



THE MESSENGER

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Our Vision

*To make Christ known,
follow the Word of God,
serve others,
and win new disciples.*

Memorial Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

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Sunday School Classes

Toddlers & Twos Room 4
Ages 3-4 Room 7
K-Grade 3 Room 7
JYF (Grades 4-5) ... Room 7
Fellowship Class Room 9
Discipleship Class.. Room 101
Roundtable..... Room 102

Scheduled Leaders for May 30, 2010

Elders
Offering Frank Detrixhe
Communion & Worship..... H.A. Tuck

Deacons
Coordinator Rebecca Bell
Wahnetta Detrixhe; Marisa & Tim Hutchison; Freda Kinsey; Delnor Poss; Wayne Warren

PowerPoint Gregg Groves

Psalm Psalm 96:1-4

Scripture(TBD)

Message
"Memorial Weekend"

Elders' Luncheon

June 2 • Noon • Fellowship Hall

Hosted by:

Jackie Hendricks and Betty Whitmire

Please make every effort to be in attendance!

Bingo Night

Sometime back the congregation enjoyed Bingo after a Fellowship Dinner. The Programs Ministry wishes to invite all member to a "Bingo Night," June 24, 6:30pm. We will have a light meal followed by bingo. There will be lots of fun during the evening. In preparation for the event, we are asking for volunteers to help with:

- bringing a prize(s) for the bingo games (prizes should be fun things that anyone would enjoy winning, i.e., boxes of candy, small gift cards, baked goods, or "unique" household items).
- bringing sandwiches, a vegetable tray, or dessert for the meal
- donating money to help offset other expenses of the event.

To volunteer, please call the church office at 694-5321 or the Landrum's at either 631-7390 or 697-7727 before June 16, 2010

"If My People..."

Please pick up your copy of "If My People..." a 40-day prayer guide for our nation. We encourage everyone to share in this daily devotion beginning Wednesday, May 26 and concluding on Sunday, July 4th. As we approach Memorial Day and move toward Independence Day, may we all pray daily for our nation and our leaders, and give thanks to God for our blessings and our many freedoms. Copies of the devotional guide will be available on the tables in the foyer of the Sanctuary and in the hallway next to the Parlor.

(Sponsored by Worship Ministry)



The time is arriving for "The Messenger" to rotate to the *every-two-week mailing schedule*. Publishing dates are as follows. If you have information to appear in a newsletter please be attentive to the dates and contact the church office accordingly. Thank you.

June 2

June 16

June 30

July 14

July 28

August 11

August 25

September 8 – return to normal weekly schedule

Office Angels
for Jun 2

Elwana Collins,
Wahnetta Detrixhe,
Betty Odom & Martha Poss



Peanut Butter Sunday
June 6



T-Dreams

Hello! For those of you who were in worship this past Sunday (Pentecost Sunday), you may recall I spoke of the Holy Spirit and, among other things, His neglected role in our lives. Neglected not because of the Spirit but because of us. Hopefully my words raised some eyebrows.

The true story is told of a man called Yates who, during the depression, owned a sheep ranch in Texas. He did not have enough money to continue paying on the mortgage. In fact, like many others, he soon had to live on government subsidies.

Each day as he tended his sheep he worried about how he was going to pay his bills. Sometime later a seismographic crew arrived on his land telling him they believe there might be oil on his property. They asked Yates' permission to test drill. After a lease was signed they began.

At 1,115 feet a huge oil reserve was struck. Subsequent wells revealed even more oil than the first well indicated. Mr. Yates owned it all. He had the oil and mineral rights. He had been living on relief, yet he was all the while a millionaire. Think of it. He owned all that oil, with its tremendous potential, yet for many years he did not realize it.

How often are you and I like Mr. Yates? We consider ourselves poor, or weak, or helpless, all the while too often unaware of the extraordinary power that we have available to us. That power is lying just below the surface of our lives...in our minds and hearts. It is the power of the Spirit in us.

The Spirit has been and is being poured out upon us and the earth. He moves. He is to the right of us and the left of us. The Spirit is above us and below us; to the front of us and to the rear of us.

I dream of the times when each of us is more and more able to "feel the wind" and know it is the Spirit in our world and in our lives. And you?

Blessings, Terry

Kudos for Colton!

Two teams from MISD's gifted and talented program will compete in Knoxville, Tennessee May 26-29 at the "Destination ImagiNation Globals, an international competition involving teams from 50 states and 40 foreign countries.

Colton Perry will be on the High School team along with several others. This will be Colton's (and Midland High's) fourth trip to the event. It is a huge honor to participate. **Way to go, Colton! Good luck!**

Please pray for...

