

LAMAR AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

The Leaning Tower of Pisa in Italy was going to fall over. Scientists traveled each year to measure the building's slow descent. They reported that the 179-foot tower moved about one-twentieth of an inch a year, and was once 17 feet out of plumb. They further estimated that the 833-year old tower would have leaned too far and collapsed unless drastic measures were undertaken. Several metric meters of soil from underneath the raised end were eventually removed and this action moved the tower one inch towards the center. While this does not seem like a major stride, the action makes the tower stable for at least another 300 years.

Quite significantly, the word "pisa" actually means "marshy land," which gives some clue as to why the tower began to lean even before it was completed. Also, its foundation is only 10 feet deep. No wonder why the building never stood entirely erect, the foundation was flawed from the beginning.

Just as the building's foundation is important to a building's long-term strength, the foundation of our faith is equally important to the quality of our soul. Even though we may be teachers, accountants, firemen, lawyers, doctors, nurses, etc, the Bible tells us in 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 that we are all builders. Each of us are involved in a life-long construction project building a temple for the Holy Spirit.

In our culture today it is so easy to have other foundations in our lives. We see people all the time placing their belief in science or in man's ability to solve its own problems. Others place their trust in the government, their own abilities, and still others have no foundation for their lives whatsoever.

Only God is perfect, eternal, and capable of satisfying the desires of our body, mind, and spirit. Keep in mind that we can only develop our faith if Jesus is our firm foundation. May our lives be a testimony of how Jesus is at work through our 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: Carol Anderson, Ken Love, Sandra Leath, Stephanie & Greg Janes, Jerry McFadden, Jean King, Daisy Redding, Mindy Younger, Butch Mills, Dot Campbell, Doris McGill, Mary Lloyd, Antionette Sofia, Dianna Welch, Kristi Anthony, Lance Johnson.

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Sabrina Willard, Bobby & Alliene Castleberry, Jamal Booker family, Jim Putnam family, Lisa Frazier family, Margaret Stout family, Chuck Thielman, Vanderpool's, Toppings family, Seburne Medders family, Charlotte Fuch, Gary Moreland, Linda Flanary, Jan Sloan Ferris, Renee Elmore, Willy Henderson, Clark Barnett, James Cassy, Polly Ashby,

Jean Thurman, Randy Skidmore, Toni Modl, Mark McCloud, Johnny Briscoe, BenWallace, Carol McMillian, Ely Speer, Shannon Kingsbury, Bill Gordon.

MILITARY DEPLOYED OVERSEAS:

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

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

FAMILY NEWS & NEEDS

YARN DRIVE—Kiddie Kollege is collecting yarn they will donate to make “blessings” blankets for wounded soldiers. There is a collection box by room 6.

5TH SUNDAY POTLUCK—March 30th will be our 5th Sunday format. Please make plans to stay for our potluck lunch with a short service to follow. Kitchen assistance is needed. Please sign the list at the Welcome Center TODAY if you can help or see Sherrie Boyd.

NEW WEBSITE—lacoc.org. Contact the office if

you need your password for the online directory.

CHURCH COOKBOOK—See ladies bulletin board for details.

BOOK CLUB—Meeting April 13th. We will be discussing the book “Safely Home” by Randy Alcorn.

THANK YOU—The Don Thompson family wants to thank everyone for the encouragement and prayers offered over the past year and for the plant that was sent to the service.

KIDS FOR CHRIST, YOUTH, & COLLEGE TODAY

March 23: JH Dinner and Devo 5-7:30 pm, meet in the gym, bring money to eat at Braums...serve ice cream & visit with group that meets in the auditorium on Sunday nights @ 7:00.

COLLEGE

See Jared for more details on a March get together!

JUNIOR HIGH / HIGH SCHOOL

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

Make sure to attend every event and dress up for the theme nights!

March 28-30: JH Retreat at Texoma Youth Camp
Sign up today. Sponsors needed. \$45, see Andy if this is an issue.

April 6: JH,HS Game Day 3-5 PM, @ the gym.

