


The Reminder

The weekly newsletter of the church of Christ in Bellaire, TX

"The Last Time"



The wedding ceremony was about to begin. Everyone was nervous. The father of the bride was almost in tears as he was in deep thought with a question rushing through his mind. "I wonder when the last time was that I picked her up and held her as a little girl? If I would have realized it was the last time, I would have held her longer, tighter, and with more feelings."

The last time. Those are serious words. The last day of college for a student. The last day of work for a retiree. The last letter from a soldier killed in battle. The last kiss for a widow. The last time!

Life is so brief and uncertain. We are reminded of the words of James: "For what is your life? It is even as a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away" (James 4:15). So the next morning as you kiss your husband or wife good-bye when you leave, kiss as if it were your last kiss, because it could be. The next time you hug your children as they leave for school, hug them as if it were your last, because it could be.

What if we were to invest our energy into every day as if it were our last day? How would it be different from our normal routine?

Many today are filling their days with too many useless, time wasting activities. In our present culture, a great emphasis is being placed on recreation and entertainment. Yes, there are times for good, wholesome entertainment, and we do need some recreation, i.e. to be "re-created". But in the process we must not lose sight of what should be the most important ways to spend our time. The Apostle Paul tells us to "See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. (Eph 5:15-16).

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Schedule of Services

SUNDAY:
9:30 AM Worship
11:00 AM Bible Study
5:00 PM Worship

WEDNESDAY:
7:30 PM Study and
Devotional

Upcoming Meeting:
Ralph Walker
October 23-26



Morning Lesson

"Patience"
Steve Garrett

Evening Lesson

"Why Do Bad Things
Happen?"
Jack Smith

News and Notes:

Please keep Don Hurd in mind who have difficulty being with us due to prolonged illness.

Thanks to Mike for putting out a more complete prayer list. Janice Kimbrough came thru her surgery just fine, and is at home now. Won't know test results for a week or so. Jan starts radiation treatments this week. Several have been sick with various illnesses lately. Victoria should be better by today. Knapps were out Wed. night. Anita is better, and test results all look clear.

Tonight is the youth devo. We're moving it back to Barbara's house for this month.

Travis Graham was baptized. He is currently in College Station in school, but we'll count him as one of ours. Brian and Deborah Haley have placed membership with us (David's dad and mom). In a week or two they will be located at: 6403 Dexter Bluff Court, Sugarland, Tx. 77479. Phone # is 214-514-4806. Welcome to them.

Meeting and Singing flyers will be available shortly.

Bible Study

There was a young lady who read a book and having completed it, remarked, "It was the dulllest book I ever read." Not long after, she met a man, fell in love and was engaged to be married. One evening she said, "I have a book in my library by a man whose name is the same as yours. Isn't that a coincidence?" He replied, "Not at all, I wrote the book." She ran home, sat up all night rereading the book again. When finished she said, "That was the most interesting book I've ever read." Why had the book changed so much? Because she knew and loved the author. Application: You will enjoy reading and studying the greatest book, the Bible, if you know and love the author. Then the Bible becomes the most interesting book in the world.

-Via Exhortations & Staff



Always remember that you are absolutely unique. Just like everyone else. - Margaret Mead

Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal. -Henry Ford

The world is full of willing people; some willing to work, the rest willing to let them. - Robert Frost.

ASSIGNMENTS

MORNING SERVICE

Announcements - J. Smith
Hymn Director - M. Krueger
Scripture Reader - D. Haley
1 Peter 2:21-25
Opening Prayer - M. Pharris
Closing Prayer - J. Smith

EVENING SERVICE

Hymn Director - R. McDonald
Opening Prayer - J. Martinez
Closing Prayer - J. Smith

EVANGELIST

Jack Smith
Steve Garrett

ELDERS

Mark Mann
Matt Miles
Mike Pharris
Jack Smith

BIBLE CLASSES

- **Genesis** - John Moon
- **Gospel of John** - Steve Garrett and David Haley
- **Prayer and Providence** - Jack Smith
- Graded classes for children