



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, July 21, 2019

High Speed Reconciliation

The Bible says, "leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift" (**Matthew 5:24**). I love high speed internet access! I have it at home, the office, and anywhere I go on my phone now. Isn't technology amazing? If you remember waiting for the dial tones, and pages to load, and videos to buffer, I can probably pinpoint your age fairly accurately. At the time we were just amazed at the ability to send an electronic letter across the world in a few minutes! This has probably been true for every phase of improvement in communications technology for centuries. I know the early church was thankful that someone could travel for a few weeks or days and deliver them Paul's thoughts about building healthy churches.

Jesus reminds us that the ability to communicate clearly and directly with someone and resolve a conflict or contention has actually always been something we can do in short order. What slows us down? Is it pride? Is it a lack of honesty? Is it unjustified anger and rage? Is it all of those things at once? Maybe so! If we want the problem resolved though, it may only be one difficult conversation away. This is your Christian brother or sister! Unless you're both being unreasonable about the issue, it truly can be resolved.

One of the things that slows us down the most in reconciling is our unwillingness to overlook an offense. Proverbs tells us that love and wisdom are willing to do just that, for unity, for the greater goals of God (**Proverbs 19:11; 20:3**). Peter tells us, in the midst of an unrighteous, Christian-persecuting culture, that real love is able to move past many different kinds of "sins" (**1 Peter 4:8**). These are not personality quirks and annoyances these are actual sins that can cut to the core and separate us from God. Remember, God overlooks all the offenses against Himself... He forgives us! The punishment was still enacted, there was retribution, but you and I don't have to feel it. In the blink of an eye, from our perspective (because we can simply read the words on the Bible page), God allowed all the righteous wrath generated by our sins to be inflicted on His only begotten Son! He was highly motivated, with a love I cannot fathom, to be reunited with His creation, His people, His children.

So, my friends, I know there are sins and offenses that cannot be overlooked, and Jesus gave us a plan for such situations (**Matthew 18:15-17; 1 Corinthians 5:1-5**). But the majority of the time, the only thing slowing down the process of reconciliation is me, my pride, and a choice to love. Let us humble ourselves before the mighty hand of God so He can lift us up in due time (**1 Peter 5:6**).

Thoughts from Chris Wheat

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A Good Lawyer!

Text: (1 John 1:8-2:2)

1. Confession is Good For the Soul (1 John 1:8-10)

- There is a sense of self-deception in these verses.
- The Laodocceans possessed a great self-image (**Revelation 3:17**).
- We must have an accurate, truthful understanding of God and self (**Romans 12:3**).
- So, confession is good for the soul – literally! (**James 5:16**)
- How do we confess?
- There are no openings for church critic – the position is already overstaffed.

2. Forgiveness is Absolute, With Jesus Christ (1 John 1:9)

- Jesus is faithful, just and forgives us: “As opposed to what?”

(Micah 7:18-20)

- If you think you deserved to be forgiven, you probably were not!

3. I Have a “Really Good” Lawyer (1 John 2:1)

- The NIV has an interesting time trying to translate the word *parakletos*.
- A fascinating term: here is a “righteous lawyer.” (**Romans 8:34**)

4. Jesus the Atoning Sacrifice (1 John 2:2)

- Again, an unusual term, *hilasmos*, meaning “atonement.”
- The only other time this word is used in the NT (**1 John 4:10**).
- We need to understand two dimensions of God.
- Our sin angered God THAT much. Jesus forgave because he loved THAT much!

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Jeff Nehring, has been undergoing a brain study. They are trying to find out what is causing his seizures.

Dillon, Jackie Walkers son, saw the cardiologist Monday and nothing has changed. He is still waiting for an appointment in Denver.

Gayle, Ernest & Mary Lou Turmin's daughter, is in need of a job.

Rick, Jennifer Ibanez's Boss' brother in law, will have colon cancer surgery.

Brady Long, had knee replacement surgery on Tuesday. He is home recuperating.

