

Those to Serve

(B) Keith Stifflemire
(FV) Judd Wall
(O) Doug Pruett
(A) Calvin Burks
1st prayer Mike Mallett
2nd prayer Jorge Garza
Announcements: Jack Wall
Singing: Kevin Grant

October 12th

Columbus Day

October 17th

Souping at Ruby's house

October 25th

Noon Fellowship

November 1st

Mission Sunday

November 3rd

ELECTION DAY

November 11th

Veterans Day

November 26th

Thanksgiving Day

Happy Birthday

Judd Wall Oct. 10th

Mike Mallett Oct. 21st

Ruby Jones Oct 24th

Valerie Garza Nov 1st

Prayer List:

David Jones
Virginia Lovell
Dennis Sheldon
Janell Houts Hall
Odell Mallett
Dora Martinez
Mona Lancaster
Willis Hughes
Letha Sheldon
Ruby Jones
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

There will be a souping at Ruby Jones home on October 17th at 5 pm. Bring you favorite soup.

Quotes & Sayings

- *Keep your heart open to dreams. For as long as there's a dream, there is hope, and as long as there is hope, there is joy in living.* Unknown Author
- *The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.* Eleanor Roosevelt
- *All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them.* Walt Disney

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Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."

Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

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What Kind of Church?

A woman called recently, indicating she and her husband had just moved to town and were looking for a church to identify with. She asked if we had an attended nursery for her two-year-old. When I told her we did not, she thanked me and hung up.

I have thought a lot about what that woman did not ask. She did not ask if we had spirited singing. She did not want to know whether we had simple, truthful preaching. She expressed no interest in whether we had faithful overseers to watch for her soul. She did not inquire about our Bible study program, nor did she seem anxious to see what opportunities for work in the Lord's cause might be available. Apparently these things were not nearly as important as someone to relieve her maternal responsibilities during the worship hour.

Another woman told me recently, "I don't like a church that tells me what to do. It's none of their business." I agree that churches have no right to make their own rules. However, we do have a God-given obligation to uphold the truth (1 Tim. 3:15) and expose sin and error (Eph. 5:11). I confess that I do not know how to preach repentance without exposing sin and warning people to turn from it.

What kind of church do you like? What features are important to you? A dynamic speaker, special activities for the kids, recreational programs, physical facilities, location, family ties, and a host of other things have been given as reasons for choosing a particular church. Whatever your taste, there is likely a church to suit. However, you should be asking another question: What kind of church does God like? He does not like them all. Some are so disgusting He spits them out (read Revelation 2 and 3, and notice that the rejected ones include some that are conservative in belief).

The only assurance of God's approval anyone can have is what He says in His revealed word. Will you submit your will to God's and become a member of the church of His choice?

by Frank Himmel

Be Careful Not To Fall

It always amazes me how some can claim that it is impossible for a Christian to fall away from the grace of God. Consider these texts from the book of Hebrews:

* **Heb. 2:1**, "Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away."

* **Heb. 3:12**, "Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God"

* **Heb. 4:1**, "Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it."

* **Heb. 6:4-6**, "For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted the heavenly gift...if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God..."

* **Heb. 10:26**, "For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins"

* **Heb. 10:38**, "Now the just shall live by faith; But if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him."

* **Heb. 12:15**, "looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God;

lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled"

* **Heb. 12:25**, "much more shall we not escape if we turn away from Him who speaks from heaven"

* **Heb. 13:9**, "Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines."

And that's just the book of Hebrews, let alone all the others books of the New Testament (of which there are many, many more passages that relate this truth). The Bible clearly reveals that it is possible to fall away from God's grace. Knowing that, we should be inspired to remain faithful and active for the Lord. Let us watch our steps and be careful not to fall.

"But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul" (Heb. 10:39).

By Edd Sterchi