (**verse 27**). It was enough to make him pull their hair out.

I sometimes want to pull out my own hair, because I need some way to make my distress clearly visible. When, after good counsel against it has been given, a Christian young person chooses to marry one who does not share his or her faith, it makes me want to pull out my hair.

When a brother or sister acts in a worldly manner, accompanied by the pretense of "religion" that never follows them out the church building doors, it makes me want to pull out my hair.

When men treat their wives and children with contempt, while parading in the assembly as though nothing is wrong, it makes me want to pull out my hair.

When children suffer because parents are too busy satisfying their own cravings, it makes me want to pull out my hair.

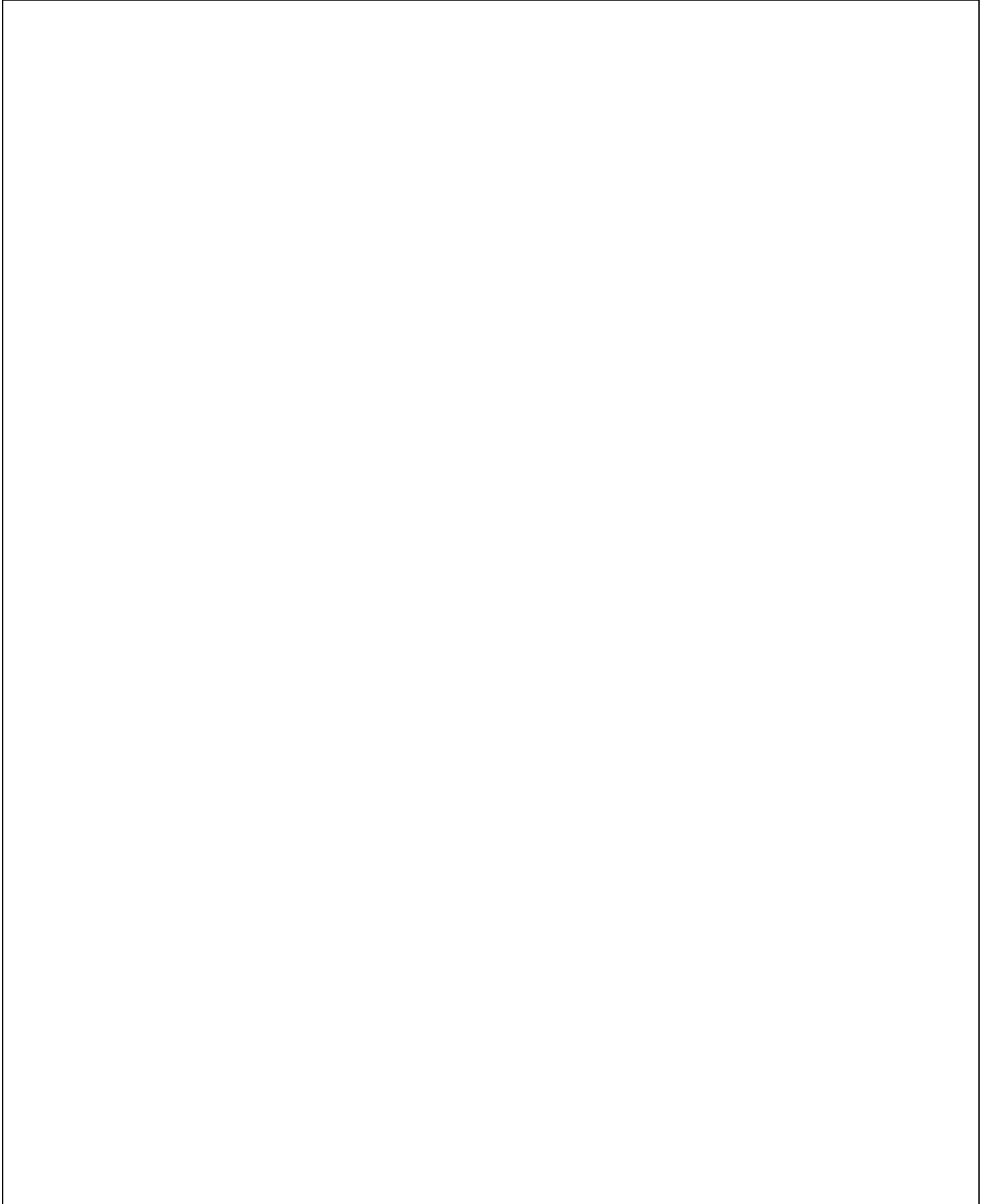
When Christians choose to sleep in or watch TV or go to a ball game or go fishing, or anything else, when it's time to gather to study the word and worship God, it makes me want to pull out my hair.

