

Northside Church of Christ

P. O. Box 154121, 2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

"Building a Community of Faith, Hope and Love--Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him."

September 10, 2017

Schedule of Services: Bible Class--9:30 a.m.: Worship-10:30 a.m.: Evening-6:00 p.m.: Wed Devo- 6:00 p.m.

THE PARABLE OF THE TEACUP

A couple use to go to England to shop in its beautiful stores. They both liked antiques and pottery and especially teacups. On their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, in a beautiful shop they saw a beautiful teacup. They said, "May we see that? We've never seen one quite so beautiful."

As the lady handed it to them, suddenly the teacup spoke. "You don't understand," it said. "I haven't always been a teacup. There was a time when I was red and I was clay. My master took me and rolled me and patted me over and over and I yelled out, 'Let me alone,' but he only smiled and said, 'Not yet.'

"Then I was placed on a spinning wheel," the teacup said, "and suddenly I was spun around and around and around. 'Stop it!' I'm getting dizzy!' I screamed. But the master only nodded and said, 'Not yet.' Then he put me in the oven. I never felt such heat. I wondered why he wanted to burn me, and I yelled and knocked at the door. I could see him through the opening and I could read his lips as He shook his head, 'Not yet.' Finally the door opened; he put me on the shelf, and I began to cool. 'There that's better,' I said. And he brushed and painted me all over. The fumes were horrible. I thought I would gag.

"Stop it, stop it!" I cried. He only said, 'Not yet.' Then suddenly he put me into another oven, not like the first one. This was twice as hot and I knew I would suffocate. I begged. I pleaded. I screamed. I cried. All the time I could see him through the opening nodding his head, saying,

'Not yet.' Then I knew there wasn't any hope. I would never make it. I was ready to give up. But the door opened and he took me out and placed me on the shelf. One hour later he handed me a mirror and said, 'Look at yourself.' And I did. I said, "That's not me; that couldn't be me. It's beautiful. I'm beautiful!'

"I want you to remember, then," he said, "I know it hurts to be rolled and patted, but if I had left vou alone, vou'd have dried up. I know it made you dizzy to spin around on the wheel, but if I had stopped, you would have crumbled. I know it hurt and was hot and disagreeable in the oven, but if I hadn't put you there, you would have cracked. I know the fumes were bad when I brushed and painted you all over, but if I hadn't done that, you never would have hardened; you would not have had any color in your life. And if I hadn't put you in that second oven, you wouldn't survive for very long because the hardness would not have held. Now you are a finished product. You are what I had in mind when I first began with you."

MORAL: God knows what He is doing (for all of us). He is the Potter, and we are His clay. He will mold us and make us, so that we may be made into a flawless piece of work to fulfill His good, pleasing, and perfect will (Hebrews 12:3-9).

Food for the Soul. 2006

Taken from: House to House Heart to Heart

PRAYER REQUESTS

Randy Adair, Donna Kwast's brother, got home Monday. He is getting out and around some.

Jackie Walker & Nancy Fletcher are both in wheelchairs and need some assistance with meals. Allergic to peanuts & soy.

Judy Miller, activity director at The Atrium of Bellmead, asked if anyone wants to volunteer to help out with the Harvey evacuees that are staying there.

PRAY FOR

➤ Tricia Nehring, Reggie Olson, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Jewel Nelson; Tammy Knight, Arthur Mae Maloy; Joyce Ross; Jackie Walker; Nancy Fletcher; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. Diane Williams, David Banda, Dick & Barbra Decker.

Randy Adair, Bea Stewart, Lisa Nectar, Jim Griffeth, Sherlynn Erwin, Dawn Kwast, Kathy Mitchell, Leo Kirkland, Jessica Tomlinson, James Lewis, Ronnie Branstetter (cancer), Emma Greenawalt, Ernest Daniels, Eve Raspberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Betty Mars, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Brittany Turman, Allison Whited, Carolyn Anderson, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Von Ben, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Sharon Plemons, Donna Blahuta, Karen Weaver.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans Ridgecrest Gladys Snyder Lake Shore Estates Eugenia Olson ST Catherines Linda Wollard Brookdale Larry Havard Sr.

HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Rusty Kwast (9/11), Charlie Tooker (9/11), Steven Markwardt (9/13), Felicia Scott (9/18), Donna St Claire (9/20), Larry Lykins (9/25), Randy Eubank (9/27), Carolyn Commander (9/28), Josiah & Justyc Meyer (9/28), Matt Winget (9/30)

OTHER NEWS

Next Wednesday night meal will be barbecue sandwiches.

Coin cans for Foster's Home for Children. Please pick one up off the table in the foyer.

>>DATES TO REMEMBER<<

September 15 – 17 Marriage & Family Seminar. Flyer on board in foyer.

September 16th Ladies Day Groesbeck Church of Christ. Flyer on the board in the foyer.

September 17th Elders & Deacons meeting at

5pm.

September 24th kick off date for Million Dollar Sunday for EEM.

September 24th Pot Luck after morning worship.

September 24th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm. No evening Services.

September 30th FAC reserved to Ryan Woodroof October 29th Pot Luck after morning services.

October 29th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead. October 29th No evening services.

November 11th Ornament Party at 1 in the FAC. Bring a wrapped ornament.

November 27th thru December 2nd Christmas garage sale.

December 9th Christmas party at 6pm.

January 1st FAC reserved to Doloras Davis.

January 12-14,2018 Winterfest in Arlington, Tx.

February 16-18, 2018 Winterfest in Gatlinburg, Tn.

April 5, 6 & 7 2018 FAC reserved.

April 21, 2018 FAC reserved to Eastern Star (Donald Holland)

November 29th & 30th & December 1st 2018 FAC reserved.

> Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for a short lesson.

10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Singing

Prayer: Grover Summers

Singing

Communion

Truman Burrow Nelson Moore Karl Helpert Phil Bancale Singing

"Jesus Loves Me"

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Singing

Sermon By

Rusty Kwast

Invitation Song (Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Song

Closing Prayer Aubrey Minchew

If you are visiting with us we extend you a warm welcome!

September 3	<u> </u>	<u>August</u> <u>Avg.</u>
Bible Study	40	44
Morning Worship	74	71
Evening Service Wednesday Evening	24 21	17 18
Contribution	\$2830	\$2856.79

<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>	
Phil Bancale	Truman Burrow	
Chris Borland	Randy Eubank	
Aubrey Minchew	Karl Helpert	
Nelson Moore		

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Wise Old Owl

The only thing you can get without working is hungry.

Psalm 99:5

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!