LAMAR AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST



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



A strong young athlete was wading waist deep in the shallow part of a recreational lake. Unknowingly he stepped off an underwater ledge and plunged fifteen feet beneath the surface of the water. After several seconds he bobbed to the top of the water flailing his arms and gasping for breath. The lifeguard attentively watched the situation from a nearby bank. A friend of the struggling young athlete grabbed the lifeguard by the arm and cried out, "Bob

can't swim, you've got to help him."

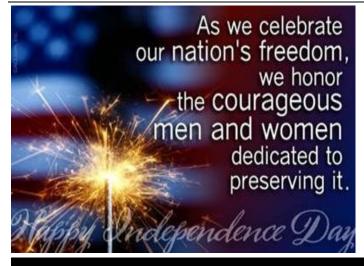
The lifeguard remained unmoved as Bob continued kicking and splashing wildly. The young man's friend furiously yelled at the lifeguard, "If you won't go after him, I will." Calmly but firmly the lifeguard said, "No one can help him yet. I'll help him when he's ready for my help."

After a couple more minutes the young athlete stopped his struggles, as his body became limp. The patient lifeguard suddenly dove into the water, swam out to the young man and brought him to shore for a successful rescue. Later the friend asked the lifeguard, "Why did you wait so long to help my friend."

The lifeguard responded, "As long as Bob was trying to save himself there was nothing I could have done for him. If I had swam out to him he would have grabbed me and pulled me under with him. Only when he was weak, exhausted and had given up was I able to save him."

This story of struggle and exhaustion before deliverance is not only a lesson for lifeguards but it is a powerful revelation of what often occurs in our spiritual journey. Some of you may feel spiritually exhausted, worn out, weary of trying to please God by your own efforts. If that's you, then Jesus has great news for you. In Matthew 11:28 he declares, "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

The Hebrew word for rest can be used to describe a vacation after a long period of work. Maybe it's time for a spiritual vacation. Jesus has promised you rest. So what am I asking you to do? I'm not asking you to do anything. I'm asking you to trust in what Jesus has already done.



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 fover) 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.

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PRAYER

CHURCH MEMBERS: Mark Jones, Anita Roden, Sharon Kinison, Becky Webb, Alan Boyd, Gerald & Mary Doty, Pam Catibiani, Matt Duren, Austin Mosely, Sandra Carrell, Ruth Ann Stallings, Lee McClain, Alyssa Nutt, Ruth McFadden, Kristi Anthony, Doris McGill, Mary Lloyd, John White, Lance Johnson

MILITARY DEPLOYED OVERSEAS:

Adam Snyder, Billy Thomas, Donny Shaffer, James Crimmin, Ethan Skaggs, Michael Cooke.

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Melissa Arnold, David Nix, Dwayne Weeks, Herb Ferguson, Sigrid Cain, Leta Reaes, Will Larseingue, Roy Bolton, Craig Shew, Sonny Daughtery, Buster William, Mazie Brockington, Wesley Buster, Emily Cole, Vanderpool's, Jake Lockey

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

FAMILY NEWS & NEEDS

BAPTISM—Michael McCarter had the honor and privilege of baptizing his daughter, Aubrie, this past Sunday. (That makes 4 generations of their family...Barbara Dean, Dianna Welch, Lindsay McCarter and now Aubrie.)

RESPONSES—Austin Mosley asked for prayers for strength to help him turn toward God and make better decisions. Sigrid Cain also came forward asking for prayers in dealing with the anger in her heart.

BOOK CLUB— Next meeting will be July 13th @ 4pm in Rm 17. We will be discussing the book, "Jimmy" by Robert Whitlow.

WEDNESDAY—We will hear a message of from God's Word from **Doug Faires** this Wednesday (July 2nd) @ 6:30 here at the building.

COOKBOOKS—Our cookbooks are here!!! You can pick them up in the office. \$10 each. If you didn't reserve one, there are some extras available while they last. Get your copy soon!

MISSION TRIP NEED—We are in need of magazines for a craft with the teens at Dallas Life homeless shelter. There is a box located in the office for you to drop them off in.

KIDS FOR CHRIST, YOUTH, & COLLEGE TODAY

We will take a slight break in our Youth/KFC summer schedule for the week of **July 4th**. Enjoy time with family and friends!

