

Those to Serve

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

August 30th

Noon Fellowship
September 5, 2026

Hound Supper

September 6th

Mision Sunday

September 7th

Labor Day

September 13th

Grandparent Day

Men's Business Meeting

September 22nd

Autumn Begins

Happy Anniversary

August 30th

Scotty & Crickett Miller

Happy Birthday

Vernon Houts Sept. 24th

Judy Grant Sept. 28th

Judd Wall Oct. 10th

Mike Mallett Oct 21st

Ruby Jones Oct. 24th

Prayer List:

James & Jennifer Lovell
Joy Payne
Michael Payne
Jorge & Valerie Garza
Virgina Lovell
Vernon & Linda Houts
Wanda Kitchens
Pray for our Nation
Our Troops
Law Enforcement
Rescue Personnel

Hound Supper September 5, 2026,

You are invited to the 88th Annual "Pecan Wells Hunt Supper" Saturday September 5, 2026, 7 pm, at the home of Joy Payne at 1085 FM 2005 Hamilton, TX. The Club furnishes black pot BBQ, sock coffee, tea & bread. Guests are asked to bring a veggie, dessert or salad. Also, for your comfort, a folding chair & table.



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August 30, 2026



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 Fool Am I?

By Bill Brandstatter

Sunday April 1, 2018 was April Fool's Day. But, Sunday April 1, 2018 was also Easter Sunday. I read a statistic that noted that this was only the fourth time since 1900 that Easter and April Fool's Day fell on the same day. April Fool's Day caused me to think the way the Bible uses the word "fool." The title of this article comes from the statement of the apostle Paul in 1 Cor. 4:10: "We are fools for Christ's sake." So, let us ask ourselves, "What kind of fool am I?"

The first kind is the one who says there is no God. The Psalmist stated, "The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.'" (Ps. 14:1) This is the individual that would look for situations to disprove the existence of God. This may be the person who states, "If God is benevolent and kind, why is there so much evil in the world?" This person may be a Christian who has forsaken God for love of the present world. Are you this kind of fool?

The second kind of fool is the one who professes to be wise but is not. Paul wrote to the church of Christ at Rome, "Professing to be wise, they became fools." (Rom. 1:22) There may be many today who are wise in their own eyes. They don't think they need God. They don't do anything really bad. They live a good moral life. They oppose some of the same things Christians oppose but they have never become Christians. These folks are fools. Are you this kind of fool?

The third kind of fool is the one who doesn't handle time correctly. Here Paul writes, "Walk circumspectly, not as fools." (Eph. 5:15) How many have learned the simple lesson that flying by the seat of your pants simply does not work. Many today are into spontaneity. It is the name of the game, morally, socially, and sometimes religiously. Whatever hits the person at any particular moment is all that matters. Yet the Bible tells us to watch and be careful in life. Caution is the mode of operation for all the Christian does in life. Are you this kind of fool?

Finally, we come to 1 Cor. 4:10 where Paul writes, "We are fools for Christ's sake." Another way to put this would be to say that Christians look foolish in the sight of the world, yet they did it for Christ's sake. This is the type of fool we all should be. Peter stated, "If any man suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in this matter." (1 Pet. 4:16) The challenge to us today is to look like fools in the sight of the world in order to be pleasing to God. Are you this kind of fool?

What kind of fool are you? Obviously, we should be none of the first three; but if we love the Lord and want Him to be master of our lives, we will deliberately become fools in the sight of the world. May God grant us the knowledge, strength and ability to do this.

Non-Denominational Christianity

Over the past several decades, one of the fastest-growing religious movements has been what is commonly called "non-denominational Christianity." Large independent churches have become increasingly popular, often emphasizing contemporary worship and freedom from denominational traditions. Many people are drawn to these churches because they perceive them as offering a more modern and less tradition-bound approach to Christianity.

Ironically, modern "non-denominational" churches have developed their own distinct identities, doctrines, leadership structures, and traditions. Although they reject the denominational labels, they often function much like denominations themselves.

The New Testament describes the church established by Christ (Matthew 16:18). It belonged to Him, not to men, and by its very nature was not a denomination. Those who were part of the Lord's church were simply called "Christians" (Acts 11:26), "disciples" (Acts 6:1), and "saints" (Philippians 1:1). Local congregations were autonomous, each overseen by qualified elders and served by deacons (Acts 14:23; Philippians 1:1). Their worship consisted of singing, prayer, the Lord's Supper, giving, and the teaching of God's Word (Acts 2:42; Acts 20:7; Ephesians 5:19). The pattern presented in the New Testament emphasizes Christ as the only head of the church and scripture as its sufficient guide for faith and practice.

The goal should never be to build a church that reflects modern preferences or popular trends. Rather, our aim should be to become like the church we read about in the New Testament, nothing more and nothing less. If we are willing to lay aside human traditions and submit ourselves completely to the authority of Christ, we can enjoy the unity for which Jesus prayed (John 17:20–21). History has repeatedly shown that when human innovations are introduced into religious practices, division soon follows. Lasting unity cannot be achieved by compromise or by minimizing doctrinal convictions, but by returning to the teachings of God's Word.

Only when we are united in following the pattern revealed in scripture can we experience the unity God intended for the Lord's church. We invite everyone to simply become a Christian and to be part of the church that belongs to Christ, not a denomination established by men, but the church revealed in the New Testament. - by Josh McCord