



May 13, 2018

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, May 13

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Fellowship Dinner at 12:00 PM

Monday, May 14

Royal Ambassadors at 5:30 PM

Wednesday, May 16

Prayer Meeting at 6:30 PM

Praise Team Rehearsal at 6:30 PM

Pastor's Pondering

A neighbor was recently talking to me about being “saved” and not being “saved.” He was sharing that he is “saved” now, and so is no longer worried about going to hell when he dies. The more he focused on being “saved,” the more I wondered about this phrase. Granted, Jesus says he came to save us from our sins, but I believe our relationship with Jesus is more than just being saved from hell.

In the Great Commission, Jesus told His disciples to make disciples; He didn't tell them to save people, but to teach people all that He has commanded. I don't think it is enough to “be saved,” we need to decide to follow Jesus' teachings as well.

My neighbor's view of salvation, at least as he talked with me, boiled down to “saved from hell.” He never really talked about being saved for anything. Maybe it was this implied focus of salvation that got me thinking. I believe we have been saved from our sins and saved for a restored life with Jesus. It isn't just about avoiding hell, but about knowing and following Jesus, which is only possible as a redeemed, “saved,” person.

- Blessings, David

On the Horizon

Riverbend Preteen Camp – July 16–20 for children who will complete grades 3–6 by this summer. Please see Philippe Lalonde for details; we have space for more children. Cost is \$180 a child; scholarships are available.

Eagle Mountain Arts Camp – Our 2018 camp is **THE SHOW MUST GO ON**, and will be in the evenings of July 29 — August 2. We are looking for teachers to lead art classes and to teach Bible study classes. Please see Pastor David if you, or someone you know, have a talent or art to share.

Mom's Book Club – A special summer study beginning on May 21 at 7:00 PM at Panera Bread in Lake Worth. We will discuss The Mom Walk by Sally Clarkson. See Amy Cecil for details.

Worship Preparation

This Sunday is Mother's Day, a day for children to honor their mom, and for dad to rise up and praise her. Our worship will focus on praising Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Our time in God's word will focus on the decisions and motivations of Ananias and Sapphira in Acts 5:1-11.

Sunday Service Teams

Lead Greeter

Tom Beaman, Jr.

Nursery Ministry

Marie Hudson

Counters

Lonnie Hoyt & Bonnie Jones

Physical Needs:

- Louie's friend, Richard, is on waiting list for liver and kidney donor
- Dan Jansen, a missionary to Rwanda, is receiving treatment for depression caused by a vitamin deficiency
- Wilburn Smith is recovering from cancer surgery on his face
- Trish Raney will undergo surgery and chemotherapy for breast cancer
- Ginny Greenwood is receiving treatment for cancer
- Ed Hudson will treat blocked by-passes with medication

In the Hospital:

- Rick Ladner is on a new feeding tube
- Delmar Holly is in rehab after being in ICU for lung infections and pneumonia
- Robert Williams has an infection in his lung

Praises:

- Fred Carriker is home and recovering after a neurological event from surgery
- Jessica Tennison is home and on blood thinners
- Ruth Corley is home and doing much better

Thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our praises are due to the prayers of our fellowship.

Personal Requests:

- Those who are seeking employment
- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Loved ones struggling with broken relationships
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- For family members to endure the consequences of their actions with a positive spirit
- Chris is facing struggles with depression

Ministry Requests:

- Hailes Family in Madagascar
- Meagan Clark - in India with CSJ
- Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Oletha Oldham (Azle Manor)
- Charlene Bagby (Eagle Crest)
- Roy Trotter (Azle Manor)

Families who have recently lost loved ones:

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Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman - Army
- Michael Britt - Navy
- Stephen Cecil - Air Force
- Andrew Cecil - Army
- Alexander Cole - Air Force

Special Days:

- Gordon Jones' birthday is on the 10th
- Mother's Day is on the 13th
- Mike Perrin's birthday is on the 18th

Member Notices:

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Please send new prayers or updates to pastor@embcmail.com. Thank you for keeping us up-to-date with your updates!