

LAMAR AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST



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

"The Day That God Created Fathers."

On the day that God created fathers an angel of the Lord stood in the background & watched. "Lord," the angel asked, "are you sure you know what you are doing? If children are so close to the ground, why are you making fathers so high up? After all, they will have to kneel down if they ever shoot marbles with their children. They'll have to lean way over to tuck them into bed at night, and they'll have to bend so far down to

kiss them."

The Heavenly Father said, "Don't worry; I know exactly what I'm doing. If I didn't make fathers so high, what would children have to look up to?"

Then the Lord made the hands of a father. They were big and awkward. The angel asked, "Have you really thought this through? Those fingers are so big and clumsy. How will they be able to handle the pins of a diaper or unbutton a little button? They will never be able to take a rubber band off of a ponytail, or remove a splinter from a finger."

God replied, "Relax. They'll be just fine. They're big enough to hold all the things that a young boy takes out of his pocket at the end of the day, and they're large enough to cup the face of a child."

God continued on and He made the legs of a father - long & bony & hairy and not very attractive. And then He made broad shoulders. The angel asked, "Lord, do you realize what you have done? You have just made a father without a lap. How is he ever going to be able to hold a child close to him without that child slipping through his legs?"

God answered, "Mothers need laps, fathers need broad shoulders so that they can pull a sled in the wintertime and balance a bicycle in the summertime, and cradle the sleeping head of a child on the way home from church."

Then, just as God was in the middle of creating two of the biggest feet that you have ever seen, the angel said, "It's not fair. Do you really believe that those two big feet are going to get up in the middle of the night and respond to a crying child?"

God answered, "They'll work, you will see. They are big enough to support a father who is pretending to be a horse while his child is riding to an imaginary castle. They're big enough to wear two shoes that will be a challenge for any child to fill."

Then God gave the father a voice, strong and authoritative. He gave him eyes that could see everything and yet remain calm and in control. Last of all, God gave the father tears. Then He turned to the angel and asked, "Do you still doubt?" And the angel said no more.



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: Sandra Carrell, Ruth Ann Stallings, Lee McClain, Alyssa Nutt, Ruth McFadden, Lloyd Usry, Ed Bullard, Lila Buchanan, Austin Stutzman, Kristi Anthony, Doris McGill, Mary Lloyd, John White, Lance Johnson, Kathy Marshall, David Wilkenson

MILITARY DEPLOYED OVERSEAS:
Adam Snyder, Billy Thomas, Donny Shaffer, James Crimmin, Ethan Skaggs.

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Sonny Daughtery, Buster William, Mazie Brockington, Wesley Buster, Emily Cole, Gerald Henderson, Mona Drake, Ernie Encalade, Jay Kimbrough, William Ballard, Gladys Sanders, Katie Ewell, Keith Millerton, Jake Lockey

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

FAMILY NEWS & NEEDS

CHURCH IN THE PARK—We will meet this Wednesday @ 6:00p.m. at Walker Park (near Justiss Elementary). Plan to invite the neighborhood to join us as we worship, play games, and eat together. A great opportunity to let our light shine for Christ!

BOOK CLUB— Next meeting will be July 13th. We will be discussing the book, “Jimmy” by Robert Whitlow.

WEDDING SHOWER— for Ellie Bivens Stringer on June 22nd @ 1:30–3:30 in Room 6. The couple have selections at WalMart, Target, and Spanglers.



Our act of service within our community was a huge success. We had about 115 people show up ready to plug in wherever they were needed in our Community Garden Project. A big THANKS goes out to all who helped paint an awesome mural on a nearby wall, paint tables, make sandwiches & cookies, trim trees, haul branches, dig up concrete, hoe and rake grass, make garden stepping stones & scarecrows, and a special thanks to **James Weems** on his sweet tractor skills in tilling up our small plot of earth!! Another special thanks to **Clay Spencer** in heading this project up and *especially* to all of you that helped make this effort a success!!! Remember this is still a work in progress. Stay tuned for the next opportunity to get your hands dirty doing God’s work....serving and helping others!!

KIDS FOR CHRIST, YOUTH, & COLLEGE TODAY

Spend **Father’s Day** with your father. Make sure you treat him special!

Junior High & High School

Summer Schedule is out! Make sure to mark you calendars.

