

Central

Church of Christ

July 12, 2009

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY:

SHARON THOMPSON had hip replacement surgery last Monday. She has been moved to rehab and is doing great. **WAYNE NEVINS** is going to have a stent put in on July 29th.

Also keep these people in your hearts and prayers:

Bettie Smith, Clayton Williams, Myrtle Jennings, Paul Cox, Evelyn McCrary, John & Frankie Brookins, T.A. & Gene Hayhurst, Jay Weddel, David Tucker, Alvis Miller, Linda Hayhurst and Mabel Sadler.

Hotdogs, Kids and Praise!

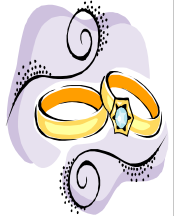


We will be going to see "Ice Age" this afternoon, immediately following morning assemble. You will need to bring a sack lunch to eat at the park before we go to the movies in Plainview. You will need \$3.00 for the movies and if you want popcorn and drinks that will be extra.



*You are cordially invited to a
Wedding Shower
honoring
Andrew & Stephenie McDaniel
Immediately following assemble
this evening at 6:00 p.m.*

*Selections: Friends &
Neighbors, Jeannetts,
Dillard's, J.C. Penney,
Bed, Bath & Beyond
and Target*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

12th-Becky Tucker
13th-Carlos Magallanes
14th-Jana Dutton
18th-Audrey Nobile "3"

Morning Service

Singing-Toby

Song

Song

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REFLECTION & LORD'S SUPPER WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION

Song

Song

Prayer

Song

-Bruce Baird-

"How To Lose A Guy In Ten Days"

Song

Announcements-Matt Howell

Morris Webb

Ladies: We have been invited to Pine Springs for a Ladies Retreat on September 11-13. The cost is \$50.00. Each year a different church hosts the event and this year it is Westside Church of Christ in El Paso. If you are interested please see Amanda.

WE WILL MISS YOU!!!

*For Frank, Grace &
Noe Subealdea
Sunday, July 19th, during
Potluck. There will be a
money tee. If you would
like to contribute please
see Daryl & Becky Tucker
or one of the Elders.*

Records for 7/5/2009

Bible Class: 97 Worship: 121 Contribution: \$2,577

A Word from Bruce

One of the most common problems faced by people today is loneliness. Albert Einstein once commented, "It is strange to be known so universally, and yet to be so lonely" (Nelson, 517). I think that there are many people who can identify with that statement. In fact, the very first recorded problem in the Bible was Adam's loneliness.

George Gallup, of the Gallup research group, has said, "I think that we are a very lonely populace; we are cut apart from each other" (Nelson). There is a lot of truth in that statement. With such innovations as drive-thru windows, automated teller machines, and e-commerce, it is no wonder that we have become an isolated society. According to studies, even the Internet, which offers so many ways to keep in touch with friends and family, "seems to be associated with symptoms of social isolation, such as depression and loneliness" (Nelson).

Surveys show that 1 out of 4 people feel lonely at any given moment. As of 1990, 23 million adults in America live by themselves. And of Americans who ate dinner last night, 22% ate alone. Loneliness largely affects children, teenagers, college students, newly married couples, mothers, and senior citizens. It seems that no one is beyond the grasp of lonesomeness (Webster, Lonely).

But, for anyone who has experienced -- or is experiencing -- feelings of isolation, there is a wonderful statement made by our Lord Jesus that gives us hope! John 15:9-17 (NIV) "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. This is my command: Love each other.

See Ya at the Gathering Place, Bruce

SUMMER SERIES 2009

July 15th-Cory Burns

July 22nd-Speedy Hart of SIBI

July 29th-Kevin Schwigger of Dimmitt C of C

This evening is the Men's Business Meeting immediately following assembly. All men of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

Some friends encourage us to obey God - these friends help us make wise choices. Other friends put us in

situations where we are tempted to disobey God - these friends tempt us to make unwise choices. Are you hanging out with people who make you a better Christian, or are you spending time with people who encourage you to stray from your faith? The answer to this question will help determine the condition of your spiritual health. One of the best ways to ensure that you follow Christ is to find fellow believers who are willing to follow Him with you. Parents should know who your friends are, and who you are hanging out with, it is their business what you are doing. As parents we want to make sure that we do not let you get into a situation where you will be tempted.

Youth Corner

by Matt

We will be leaving for QMCC next Sunday after services. If you are going to QMCC please make sure you bring your luggage with you. You will be returning from camp late Friday the 24th. Make sure that you bring your Bible.