



THE BUILDER

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David Busch... To Give Is To Live!

In Chapter 12 of his letter to the Romans, Paul compares us Christians to members of the human body. There are many members of the human body, each serving a different function but all crucial to the health and well-being of the body. We are all living sacrifices to the body of Christ. "...in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Isn't this true in the life of our congregation? We each bring different talents, inspirations, and ideas to the table. As with any family, we don't always agree and sometimes discussion can get heated. However, when we work together as one body in Christ, great things happen.

While the culmination of all our time and talent is crucial to the health of our congregation, so is that of our treasures. The people are the heart of our congregation who keep us growing in Christ. Our tithes and offerings keep our programs funded, the lights on and the building functioning. We have run a deficit budget for several years, living on our reserves. The reserves are running short. Now, more than ever, we must work as one body for the financial well-being of our congregation. Paul declares, "If it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously..." I believe Paul's message fits our theme perfectly: To Give Is To Live. And he calls us to live together as one body in Christ, pooling all of our vast resources of time, talent, and treasure. Please consider Paul's message as you fill out your Estimate of Giving card for next year.

Serving In October

Elders: Linda Tusa, Phil Thompson

Worship Leader: Pete Moffatt

Deaconess: Carole Anne Murphy

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

Greeters: Jake Blankinship, Pat Organ

Acolyte: Tori Jay

Building Closing: Phil Thompson, Bill Fuller

A VIEW FROM THE CHAIR - LINDA TUSA

It seems like our journey has just begun, and yet we are now in the process of preparing the church for a new year. Time truly flies by.

During these last few months I hope you will give some thought to just how full your cup is and how much it has flowed over the rim and into the saucer. Think about what you can do for the church next year donating time and treasure. You will be rewarded if you give it a try.

Our Stewardship Campaign slogan for 2012 is "TO GIVE IS TO LIVE." (See the above article from David Busch) Please open your hearts and give of your time, talent, and treasure, as David says, "until the Master stops giving to you."

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: **Al Dewlen**

From: Charles & Connie Jefferson

In Memory of: **Glenn Schmidt**

From: Clint & Inez Montgomery

In Memory of: **Ronny Rigney**

From: Jerry & Carole Anne Murphy

Larry & Barbara Mackie

In Memory of: **Jack Clarke**

From: Richard & Jean Clark

In Memory of: **Cindy Tooker**

From: Jerry & Carole Anne Murphy

Larry & Barbara Mackie

CUB SCOUT NEWS

The Cub Scouts have had a great start to the school year. After two school rallies, we have added eight new scouts. We have one more rally on October 4.

Our Webelo Scouts are needing help with a service project. They are collecting old towels and blankets for Fuzzy Friends. If you would like to help, there will be a collection box in the fellowship hall. The Webelos are also looking for someone with an engineering background to assist with the Engineering Badge. Contact Steve Rosas.

The cub scouts will be going to Belton on our first fall campout on October 29.

Kayla Rosas, Committee Chair - Pack 403

Slate of Officers to Be Presented for Vote

The Nominating Committee presented the following officers for approval to the board and congregation. The board voted unanimously to accept the slate, and the names will come to the congregation for vote.

ELDERS: Pete Moffatt, Sandra Westmoreland

DEACONS: Christa Dancer, Larry Mackie, Frank Gentry, Bruce Leggett

DEACONESSES: Catherine Crane, Staci Jay

TRUSTEE: Frances Clay

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE: John Westmoreland

Address and Phone Corrections

Glenn & Patsy Lothlen—8914 Fox Hollow - Waco, 76712 - Ph. 254-300-5945

Mary Wetterman - New Phone # 254-772-8798

For Your Care and Concern

Adams, Carol	Labit, Valera
Anderson, Bob	Laird, Peggy
Anderson, Brynn	Long, Dewayne
Basquez, Lupe	Lothlen, Glenn
Benson, Christian	Lothlen, Patsy
Bigham, Travis	Martinez, Anselmo
Boatright, Jaiden	Maxon, Eric
Bratten, Don	Maynard, Ginna
Burge, Susan	McCance, Richard
Burns, Marian	McFarling, Kristi
Cargile, Melvin	McMahan, David
Castro, Dolores	McGee, Lynda
Catchings, Nial	McKim, Carol
Christian, Jerre	McLellan, Kendall
Church, Inga	Moffatt, Rachel
Clay, James	Moix, Zachary
Clouatre, Gary	Montgomery, George
Cook, Beverly	Moore, Tommy
Davis, Don	Moses, John
Davis, Josh	Munson, Kathy
Dawson, Karen	Munson, Nancy
Derrick, Charlie	O'Conner, Mary
Devault, Danielle	Organ, Marshall
Dickson, Wendal	Painter, Todd
Duncan, Mark	Patterson, Peggy
Evans, Debbie	Pearson, Brandy
Nicholas Flowers	Picard, Jana
Foster, Brie	Pilla, Steve
Fredrich, Karen	Pryor, June
Fuller, Hester	Quinlan, Dan
Gleissner, Nicholas	Quinn, Michael
Hack, Laura	Richardson, Steve
Hancock, Patricia	Robertson, Janet
Harper, Lindsey	Saucedo, Nelda
Helm, Bea	Shreeve, Judy
Herholtz, Bill	Skinner, Jim
Hill, Sandra	Snyder, Shawna
Horner, Davis	Stidvent, Vivian
Houston, Peggy	Story, Grant
Ibarra, Samantha	Story, Joleta
Jones, Brandie	Surface, Doris
Jones, Patsy	Thompson, Phil
Jordan, Marie	Urbel, David
Judd, Marsha	Vernon, Robert
Kattness, Michael	Wallace, Mary
Keck, Don	Whalia, Teresa
Kelley, Caleb	Wilson, Bob
Kelley, Linda	Wogg, Gina
Knowles, Kenneth	Woodard, Ann
	Yates, Phillip

