

THE REMINDER

BELLAIRE CHURCH OF CHRIST, 13 MAY 2018

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **The Men's Breakfast** is this coming Saturday, May 19th, at 8:30. It will be at Panera Bread (3151 W Holcombe) on the corner of Buffalo Speedway and Holcombe.
- **Laura Claburn** was involved in a car accident this week. She is pretty well banged up, but no major injuries. Let's check on Laura and see how we can be helpful to her during this time.
- **Janet McGlamery** is still recovering her strength and health after suffering a concussion from a fall a couple weeks ago.
- **Beverly Berthold, Muffy Garrett's** mother, just finished her fourth round of chemotherapy. Keep praying for her healing!
- We are down to two families rebuilding from Harvey:
 - **The Starks** are still several weeks away from completion, and they continue to travel back and forth to Dallas for work, and don't forget **Bob** just had a heart transplant!
 - **The Haleys** are rebuilding, and also have health concerns, as **Deb** is still dealing with chronic pain. They and their family are also mourning the loss of their grandson, **Isaac Mattson**.
- Remember our one expectant mother, **Josie Haley**.
- Keep praying for those with on-going health concerns: **Pat Butler, Laura Claburn, Jan and Richard Cooper, Mike Flinn, Janice Kimbrough, Johnny Martinez, Anna Miekle**.
- **Sermon: Fruit of the Spirit: Patience, Kindness, Goodness**

WHO ARE WE?

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

ELDERS

Brian Haley
Mark Mann
Mike Pharris

DEACONS

Scott Clanton
David Haley
Mitchell Howell
Dan Kimbrough
Jesse Knapp
John Moon
Alex Morolez
Gregory Williams

EVANGELISTS

Daniel Broadwell
Steve Garrett

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DIRECTORY UPDATES

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SCHEDULE

Sunday:

9:30 AM Worship
11:00 AM Bible Study

Wednesday:

7:30 PM Bible Study

SERVICE

Welcome - H. Banks
Song Leader - G. Williams
Opening Prayer - J. Seale
Communion Talk - J. Carithers
Lesson - S. Garrett
Announcements - B. Haley
Closing Prayer - B. Stark
Wed. Songs - D. Broadwell
Wed. Invitation - K. Kendrick
Wed. Prayer - T. Walker

BIBLE CLASSES

Isaiah

- Daniel Broadwell
- Auditorium

Middle - High School

- Steve Garrett
- Upstairs

Classes for All Ages

- Back Classrooms

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To Save A Soul You Have To Get Dirty **by: Rick Lanning**

It's so easy to just look away. To act like I don't see. To give "reasons" as to why it is not worth my time and energy. To tell myself, "they would never turn their life to Jesus, so don't bother."

I'm speaking of those we so often categorize as the "unclean" of this world. You know, sort of like the following list:

"Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God."

That's a black list we might call The Untouchables. Wipe the dust from my feet (Luke 10:11). Don't cast pearls before swine (Matthew 7:6). Redeem the time by looking for greener pastures and going to the "almost persuaded" (Acts 26:28). Spend my time more wisely by going only to those who are "not far from the kingdom of God" (Mark 12:34).

But in doing this you have walked right past the very people Jesus came to save. You know, like the woman taken in adultery (John 8:1-11). Like the demon man called Legion (Luke 8:30). Like the publican who would not even lift his eyes in shame (Luke 18:13). Like the chief of sinners called Paul (I Timothy 1:15). Like me.

Peter and John stopped to give the beggar at the gate more than silver or gold (Acts 3:6). They had seen Jesus stop hundreds of times to serve the untouchables ("the lame, blind, lepers, and the poor have the gospel preached to them" – Lk. 7:22). To save a soul they had learned you have to get down and dirty, for salvation is a dirty business. It might take months, even years, of investment to save a soul. But oh the joy when it is said, "and such were some of you, but now you are washed" (I Corinthians 6:11).