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Reminder

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

The Power of a Follower

“Jonathan said to the young man who carried his armor, “Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised. It may be that the LORD will work for us, for nothing can hinder the LORD from saving by many or by few.” And his armor-bearer said to him, “Do all that is in your heart. Do as you wish. Behold, I am with you heart and soul.” (1 Samuel 14:6-7)

Followers are what make a leader. A leader is nothing without followers. It is natural in our society to glorify the leaders. It is natural to desire to be a leader. We need more spiritual leaders in the church.

However, no one can lead in everything and no one starts in the position of a leader. They have to follow at many points during their life. Does that mean that a follower is useless until they become a leader? Of course not. Remember, followers make a leader.

Take the example of Jonathan’s armor bearer. Jonathan makes the suggestion to take on the garrison of the Philistines with just the two of them. What if the armor bearer would have replied, “That is a stupid idea. We will be killed. How do we even know God will work for us?” Jonathan might have doubted; he might have lost his conviction and not have followed through with his good idea.

Instead, the armor bearer is very encouraging. He tells Jonathan, “I am with you heart and soul.” Can you imagine the boost in confidence that must have been to Jonathan, to know someone has your back no matter what? That is the kind of follower that make leaders flourish and become great.

So what can we learn? We need to encourage our leaders (like our elders) like Jonathan’s armor bearer did for Jonathan. We need to make sure that our leaders have confidence that ‘our heart and soul’ is with them through anything. That is the power of a follower, to make great leaders.

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Who Are We?

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

Schedule of Services

Sunday:
9:30 AM Worship
11:00 AM Bible Study
Wednesday:
7:30 PM Bible Study

**“Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!”
Psalm 107:1**

SERVICE

Welcome – H. Banks
Hymn Director – W. Hodge
Opening Prayer– S. Clanton
Morning Lesson – D. Broadwell
Lord’s Supper – S. Garrett
Announcements – B. Haley
Closing Prayer – M. Gomez

EVANGELISTS

Daniel Broadwell
Steve Garrett

ELDERS

Brian Haley
Mark Mann
Mike Pharris

DEACONS

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

BIBLE CLASSES

How to Study the Bible

- Jesse Knapp

Kings

- Michael Krueger
- Justin Seale

Graded classes for children

DIRECTORY UPDATES

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Psalm 138 (ESV)

I give you thanks, O Lord, with
my whole heart;

before the gods I sing your
praise;

I bow down toward your holy
temple

and give thanks to your
name for your steadfast love
and your faithfulness,

for you have exalted above
all things

your name and your word.

On the day I called, you
answered me;

my strength of soul you
increased.

All the kings of the earth shall
give you thanks, O Lord,

for they have heard the
words of your mouth,
and they shall sing of the ways
of the Lord,

for great is the glory of
the Lord.

For though the Lord is high, he
regards the lowly,

but the haughty he knows
from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of
trouble,

you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand
against the wrath of my
enemies,

and your right hand delivers
me.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose
for me;

your steadfast love, O Lord,
endures forever.

Do not forsake the work of
your hands.

NEWS AND NOTES

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

We have several families
traveling for Thanksgiving.
Pray for safe travels.

Please continue to pray for and
remember **Zonia Davilia** as
she recovers from surgery.

Remember the Martinez family
as **Johnny** struggles with his
health and **Dora** recovers from
surgery.

Patricia Butler continues to
have treatment for her cancer.
Please pray for her strength
and perseverance.

Terri Sams had a hard week.
Please pray that she is able to
eat well and gain strength. Pray
for her husband **Lenny** as well.

Teen Devo is today at Barbara
McDonald’s after services.

Sermon Title today:
Blessed Be God