

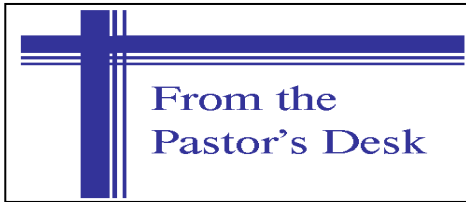


Discover A Place to Call Home

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Several years ago, I felt the need to move my body more, to be more active for my physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being. It all began when I noticed when I walked up a simple flight of stairs that I was winded. So I began to exercise (walk), and I had to make myself do it and it did not bring joy, but stress. But somewhere along the way the walking ceased to be exercise and became recreation. It no longer caused stress but relieved stress and brought joy. I like to walk; it is a delight.

Last month, I challenged you in the newsletter to attempt to memorize the Sermon on the Mount in the coming year. I want to clarify something about that: I do not want the memorization of that passage to cause you stress, but joy. To be a delight. Whether you will be able to do that or not, depends on how you approach it.

The psalmist repeatedly talks about his delight in the word of God:

"I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word" (Ps 119:16).

"I delight in your commands, which I love" (Ps 119:70).

"Make your compassion come to me so that I may live, for your instruction is my delight" (Ps 119:77).

"I long for your salvation, Lord, and your instruction is my delight" (Ps 119:174).

"If your instruction had not been my delight, I would have died in my affliction" (Ps 119:92).

What helped with my walking program was having a particular goal: The Grand Canyon. Desiring to go into the canyon and see it from the inside motivated me to walk regularly.

If you jumped to the end of the sermon and memorize Matthew 7:24-25 first:

"Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain fell, the rivers rose, and winds blew and pounded the house. Yet it didn't collapse, because its foundation was on the rock."

The goal now is not to memorize the Sermon on the Mount, but rather to have the very wisdom of God internalized that can withstand any of life's storms.

Also, visualize yourself sitting on the mountainside, within earshot of Jesus Himself saying these things to you personally. Hear and obey Jesus, not the pastor who asked you to do this.

Get an accountability partner so that you can encourage one another. My walking accountability partner is my dog, Alice. She loves to walk more than I do. All I have to do is show her my walking shoes and she gets excited. When I lower her harness to her head, she pokes it through the opening on her own. She is ready to go. Be an Alice to someone regarding memorizing the Sermon on the Mount.

The first century Christian did not have the privilege of ready access to the written word of God. Most of what they received was oral instruction that they in turn would memorize and meditate on for their use.

Learn to meditate on what you have memorized so that it comes alive and real to you. Apply it to real life, everyday situations you face... to your marriage; your child rearing or grandparenting; your work relationships; when you meet a stranger in need; when you feel anxious or angry....

Again, I never intended this to be "homework" for you in the sense that it was another chore to do but rather, a time to see and hear the very words of Jesus. Delight yourself in the words of your Creator and Provider, your Savior and King, your Father and Friend.

"Build your house on the Rock!"

~Pastor Mark

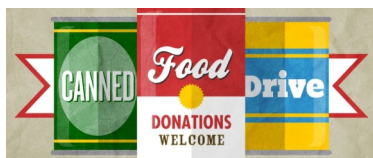


Rathgeber House Report

Thank you Taffy Sims, Linda Buckmaster, and Fran Koch for making food for Rathgeber. Not many were there, but food is always appreciated for leftovers.

Next month's date is October 19th for anyone interested in participating. Usually we need a main dish, sides, and desserts. Sometimes soup and sandwiches are fine. Fran delivers the food. Anyone is welcome to go with her.

Thank you,
Fran Koch
940-636-8215



We collected 86 pounds for Grace Ministry. Thanks to all for the support of this ministry. For October the needs are chicken noodle soup, canned sliced pineapple, and spam.

On October 13 we will be providing lunch for Baptist Student Ministry at MSU. Will need donations of prepackaged cookies, brownies, & snack cakes and canned sodas.

Thanks to everyone that helped us with the blanket Ministry for Hospice. We delivered 9 blankets for the month of September.

Thank you,
Steve & Ida Jones



Prayer Walk
October 3rd at 9:15am
Meet in JLBC Fellowship Hall



Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer
Meal for Everyone at 5:30pm
Adult class in Sanctuary at 6pm
Youth & Team Kids class at 6pm



Church Council Meeting
October 3rd at 3:30pm

Deacons' Meeting
October 10th at 4 pm

Family Business Meeting
October 13th at 7pm



MSU BSM Luncheon
October 13
Needs: Individually wrapped
desserts & canned sodas.
Bring to church office by 10am on
Oct 13.



Community Fall Festival
October 31 3-5pm
Burkburnett Community Center
Needs: Volunteers for Trunk or
Treating, to run games, wrapped
candy, 2 liter sodas



by Mark Ballenger

As Christians, most of us have a general awareness that it is a good thing to pray for other people and to have other people praying for you. But perhaps praying for each other is more than "good," perhaps it is crucial.

So why should we pray for others? What benefits are there to interceding for people? Why is it so important that we pray for each other?

1. We Should Pray for Others Because Prayer Really Helps People.

2 Corinthians 1:11, James 5:16-18, Philippians 1:18-21, Colossians 4:3-4

2. We Should Pray for Each Other Because Jesus and the Holy Spirit Intercede for People.

John 13:15, John 17:9, 15, 20-21 Romans 8:26-27, Galatians 5:16

3. We Should Pray for One Another Because It Increases Our Love for Each Other.

Matthew 5:44-45, Philippians 1:3-11

4. We Should Pray for Others Because It Brings Glory to God.
2 Corinthians 1:10-11

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3  SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:45 WORSHIP & MESSAGE 11 AM	4	5  LADIES PRAYER & BLANKET GROUP	6  MEAL @ 530 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH CLASS @ 6-7	7  7:30 PM	8	9
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September 2021 Sunday School Attendance Record

September 5	41
September 12	44
September 19	44
September 26	44

Average Attendance: 43
Average based on 4 Sundays

September 2021 Financial Report

Tithes	\$11,370.00
Estimated monthly budget needs for 2021 - 2022	\$14,301.00
Designated	\$ 894.57



October 2021 Deacon of the Week

Sept 27-Oct 3	Rick Griffin
Oct 4-10	Bill Lindenborn
Oct 11-17	Marvin Maherg
Oct 18-24	John Naas
Oct 25-31	Robert Ritter

Prayer Chain

If you have an e-mail address and desire to be on the prayer chain, please call the church office with your email information.

Questions? Call Jennifer @ 569-1211

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SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:45 AM
MORNING SERVICE	11:00 AM
ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE	Resumes in Fall

MIDWEEK RENEWAL SERVICE

MEAL	5:30 PM
PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY	6:00 PM
YOUTH & TEAM KIDS ACTIVITIES	6:00 PM



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