June 22: JH, HS Church @ Camp Deer Run and Visit
Leave after class and be back mid-late afternoon (Will call/text on the way home)

June 25: JH, HS Church @ Camp Deer Run and Visit
Leave @ 6:30 PM, be back around midnight

June 26, July 17 & 24: JH, HS Tag Team Thursday @ the church bldg., 11 AM-2PM

July 6: JH, HS Combined Dinner and Devo 5-7 PM, More information to come

July 16: JH, HS Church @ Camp Deer Run and Visit
Leave @ 6:30 PM, be back around midnight

July 20: JH, HS Game Day @ the gym, 3-5 PM

July 27-August 1: JH, HS Dallas Life Mission Trip Sign up today!!!

Kids For Christ

Summer Schedule is out! Make sure to mark you calendars.

June 16-19: KFC Camp Deer Run Day

June 24: KFC Terrific Tuesday @ Splash Kingdom Information on the youth wall and summer schedule sheet. Sign Up Today

July 7-9: KFC Service Week More Information to come (block off your morning!)

July 15: KFC Terrific Tuesday @ Dallas Aquarium Information on the youth wall and summer schedule sheet. Sign Up Today

College

June: See Jared for more details on any June get together!

EKKLESIA

Marcelino Rodriguez



Proverbs 15:13 A happy heart makes the face cheerful, but heartache crushes the spirit.

God gives us the privilege to express ourselves through our gestures. We can express to others through our face when we are worried, when we are sad, when we are tired, and when we have pain. Even in the hospitals they have a sign with several facial expressions to tell the doctors what level of pain or discomfort we are experiencing. I want to mention today that the smile is a beautiful blessing of God. How many times do we smile in a day? Do we use more muscles in our face to express anger or to express happiness? To express anger we use around 32 muscles and for a smile we just use around 17 muscles in our face. Here is something that somebody wrote about the smile. As Christians, let's smile more to others every day.

God Bless you and Happy Fathers Day!!!
~Marcelino.

"The Smile"

- ♦ It costs nothing, but creates much good.
- ♦ It enriches those who receive it without impoverishing those who give it away.
- ♦ It happens in a flash, but the memory of it can last forever.
- ♦ No one is so rich that they can get along without it, no one is too poor to feel rich when receiving it.
- ♦ It creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business, and is the counter sign of friend; it is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and nature's best antidote for trouble.
- ♦ Yet, it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen.
- ♦ For it is something of no earthly good to anyone until it is given away willingly.

~ Anonymous

WORSHIP

Worship Leader—*Kyle Thompson*

123 The Steadfast Love of The Lord

Welcome & Call To Worship—*Zach Wickes*

250 The Great Redeemer

23 Our God, He Is Alive

155 Highest Place

Opening Prayer—*Spencer Jones*

* How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Communion—*Cason Keith*

Offering

383 Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross

Dismissal for Children's Worship

484 You Are My All In All

Message—*Ty Ford*

* Here In This Place

Receiving Response—*Jones/Kerby*

Shepherd's Prayer—*Wayne Kerby*

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Sunday Evening

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



June 22nd – Wedding shower for Ellie
 Bivens - Stringer
 July 13th – Book Club Meeting



WEDNESDAY SIMPLE SUPPER

Simple Suppers will be taking a break during the summer months (June–Aug). We will begin again in September. Please be prayerfully considering whether you can help with this good work and join one of our awesome teams!!

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*

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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 (6/22)

Sound Booth: Glenn Lee
Opening Prayer: Clint Spencer
Communion Prayer: James Paul Miers
Communion Servers:
 Matt Denman
 Todd Duren
 Chris Easton
 Doug Faires
 Ross Denman
 Jacob Duren
 Mike Erwin
 Jimmy Faulkner
Responses: Kerby/Peace
Shepherd's Prayer: Richard Peace
Children's Worship: McCarters/Gages
 Emma F. / Kimberlynn L.

June 8, 2014 Report

Bible Class.....	206
Hispanic Bible Class.....(Adults).....	26
Total Bible Class.....	232
Morning Worship.....	369
Hispanic Worship.....	43
Total Worship Services.....	412
Hispanic Evening Worship.....	47
LIFE Groups/Evening Worship.....	78
Total Evening Services.....	125
CONTRIBUTION.....	\$11,623
BUDGET	\$12,720
YTD BUDGET.....	+8,289

Pantry Needs: mac-n-cheese