Those to Serve

- (B) Mike Lovell
- (FV) Doug Pruett
- (O) Mike Mallett
- (A) Jorge Garza

1st prayer Keith Stifflemire

2nd prayer Calvin Burks

Announcements: Jack Wall

Singing: Kevin Grant

Happy Birthday

Calvin Burks Nov. 26th
Linda Houts Nov. 28th
Terry Day Nov. 30th
Lynette Vann Dec. 14th
Virgina Lovell Dec, 19th
Kevin Grant Dec. 24th
Letha Sheldon Dec. 25th
Will Vann Dec. 26th

Prayer List:

Dora Martinez
Lynn Parker
Tammy Parker
Kadence Payne
Anita Adams
Virginia Lovell
Letha Sheldon
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

November 26th

Noon Fellowship

December 3rd

Mission Sunday

December 7th

Pearl Harbor Day

December 21st

Winter Begins

December 25th

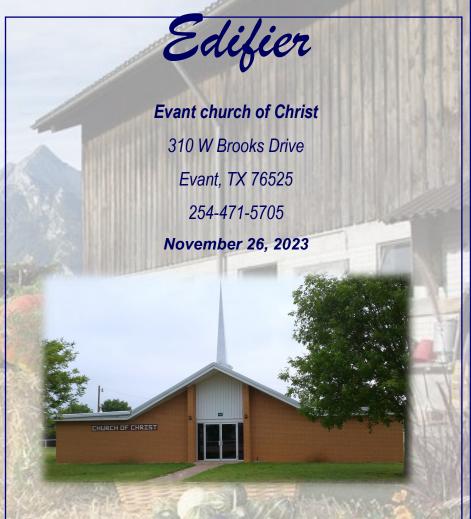
Christmas Day

January 1st

New Year's Day

Christmas Party
Calvin & Tammy
Burks Home
December 9th
at 5:30 pm
Bring your favorite
finger foods and
ornament.





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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News From Those We Support

Dear brethren:

I hope all is well with you and the gospel is progressing.

Tammy is on the mend after her surgery and will be (hopefully) released by the doctor in 3 weeks. I was released from my cardiologist last week and that was a relief. I notice that I'm weaker than I ever have been but the doctor assured me that would fix itself. Overall, we are all doing well as is the rest of the family.

We have only had on visitor lately and that was a teenager related to one of the members (Erica). But the good thing is that she has come back twice. Hopefully, she will engage in a Bible study soon.

Here are some of the sermons I have preached lately...

- •Where's The Authority?
- "Nobody Knows The Troubles I've Seen"
- •Will We Know One Another In Heaven?
- •The Bible Is Inspired Of God
- •Series of Lessons: 1 Corinthians 1, 2, and 3
- Learn to Give

On Sunday mornings, Preston is teaching from Luke in the adult class. I teach from First John on Wednesday evenings and from Exodus on Sunday afternoons.

We are now preparing a special effort for our "Visitor's Day." We ask every member to invite friends and each man leading in the worship assembly goes into some depth explaining what we do and why we do it. For example, the song leader will explain why we sing rather than add instrumental music to the worship. After morning worship assembly, we then have a meal where we invite the visitors and answer any Bible questions they have. These have been successful in the past.

Justin Angle keeps the church website updated with recorded sermons and we are trying to expand that effort even more. If you want to visit the website, it can be found at: medinacountychurchofchrist.org

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Where the Downhill Slides Started (or Starts)

This is scheduled to be posted on the Monday of what promises to be a very busy week for most of us. For that reason, I will not be as "wordy" as I normally am.

At the same time, I want to accomplish a couple of things. I want to use Thanksgiving Day as a springboard for my thoughts. I also want to use this space to get all of us (yes, including me) to think.

You may already be very well aware of the passage in the first chapter of Romans in which The Holy Spirit inspired Paul to depict how depraved many people had become. Both the practice and the approval of all sorts of ungodly behavior are under discussion and are condemned.

Sadly, if you take the time to read that passage, you might start thinking that you are reading about the society/world in which we live. Things that once were not even discussed are now not only practiced but also promoted. People who even question ungodly behavior are ostracized and told that they are "on the wrong side of history."

Maybe it would be beneficial to take a moment this admittedly busy week to remind ourselves about something. Maybe we need to read or reread Romans 1 and ask ourselves where and when the people who were being described in that passage started their "downhill slide?"

Could it be that there is a modern comparison to be made? Could it be that you and I need to do some serious self-examination?

Please read the following words as you prepare for what should be so much more than "turkey day." In fact, I pray that all of us will consider these words every day and not just one day or one season of the year.

For although they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks to Him... (Romans 1:21, ESV)

By Jim Faughn