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YOUNG LOVE

Young people who begin to find favor with each other are a sight to see. This unique experience is employed by the Lord to explain our zeal for Him.

We know young love when we see it. Time, money, gifts, sacrifices are all involved in the new couple's lives. They generally turn their world upside down.

This experience is meant to be a visual aid for our learning. When Jesus rebukes the Ephesian church for their lack of zeal, he says, "you have left your first love....remember from whence you have fallen, repent and do the first works" (Revelation 2:4-6). The early church loved the Lord so much "they turned the world upside down" (Acts 17:6).

Have you ever had that overflowing energy and enthusiasm for the Lord? If not, were you truly converted? Do you still have the zeal or, like the Ephesians, have you lost it? How would you know what your state is? What about your time, energy, passion, sacrifices, courage and willingness to speak up and out for the Lord? Paul says "he would most gladly spend and be spent for your souls" (2 Cor.12:15). Many find young love but never find true zeal for the Lord. Only the latter will get us to heaven.

-david

nursery available

For children ages 0-3
years during
Sunday morning
services.

FOR THE RECORD

June 2

Bible Study	118
A.M. Worship	150
P.M. Worship	106
Contribution	\$6,082
Weekly Budget	\$6,000

Remember these sick and shut-ins with visits, calls, cards and prayers.

...I was sick and you visited me...Matthew 25:36

- Remember Margaret Free as she continues chemo treatments.
- Harold Pirtle will be going to Kirkland Clinic and will have surgery on Thursday.
- Randy Gillespie has shingles.
- Dean Couch has been diagnosed with cancer.
- Ricky Caudle, Christie's uncle, will have a biopsy Wednesday and Kathy Caudle is in the hospital undergoing tests.
- Kathy Slaten has lymphoma.
- Dot Goodwin has been diagnosed with lung cancer.
- Lamar Roberson is back in the hospital with pneumonia and fluid build up.

ON-GOING PRAYER LIST

Continue to remember **Wilma Eady, Harold and Deborah Pirtle, Myron and Faye Dean Standridge, Corine Cahela, Laverne Martin, Laura Jenkins, Luceal Meeks, Uel Hester, Lavona Cahoon**

- Kayla Barker - Online studies
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**OUR
COLLEGE
STUDENTS
AND
MILITARY
PERSONNEL**

DJ EMORY – Our brother, DJ, came forward Sunday evening during the invitation song and asked for forgiveness. He asked for forgiveness first from God and then from his brethren at church. DJ said he has let other things and other people distract him from serving and worshipping God as he should. We prayed with him. Let us also remember him daily prayers. “Confess your faults one to another and pray for one another” (James 5:16).

IN THE WORD AND THE WORD IN US – All of our lessons from the pulpit are recorded for cd distribution and online listening. Plus, all lessons come with a printed outline if anyone desires a copy. (Please see David or Martin) It is good to listen for the outline in sermons. For instance, last Sunday morning, we studied briefly – PURE RELIGION. We said pure religion involves three ideas – a controlled tongue, a compassionate heart and a clean life (James 1:26,27).

GUEST SPEAKERS FOR VBS – Brad Adcock (Sunday and Monday), Tom Larkin (Tuesday), Luke Griffin (Wednesday) and Josh Webster for the youth (Monday – Wednesday).

“REFRESH” – For a complete list of guest speakers for the summer, please see the back tables.

REGISTER FOR CAMP – Please look for registration forms on the back tables to attend camp at Fall Creek Falls this year. Daily Bible classes, daily worship sessions, free time activities and good fellowship are among the many events which take place at camp every year. See David or Kelli for more details.

BLESSED – We are blessed with good facilities here. Two years ago, we were able to move in to our new building after many years of saving and planning. We use these facilities to teach about God, worship Him and serve other people. We are grateful to our Lord and to everyone who has worked hard in providing these facilities. The church is not a building; it is a group of penitent baptized believers seeking to serve and worship God faithfully. But God’s people must have meeting places. The early church used temple areas, houses and school buildings in which to meet. Our goal is that “in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, whose glory and dominion is forever and forever” (I Peter 4:10).

Birthdays & Anniversaries

11 - (A) Ike & Tasha Davis
11 - (A) Tim & Nancy Hester
13 - (B) Aubrey Flack
15 - (A) Ken & Bertha Nelson
16 - (B) Gracie Kelso
16 - (B) Hunter Stewart



VBS Refreshments

Sunday – Pizza
Monday – Individual bags of chips & Goldfish
Tuesday – Little Debbie's
Wednesday – Homemade desserts/Ice cream
Also need Capri Suns, canned drinks, bottled water

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ⇒ **Today thru Wednesday, Vacation Bible School.**
- ⇒ **June 9th, Summer Singing @ home of Chris & Alison James following evening services.**
- ⇒ **June 15th, Fish Fry, sign up sheet on table in back.**
- ⇒ **June 16th, NHC Service @ 2 PM.**
- ⇒ **June 23rd, Elder's meeting @ 5 PM.**
- ⇒ **June 23rd, Sunday Night For The Savior.**