

The McLish Avenue Messenger

This is the message we have heard from Him... God is Light (1 John 1:5).

May 31, 2009

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The following is the last verse of
what book of the Bible?

“My love be with you all in
Christ Jesus. Amen.”

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Worship 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 pm

Part one

The Reasoning Power of the Gospel

Ben Bailey

Now as he reasoned about righteousness, self-control, and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and answered, ‘Go away for now; when I have a convenient time I will call for you’ (Acts 24:25). His mind was made up. Paul was going to Rome to appeal to Caesar. Yet, along the way Paul had a once in a lifetime opportunity to speak to such wicked men as Agrippa and Felix. If you could speak to some of the world’s most powerful leaders today about the gospel, what would you say? Let us consider Paul’s three major points to Felix.

Righteousness. Felix was not well known for his righteous nature. In fact, he was probably well known for quiet the opposite. Yet, because each of us has a moral compass of right and wrong, Paul was able to bring the great Felix to his knees in fear by preaching righteousness. Oh, how we need more teaching on righteousness today. Jesus said, “For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven” (Matt 5:20). We need more preaching on righteousness in marriage. God set marriage up to be one man and one wife for a lifetime, the only exception is for fornication (Gen 2:18-24; Matt 19:9). We need more teaching on righteous living today. Paul encourage some in Corinth to awake to righteousness and stop sinning (1 Cor 15:34). John reminds us that everyone who is born of God works righteousness in his life (1 John 2:29). In a world that mocks at sin and revels in the unrighteous lifestyle, we as Christian must be a light by living righteously.

Continued next week ...

5th Sunday singing

We'll have a 5th Sunday singing this afternoon. Please plan to be at the building at 5 pm to share in this time of praise.



Camp forms

Camp forms have been distributed in the upper school age classes. Additional forms are available in the office. **Please get these completed and turned into the office no later than tomorrow.**



Debate

June 5th here at the building at 7 pm, there will be a debate on the topic of one cup between Johnny Elmore and Kevin Pendergrass. Flyers are available in the front foyer for you to invite your friends and relatives to attend.



Directory change

Please update your directory to show that **Tony Brinkley's** address is 402 Park SE here in Ardmore; phone 580/504-5563.

Road trip

A Six Flags trip is being planned for Tuesday, June 30. The van will leave at 8 am from the building. If you need financial help with a ticket, please see Ben. There will be several chaperones for those children whose parents are unable to go because of work.

Outreach Groups

Group 1

Chock & Mary Aldridge
Ron & Peggy Jones
Ray & Tomi Harness
James & Tammy Gravelle
Ronnie Byrd
Steve Mann
Scott & Tina Saner
Jaccie Pirtle

Group 2

James & Dana Meece
David & Linda Johnson
Ben & Christie Bailey
Betty Higgins
Harold & Martha Dillard
Pat Ballard & Vickie Fletcher
Bill & Gail Stewart
Earl & Sue Mann

Group 3

Vernon & Arlene Castleman
Sharon Ryan & Christy Murray
Cecil Hargrove
Lovel & Mary Hughes
Lonnie Harris
Rick & Suzanne Tidwell
Tom Matlock
Sharlene Wallis & Rebecca

Pictorial directory

James Gravelle is planning to take photos to update the pictorial directory. He will take photos after both morning and evening services today. He may also be set up later in June for photos.

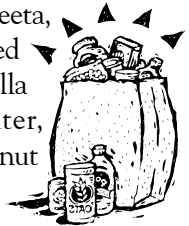


Senior banquet

We will celebrate the graduation of **Ethan Aldridge and Colton Feroli** on Saturday, June 13th 6:30 pm here at the building. If you are planning to attend, please sign up on the sheet on the back bulletin board for a head count. If you would like to help with the banquet, please see the wife of one of our elders.

Children's homes

Westview will be back in July and is requesting: Rotel, Velveeta, 100% juice, canned fruit, sweetened cereal, canned chicken, potato/tortilla chips, canned soda, bottled water, tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, peanut butter/cheese crackers, Pine Sol, AA and AAA batteries, shampoo, conditioner, 13/39 gallon trash bags, paper towels, bathroom tissue, Spray & Wash and dryer sheets.



Next Sunday

at noon we will come together for a fellowship meal. Please plan to attend and bring a little extra for any visitors we might have. This is a great opportunity to get to know your brothers and sisters a little better.



Melba Wallace has been diagnosed with cellulitis and is taking antibiotics. **Adriane Brown**, Alex Brown's daughter (preacher at Ryan), will have medical tests on June 17th at Children's Hospital in OKC. A cat scan on **Lisa Moss**, wife of Robert Moss (preacher at Highland congregation in Fort Worth) revealed that her colon cancer has spread to her liver. She will be seeking medical help in Houston as her condition is considered grave. **Margaret Sparger** will have a stint inserted in her neck on July 12th. **Rebecca Stafford** had her surgery rescheduled for this coming Monday, June 1st at Children's in the City. Please continue to remember: **Gary Dillard**, Harold's son • **Marie Williams** • **Jim Bowman** • **Frank Pennington** • **Betty Higgins** • **Cap Stewart** • **Jean Cary's nephew** • **Debra Thomas' mother** • **Earl & Sue Mann** • **Marty Stinson** • **Darlene Tibbs**, friend of the Willinghams • **Donald Moyers** • **Pat Morrison**, Olga Sue Stinson's sister • **Virgie Burchfield** • **Mary Ann Ashley** • **Norma Perkins' friend**, **Jerry Lover** • **Ben Tomlinson's mother Nita** • **Dorthea Phillips** • **Madeline Minyard** • **Jerry & Glenda Vinson** • **Harry Phipps** • **Sharon Ryan's mother**, **Mary Griffeth** • **Larry Ryan's mother**, **Lorraine** • **Peggy Jones' sister**, **Mary Warner** • **Pat Ballard's mother** • **Jamie Feroli** • **Jamie Feroli's mother**, **JoAnn Watson**, and **grandmother** • and those shut in/nursing home members.



