

# LAMAR AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

Following His resurrection, we are reminded of what mattered most to Jesus now that his work on earth was finished and he was about to hand it over to his followers. He left them with a parting word; the burning thing on his heart which was of greatest importance.

The burning message in Mark 16:15 - "Go...Preach." Out of the 277 words in verses 9-20 of Mark 16, only two of them are imperative commands (which means the subject to whom the command is given is implied): - "You Go...You Preach". Matthew, in his Gospel puts it like this: "Go...Make disciples."

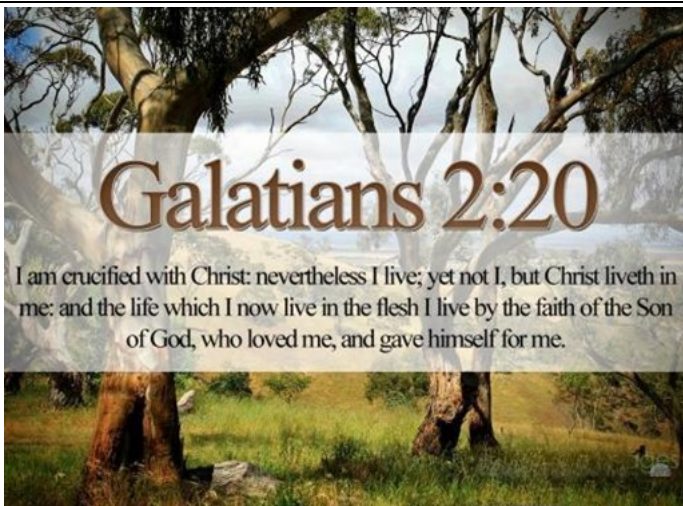
We hold the answer to life in the Person of Jesus Christ. We commemorate his crucifixion and resurrection everyday. However, I can't help but ask the questions:

- >>To what extent has the resurrection of Christ engaged our total person beyond Easter Sunday?
- >>With whom have we shared the Good News lately - the message that there is forgiveness for sins and God's Kingdom is open to you?
- >>To what measure are we speaking to and witnessing about Salvation on a personal level?
- >>Are we finding that our talk and expression of God is often confined to our corporate time on Sunday morning?

Leslie Newbigin, labeled as "one of the leading influences on the theology of mission" was once quoted as saying, *"The key focus of the church's mission is not the church but the world."* Have we gotten off track? Have we been influenced to compromise the message of Jesus Christ for man-made religious piety?

Have we been guilty of focusing internally instead of externally; more concerned about being coddled than caring for the lost; more intentional about ourselves when it should be about 'them'? Are we well-intentioned and at the same time missing the mark?

The alarming message is clear - church has become a place where people meet for the purpose of attending to personal desires. It is ALL ABOUT ME. This is not what Jesus had in mind, nor is it really the Church. We are only the Church when we pay attention to the personal command, "YOU go...YOU preach". It's sure something to think about!



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:** Joe Daniels, Nancy Jones, Lila Buchanan, Shirley Carroll, Sheila Icenhower, Kolton Welch, Dee Lyons, Janie Russell, Carol Anderson, Ken Love, Butch Mills, Dot Campbell, Doris McGill, Mary Lloyd, Antionette Sofia, Dianna Welch, Kristi Anthony, Lance Johnson.

**FRIENDS & FAMILY:** Paula Vaughn, Ben Holland, Daniel Tuttle, Gary Stevens, Skyler Cook, Patti Bulls, Norma Brown, Maxine Hayes, Blake Pasquill, James Jack,

Gary Jack, Gerald Housley, Sabrina Willard, Vanderpool's, Carol McMillian, Ely Speer, Bill Gordon.

## MILITARY DEPLOYED OVERSEAS:

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

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please contact the church office or e-mail: [mollywoodall@suddenlink.net](mailto:mollywoodall@suddenlink.net)  
[www.lamaravenueprayerrequests.blogspot.com](http://www.lamaravenueprayerrequests.blogspot.com)

## FAMILY NEWS & NEEDS

**SENIOR SUNDAY**—We will be honoring our 2014 graduates and their families with breakfast before class on May 18th. If you would be willing to make a donation, please contact Carol Anderson. See Welcome Center for more details.

**CHURCH COOKBOOK**—We need more recipes to create our cookbook! See Kim Hanley or ladies bulletin board for more details. This is the final week!!

**DRIVER NEEDED**—We need a bus driver for Sunday mornings. If you can help, contact James Hanley.

**THANK YOU**—Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for praying for Ely. His heart surgery went very well and his recovery has been exceptional! He was discharged Sunday. God Bless, George & Valerie Speer, Glen & Joy Barnett

Thank you to my church family for the beautiful cards and encouraging calls. You never know how much they are appreciated until you're on the receiving end.  
Ken & Sheila Icenhower.

**BOOK CLUB**—No meeting in May.

## KIDS FOR CHRIST, YOUTH, & COLLEGE TODAY

LTC Awards Passed Out to Participants

April 27: JH Dinner and Devo Meet at the church at 3:50 PM and leave for the movies to see God is Not Dead, or Heaven is for Real. Bring money for a ticket, will not eat a meal, be back to the church around 6:30-6:45 PM.

