



The Builder

David E. Story, Pastor

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Serving In February

Elders: David McMahan,
Frances Clay

Worship Leader: Kent Hol-
guin

Deaconess: Barbara McCord

Deacons: Vivian Helm, Steve
Rosas, James McCord, Angie
Goette

Greeters: Ronnie Smathers,
Barbara Wilson

Acolyte: Ty Jay, Julian Rosas

Building Closing: James
McCord, Bill Fuller

“Storyline... WOW!”

As a general rule our attendance each Sunday runs between 110 - 120, with some Sundays going higher and a few going lower — but an average around 115. We could do better, and we should do better. Let’s make church attendance a priority this year.

I am telling you this because I believe it is going to happen and I want to brag for a moment about the ministry teams of Richfield and the sign-up sheets that we have left in the Information Hallway for the month of January for those to sign who would choose to help do the work of the ministry of Richfield in 2010. I counted this morning, and we have almost half of our regular attendees who have signed to help — 58 to be exact — women, men, young people and children. **WOW!** And not only do we have great volunteers, but some have signed to serve on more than one ministry team. I am excited and pleased, and the church is so blessed to have those who will expend their time, talent and treasure to help us do the work of ministry in our community.

Even though we have removed the sign-up sheets it is not too late for you to help. If you will contact the church office, we will be glad to tell you about the openings we still have available.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve Christ through Richfield Christian Church.

A VIEW FROM THE CHAIR - PETE MOFFATT

Care and Concern List -

Each Sunday David highlights several names on our “Care and Concern” list before he offers the Pastoral Prayer. Some of the names are familiar and others are not. Whether we recognize the names is not important, that we take the time to pray for them is. It truly makes a difference to know someone is praying for you during your time of need. Let us all make it a point to set aside some time to pray for the names on our list and perhaps send a card or make a call or visit so that they might gain strength, find peace and know they are loved.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP NEWS (CWF)

The CWF met on January 19, 2010. Our schedule of events is as follows: **Spring Retreat:** March 5 - 7; theme: Three Stages of Spirituality (Luke 10: 38 - 42). Registrations need to be in the office by February 5. **Annual February Valentine Dinner:** February 14 @ 6:00 p.m., El Tapatio's Mexican Restaurant. All Richfield members are invited to join us for a LOVELY evening of fellowship. A nursery will be provided at church. A red sign-up sheet is in the Information Hallway. **Blessing Boxes:** Daily remembering God's blessings. ~ Shelia Leggett

"Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men." Psalm 107: 15, 21

REMINDER: MR. FIXIT IS STILL ON THE JOB!

Max Bunting of Richfield's Membership Ministry is still "Mr. Fixit," doing minor electrical, painting, carpentry, etc., work for seniors or handicapped. **Call Max at 776-4880** or call Connie at the church office.

Memorials Received

We have received the following memorial gifts to be used to the glory of God and the ministry of Richfield Christian Church.

In Memory of: **Herschel Bunting**

From: Charles and Connie Jefferson

In Memory of: **Cheryl Kennedy**

From: George & Carol Miller

In Memory of: **Dr. Lee Helm Jr.**

From: Minor & Vivian Helm

Charles & Connie Jefferson

Margaret Latimer

Jack & Nancy Munson

Pat Parnell

Mrs. W. H. Shipley

David & Paula Story

In Memory of: **Dr. Lee Helm Jr.**

From: Ruth Merilian

George & Carol Miller

Clint & Inez Montgomery

Jerry & Carole Anne Murphy

Lorraine Kluge

Ray & Jenny Younger

Chick & Lloyd Lewis

Beth Moore Bible Study

"Here and Now....There and Then," a Beth Moore DVD lecture series on the book of Revelation will begin Wednesday, February 10, at 12:00 noon. The series covers 11 weeks, meeting each Wednesday in the adult Sunday school room. There is a listening guide and weekly assignment book available for \$5.00 to the first 15 individuals that sign up for the study. The homework each week is very, very light.

Although Beth Moore is in women's ministry, everyone is welcome to come and view the videos each week. There is a sign-up sheet in the Information Hallway. Bring a sack lunch and join us. For more information contact Carol Miller.