- Apex 2000
- Billy Atchison (acquaintance of the Hendersons)
- Richard Barr (friend of the Groves)
- Grayson Braziel
- Jane Petree-Bright (friend of Marisa Hutchison)
- Cari Butler (daughter of Jackie Forsyth)
- Rita Cox (friend of Marisa Hutchison)
- Pat Jo Dennis (friend of the Staileys)
- Emily Edwards
- Roger Elliott
- Jim Hamilton (cousin of Randy Stevens)
- Robert Haney (brother-in-law of Betty Whitmire)
- Fran Hendrix (sister of Pat Spaw)
- Dewayne Hendrix (nephew of Pat Spaw)
- Linda Hughes (daughter of Altha Odom)
- Carolyn Kirkes (friend of Gail Caudle)
- Zo Landrum (mother of Michael Landrum)
- Roger McCracken
- Joyce Neal
- Peg Spring Nickerson (friend of Jackie Hendricks)
- Nick Roman (friend of Jarvis Salmon)
- Ian Rook (Military)
- Doug Smith (brother of Tamara Schulz)
- James Stark (friend of the Staileys)
- Teen Challenge
- the Van Houtens
- June Waters (mother of Paula Brooks)

Prayer List

Please review the prayer list and contact the office if you have a loved one or a friend that is doing better and may be removed from the list.

Rev. Tony L. Salisbury, Central Area Minister, www.central-area.org

Rev. Dani Cartwright, Southwest Regional Minister, www.ccsw.org

Rev. Sharon Watkins, General Minister & President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), www.disciples.org

Please have articles for the newsletter into the office on Friday afternoon before you wish the article to appear the following Wednesday.

Regina's Raves

As the weeks of summer come upon us, my calendar is filled up with camp dates. I hope that you will pray for our youth and adults who will be attending camp. Some of them will be attending for the first time. Cutrina Wornell, Michael Van Houten, Patricia Wornell and April Van Houten will all be attending Grand Beginnings on June 4-6. Colton Perry will be attending CYF Conference on June 6-12. He will also be attending CYLS on June 28 through July 2. I will be attending CYF Conference and Chi Rho Camp on July 11-16. If you would like to send mail to our campers while they are at camp the address is:

Camper's Name
Camp Name (i.e. CYF Conference)
Lake Brownwood Christian Retreat
9030 Retreat Road
Brownwood, TX 76801

Be sure to send it a couple days ahead of time to insure it gets there on time!

-Regina

"Courtyard Gallery" Invitation

It is time to remove the Frances Fitzgerald paintings along the hallway leading to the Sanctuary and display a new set. You are invited to bring to church a favorite framed painting or print in your home for display on the gallery wall. This display will last for several months, allowing visitors and members to enjoy the art.

After a few months the paintings will be returned to the owners. *(Please understand that the church cannot be responsible for loss or damage to your painting while it is on display.)*

There is space for approximately 16 or 17 paintings, depending upon size. If you have interest, please phone the church office and bring your painting at an early convenience. The hope is to have the gallery display ready by mid-June.

Thank You

I would like to thank all those who prayed for me, called, visited, sent flowers and food while I was under the weather. No one can beat Memorial Christian members in taking care of each other.

-Marilyn Craig



Shoe Drive

As you will recall, during the months of March and April the Outreach Ministry conducted a shoe drive. The shoes were collected for Soles4Souls to help the earthquake victims in Haiti. Shortly after the Haiti disaster, an earthquake occurred in Chile. We collected 339 pairs of shoes! The response was overwhelming and our sincere "thank you" to everyone who participated.

The shoes have been boxed and are on their way to Alabama where they will be designated to Haiti and anywhere else people are in need. The last posting on Soles4Souls website indicated shoes were being readied for distribution in the Tennessee area where flooding has been responsible for people losing most, if not all, their worldly possessions. So many disasters occur worldwide that there is always a need for whatever help those of us blessed with safety and security can give. The shoes will be a blessing to so many people. Again, thank you.

Opportunity for Disciples Women

The Southwest Region is asking each woman in the region to give \$1.00 a month (\$12.00/year) to raise funds to be able to hire a full-time women's staff person for the region.

Adonna Bowman (Indianapolis Women's Ministry staff) challenges the region in this enterprise. Imagine if 2,000 women gave \$12.00. That would be \$24,000. Imagine if 5,000 women gave \$12.00. That would be \$60,000. And...imagine if every woman in the Southwest Region gave \$12.

Please share in this project. Send your donation to: CCSW, P.O. Box 1689, Fort Worth, TX 76101. Please mark your check: *Women's Ministry Support*

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Weekly Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 30:

9:40 a.m. Church School ☺
10:50 a.m. Worship ☺

Monday, May 31: Memorial Day, Office Closed

Tuesday, Jun 1:

8:00 a.m. Food Pantry Truck

Wednesday, Jun 2:

Noon Elders' Luncheon
1:00 p.m. Food Pantry
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal

Friday, Jun 4: Grand Beginnings Camp

Sunday, Jun 6: CYF Camp

9:00 a.m. Elders' Get-Together
9:40 a.m. Church School ☺
10:50 a.m. Worship ☺
3:00 p.m. VBS Meeting

☺ *Child Care for 4 years and younger.*

Scheduled Leaders for Children's Church

Date	Leader
May 30	Sharon Boyd
June 6	open
June 13	Regina Erwin

Lectionary for May 30

1 Kings 18:20-21 (22-29)
30-39
Psalm 96
Galatians 1:1-12
Luke 7:1-10