

LAMAR AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST



By: The Preacher Man.....Patrick Cannon

It was a bad week for criminals, based on the following stories: “A Texas fugitive who was wanted on bank fraud charges was captured in Denver after he plummeted 17 stories down a trash chute while trying to evade police.”

And then, “A teenager was arrested for burglary after he allegedly broke into a police officer's home and dropped his wallet as he fled the scene, officials said.”

Whether our motives are good or evil, as humans, we are good at messing things up. As believers, we really make a mess with our lives, miss God’s direction, or lose focus on what’s most important.

As we have noticed the past few weeks in our studies, Jesus calls us out of the crowd and into discipleship. Jesus longs for us to be his servants, to focus on his will above our own, and to have Him guide the decisions we make. We must allow him to lead us.

Paul urges us in this same direction in many ways. In Colossians 3, he asks us to get out of the way and let the Lord take charge by letting the Messiah's PEACE rule your mind (v.15).

I would say that this is something we must both *nurture* and *allow*. As Craig Keener writes: “Ancient culture was pervasively religious, but most pagan religious practices were ritual observances that did not cast moral influence over one’s daily life and ethics. For Paul, in contrast, every aspect of life must be determined by Christ’s lordship.”

Prayer challenge this week: Lord, give me the power to let your Son Jesus live through my life!



To Our Guests...

We are blessed to have you here with us for worship today. Our prayer is that your time with us will be a blessing, and that you will find the worship uplifting, the message encouraging, the Lamar Avenue family friendly and the atmosphere welcoming. For families, we have a staffed nursery (ages birth-24 months) located in the back of the foyer. We also offer Children's worship for children ages 2 through Kindergarten. They will be dismissed during our assembly. Please stop by the Welcome Center (located in the middle of the foyer) for more information about our church family and the many different ministries we are involved with. We are so glad you are here and hope you will join us as we seek to know God and His vision for His people and the world.

PRAYER

CHURCH MEMBERS: Daisy Redding, Mindy Younger, Mary Tallant, Lilla Buchanan, Brent Nichols, Leslie Miers Lange, Butch Mills, Don Thompson, Sharon Kinison, Alissa Nutt, Dot Campbell, Jean O'Neal, Doris McGill, Mary Lloyd, Antionette Sofia, Dianna Welch, Kristi Anthony, Lance Johnson.

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Jean Thurman, Randy Skidmore, Toni Modl, Lynn Brockway, Mark McCloud, Johnny Briscoe, Ben Wallace, Rennie Copeland, Wayne Parker, Laura Lee Gunn, Gary King, Jim Slowey, Perry Bolton, Mazie Brockington, Marla George, Jeff Faber, Jerry Jarrell, Dan

Glasscock, Billie Viehe, Rickey Walker, Hunter Tate, Carol McMillian, Donna Mosley, Donna Archer, Joe Mashburn, Ely Speer, Shannon Kingsbury, Bill Gordon.

MILITARY DEPLOYED OVERSEAS:

Adam Snyder, Billy Thomas, Donny Shaffer, Nick McDowra, Cody King, James Crimmin, Kyle Hutchings.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Please contact the church office or e-mail: mollywoodall@suddenlink.net
www.lamaravenueprayerrequests.blogspot.com

FAMILY NEWS & NEEDS

Shower—A wedding shower in honor of Haley Bulls will be on March 16th from 1:30-3:00 in the foyer. Selections are at Spangler's, Belk, Wal-Mart, Dillards, and Target.

Thank You—We would like to thank all of you at Lamar Ave. for your thoughts and prayers. We miss and love all of you. Mike and Renee Crews.

Faithful Readers—Come join us for book club on March 9th @ 4:00 in Rm 17. We will be discussing the book, *The Prayer Box* by Lisa Wingate.

Yarn Drive—Kiddie Kollege is collecting yarn they will donate to make "blessings" blankets for wounded soldiers. There will be a collection box by room 6.

Invitation—Landon Garrett and Courtney Wilcox, together with their parents, invite you to their wedding, Saturday, March 15, 2014 at 5:00 pm at the Dunmon Ranch.

Congratulations—Heather Cannon is graduating from AIM on March 8th. See Missions board for more information.

KIDS FOR CHRIST, YOUTH, & COLLEGE TODAY

Due to meetings, we will take this Sunday off from youth activities. Our schedule will pick back up next week, see below!

COLLEGE

See Jared for more details on a February get together!

JUNIOR HIGH / HIGH SCHOOL

****March is I Love My Youth Group Month!!!****

March 4: JH Bible Study @ Andy's house, time TBA, Snacks, Fun, Bible Study

March 9: HS Dinner and Devos 5-7 PM, More info to come.

March 16: JH, HS Game Day 3-5 PM, @ the gym.

March 28-30: JH Retreat at Texoma Youth Camp
Sign up today. Sponsors needed.

April 27: Senior Trip—Leave the blg. @ 4:30, be back late. Let Jared know if you're going.

May 18: Senior Sunday—This special day includes

breakfast @ 8:00 for seniors and their families, a slideshow and Bible presentation. Turn in photos to Jared ASAP.

