

THE MINUTE MESSENGER

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EVERY MEMBER IS IMPORTANT

The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are **indispensable**, and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. **I Cor 12:21**

The Apostle Paul uses an analogy to describe the Church of Christ. He likens the Church to a body, with each member vitally important. He says the body is not made up of one part, but of many. God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body. **I Cor 12:20**

When Nehemiah began rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem, every man was needed and used. Every person had a place to fill, a part to play, a work to do. When you go about your daily routine, never underestimate your potential. A renewed awareness of the importance of every Christian will remove this attitude of Oh, I'm a nobody, They won't miss me, they don't need me, They don't love me.

Theirs a story about a beautiful church building that was built years ago. People from all over the country came to admire it. They commented on the beautiful stained glass windows, the beautifully painted walls, the soft carpet, the padded pews, the climate controlled air conditioning, the solid oak pulpit, and the mahogany auditorium benches. On the roof there was a little nail holding down a shingle which heard the conversations. The little nail never heard anyone praise him. He started saying to himself, I am a nobody, nobody notices me, and no one appreciates me. I'm not needed. I'm not wanted. So, being lonely, discouraged, and dejected, one day this little nail pulled itself out, tumbled down the slanting roof and fell to the ground below. That

night it rained and the little nail became buried in the dirt. It soon rusted and deteriorated back to nothing.

A week later it rained again, and the shingle that the little nail had held in place became loose and worked its way out of position, permitting the rain to flow through into the building. The previously attractive walls became stained. The soft carpet became spotted. The pews were ruined. All of this because one little nail got to thinking, "I'm a nobody" and refused to stay at work. I am only one, but still, I am one. I cannot do everything, but still, I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not fail to do something that I can. We should always have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and **each** one of you is a part of it. **I Cor 12:25-27**

This week I want to challenge you to put your hand to the plow and don't look back. Here are 4 practical things you can practice this week in the Lord's vineyard.

Begin your day with:

1. Prayer: Pray for our Shepherds, deacons, teachers, shut-ins, sick, soldiers, city.

2. Visitation: Visit someone in prison, jail, hospital, nursing home, residence.

The Christian who is pure and without fault, from God the Father's point of view, is the one who takes care of orphans and widows, and who remains true to the Lord-not soiled and dirtied by his contacts with the world. **James 1:27**

3. Exhortation: Send an encouragement card to someone who can use a word of cheer. Make a phone call. Invite a neighbor to services.

4. Evangelism: Go, make disciples, baptize & teach. **Mt 28:19**

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The **difference...**
Is **CHRIST** in me!
Colossians 1:27

COMING UP

We are looking for others
who will...
Become Part of the Family

Jan. 21	Visitation @ 6:30
Jan. 27	Fourth Sunday Fellowship Meal and 1:00 Service Youth Group Bowling @ 6:30
Jan. 28	Visitation @ 6:30
Jan. 30	Regular Bible Classes
Feb. 3	Benevolence Pick Up Care and Share
Feb. 4	Visitation @ 6:30
Feb. 10	J. W. Hamby's Life Group

Dear Brethren,

Kathie Harriss and Joey Partin report that God has worked in a mighty way through the joint effort of Garland St. & 9th and Columbia congregations in 2007. This past year 16 people were baptized as a result of the Women's Monday Night Bible Study, the Men's Tuesday Night Bible Study and Personal Bible Studies that have been held at Hale County Jail facilities. One highlight is the baptism of one of the family members of a prisoner and the continued study with other members of their family. Please keep this effort in your prayers as those prisoners begin their new life in Christ.

Serving together,

Joseph Partin
Outreach Minister
9th & Columbia Church of Christ

Prison Baptism 2007

1. Daisy Quesada
2. Jason Guerra
3. Lacresha Welch
4. Velma Espinosa
5. Laura Murrell
6. Stephanie Garza
7. Teresa Whitfield
8. Jennifer Park
9. Julia Zapata
10. Diana Garza
11. Jamie Gusan
12. Tracy Bull
13. Candy Hernandez
14. Juana Cardero
15. Juan Carlos Carabal
16. Claudia Esquivel

**PRIVILEGED TO SERVE
SUNDAY, JANUARY 27, 2008**

Announcements: Rob Lindsey
First Prayer: Robert Marroquin
Closing Prayer: Brad Lane
Scripture Reading: Brandon Joy
Lord's Table: Jason Miller
 Alan Monroe
 Tanner Monroe
 Tyler Monroe
 Clint Patterson
 John Peck
 Leo Phillips
 Bryon Robertson
Evening Opening Prayer: Fred Robertson
Evening Closing Prayer: Ray Sooter
Westridge: Mike McDonough
Prairie House: Larry Golden
Communion To Shut-Ins: John McGavock
Jail: 1/29 Herb Purdon
Sound Board: 1/27 & 1/30 Mark True
Computer: 1/27 & 1/30 Scott Snipes

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Nursery Workers: Jennifer Havens & Cynthia Pinnell
Kitchen:
Daily Bread: Shonda Ross and Lisa Horne