PRAY FOR

➤Dillon Vansush, Nancy Fletcher, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Larry Havard Sr, Jackie Walker, Steve Moore, Mark Hardwick, Maudine Reed, Diana Grant, Garland Haverkamp, Kelli Volcik, Darlene Chatman, James Lewis, Anna Mullins, Danny Paschal, Evar Johnson, David Banda, David Anderson, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Glenda Tynes, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Jackson Pratkan, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham, Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe, Tommy Cross, Sherril Polansky, Cora & Sonny Gore, Joey Primeaux, Larry Scott, Madeleine Anderson, Larry Lykins, Rick Keeton, Molly Cassidy, Megan Jones, Riley Robinson, Guy Clemmons Jr. Kyle Crum, Molly Cassidy, Vance Stone(stroke) Dwan Pickens.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Ruby DeRossett, Ruby & Billy Evans **Royal Manor** Dolores Davis **Lake Shore Village** Martha Trevino **Home** Larry Havard Sr.

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

David Ellis (22nd) Lynn Pearson (23rd) Tricia Nehring (24th) Kevin Moore (24th) Corey Michalek (27th) Christian Moore (28th) Phil Bancale (30th) Mary Ruth Coggin (30th) Carmen Moore (30th) Belinda Acock (31st) Joe & Sandi Saucedo (22nd)

OTHER NEWS

Next Sunday is potluck after morning worship, Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1:15, and no evening services.

Wednesday night meals start on August 7th. Menu is Chicken & Beef Pot Pies.

DATES TO REMEMBER.

July 28th dinner on the grounds after morning worship.

July 28th Singing at The Atrium of bellmead at 1:15.

July 28th no evening services.

July 31st Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 7pm. With Timbercrest, Church of Christ, etc.

August 1st through 9th The Brissett's will be here.

August 3rd back to school bash at the Burrows.

August 3rd Columbus Ave C of C is having a Ladies Day. Flyer on the board in the foyer.

August 3rd FAC reserved for Kenny Willis reunion.

August 7th Wednesday night meals at 5:30 begin.

August 25th dinner on the grounds after morning worship.

August 25th singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1:15.

August 25th No evening services.

August 31st to Sept 2nd Warrior Weekend \$85 per person.

August 31st Acapella Fest at New Road Church of Christ at 6pm.

September 29th dinner on the grounds after morning worship.

September 29th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead.

September 29th no evening services.

October 27th potluck after morning worship.

October 27th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead.

October 27th no evening services.

November 27th area wide Thanksgiving service here.

November 28th Thanksgiving Day.

November 28th FAC reserved for Markwardts.

December 2nd thur 4th garage sale work days.

December 5th through 7th garage sale,

December 21st FAC reserved for the Ellis's.

December 25th, FAC reserved for Markwardts.

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

Songs:

745 – Humble Yourself
493 – It Is No Secret

Prayer: Aubrey Minchew

Songs:

564 – I Must Tell Jesus
381 – Years I Spent in Vanity

Scripture:

John 20:19 - 23

Communion:

Charles Scott Kevin Moore
Nelson Moore Karl Helpert

Songs:

887 – In the Morning of Joy
1014 - Jesus Loves Me

Children go to the front of the auditorium

Song:

287 – There Is a Redeemer

Sermon by Chris Wheat

“A Good Lawyer”

Invitation Song:

912 – Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary

(Opportunity for response to the message)

Prayer: Eric Wharton

	<u>Week of July 14</u>	<u>Monthly Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>60</u>	<u>49</u>
AM Worship	<u>112</u>	<u>93</u>
PM Worship	<u>45</u>	<u>25</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>38</u>	<u>33</u>
Contribution	<u>\$3,685</u>	<u>\$2,787</u>

Northside Leadership

Elders

Phil Bancale
Chris Borland
Aubrey Minchew
Nelson Moore

Deacons

Randy Eubank
Karl Helpert
Joe Saucedo

Minister

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Words of Wisdom



Frequently the greatest thing we can give to another person is the gift of encouragement.