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Reminder

The weekly newsletter of the church of Christ in Bellaire, Texas

“How To Know What God Wants Me To Do”

We all face important decisions. These decisions will often have a great impact on us and our families. It may be a question about what job to take, or where to live, or what school to attend, etc. What should we do? Does God offer any help or guidance in making such decisions? We believe the answer is YES! How does God give this guidance? In many ways:

1) **Through the Word.** The vast majority of answers are here. There are positive commands that tell us what we should do. For example, Matthew 28:19 instructs us to teach the gospel to others. You don't have to wonder if God wants you to speak to your neighbor about salvation. He does, and He said so! There are also negative commands that tell us what to avoid. If, for instance, you are praying about whether or not you should honestly report your income taxes — save your breath! God has already given that answer (Eph. 4:25). Don't be looking for additional guidance in areas where God has already said “no” or “yes.”

2) **Through prayer.** Christians are to be consistent in prayer (1 Thess. 5:17). God promises to answer our prayers. We ought to approach Him with petitions for help with our important decisions (1 Peter 3:12). If you don't believe this will work, then don't bother to ask! (James 1:5-7).

3) **Through circumstances.** In the Old Testament, Joseph suffered a number of awful and unjust things. In the end, he was wise enough to realize that God had used those circumstances to accomplish His will (Gen. 45:7,8). Be careful here - this ‘guidance through circumstances’ is sometimes hard to detect, and some are quick to jump to false conclusions.

4) **Through the counsel of others.** The many commands that urge us to exhort and encourage our fellow Christians (Heb. 3:13, Gal. 6:2) demonstrate that God intends for us to help one another with the difficult things in our lives. - by *Greg Gwinn*

Just For Fun:

Three friends were asked, "When you're in your casket, and friends and family are mourning over you, what would you like them to say?"
Artie said, " I would like them to say I was a wonderful husband, a fine spiritual leader, and a great family man."
Merle said, "I would like them to say I was a wonderful teacher and servant of God who made a huge difference in peoples lives."
Don said, "I'd like them to say, 'Look! He's moving!'"

About Us

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Who Are We?

A group of God's children, striving to maintain the organization, doctrine and worship as taught in the New Testament.

Schedule of Services

Sunday:
9:30 AM Worship
11:00 AM Bible Study

Wednesday:
7:30 PM Bible Study



MORNING LESSON
“Spiritual Motivation & Endurance”
 - Steve Garrett

SERVICE

Welcome – H. Banks
 Hymn Director - M. Krueger
 Opening Prayer – B. Ward
 Morning Lesson – Steve Garrett
 Lord’s Supper Lesson- J. Seale
 Announcements – J. Smith
 Closing Prayer - S. Camp

EVANGELIST

Jack Smith
 Steve Garrett

ELDERS

Brian Haley
 Mark Mann
 Matt Miles
 Mike Pharris
 Jack Smith

DEACONS

Scott Clanton
 David Davila
 Dan Kimbrough
 Jesse Knapp
 Alex Morolez
 Gregory Williams

BIBLE CLASSES

Galatians, Ephesians and
 Philippians - Steve Garrett

Auditorium

Children’s Bible Stories Revisited
 - Lee Williams

Room 102

Graded classes for children

Directory Updates

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“What Is Jesus To You”

- To the artist He is the One Altogether Lovely.
- To the architect He is the chief cornerstone,
- To the baker He is the Living Bread.
- To the banker He is the Hidden Treasure.
- To the biologist He is the Life.
- To the builder He is the Sure Foundation,
- To the doctor He is the Great Physician.
- To the educator He is the Great Teacher.
- To the farmer He is the Lord of the Harvest.
- To the florist He is the Rose of Sharon, the Lily of the Valley.
- To the geologist He is the Rock of Ages.
- To the jurist He is the Righteous Judge, the Judge of all men.
- To the jeweler He is the Pearl of Great Price.
- To the lawyer He is the Counselor, the Lawgiver, the Advocate.
- To the horticulturist He is the True Vine.
- To the newspaper man He is the Good Tidings of Great Joy.
- To the oculist He is the Light of the World.
- To the philanthropist He is the unspeakable Gift.
- To the philosopher He is the Wisdom of God.
- To the preacher He is the Word of God.
- To the sculptor He is the Living Stone,
- To the servant He is the Good Master.
- To the statesman He is the Desire of All Nations.
- To the student He is the Incarnate Truth.
- To the theologian He is the Author and Finisher of Our Faith.
- To the traveler He is the New and Living Way.
- To the toiler He is the Giver of Rest.
- To the sinner He is the Lamb of God that takes sin away.
- To the Christian He is the Son of the Living God, Savior, and Redeemer.



NEWS AND NOTES

Continue praying for those of our number who have on-going health issues. Deb Haley, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn and Don Hurd.

It's been a great week for some. Josie and David are now parents. Abram was born on Tues morning. They are home now, but will not attempt to get out for a while. Congratulations to them and the whole family. Erin is scheduled for a C-section on Wednesday. There will be another family with an exciting week. Hope all goes well. Curby hoped to go home on Thursday but his release was postponed a day or two - that will make it nearly a three-week stay. EL Nickerson was in the ER on Wed. night. They did not keep him, but did send him to get checked out by his primary doctor.

Eloise and Ruben were gone on Wed. night. Eloise's aunt passed away. Our sympathy to the family. The funeral was in San Antonio.

The Sanchez family has an immigration hearing on Thursday. Keep them in your prayers.