

The Bellville Proclaimer

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THIS IS NOT A HAMBURGER STAND!

I had a call early one Sunday morning and a person asked, "How long will your service last, and do you serve the Lord's Supper first or last?"

They were probably traveling and wanted their "crackers and grape juice" to go! It seems that many religious leaders are taking the Burger King approach: "Have it your way!" But we are not a hamburger stand. We are the body of Christ. It is tempting to apply the fast food approach, but it will be deadly to the church.

Will some offer a drive-in window where one can get the Lord's Supper on their way to go fishing? Will we eventually have home delivery "Hold the lettuce, hold the pickles." Some in the church want to "hold the water" in salvation. "Hold the preaching—shorten the service!" "Hold the doctrine!" "Hold the singing!" you can't hold anything God's Word requires!

We hear some saying, "Change! Adapt! Conform or die!" we must not panic because we do not do the business that a hamburger stand does. We are not in the growth business. At least this is not our number one priority. We are to sow, plant, water, and God gives the increase (1 Corinthians 3:6). We are

not in the people-pleasing business (whether people are pleased or not)!

Until we can convince the world that it is sick with sin, lost and dying and that Jesus is the only hope, men will continue to criticize God's system.

The church is facing a spoiled, pampered, indulged generation and we must not give in!

*--Borrowed Eastside church of Christ
Muskogee, OK*

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our nation; Our outreach programs; Our country's armed forces including Matt Laas, Jon Beach, Cole Laughter, Travis Little, and David Wolfskill; Wesley Drones; Betty Ulbricht; Liz Estill; Julie Sitzman's grandson, Trevor; Hugh Anderson; Anna Mae Hartsell; Evelyn Lambert; Wayman Bradley; Bill Pereyra; Jolie Fricks, friend of the Bluemels; Jerry Janca, Phyllis Bluemel's cousin; Karen Perry; Chase Campbell; Julie Groves Webb; Evan Elliot; Paula Griffith; Clayton Soleyn; Joann Stover; Don Wilkes; Brianna DeHerde; a niece in the Wilson family; Shirley Wendt.

ABOUT US...

★ **Fellowship Meal Today.
Stay, eat, enjoy!**

★ The topic for the Ladies' Bible class this week is *Rewards of Jesus' Touch*.

★ Thanks to Judy Williams for putting together the scrapbook chronicling some of the church's activities/events. She did a wonderful job!

★ Sloan Polvado is much better and still improving. She has been cleared to resume her normal activities following her accident.

THOSE TO SERVE TODAY

Greeters—Joe & Phyllis Bluemel
 Announcements—Kevin Campbell
 Song leader—Hugh Tubbs
 Scripture Reading & First prayer—Dan Laas
 Communion—Joe Bluemel, Pat Callahan, Vernon Mensch
 Closing Prayer—Buddy Brockett
 Anchor Man in Back—Brett Laughter
 Attendance records—Brett Laughter
 P.M. Service
 Song Leader—Buddy Brockett
 First Prayer—Don Wilkes
 Communion—Joe Bluemel
 Closing Prayer—

SPECIAL DAYS

 August 14th Matthew Birdwell

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 6-10 Medina Campus Grocery Run. Diapers and/or cooking oil.
 September 25 9:00 AM Cherokee Home Annual Auction

IF WE FILL OUR HOURS WITH
 REGRETS OF YESTERDAY AND
 WITH WORRIES OF TOMORROW,
 WE HAVE NO TODAY IN WHICH
 TO BE THANKFUL.

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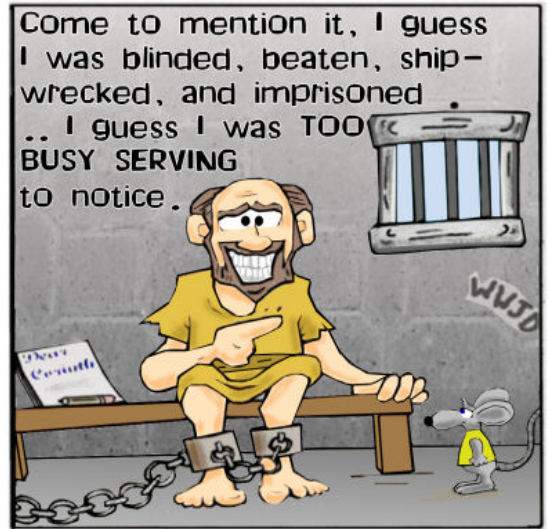
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:
 Bible Class _____ 9:00 A.M.
 Worship _____ 10:00 A.M.
 Evening Services _____ 6:00 P.M.
 Tuesday Evening Prison Ministry _____ 7:00 P.M.
 Wednesday Evening _____ 7:00 P.M.
 Thursday: Ladies' Bible Class _____ 10:00 A.M.
 Devotional at Briarwood Manor _____ 1st Sunday
 Devotional at Colonial Belle _____ 3rd Sunday
 Fellowship Meal _____ 2nd Sunday of each month
 Sandwich Supper _____ Last Sunday evening of each month

LOVE IN ACTION LAST WEEK

Bible Class _____ 29
 Worship _____ 43
 Sunday Evening Worship _____ 25
 Contribution _____ \$1741
 (Weekly Budget Requirement _____ \$1940)
 Wednesday Evening _____ 16
 Ladies' Class _____ 8

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



The Apostle Paul, too wrapped up in his love for God to notice his own problems, THAT'S A NICE PROBLEM FOR LIFE.