For Your Care and Concern

Adams, Carol	Labit, Valera
Anderson, Bob	Laird, Peggy
Beaver, Norma	Littlefield, Opal
Bergquest, Darlene	Long, Dewayne
Basquez, Lupe	Lothlen, Glenn
Benson, Christian	Lothlen, Patsy
Boatright, Jaiden	Maxon, Eric
Boyd, Mildred	Maynard, Ginna
Bratten, Don	McCain, Tracy
Brock, Price	McGee, Lynda
Burge, Susan	Moffatt, Rachel
Burns, Marian	Moix, Zachary
Cargile, Melvin	Montgomery, Don
Catchings, Art	Moore, Sharon
Catchings, Nial	Moran, Wanda
Christian, Jere	Munson, Jim
Church, Inga	Painter, Todd
Clay, James	Parker, Mildred
Copeland, Teresa	Pearson, Brandy
Davis, Carol	Phillips, Jimmy
Davis, Don	Pryor, June
Davis, Josh	Quinlan, Dan
Dewlen, Al	Quinn, Michael
Dewlen, Lucille	Rattan, Jason
Duncan, Mark	Richardson, Steve
Easterling, Maurine	Riddle, Imogene
Foster, Brie	Rivera, Candace
Fricke, Cutler	Robertson, Janet
Fuller, Hester	Salsiccia, Connie
Evans, Debbie	Sancillo, Wanda
Garvin, Charlotte	Schonerstedt, Danny
Gleissner, Nicholas	Shreeve, Judy
Hancock, Patricia	Skinner, Jim
Helm, Bea	Smith, Glenn
Hill, Sandra	Snyder, Shawna
Holcomb, Marvin	Spears, Betty
Horner, Davis	Stidvent, Vivian
Houston, Peggy	Story, Grant
Howze, Frank	Story, Joleta
Hurd, Sarah	Sykora, Jody
Johnson, Randie	Thompson, Gypsy
Jones, Patsy	Urbel, David
Jordan, Marie	Vernon, Robert
Kattness, Michael	Wallace, Anita
Keck, Don	Wallace, Mary
Kelley, Linda	Wingard, John
Kerey, Glynnis	Woodard, Ann
Knowles, Kenneth	Yates, Phillip

AMONG OUR PEOPLE

To Remember in Prayer

Jody Sykora is suffering from congestive heart failure. **Teresa Copeland** will see the doctor again in February to determine if the medicine is correcting the problem. **Max Vargas** is scheduled for back surgery on February 1. **James Clay** continues to suffer from respiratory distress. **Marie Jordan** is doing a little better but still having blood pressure issues. **Grant Story** continues his rehab at home. **Art Catchings** (Joyce Vanya's brother-in-law), diagnosed with acute leukemia, continues treatment. **Connie Salsiccia** (a friend of the McCord family), receiving radiation and chemo. **Rachel Moffatt** is responding to the medication and is doing better. **Mark Duncan** (a friend of Brad Clay) suffered a stroke and is presently in a care facility. Norma Beaver is scheduled for knee joint replacement at this writing. **Frances Clay** had successful cataract surgery and is doing well. **Al Dewlen** is doing better following a bout with pneumonia. **Virginia Taylor** is hospitalized at Hillcrest and under hospice care. **Mike Glasscock** (Frances Clay's cousin), diagnosed with cancer. Kathy Smith (friend of Teresa Copeland), death of husband. Rick Stone, Jr., (Friend of Brad Clay), hospitalized. Lauren Ivy and Don Allen (Amy Sutton's cousins) need special prayers.

Serving in Iraq: **Tony Ramirez** (James McCord's nephew), **Josh Denton** (Martha Corley's grandson)

Serving in Afghanistan: Curtis Clark (friend of Joyce Vanya), Tyler Webb (friend of Debbie Webb), Kyle Ward (Norma Beaver's grandson)

Pray for all of these and pray for the **parents** of our congregation and parents around the world as they lead their families in **building Christian homes.**

SYMPATHY EXTENDED

We extend our deep sympathy to Richard McCance and family in the death of his daughter, **Cheryl Kennedy.** Her memorial service was held in Carrollton, Texas, on January 9.

And also to Bea Helm and family in the death of her husband, **Dr. Lee Helm Jr.** His service was held at Richfield on January 20.

EDUCATION MINISTRY NEWS

Monthly Bible Verse

Psalm 62:8 - "Trust in him at all times, you people: pour out your hearts to him: for God is our refuge."

OUTREACH MINISTRY NEWS

During the year we conduct several "special" offering campaigns. Our first campaign this year is the Week of Compassion. The primary focus of the Week of Compassion ministry is reaching out to those that have suffered the devastating effects of natural or man-made disasters. A hurricane strikes the Gulf coast; a tornado virtually wipes out a city in Kansas; a tsunami wrecks havoc in the Far East; an earthquake devastates Haiti. The Week of Compassion is there with aid for the victims. I cannot think of any better way to reach out with Christ's love than assisting those in need. Let us show our love for our neighbors as Christ commanded by donating, and donating generously to the Week of Compassion.