### COLLEGE

See Jared for more details on a April get together!

### JUNIOR HIGH / HIGH SCHOOL

May 4: JH, HS Game Day @ the gym, 3-5 PM.

May 18: HS Dinner and Devo. More details to come.

May 18: Senior Sunday. This special day includes breakfast @ 8:00am for seniors and their families, a slideshow and Bible presentation.

May 24: JH, HS Rough Rider Game. Details on the sign up sheet and more to come.

May 25: JH Dinner and Devo. More details to come.

June 1: JH, HS Combined Dinner and Devo. Welcome the newcomers in the Youth Group.

June 8: JH, HS Game Day @ the gym, 3-5 PM.

June 10: KFC Terrific Tuesday @ LACOC, More details to come.

### KIDS FOR CHRIST

May 10: KFC Spring Fling @ The Woodall's Ranch, 4:30-7:30 PM, girls bring desserts, guys bring drinks...See Andy if you did not receive an invitation.

May 18: KFC Club 345 In the HS room, 5-6:15 PM.

June 16-19: Camp Deer Run Day Camp

\*\*\**Summer Schedule is coming soon!*\*\*\*

# EKKLESIA

**Marcelino Rodriguez**



In John 4:24, our Lord Jesus Christ, in a conversation with the Samaritan woman, teaches her and us a very important principal. This principal is how we are to really worship God; how in this dispensation, this Christian era, we need

to worship God, and He says it very clearly. We need to worship God in Spirit and Truth. How can we understand this? Well, one way to explain this is that we have two aspects of worship...the General aspect and the Specific Aspect.

The first one is the General Aspect. We worship God in some way with every aspect of our life. In our family relationships, if we take good care of our family, then we are pleasing God and in some way we are worshipping Him.

Another example is our jobs. If we work hard, if we are good employees, if we are good bosses, if we do our duties, then in this area we are pleasing God and worshipping Him. These are just two examples of how we worship God in the general aspect of our life.

Let me mention the other, the Specific Aspect of Worship. This is the time when we come together as a group of believers to follow the example of worship we read about in the Bible. We follow the example of Christians in the first century the best way we can. We sing praises to God with our voices, we collect an offering, we partake of the Lord's table, we hear the Word of God, and we offer prayers to our Lord. This is our specific time of worship that we have on Sundays, following the example left for us in the Bible. There does not need to be a specific place, because wherever a group of believers come together on Sunday, the Lord's Day, and obey the commandments written in the Good Book, that is the primary time of worship; that is our Worship Service. The Word tells us our Lord rose on Sunday and the Lord's Supper and the offering were observed on Sunday. (John 19, Act 20:7, 1 Corinthians 16:1-3) When we come to worship on Sunday we are expressing to our Heavenly Father our desire to have a close communion with Him, through His Son, with the guidance and helping of the Holy Spirit. Let's enjoy our worship experience every Lord's day.

May God Bless you,  
Marcelino Rodriguez, Jr.

# WORSHIP

**Worship Leader—Allan Fain**

155 *Highest Place*

62 *I Exalt Thee*

**Welcome & Call to Worship**

\* *Ancient Words*

**Scripture—Patrick Cannon**

31 *Be Still And Know*

**Prayer—Patrick Cannon**

480 *Blessed Assurance*

**Communion—James Hanley**

**Offering**

**Dismissal for Children's Worship**

528 *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

**Message—Patrick Cannon**

\* *There's A Stirring*

**Receiving Response-Faires/Jones**

**Shepherd's Prayer—Kyle Jones**

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

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## Sunday Evening

**Patrick Cannon**

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 10—KFC Spring Fling  
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.

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

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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 (5/4)

#### Sound Booth:

**Opening Prayer:** Trent Jones  
**Communion Prayer:** Cliff Kerby

#### Communion Servers:

Jay Cannon	Jonathan Cannon
Patrick Cannon	Sam Cannon
Don Carroll	Joel Casey
Rusty Cooper	Mark Cowan

#### Responses:

**Shepherd's Prayer:** Jones/Kerby  
**Children's Worship:** Wayne Kerby  
McCarter's/Gage's  
Emma F/Kimberlynn

### April 20, 2014 Report

Bible Class.....	265
Hispanic Bible Class.....(Adults).....	25
<b>Total Bible Class.....</b>	<b>290</b>
Morning Worship.....	552
Hispanic Worship.....	39
<b>Total Worship Services.....</b>	<b>591</b>

Hispanic Evening Worship.....	54
LIFE Groups/Evening Worship.....	62
<b>Total Evening Services.....</b>	<b>116</b>

<b>CONTRIBUTION.....</b>	<b>\$12,325</b>
<b>BUDGET .....</b>	<b>\$12,720</b>
<b>YTD BUDGET.....</b>	<b>+7,166</b>

**Pantry Needs: Deodorant**