April 12: JH, HS Paintball @ Hunt Co. Paintball, \$25 per person plus the cost of fast food, leave the church @ 9:45 AM, return around 6:30 PM.

April 13: HS Dinner and Devo 5-7 PM, more details to come.

April 15: JH Bible Study and Get Together @ Andy's house, 6:45-8:00 PM, dessert provided.

April 18-19: KFC,JH,HS LTC Convention

April 25: Senior Trip—Leave the blg. @ 4:30, be back late. Let Jared know if you're going.

April 27: JH Dinner & Devo 5-7 PM, more details to come.

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

April 13: 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. Detailed instructions @ lamaraveyouth.blogspot.com.

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



Ekklesia 03/23/2014

Did we really mean what we say?

Matthew 12:36

But I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken.

Sometimes when we talk it is really easy to use words, or phrases that we really use in a very “lightly way”. In other words, some times we really don’t mean what we say “using” those words, or those sentences....here some examples,

When we say, ...”I forgive you”. When somebody hurts us and that person realizes it and he ask our forgiveness, we automatically say...”I forgive you”, but sometimes we really don’t....in our inside we say too ourselves...”I forgive , but I don’t forget” what is the point? We need to be careful because the Lord teaches us that if we are not willing to forgive others, he will not forgive us, Matthew 6:12.

Another phrase that we use frequently is “I don’t care”. We use this phrase when somebody asks us about something that could better us, but is really easy for use to say...”I don’t care”, when we really do care about that.

“I love you”, maybe this phrase is the one that we use the most in a “light way”. I think to be able to say this phrase, we need to really mean it, and not use that phrase just to say it.

This phrase needs to come from the heart and from our mind, because to love someone is something that starts in the heart, but that love grow to a decision. A decision that, no matter what, we will love that person. Even with all their attributes and mistakes, we will still love that person.

But how sad it is when we see couples that we know that all the time are saying each other, I love you, I don’t care, I forgive you, but later they are divorced, where has all that “love” gone, where are all those words?.. Lets try to be careful when we use those words and don’t use it in a cheap way.

Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone. Colossians 4:6

Thank You.

Marcelino

WORSHIP

Worship Leader—Allan Fain

* *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*

167 *Hosanna*

Welcome & Call to Worship

749 *The Battle Belongs to the Lord*

595 *I Come to the Garden Alone*

Prayer—Andy Garner

* *Worthy is the Lamb*

Communion—Jimmy Faulkner

Offering

Dismissal for Children’s Worship

* *Blessed Be Your Name*

Message—Patrick Cannon

325 *Boundless Love*

Receiving Response-Jones/Kerby

Shepherd’s Prayer—Wayne Kerby

583 *Jesus, Flow Like a River*

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

RESPONSE

Prayers: Jean O’Neil

Sunday Evening

Speaker: Patrick Cannon

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



March 30–5th Sunday Potluck
 April 18-19–LTC Convention
 May 14–Blood Drive
 May 18–Senior Sunday



WEDNESDAY SIMPLE SUPPER

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

Sign-up on your Sunday attendance card.

TBA

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
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Clint Gage	Shane Welch
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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 (3/30)

Sound Booth:	Glenn Lee
Opening Prayer:	Curtis Garrett
Communion Prayer:	Cleve Fendley
Communion Servers:	
Troy Ashby	Larry Ballard
Jerry Barnes	Glen Barnett
Greg Beckmon	Allen Beeler
Mike Bishop	Keith Bollman
Responses:	Kerby/Peace
Shepherd's Prayer:	Richard Peace
Children's Worship:	Sheridee/Kathy Daniels
	Chloe/Sophia/Lexie/Emma

March 16, 2014 Report

Bible Class.....	225
Hispanic Bible Class.....(Adults).....	17
Total Bible Class.....	242
Morning Worship.....	408
Hispanic Worship.....	32
Total Worship Services.....	440

Hispanic Evening Worship.....	42
LIFE Groups/Evening Worship.....	208
Total Evening Services.....	250

CONTRIBUTION.....	\$11,026
BUDGET	\$12,720
YTD BUDGET.....	+\$10,523

Pantry Needs: Toothpaste