



THE BUILDER



David E. Story, Pastor

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HAPPY NEW YEAR	

Storyline...“Starting Over!”

The kids’ game “Hide and Seek” begins with these words, “Ready or not, here I come!” and the chase is on to find those that are playing. I think those words are also appropriate as we listen to Father Time usher in the New Year — “Ready or not, here I come.”

By the time most of you receive this newsletter we will be living in 2011 and we will have the opportunity to give this New Year another chance to improve upon 2010. How much it improves may sometimes depend on us and the path we take in making it a better year.

Let me invite and encourage you to make this a year of prayer and thanksgiving as we ask God to come into our hearts and lives in a new and different way. Let us be serious in our meditation, and let us resolve to be faithful in attendance and worship. Meet me around the Lord’s table — ready or not, here He comes.

A VIEW FROM THE CHAIR - LINDA TUSA

As I begin my visits with you for the New Year, I wanted to share a song I heard from Michael Combs, *“Drinking From My Saucer.”*

“I’ve never made a fortune, it’s probably too late now. Oh, but I don’t worry that much ‘cause I’m happy anyhow. As I go along life’s journey I’m reaping better than I sowed. I’m drinking from my saucer ‘cause my cup has overflowed.

“Ain’t got a lot of riches, sometimes the going’s rough. But, I’ve got a friend in Jesus and that makes me rich enough. I thank God for all His blessings on me and the mercy that He’s bestowed. I’m drinking from my saucer, ‘cause my cup has overflowed.

“Oh sure, I’ve been thru some storms and, yes, I’m sure there were times when my faith must have got a little thin. But, you know what it seemed like? One day, all at once, those dark clouds broke and that old sun started shinin’ again. So Lord, help me not to grumble and complain about the tough rows I have hoed. I’m drinking from my saucer ‘cause my cup has overflowed.”

Join me around the table each Sunday and let’s begin our journey of “drinking from the saucer” together.

Serving In January

Elders: Phil Thompson,
Linda Tusa

Worship Leader: Angie
Goette

Deaconess: Shirley Fuller

Deacons: Carolyn Reat,
Dorothy Smith, Jerry Murphy,
Frank Gentry

Greeters: Jerry Murphy,
Carole Anne Murphy

Acolyte: Logan Rosas

Building Closing: Bill
Fuller

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: Clint & Inez Montgomery

Jack & Nancy Munson

David & Paula Story

John & Sandra Westmoreland

In Memory of: **Price Brock**

From: Keith Lutsch

Ann Diebel

In Memory of: **Sarah Fadal**

From: Valera Labit

CWF - DW NEWS

Happy New Year and greetings to all the women of Richfield Christian Church! The CWF-DW will meet on Tuesday, January 18, at 6:00 p.m. The service project will be the Cane Ridge Christian Church. Angie Goette and Nancy Munson will be our hostesses. I am looking forward to an exciting CWF 2011 year and I would like for every woman to join me.

Shelia Leggett, President

ITEMS NEEDED FOR DEAN HIGHLAND

Dean Highland, our Adopt-A-School partner needs some items for their art classes. They make Christmas cards each year for Friends For Life by recycling used cards, wrapping paper and any other Christmas doodads. Just bring them to the church, and we will see that they are delivered to Ms. Harris at Dean Highland.

Cub Scout News

Pack 403 wrapped up the 2010 year by participating in the Waco Christmas Parade and holding our annual Christmas Party and awards ceremony. We will continue with a busy schedule in January.

On January 4 we will have a pinewood derby workshop for the scouts. All scouts are building pinewood derby cars. The leaders will be assisting the scouts and their parents on how to construct the cars. Then on Saturday, January 15, from 10:00 a.m. until noon we will have our annual pinewood derby race in the fellowship hall. All Richfield members are invited to attend.