ATTENDANCE BAROMETER

Lord's Day	1/20/08
Bible Study	140
Sunday Morning	301
Sunday Evening	N/C
Wednesday Evening	104
Contribution	\$7410.26

WEDNESDAY LUNCHEONS-

Men----- Rock'N R Steakhouse
Ladies ----- Chicken Express



Early Christian Worship by Oscar Cullman. An English translation of a German-language work, this book presents a study on the basic characteristics of the early Christian service of worship, with a special section devoted to the Gospel of John. **Church/C89e**



Ashley & Kysen Hall, Plainview, TX
 Lisa Deweber, Jacksboro, TX
 Stephanie Grishman, Mansfield, TX
 Cameron & Caden Grishman, Mansfield, TX
 Duff and Kaley Morrow, Plainview, TX
 Joe and Peggy Ortiz, Plainview, TX

Mission Statement

We the family of Garland Street
 Church of Christ,
 with the Bible as our guide and
 Jesus as our Savior will look:
 Upward to glorify, praise and honor God;
 Outward to seek, convert and reach the lost;
 Inward to serve, equip and love one another.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal will be chili. We must have COOKS and HELPERS! Please sign the sheets in the foyer if you would like to help.

Ladies' Volunteer Sheets for 2008 are on the table in the foyer. There are many areas of work for you to choose from. If you have any questions contact Shonda Ross. **There are still open spots that need to be filled.** **Sunday, January 27th** will be our Fourth Sunday Fellowship meal and 1:00 service.

Neil Billingsley, Mark True and Terry Underwood will be the elder and deacons over the meal. Sign up sheets are on the table in foyer. We need about eight people to set up & clean up.

Please check your information in the directory. If there are changes that need to be made please turn them into the office.

Response: Cristy (May) Crump has placed membership with us again. Her husband Cory is stationed in Afghanistan for the next 15 months.

Jail Baptisms: 1/22/08– Veronica Rodriguez and Victoria Griego

The front door bell is working again. Please ring the bell to enter the building during office hours.

Benevolence Pickup will be Sunday, February 3. Men will be at the exit doors following morning worship to take your donations.

Care and Share will meet Sunday, February 3 following evening services. If you have a February birthday we would love for you and your family to join us to celebrate it.

Thank You Notes

Thank you for the prayers on behalf of my nephew. He is home and doing well.

*In Christian Love,
Lupe Gonzales*

We want to say thank you for the wonderful cheer basket and the great presents from you all. Words cannot express the love we have for you all.

*In Christian Love,
The Gonzales'*

*Thank you so much for the cheer basket. Everything was GREAT In Him,
Martha & Daniela Garcia*

*Thank you so much for the prayers for Charlie's mom. She is home and doing better. In Christian Love,
Lupe & Charlie Gonzales*

IN OUR PRAYERS

Cleo Crutchfield, Wayne Wheeler, Harlan Dizmag, Debbie Bowles, Dorothy Bradley, Raul Camacho, Lynn Becker, Jackson Calhoun, Cindy Valentine, Shirley Igo, Billy Clay, Whitney Smith, Larry Hamby, Leon Talley, Betty Foster, Maylene Mickey, Mattie Lou Ellis, Carla Calhoun, Charles Clark, Paul Frisbie, Danna Lamb, Ken Stone, Doris Hearn, Opal Yarborough, Jerry Settle, Wanda Wallace, Kay Powell, Opal Barnes, Linda Wilson, Cleo Crutchfield, Sonny Sherrock, Doyce Watson, Kenneth Sjogren, Jim Adams, Beverly Kimbrough, Wesley Everidge, Mark Clark, Paul Godman, Dale Hyde, Cindy Kirby, Debbie Roberts, JoAnn Underwood, Christen Driver, Japheth James, and Our Soldiers.

ABOUT OUR FAMILY

John and Ventia McGavock's son, **Trevor McGavock** had a CAT scan Monday, January 21. Please keep them in your prayers as the wait for the results.

Charlie Gonzales' mother is home from the hospital and doing better.

Jeanette Blevins' mother, **Cleo Crutchfield** is in Covenant hospital here in Plainview. Please keep them in your prayers.

HILLTOPPERS: Game night will be Friday, January 25th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Stone Soup will be served. Please bring a canned vegetable to add to the pot. There will be a sign-up sheet in the foyer for those bringing crackers or dessert.

YOUTH NEWS

The **YOUTH GROUP** will be going bowling Sunday, January 27th at 6:00 p.m.

ELDERS: Neil Billingsley Deryl Clevenger Rob Lindsey
Weldon Melton Steve Stokes

DEACONS: Gary Alexander Mike Allison
Jimmy Barnes Neal Becker
Bobby Byrd Scott Clevenger
Gary Miller Grady Simmons
Mark True Terry Underwood
Brent Wells

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:
Sunday: Bible Study 9:30 a.m. and Worship 10:30 a. m. and 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

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