David McMahan, Outreach Chair

"SOUP IS SUPER!" - FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP FOR FEBRUARY

The Fellowship Ministry will sponsor the First Sunday Fellowship on Sunday, February 7. We will feature "SOUP," sandwiches and desserts. Please bring enough for your family plus one other person. Beverages and crackers will be provided by the church. Also bring a friend and a donation of a canned item as we get ready for a "Souper Sunday" of fun, food and fellowship.

Barbara Wilson, Fellowship Chair

HAVE YOU SEEN IT?

The preacher's cordless drill is missing — one that we keep at church to use on work-days. It is an orange and black, 18-volt, Black and Decker. If you might have seen it or used it, will you help us find it?

THANKSGIVINGS RECEIVED

Our Mission and Outreach Ministry has received "thank you" notes from the following organizations that are posted on the bulletin board in the Information Hallway for you to read at your leisure:

From: *Meals & Wheels, Talitha Koum, Caritas, Friends for Life, Salvation Army, Mission Waco and the Trinity Brazos Area*

CUB SCOUT PACK 403 - ACTIONS & ACTIVITIES

The Cub Scouts have hit the ground running for 2010. We completed the God and Me camp on January 9 with ten boys. Thank you to members of Richfield who brought food for the families. It was awesome! A special thanks to Kent Holguin for being our counselor again this year.

This past Saturday the boys had their annual Pinewood Derby Race. We had 20 scouts build and race their cars. Thank you to Jake Blankinship for running the racetrack and Charles Jefferson for being the Finish Line Judge. Congratulations to Thomas Almanza for winning First Place.

Our older scouts will be competing in an outdoor skills event on Saturday, January 30, at Camp Jim Braley.

We will have Scout Sunday ceremonies on February 7 and will be presenting the religious emblems to scouts that attended the God and Me program. This will be done as part of the worship service at Richfield.

On February 20, in the fellowship hall, we will have our annual Blue and Gold banquet. We will be celebrating 100 years of Boy Scouting. Richfield members are encouraged to attend. We will have a sign-up sheet in the Information Hallway.

Kayla Rosas, Committee Chair, Pack 403

ALL ABOUT THE YOUTH

On Sunday, January 24, we had our first parents' meeting to develop the Parents' Council. The parents that have signed up for the council are: Kayla Rosas, Middle School boys; Rhonda Clay, high school girls; and Melissa Almanza, high school boys. We still need someone for middle school girls (perhaps Teresa Copeland, Tisha Busch, Staci Jay or Dee Rousey).

This council will offer friendly reminders to help keep the lines of communication open, to voice concerns or ideas, and to meet once a month in order to keep everyone up to date on the activities of the youth group.

I am willing to work with all parents in making this a great youth program. Please contact me with any activity schedule that your children or youth may have so that we can plan our events where the majority will be able to attend. Please do not hesitate to call me or email me with anything you might need. This youth group is only as strong as the parents who support it.

I will be sending a revised schedule out very soon with new dates for activities. Please be watching for this. Hope you all have a good week.

Amy

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Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 - 1:00

NOTICE: It is not too late to sign up for Chi Rho and CYF midwinter. Call the church office for more detail.

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FACTS AND FIGURES

Attendance:

Jan. 3 -	115
Jan. 10 -	90
Jan. 17 -	113
Jan. 24 -	111

Giving 1/3

General Fund	\$ 4,769.00
Building Fund	\$ 51.00

Giving 1/10

General Fund	\$ 1,791.01
Building Fund	\$ 10.00

Giving 1/17

General Fund	\$ 2,602.50
Building Fund	\$ 60.00

Giving 1/24

General Fund	\$ 2,189.50
Building Fund	85.00

MISSION STATEMENT

"As members of the body of Christ known as Richfield Christian Church, we believe that we are called to share the Good News that leads people to Jesus Christ; called to provide a place of worship, spiritual support and nurture to all who come; called to support the growth and development of outreach and mission at home and abroad; and called to help train and educate those persons chosen by God to service in ministry, both lay and ordained - so help us God."

Week of Compassion - Haiti

As of January 26, the offering total is: **\$475.00** and will remain open for the first three weeks in February.

David McMahan, Outreach