THE REMINDER

BELLAIRE CHURCH OF CHRIST, 29 OCTOBER 2017

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- We are sad to announce that **Clark and Lauren Underwood** (and Virgil) will be moving to Corpus Christi in November. Clark will leave on the 13th, Lauren and Virgil on the 28th. We will miss them greatly and wish them the best!
- Johnny Martinez was in the ICU in Kansas last week and was able to return home on Thursday evening. He has started dialysis and will be doing that three times a week. Please pray for Johnny and Dora, they have a difficult road ahead.
- Laura Claburn had successful surgery this week, and is recovering. Please pray for her and see what she needs!
- Remember and pray **Melva Stech**, who has a fracture in her back and is trying to recuperate to full strength.
- Pray for those who are traveling, including the **Garrett** and **Pharris** families, and **Harrison Banks**.
- Remember those rebuilding from Harvey: **Banks**, **Benthalls**, **Guzmans**, **Haleys**, **Hurds**, **Starks**, **Stechs**, **and Washington**.
- Pray for our expectant mothers: **Bethany Moon**, **Janine Niyonkuru**, and **Lauren Underwood**.
- Keep praying for on-going health concerns: **Bob Stark**, **Deb Haley**, **Janice Kimbrough**, **Jan Cooper**, **Curby Stech**, **Laura Claburn**, **Anna Miekle**, **and Pat Butler**.
- Sermon Title: Worship, Sin, and Relationship

SCHEDULE

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

SERVICE

Welcome - A. Morolez Song Leader - M. Krueger Opening Prayer - TBD Lesson - D. Broadwell Communion Talk - F. Sparks Announcements - M. Mann Closing Prayer - B. Ward

BIBLE CLASSES

Luke (Auditorum)

- Steve Garrett
- Brian Haley

Ezra/Nehemiah

- John Moon
- David Haley
- **Classes for children**

WHO ARE WE?

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

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Brian Haley Mark Mann Mike Pharris

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• Calendar Items:

- The monthly Ladies Bible Class and Prayer will be this coming Saturday (November 4) at 10:00. It will be held at the Morolez home. Light brunch will be provided.
- Also, **next Sunday** (November 5) will be our monthly **singing and prayer service at 1:30**. Please make plans to attend!
- Don't forget that the time will change **next Sunday morning (November 5)**! We are "falling back," so everyone gets an extra hour of sleep!

The Problem of Age Segregation in Churches by: David Maxson

The glory of young men is their strength, but the splendor of old men is their gray hair. (Proverbs 20:29)

I'm concerned about segregation in churches.

No, I'm not speaking of racial segregation. That is a problem and it is one we should continue to fight to change. I'm talking about age segregation. In many churches you have very well defined age groups that sit together, converse with each other after services, and interact with each other outside of services.

More troubling than this are churches which have traditional and contemporary worship services. Whether you think it is expedient to have such an arrangement to begin with, it is without question a way of segregating the church even more by age. The most disturbing trend I have seen is for new churches started by younger people, which seem to cater more to the younger crowd.

There can be legitimate reasons to have special classes for the young or aged and it is not wrong to associate more with people your own age. However, if we look around us and only see people just like us we are not functioning as the body of Christ. The body of Christ is diverse, and God has arranged it this way intentionally (see Romans 12, 1 Corinthians 12, and Ephesians 4 for further study on this).

My exhortation is this: embrace the unique talents of people who are not like you. It's not easy to relate to people who are different. It's easier to just work with people who are like us. But we're missing out on many blessings when we separate ourselves out.

Father, thank you for the diverse Body of which we are all members. Help us to embrace differences, not run from them. Give us patience to work with and ultimately learn from each other.