

Those to Serve

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

Please keep Mark & Breta Kirby in your prayers. Mark has been diagnosed with stage 4 Melanoma in the torso/ abdomen area. It has metastasized, so no surgery .

August 1st
Mission Fund
August 29th
Noon Fellowship

Happy Birthday

Jack Wall August 20th
Cindi Wall August 26th
Vernon Houts Sept. 24th
Judy Grant Sept. 28th
Autumn Vann Sept. 29th

**Brady Vann was
baptized into Christ on
July 28, 2021**

Prayer List:

Virginia Lovell
Janell Houts Hall
Odell Mallett
Dora Martinez
Letha Sheldon
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

An Important Key in Solving Marriage Problems

There have been times when I have been called in to 'referee" a marital dispute only to realize after hours of discussion that the real solution to the marriage problems was contained in The Golden Rule. If husbands and wives would really absorb what Jesus said and apply it to their situations, many problems would vanish immediately. Is there any husband so bold as to deny that he often acts selfishly, thinking only of his own wants and needs, with little attention to those of his wife? Can any wife deny that a similar blindness on her part is more than a little to blame in many disputes? If each of the marriage partners would 'wear the shoes' of their mates, they would see the need of 'doing unto others as we would have them do unto us' (as it is commonly paraphrased). No marriage counselor on earth could give better advice than to press home the meaning of these words to feuding husbands and wives.

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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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Those we Support

Dear brothers,

We are happy and thankful to the God of heaven for the great work He has been doing through you brothers and may you all be blessed for this wonderful effort.

Here we are doing good even though there are some few problems now being faced worldwide because of the Covid-19. But our belief is that God will stop it at His own time and the whole world will become free from it.

We had six baptisms through the brothers effort in this work. As you know mostly now we go door to door teaching to avoid overcrowding. The gospel can't be stopped.

May the God of heaven keep you safe for His great work of saving this world from sin.

In His love and care,

Benard and Dorothy Kagaga.

Hypocrites in the “_____”

“I want no part of religion, because there are hypocrites in the church.”

Of all the hypocritical excuses, that one is bound to rank with the most hypocritical of all! To be hypocritical is to be an actor, a pretender. A movie star may act like a doctor, but not actually be a doctor. He may play the role of a lawman, etc., but not be such in real life.

So it is with the one who says, “I won't go to church because there are hypocrites there.” He is pretending that this is his reason. But he's only acting. For in real life, he will not resort to the following:

1) “I won't go to the amusement park, because hypocrites go there.”

2) “I'm not going to the lake, because there are hypocrites on the lake.”

3) “I'm not going to the football games, because there are hypocrites in the stands.”

“4) I'm not going to the restaurant anymore, because hypocrites go there.”

Hosts of individuals go and enjoy such places and activities. Why? Because they want to do so. Hypocrites sure can't keep them away! But they don't go to church. Why? Because they don't want to go to church. They just pretend as if their reason is because of hypocrites in the church. This pretentiousness is itself hypocrisy. **- by J. Princeton Simons**

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Brethren:

Our thanks to God for you. It has been a busy time and we are thankful for the opportunities to serve and teach.

Preston is taking his Bar Exam both today and tomorrow. Rebekah and Justin are to be married in a couple of weeks. And Zade—our 16 year old—is driving with his learner's permit which has been the source of concern....and prayer.

We had a Bible study tonight at our house with a 22 year-old young lady named Yhovana. She has a background in Catholicism but seems eager to learn the truth and has agreed to continue the study next week. In our first study tonight we covered the difference between denominations and the church, the authority of God's word, the theme of the Bible, and how the Bible blesses mankind. She asked about different religious beliefs (Hinduism, Muslims, etc) and whether or not they could be saved if they were not Christians. We looked at John 14:6 and John 8:24 to answer her question. We hope this will be fruitful.

We are pouring a slab out here at the property and making a back-up church building. The Community Center where we typically meet has sometimes been unusable from parties there the night before. So, we needed a backup plan. Thus, a small building we can use if needed though the location is not ideal.

Samantha Rodriguez has now moved down to San Antonio from Temple, TX. We baptized Sam earlier this year and she kept studying and noticed the congregation where she was attending was quite liberal and the elders were sleepy shepherds who allowed most anything. So, Sam is here with us and she is a sponge—reading everything she can and always asking Bible questions. Sam lives with Caroline and Preston and is going to college.

I'm having Bible discussions with a man in his late 30's. He has not agreed to attend yet but the discussions have made me optimistic. He has a background...he was a Bandito. A tattoo-covered, bike-riding, law-breaking Bandito. He was at the house here today and we had our second discussion. He wants to turn his life around and he quit the motorcycle group a few years ago at some risk. He has an 11 yr. old daughter and realizes that he needs to provide a better life for her. We will see where it goes.

In between all of this, I helped the DA with the trial of a man for Capital Murder two weeks ago. He killed two women and tried to kill a third but was unsuccessful. He was found guilty. Too, I'm getting ready for the fall semester at college. As of August 31, I can officially retire from the college. Don't know if I will right away but we are looking at options, and I may be going back into full-time law enforcement as I continue to preach. I really do not intend to stay at the college any longer than necessary as they are starting to talk about “preferred gender & pronouns” for students.

Pray for us brethren. You are in our prayers constantly.

Brotherly,
Lynn Parker