Junior High & High School

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

July 6: <u>JH, HS</u> *Combined Dinner & Devo* 5-7 PM More information to come

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

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

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

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

August 10: <u>JH, HS</u> *Combined Dinner & Devo* 5-7 PM, More information to come

August 16: <u>JH, HS</u> *Back to School Bash* @ the church, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

August 17: JH, HS Game Day @ the gym, 3-5 PM

Kids For Christ

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

July 7-9: KFC Service Week Detailed schedule will be sent out soon and posted on the Youth Wall!
9:30 AM-12:00 PM...Even if the parent can't attend, we still want your child their, (Entering K-5th grade)

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

July 20: <u>KFC</u> *Club 345* Meet in the Youth Room, 5:00-6:15 PM

August 16: KFC Back to School Bash @ the church, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

August 24: KFC Club 345 Meet in the Youth Room, 5:00-6:15 PM

College

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

EKKLESIA

Marcelino Rodriguez



"Life Is Short, Eternity Is Not"

I saw this phrase on a sign the other day, and it's a phrase that is completely true. According to what the Bible teaches us, the days of our lives are short.

Why, you do not even know what will

happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. James 4:14.

Mortals, born of woman, are of few days and full of trouble. Job 14:1

It is during this short life that we do the right things to be in heaven for eternity or the wrong things and be separated from God in a place called hell. I know in these times we do not talk about hell because we don't like this word. Satan does everything possible to use false teachers who tell us that hell does not exist. It is a myth to say that this life is hell. We need to understand that the devil is going to use everything possible to promote, through false teachers, that there is no hell; that it is not an eternal place of punishment for those who don't do the will of God on this earth.

Something very interesting in the Bible is that the person who teaches the most about hell is our Lord Jesus Christ. He quotes the scriptures and teaches about this important topic several times during his three years of ministry.

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. (Matthew 10:28)

The problem we have is that we live under the rule of "time". We live by hours, days, weeks, months, and years; this is our way to measure time. God is not under this "rule."

Do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:8-9)

We need to remind ourselves every day that "life is short and eternity is not!" We are passing through this world and we need to try to do our best every day in this life so we can spend our eternity with Christ in heaven.

WORSHIP

Worship Leader— Kyle Jones

718 We Shall Assemble

Welcome & Call To Worship

- 162 All Hail The Power of Jesus Name
- 19 Come Thou Almighty King
- * How Great Is Our God

Opening Prayer—Gene Stallings

- 232 Worthy, You Are Worthy
- 315 When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

Communion—Joe Moore

179 He Is Lord

Offering

* A Mighty Fortress

Dismissal for Children's Worship

448 Greatest Commands

Message—Patrick Cannon

948 I Am Resolved

Receiving Response—Peace/Spencer

Shepherd's Prayer—Jay Spencer

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



Sunday Evening

5th Sunday (No evening service or activities.)

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July 2nd—Elder Led Service
July 4th—Office closed!
July 9th—Community Garden Service
July 13th — Book Club Meeting
July 16th—Elder Led Service
July 23rd—Family Night in the Outreach



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 Wayne Kerby
Doug Faires Richard Peace
Kyle Jones Jay Spencer

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MEETING TIMES

SUNDAY

Bible Class	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Worship	
(Small Groups meet in various locations.)	
WEDNESDAY	•
Ladies' Bible Class	10:00 a.m.
Bible Classes	6:30 p.m.

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY (7/6)

Sound Booth: Heath Fowler Opening Prayer: Travis Trussell Communion Prayer: Auddie Neisler

Communion Servers:

Russell Figgins
Heath Fowler
Scott Fulbright
Curtis Garrett
Responses:
Shepherd's Prayer:
Children's Worship:
Brad Francis
Luke Fowler
Gary Gage
Paul Garrett
Spencer/Anderson
Lewis Anderson
Rusty & Jenifer Cooper
Bailey F./Abby C./Kaitlyn M.

June 22, 2014 Report

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Bible Class	162
Hispanic Bible Class(Adults)	27
Total Bible Class	
Morning Worship	
Hispanic Worship	
Total Worship Services	
Hispanic Evening Worship	42
LIFE Groups/Evening Worship	
Total Evening Services	
CONTRIBUTION	\$10.921
BUDGET	/ -
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Pantry Needs: canned fruit