Our sympathy We want to remember **JW Hobbs** and family in the death of his brother last week. Services were held on Thursday. Please keep this family surrounded with your prayerful concern during their time of loss.

Response Sister **Jaccie Pirtle** came forward Sunday stating that she had not been a proper example to her family. She asked for prayers from the congregation on her behalf. Sis Jaccie also expressed her appreciation for the support that she was given after her surgery.

Welcome **Joyce Gillium** asked to be identified with the congregation here at McLish last week. Please be sure to welcome her to the family.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

May

- 23 Alex Vinson
Brooke Murray
Larry Waller
- 26 Chock & Mary Aldridge

June

- 1 Colton Feroli
Earl & Sue Mann '56
- 2 Olga Stinson
- 4 Zachary Bugbee
- 5 Lonnie & Louise Harris '93
- 7 Joseph & Betty Tipton '68
Nathan Bailey
- 11 Robbie Boutte
- 12 Terry & Melissa Waller
- 13 Clarine Wainscott
Beverly Sadler
- 14 Patti Culpepper
David Aldridge
- 19 Ben & Christie Bailey '99
- 22 Hannah Bailey
- 23 Cindy Shellenberger
- 27 Christie Bailey
- 28 Jeff Willingham
- 30 Chelsea Pendergrass

July

- 9 Dana Meece
Kayla Walker
- 10 Braden Willingham
- 11 Melba Culbreth
- 12 Lonnie Harris
Lori Patrick
Gail Stewart
- 14 Nancy Bugbee

Those to Serve Today

Announcements.....	Jerry Beavers		
Lord's Table	Ronnie Byrd	Scott Saner	James Meece
	Bill Stewart	Bo Fore	Cecil Hargrove
Song Leader.....	Barton Pettit	PM Opening Prayer.....	James Gravelle
AM Opening Prayer.....	Randy Scott	PM Closing Prayer.....	Harold Dillard
AM Scripture.....	Alex Vinson	PM Lord's Supper.....	Ronnie Byrd
AM Closing Prayer.....	Martin Dotson		
Greeters May 31 & Jun 3.....	Todd & Shelly Hicks, Sean & Nancy Bugbee		

Those to Serve June 2009

Announcements.....	David Johnson		
Lord's Table	Lovel Hughes	James Gravelle	Alex Vinson
	Earl Mann	Ray Harness	Steve Mann
7th Song Leader.....	Scott Saner	PM Opening Prayer.....	Jerry Beavers
AM Opening Prayer.....	Todd Hicks	PM Closing Prayer.....	Lonnie Harris
AM Scripture.....	Barton Pettit	PM Lord's Supper.....	Lovel Hughes
AM Closing Prayer.....	John Johnson		
14th Song Leader.....	Randy Scott	PM Opening Prayer.....	Harold Dillard
AM Opening Prayer.....	Vernon Castleman	PM Closing Prayer.....	Tom Matlock
AM Scripture.....	Bill Stewart	PM Lord's Supper.....	James Gravelle
AM Closing Prayer.....	Scott Saner		
21st Song Leader.....	Terry Waller	PM Opening Prayer.....	Chock Aldridge
AM Opening Prayer.....	James Meece	PM Closing Prayer.....	Ron Jones
AM Scripture.....	Ethan Aldridge	PM Lord's Supper.....	Alex Vinson
AM Closing Prayer.....	F.A. Shellenberger		
28th Song Leader.....	Harold Dillard	PM Opening Prayer.....	Ronnie Byrd
AM Opening Prayer.....	Floyd Johnson	PM Closing Prayer.....	Larry Waller
AM Scripture.....	Cecil Hargrove	PM Lord's Supper.....	Earl Mann
AM Closing Prayer.....	Andy Smith		



June 4	7:00 pm	Ron Jones gives devotional
June 5	7:00 pm	One Cup Debate
June 7	noon	Fellowship meal Floyd Johnson camp session begins
June 10	7:00 pm	Floyd Johnson gives devotional
June 13	6:30 pm	Senior Banquet
June 17	7:00 pm	James Meece gives devotional
June 18	6:00 pm	39 & Over meet
June 24	7:00 pm	FA Shellenberger gives devotional
June 30	8:00 am	Leave the building for Six Flags tripl

Scripture from front page: (NKJV) 1 Corinthians 16:24

Elders

Charles Aldridge
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Vernon Castleman
3533 Dogwood Road
223-0983

James Meece
909 Davis
223-7637

Deacons

Fred Bellomy
223-3240

Martin Dotson
226-6450

James Gravelle
223-7911

Todd Hicks
504-2829

Ron Jones
223-7268

Steve Mann
223-7246

Scott Saner
226-2920

Jerry Vinson
223-3865