KIDS FOR CHRIST

March 16: KFC Club 345 In the HS room, 5-6:15 PM

*****Camp Deer Run Day Camp: June 16-19** Sign up online @ www.campdeerrun.com. Instead of clicking second session, find and click the 'Lamar Avenue 6/16-6/19' tab. Detailed instructions available @ lamaraveyouth.blogspot.com. Scroll until you find the post on pee wee instructions.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR CHRIST

KFC, JH, HS—Make sure you are attending practice!

The Spring schedule is posted on the Youth Wall. If you would like a digital, or hard copy, please talk to Andy Garner

EKKLESIA

Marcelino Rodriguez



The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. (Psalm 19:1)

Does God exist? It is a sad question but, this question is often asked in the society we live in today. (Psalm 14:1)

This is not a scientific question, it is a faith question. Science is something that you can investigate by scientific methods but faith is something you can believe even if you do not see it. Even the Bible teaches us that we can believe in God.

The apostle Paul gives us **two reasons** to believe in God.

1.- The Creation: For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. (Roman 1:20) If we sincerely look at all the creation of God, we will come to the conclusion that God exists. Paul explains that the Eternal Power and Deity of God are visible through the creation of God. If we analyze the universe and the world we can see that this universe and this planet have a design, plan, function, and purpose that humans can live with. All these characteristics demand a designer...all the creation demands a Creator. This wonderful creation was not a mistake. Genesis 1:1 says that in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

2.- The Conscience: In other words, the Moral Law. Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law, since they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts now accusing, now even defending them. (Romans 2:14-15). Every person has inside of him something that determines what is wrong and what is good. Even the more primitive tribes have laws who condemn adultery and crimes. The question is, who put that law in their hearts? The answer is the creator or God. He put law in our hearts. This Law is our conscience that tells us what is right or wrong.

God is real and he is working. Our goal and our desire needs to be to serve him and please him every day of our life. (Acts 17:24-28) Let's strengthen our faith daily through the Word of God.

Thank you,
Marcelino Rodriguez, Jr.
Questions or comments
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WORSHIP

Worship Leader—Stephen Gerrald

63 *I Will Call Upon the Lord*

Welcome & Call to Worship

* *10,000 Reasons*

71 *As the Deer*

Prayer—Brad Francis

349 *Ten Thousand Angels*

Communion—Neil Collard

Offering

* *I've Been Redeemed*

989 *Soon and Very Soon*

895 *I'll Live in Glory v. 1,3*

Dismissal for Children's Worship

975 *Get Right Church*

Message—Patrick Cannon

683 *I Am Mine No More*

Shepherd Receiving Response-Spencer/Anderson

Shepherd's Prayer—Lewis Anderson

*Songs marked with an *are not found in the hymnal. Song will be displayed on the screen.*

RESPONSE

Prayers—Debra Usry

Sunday Evening

Speaker: Doug Faires

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



- March 8—Time Change/Spring Forward
- March 9—Faithful Readers Meet
- March 15—Garrett Wedding
- March 16—Bulls Wedding Shower



WEDNESDAY SIMPLE SUPPER

5:15-6:00—Please donate at least \$2/person.

Sign-up on your Sunday attendance card.

Lasagna Soup!

SHEPHERDS

Lewis Anderson
 Doug Faires
 Kyle Jones

Wayne Kerby
 Richard Peace
 Jay Spencer

MINISTERS

Patrick Cannon, *Preacher*
 Jared Baggett, *Assoc. Minister of High School & College*
 Andy Garner, *Assoc. Minister of Junior High & Children*
 Marcelino Rodriguez, *Hispanic*
 Keith Bollman, *Involvement*

STAFF

James Hanley, *Latch Key Director*
 Jill Faires, *Kiddie Kollege Director*
 Kim Hanley, *Administrative Assistant*
 Laura Cannon, *Secretary*

DEACONS

Greg Beckmon	Don Lawrence
Alan Boyd	Paul McClain
Derald Bulls	John McGee
Mike Erwin	Jose Silva
Heath Fowler	Clay Spencer
Brad Francis	Clint Spencer
Clint Gage	Shane Welch
James Hanley	

MISSION/CONTACTS

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MEETING TIMES

SUNDAY

Bible Class.....9:00 a.m.
 Worship.....10:00 a.m.
 Worship.....6:00 p.m.
 (Small Groups meet in various locations.)

WEDNESDAY

Ladies' Bible Class.....10:00 a.m.
 Bible Classes.....6:30 p.m.

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (3/9)

Sound Booth:	Brian Singleton
Opening Prayer:	Clint Gage
Communion Prayer:	Todd Duren
Communion Servers:	
Troy Ashby	Larry Ballard
Jerry Barnes	Glen Barnett
Greg Beckmon	Allen Beeler
Mike Bishop	Keith Bollman
Responses:	Anderson/Faires
Shepherd's Prayer:	Faires
Children's Worship:	Cooper's
	Bailey/Abby/Kaitlyn

February 23, 2014 Report

Bible Class.....	210
Hispanic Bible Class.....(Adults).....	25
Total Bible Class.....	235
Morning Worship.....	409
Hispanic Worship.....	36
Total Worship Services.....	445

Hispanic Evening Worship.....	34
LIFE Groups/Evening Worship.....	125
Total Evening Services.....	159

CONTRIBUTION.....	\$11,552
BUDGET	\$12,720
YTD BUDGET.....	+\$6,731

Pantry Needs: Soup w/ Meat