On January 11 at 6:00 p.m. we will have a special ceremony for our second year Webelos scouts (5th graders). They will receive the highest award given to a cub scout which is the Arrow of Light award. The boy scout troop, Order of the Arrow from Waco, will perform at the ceremony. Again, Richfield members are welcome to attend.

Happy New Year from Pack 403.

Kayla Rosas, 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	McCance, Richard
Benson, Christian	McFarling, Kristi
Bigham, Travis	McGee, Lynda
Boatright, Jaiden	Miller, Bill
Bratten, Don	Moffatt, Rachel
Bunting, Stacie	Moix, Zachary
Burge, Susan	Moore, Tommy
Burns, Marian	Montgomery, George
Cargile, Melvin	Morales, Marylou
Catchings, Nial	O'Conner, Mary
Christian, Jerre	Painter, Todd
Church, Inga	Patterson, Peggy
Clay, James	Pearson, Brandy
Clouatre, Gary	Pilla, Steve
Coe, Harry	Pryor, June
Davis, Don	Quinlan, Dan
Davis, Josh	Quinn, Michael
Dawson, Karen	Richardson, Steve
Devault, Danielle	Riddle, Imogene
Dickerson, Wendal	Rivera, Candace
Duncan, Mark	Robertson, Janet
Evans, Debbie	Salsiccia, Connie
Foster, Brie	Sancillo, Wanda
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	Story, Grant
Horner, Davis	Story, Joleta
Houston, Peggy	Tangelosi, Biff
Jones, Patsy	Urbel, David
Jordan, Marie	Vernon, Robert
Judd, Marsha	Wallace, Mary
Kattness, Michael	Whalia, Teresa
Keck, Don	Williford, Greg
Kelley, Caleb	Wingard, John
Kelley, Linda	Wogg, Gina
Knowles, Kenneth	Woodard, Ann
Labit, Valera	Yates, Phillip
Laird, Peggy	
Lasiter, June	
Lewis, Sherry	

AMONG OUR PEOPLE

To Remember in Prayer

Roy and Martha Belcher are presently residents at Quality Care nursing facility. Roy suffered a stroke and is recuperating. **James Clay** is continuing to fight respiratory issues, and **Richard McCance** is still having difficulty healing following his surgery. He may need to see a doctor in Dallas for follow-up treatment. **Grant Story** is continuing his recuperation at home. **Marie Jordan** is still having blood pressure issues. **Tommy Moore** (Laura Hack's son-in-law), diagnosed with prostate cancer, continues receiving treatment. **Bea Helm** is recuperating at home following her surgery. **Shirley McCoy** is having some tests. **Nancy Munson** has been experiencing some defibrillation problems.

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**.

Thank You notes were received from Glenn and Patsy Lothlen, The Salvation Army, Ron Spears, Bea Helm, Friends For Life, and George and Pat Montgomery. They are posted on the bulletin board in the Information Hallway.

Change of Address: Edi Jacks, 5400 Laurel Lake #206E, Waco, TX 76710 - 254.741.1055 x 2063

Angie Goette, 1046 Levi Parkway, Lorena, TX 76655 - 254.366.2368

Sympathy Extended

We extend our sympathy to Tom Stidvent and family in the death of his mother, Mildred Parker. Her memorial service will be held in south Texas in January.

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FACTS AND FIGURES

Attendance:

Dec. 5 -	92
Dec.12 -	105
Dec. 19 -	94
Dec. 26 -	65

Giving 12/5

General Fund	\$ 4,652.12
Building Fund	\$ 10.00

Giving 12/12

General Fund	\$ 3,235.75
Building Fund	\$ 90.75

Giving 12/19

General Fund	\$ 8,193.50
Building Fund	\$ 117.50

Giving 12/26

General Fund	\$ 2,346.00
Building Fund	20.00

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."

2011 Reminder

Max "Mr. Fix-it" Bunting is still doing minor repair jobs for ill, elderly, or handicapped church members at no charge. You can reach him at 254.776.4880.