When brothers and sisters choose to withdraw themselves, complaining that the church "just doesn't meet my needs," it makes me want to pull out my hair.

I am now considering Nehemiah's approach. And, I am wondering how all of those things make God feel...

by Bobby Wheat

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Anna Mullins is doing well and up learning to walk and eat after her brain surgery on Monday.

Donna St Clair is home recuperating from an infected cat bite.

Ed St Clair is in The Atrium of Bellmead until Donna can go home.

Jackie Walker fractured a vertebrae in her back helping her mother.

Danny Paschal has pneumonia.

Doris Dickerson is home recuperating from shoulder surgery.

Kim Ellis's Uncle passed away.

Rick Keeton health problems.

PRAY FOR

➤ James Lewis, Felicia Ann Lambert, Terry Wiggins, Ed St Claire, Danny Paschal, Ever Johnson, Larry Havard Sr., 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, Wanda Knutson.

OUR SHUT-INS

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

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Kynleigh Brandt (1st) Bethany & Rachel Wharton (4th & 5th) Billy Carey (5th) Grover Summers (6th) Brittany Michalek (8th) Charlotte Linfflof (12th) Kayla Moore (16th) Eliana Evans (16th) James Sturdivant (22nd) Dovie Burrow (23rd) Lukas Summers (23rd) Daniel Summers (24th) David Kirk (29th) Robyn Wheat (29th) James & Nancy Sturdivant (25th) Mac & Pat McMillian (27th)

OTHER NEWS

Men's Breakfast Saturday, November 10th at 8:30 eat at 9. Then meet with Shepherds Heart at 11am.

There is a new **church directory** on the table.

Wednesday night meal at 5:30pm. Sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer.

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 10th FAC reserved for men's breakfast at 8:30.

November 21st No services here. Area wide Thanksgiving services at New Road Church of Christ at 7pm. Refreshments afterward.

November 22nd Thanksgiving.

November 22nd FAC reserved to Markwardts.

November 26th garage sale work day.

November 27th garage sale work day.

November 28th garage sale work day.

November 29th garage sale opens at 8am.

November 30th garage sale opens at 8am.

December 1st last day of garage sale. Opens at 8am.

December 6th Ladies Christmas Party at 6pm. Bring finger foods & wrapped gift \$10 or less.

December 8th Christmas Pot Luck at 6pm.

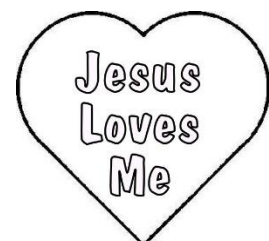
December 22nd FAC reserved for Shela Havard.

December 25th Christmas Day. FAC reserved to the Markwardts.

January 1, 2019 New Years Day. FAC reserved to Dolores Davis.

June 14 & 15, 2019 FAC reserved to the Bancales.

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



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10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Song Order:

77-Glorify Thy Name
957 - This World is Not My Home
42 – How Majestic Is Your Name

Prayer: Johnny Henderson

Song Order:

102 – Great is the Lord Almighty
377 – He Still Came

Scripture:

Mark 15:33 - 39

Communion:

Joe Saucedo Nelson Moore
Phil Bancale Randy Eubank

Song Order:

24 – Blessed Be The Name of The Lord
1014 - “Jesus Loves Me”

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order:

381 – Years I Spent in Vanity

Sermon by Chris Wheat

“What Must I Do To Be Saved?”

Invitation Song:

909 – There’s a Fountain Free

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Prayer: Bill Acock

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

	<u>Week of</u> <u>Oct 28</u>	<u>Monthly</u> <u>Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>51</u>	<u>54</u>
AM Worship	<u>99</u>	<u>102</u>
PM Worship	<u>0</u>	<u>24</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>40</u>	<u>62</u>
Contribution	<u>\$2,233</u>	<u>\$2,859</u>

Northside Leadership

Elders

Phil Bancale
Chris Borland
Aubrey Minchew
Nelson Moore

Deacons

Randy Eubank
Karl Helpert
Joe Saucedo

Minister

Chris Wheat
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Worship Leader

Chris Borland
254-495-5508

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Words of Wisdom



“Happiness is a butterfly, which, when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.”