



THE BUILDER

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Storyline...“Let’s Go To Church!”

Attendance in January was not so good (see the stats elsewhere in this newsletter). We had heavy rain on a couple of Sundays and cold weather, so I can appreciate the difficulty. But I just wanted to say to any and all of you that we need for you to be present, and I hope that you feel the need to be present for worship.

Recently I had a church member, who has missed the last four weeks due to illness, tell me that 1) she had never missed four weeks in a row before and, 2) she felt lost without seeing her church family.

To be honest, I think we take worship for granted and don’t realize how important it is until we are prevented from coming. On a personal note, I know that Paula misses tremendously the opportunity for worship as she cares for Grant most Sunday mornings.

Let me encourage you to be present at every opportunity and to “forsake not the assembly of yourselves at the house of God.”

I will be waiting to meet you around His table.

A VIEW FROM THE CHAIR - LINDA TUSA

Do you hear and feel something knocking? I do! It is opportunity!

The month of January was chock full of opportunities for our church. Sandra Westmoreland has been leading a Beth Moore Bible Study on the book of Esther. If you missed this study, then opportunity knocks once again as Sandra begins another Beth Moore study on the book of Daniel. You will be blessed with the fellowship of your friends, as well as the dynamic presentation that Beth Moore gives to her Bible studies.

We also have been studying the book of Isaiah in our “senior” adult Sunday school class. Our very own preacher brought this study to us, and it was like getting a double-dip ice cream cone — or should I say, double-dip blessing — a wonderful lesson and sermon in one day for a whole month!

There are many other opportunities awaiting. Come join us as we “sip from our saucers because our cups have truly run over.”

Serving In January

Elders: Bill Fuller, Tom Stidvent

Worship Leader: Charles Jefferson

Deaconess: Barbara Mackie

Deacons: Minor & Vivian Helm, Pat Organ, Steve Rosas

Greeters: Joe & Debbie Webb

Acolyte: Dylan Summey

Building Closing: Charles Jefferson

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: **Mildred Parker**

From: Minor & Vivian Helm

Jerry & Carole Anne Murphy

Tom & Marlene Proctor

In Memory of: **Carl Munson**

From: Clint & Inez Montgomery

David & Paula Story

Minor & Vivian Helm

Charles & Shirley McCoy

CWF - DW NEWS

Feb. 13—Valentine Banquet - We invite all members to join us for fun and loving fellowship. We will meet at Logan's Roadhouse at 6:00 p.m.

March 25 - 27 Spring Retreat - Athens, TX

Theme: "Give Your Faith Feet!"

Keynote Speaker: Barbara Miller

Service Project: Inman Center, San Antonio

Items needed: Diapers, wipes, infant clothing, and infant formula

Blessing Boxes - The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad. Ps.126.3

Reminder: Blessing Box offering will be collected in May. Next meeting is February 15 with Sandra Westmoreland and Nancy Munson as hostesses.

Shelia Leggett, President

Cub Scout News

Our Cub Scout group had a very successful Pinewood Derby on January 15. There were about 20 boys racing their cars along with an adult division including parents, grandparents, siblings and leaders. Thank you to Charles Jefferson for judging for us again this year; also many thanks to Jake Blankinship and Kent Holguin for their continued support.

For February, the scouts will observe Scout Sunday on February 13 by attending the church service in uniform with their families. It is a time for scouts around the world to show reverence.

On Friday, February 18, at 6:30 p.m. we will celebrate another year of scouts with our annual Blue and Gold Banquet. All Richfield members are welcome to attend. A meal will be served. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Information Hallway the first week of February. At the banquet the scouts will earn their den ranks and our oldest cub scouts will cross over to boy scouts.

"The spirit is there in every boy; it has to be discovered and brought to light." Sir Robert Baden-Powell, Founder of Scouting.