AMONG OUR PEOPLE

To Remember in Prayer

Bob Wilson is now at home recuperating, as is **Patsy Lothlen**. **David McMahan** also continues his recuperation at home and has been able to be in church. At this writing, **Doris Surface** is a patient at Providence Hospital and **Marshall Organ** a patient at Hillcrest. **James Clay** is still fighting with respiratory issues. **Jana Picard**, a frequent visitor to Richfield, had a heart attack and is recovering at home. **Sharon Sparkman**, a frequent visitor at Richfield, will have shoulder surgery this week. **Valera Labit** continues her rehab at Regent Care. **Phil Thompson** will have a biopsy this week.

Serving in Kuwait: Sgt. Joseph Thorn

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**.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Adopt-A-School partner, Dean Highland Elementary, needs our help. Volunteers are needed in the classrooms, especially in kindergarten, but also in the greenhouse. If you can give at least 30 minutes to a child, it can make an impact on them and perhaps on you. Forms are available in the church office.

RCC SUMMER BOWLING LEAGUE

The league ended with an awards dinner at the Cotton Patch restaurant on September 12. "Right Down The Middle" (Charleen Isbell, Vince Cubero, Pete Moffatt) won first place, followed by the "Strike Outs" (Martha Corley, Budge Kimbell) the "Trouble Makers" (Vivian Helm, Tina Dieterman) and "Beauty And The Beasts" (Sandra Westmoreland, John Westmoreland, Charles Jefferson). Martha finished with an impressive 157 average, Charles at 139, Vivian at 138, John at 137, Budge at 127 and Sandra at 112. Sign-up sheet for the fall league will be in the Information Hallway.

YOUTH NEWS AND INFORMATION

Hi, everyone!

We had two really fun outings to the Waco Zoo! Thanks for all who came, and also thanks to the parents/families for your support. The kids had a great time, and I had a blast.

The Youth Group Wednesday-evening Bible studies/snack suppers are being well-attended. We have a great time learning new Bible lessons as well as catching up with each other in the middle of the week.

****Don't Forget**** Sunday School meets at 9:50 — I'm here ready and waiting to see all of your bright, shining faces.

The Bible verse for October is Proverbs 18:16 - "A gift opens the way for the giver and ushers him into the presence of the great."

Mark Your Calendar



ALL-CHURCH HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sunday, October 30, 2011
6:00 p.m.



Please make plans to come and join in the fun, games and snacks! (Donations of candy and/or goodies for the kiddos can be brought to the church office.)

See ya Sunday... *Angie*

CWF - CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

"COME TOGETHER FOR CHRIST"

The CWF/DW is off to a great start. The 2011-2012 Blessing Boxes were given out at the worship service on Sunday. See Kayla or Shelia if you did not receive one. The service project for September was the church pantry fund. And for October three "Baskets of Hope" were assembled and given to the Women's Job Corps. We will have a Chrismon Workshop on Saturday, October 15, beginning at 9:00 a.m. A "Pies-A-Plenty" fundraiser is coming in November. We will be taking orders for homemade pies for Thanksgiving. Be watching for the sign-up sheets in the Information Hallway to place your order. You may also sign up to help make pies. The cost of the pies will be \$10.00 each.

Our October meeting is set for Tuesday, October 18, at 6:00 p.m. Our hostesses will be Angie Goette and Cheyanne Butler. All women of Richfield are welcome to attend.

Count your blessings, name them one by one, Count your blessings, see what God has done!

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FACTS AND FIGURES

Attendance:

Sept. 4 -	93
Sept. 11 -	91
Sept. 19 -	85
Sept. 26 -	103

Giving 9/4/11

General Fund	\$ 4,662.00
Building Fund	\$ 0.00

Giving 9/11/11

General Fund	\$ 2,168.09
Building Fund	\$ 105.00

Giving 9/19/11

General Fund	\$ 1,872.00
Building Fund	\$ 0.00

Giving 9/26/11

General Fund	\$ 4,402.00
Building Fund	35.00

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."

First Sunday Fellowship

The first Sunday fellowship will be held this Sunday, October 2, following worship and is hosted by the Worship Ministry. Please bring enough food for your family and one other person and join us for this time of fellowship.

Angie Goette, Worship Ministry Chair