

# The Reminder

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

## “Two Roads”

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The last three lines of the Robert Frost poem, “The Road Not Taken” are:  
“Two roads diverged in a wood,  
and I — I took the one less  
traveled by And that has made  
all the difference.”

Just as the great poet remembers the time when he came to a point where the two roads diverged in a wood, each of us comes to those points in our life where we look, and the paths open in two directions. We must choose.

Which shall we take?  
It is not a new dilemma. Eve faced it (and took the wrong path) in Genesis 3:1-6. Joshua faced it. He told the people, “Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve,” Joshua 24:15. Esther faced it. She said, “If I perish, I perish” (Esther 4:16b). Daniel faced it. “Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to God, just as he had done before” (even though it had been decreed that anyone doing so would be put to death [Daniel 6:10b]). The Apostles faced it. Jesus said, “Come,” and they followed Him.

As God’s people, it is so wonderful to look at that time when we made a choice to follow the path less traveled. We were, at one time, faced with the roads that led in two directions. Isn’t it a tremendous feeling to know we have chosen the right way? We should rejoice every day that God showed us the way ... that He guided us by the Holy Word in the direction we should go, that He lifted our burdens to walk with Him.

We, as Christians, should be the happiest of people because, as the poem says, “And that has made all the difference.” How has it made a difference? Matthew 7:13-14, “Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide, and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter by it. For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it.”

The difference in the roads is destruction or life. It is a wonderful feeling to know you have chosen life, isn’t it? Oh ... you have taken the right road, haven’t you — the one less traveled by, the one that leads to life?

Lawrence Sanders

**SUNDAY**  
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### **BELLAIRE**

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### **Schedule of Services**

#### **Sunday:**

9:30 AM Worship  
11:00 AM Bible Study

#### **WEDNESDAY:**

7:30 PM Bible Study

#### **GOSPEL MEETING:**

November 13, 14, 15  
- Fall Singing  
- Jeff Wilson - Lessons  
from Isaiah.



## Morning Lesson

“Every Eye Will See”  
Jack Smith

### News and Notes:

Continue praying for those of our number who have on-going health issues. Deb Haley, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn and Don Hurd.

We had sad news on Wed. night. Eliza got the results of her genetic tests. She will have to take expensive medicine for the rest of her life, and the condition will seriously shorten her life expectancy. The good news is that she was accepted into a study program by the pharmaceutical company. Continue to pray for her and her family.

We were also informed of John Banks. His dad is an elder at the Northwest church in Beaumont, and John is known to several here. He has an "unusual" form of cancer and is seeking treatment at MD Anderson. He is only 24.

Two of the preachers we support in the Philippines were involved in the flooding by the most recent typhoon. Devastation is widespread with destruction of homes, church bldgs., and food crops. We sent relief money to both of them, and will probably have to help again before long. The country is poor, and it will take a long time to recover.

Remember our meeting/singing that is coming up quickly. Looks to be a profitable time for us.

## “What Do Others See?”

None of us is really good at reading minds. Therefore, we depend upon indicators as to what people are thinking. A frown, a smile, a shaking or a nodding of the head are examples of positive and negative indicators as to what someone thinks about something we have done or said.

Having said that, what do people see about our lives? It is no secret that I am both a sports and movie nut. This is especially the case regarding the Texas Rangers. I don't need much motivation to discuss them with anyone who will listen. Both my son and I drive our wives nuts answering each other in lines from a movie we have seen many times. These, however, are relatively unimportant when looking at the "big picture."

What is truly important is what others see in us regarding spiritual matters. Again, people cannot read our minds or look into our hearts. All they can do is analyze our "indicators" as they relate to the importance we place on God, His Son, the Bible and the Lord's church. "Positive indicators" include regular attendance and participation in Bible classes and in worship assemblies, manifesting an ethical approach that is clearly based on Christian principles, and deeds that match our profession of faith.

Do we care what others see? Do we use every opportunity to let them see that spiritual matters are the greatest priority in our lives? Do our lives mirror our profession? May we be those who cause others to see Christ in us and His word paramount in our lives.

- Pat McIntosh

## WHO ARE WE?

A group of Gods children, striving to maintain the organization, doctrine and worship as taught in the New Testament.

## ASSIGNMENTS

### Morning Service

Opening Prayer - B. Ward  
Hymn Director - G. Williams  
Lords Supper Lesson -  
Z. Kelsey  
Announcements - B. Haley  
Closing Prayer - L. Williams

### EVANGELIST

Jack Smith  
Steve Garrett

### ELDERS

Brian Haley  
Mark Mann  
Matt Miles  
Mike Pharris  
Jack Smith

### DEACONS

Scott Clanton  
David Davila  
Dan Kimbrough  
Jesse Knapp  
Alex Morolez  
Gregory Williams

### BIBLE CLASSES

- Joshua and Judges  
(In the Auditorium)
- Great Lessons from Jesus  
(In Room 204)

### Directory Updates

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