Kayla Rosas, Pack 403 Committee Chair

For Your Care and Concern

Adams, Carol	Long, Dewayne
Anderson, Bob	Lothlen, Glenn
Anderson, Brynn	Lothlen, Patsy
Baker, Kyle	Maxon, Eric
Basquez, Lupe	Maynard, Ginna
Batson, Mark	McFarling, Kristi
Benson, Christian	McKim, Carol
Bigham, Travis	McGee, Lynda
Boatright, Jaiden	Miller, Bill
Bratten, Don	Moffatt, Rachel
Burge, Susan	Moix, Zachary
Burns, Marian	Moore, Tommy
Cargile, Melvin	Montgomery, George
Catchings, Nial	Morales, Marylou
Christian, Jerre	Munson, Nancy
Church, Inga	O'Conner, Mary
Clay, James	Painter, Mandy
Clouatre, Gary	Painter, Todd
Coe, Harry	Patterson, Peggy
Davis, Don	Pearson, Brandy
Davis, Josh	Pilla, Steve
Dawson, Karen	Pryor, June
Devault, Danielle	Quinlan, Dan
Dickerson, Wendal	Quinn, Michael
Duncan, Mark	Rand, Jane
Evans, Debbie	Richardson, Steve
Flowers, Nick	Riddle, Imogene
Foster, Brie	Robertson, Janet
Fuller, Hester	Shreeve, Judy
Gleissner, Nicholas	Skinner, Jim
Hancock, Patricia	Smith, Glenn
Harper, Lindsey	Smithson, Randy
Helm, Bea	Snyder, Shawna
Herholtz, Bill	Spradling, Von
Hill, Sandra	Stidvent, Vivian
Horner, Davis	Story, Grant
Houston, Peggy	Story, Joleta
Ibarra, Samantha	Tangelosi, Biff
Jones, Patsy	Urbel, David
Jordan, Marie	Vernon, Robert
Judd, Marsha	Wallace, Mary
Kattness, Michael	Whalia, Teresa
Keck, Don	Williford, Greg
Kelley, Caleb	Wilson, Bob
Kelley, Linda	Wingard, John
Knowles, Kenneth	Wogg, Gina
Labit, Valera	Woodard, Ann
Laird, Peggy	Wooden, Kristin &
Lasiter, June	baby
Lewis, Lloyd	Yates, Phillip
Lewis, Sherry	

AMONG OUR PEOPLE

To Remember in Prayer

Roy and Martha Belcher continue to reside at Quality Care nursing facility. Roy suffered a stroke and is recuperating. **James Clay** is fighting respiratory issues, as is **Lloyd Lewis**. **Virginia Howard** is scheduled for surgery the first week in February. **Nick Flowers** (grandson of Charles and Shirley McCoy) is having surgery as this newsletter goes to print. **Grant Story** is continuing his recuperation at home. **Marie Jordan** is still having blood pressure issues. **Vivian Bushnell** had a bout with pneumonia but is doing better. **Bea Helm** is recuperating at home following her surgery. At this writing, **Bob Wilson** is having a procedure in Dallas. **Nancy Munson** has been experiencing some defibrillation problems. **Vivian Stidvent** will have surgery on February 9.

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**.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please take the opportunity to welcome Joe and Marie Thorn to our congregation. They came to us by transfer of membership on December 19, 2010. They live at 901 Evelyn Dr., Lorena, TX 76655, and their phone number is 295.5225. Joe is the son of Pat Organ.

Thank You Notes Received

We have received "Thank You" notes from the following organizations. (They are also posted on the bulletin board in the Information Hallway.)

Talitha Koum, Friends for Life, Dean Highland Elementary School, Disciples Crossing, Caritas, Mission Waco and Meals on Wheels.

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FACTS AND FIGURES

Attendance:

Jan. 2 -	88
Jan. 9 -	75
Jan. 16 -	81
Jan. 23 -	86

Giving 1/2/11

General Fund	\$ 3,770.00
Building Fund	\$ 0.00

Giving 1/9/11

General Fund	\$ 1,792.55
Building Fund	\$ 50.00

Giving 1/16/11

General Fund	\$ 1,993.00
Building Fund	\$ 25.00

Giving 1/23/11

General Fund	\$ 2,636.00
Building Fund	50.00

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."

Fellowship Lunch

Our fellowship lunch will be on February 6. Please bring your favorite Mexican dish and join us for food, fun, and fellowship. Bring enough for your family and one other person.

Barbara Wilson - Fellowship Chair.

YOUTH NEWS AND INFORMATION

This next Sunday, January 30, all children and youth are invited to go skating at Skate World. We will meet at the church at 2:00 p.m. and take the van and return to the church by 4:00 p.m. Children can be dropped at the church or their home after the outing (parents, let me know what you prefer). The church will pay for admission and skate rentals. Kids can bring money for snacks and/or video games if desired. There will be no Bible Study this week.

Bible Study will resume in February but I am changing the night we will meet for Bible Study from Sunday night to Wednesday night in hope of improving our attendance. That will mean that some parents will not have to make two trips to the church in one day. It will also give us a chance for some mid-week fellowship. We will meet for Bible Study and snack supper at 6:00 each Wednesday beginning in February.

Lisa



BETH MOORE BIBLE STUDY ON DANIEL

A new Beth Moore Bible Study on the book of Daniel will begin Thursday, February 10, at 11:30 a.m. It is a 12-week course. There will be discussion beginning at 11:30 and then her video presentation will begin at noon and last approximately one hour. The books will be \$20.00 each and must be ordered ahead of time, so there will be a sign-up sheet in the Information Hallway on Sunday or you can email me at markietd@aol.com. This Bible Study is for beginners, intermediates, and experts — everyone is welcome. Beth Moore studies are directed more to women, but men are also welcome. There is some homework during the week.

Let me know if you are interested. See you Thursday.

Sandra

Note of Thanksgiving

RCC members,

Thank you for the cards, memorial gifts and kind words following the death of my mother in December. It is always good to have a caring church family.

Tom and Vivian Stidvent

SYMPATHY EXTENDED

We extend our sympathy to Jack Munson in the death of his brother, Carl. His memorial service was held in Corpus Christi on January 21.