

News

Kristopher Ferguson, Jr. had five procedures done this past week and came through those fine—**Phil Brown** spent last weekend in the local hospital with a partially collapsed lung. He went home Monday and has been improving—**Charles Davis** had more tests done in Dallas this past Wednesday concerning the level of protein in his blood and he has not yet received the results—**Mark Caldwell** did go home from the hospital the early part of this past week and is improving—**Paul and Carla Chapman** were both sick last (continued on page 3)

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SERVICES:

Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 AM
Worship 10:30 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

Wednesday

Ladies Class 10:00 AM
Bible Study 7:00 PM

PREACHERS:

Jared Rogers 717-3788
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ASSIGNMENTS FOR:

February 28, 2016

Serving The Lord's Supper

Sunday Morning

Scripture: Thomas Phil Brown

Jerry Wildman Duane McGough
Jeron McGough Chris Hill

Sunday Evening

Jerry Wildman Duane McGough

PRAYERS

Sun. AM—**Kenneth Amerson** (Opening)
—**Thomas Hockaday** (Closing)

PM—**Bob Arnold** (Opening)
—**William White** (Closing)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A.M.—**Paul Chapman**
P.M.—**Pat Marshall**
(call Pat Marshall if unable to serve)

Think It Over—If you were to die today...Where would you spend eternity? To all who love God, and to those who do not, but should, to all who are weary and heavy laden; to all who are lonely and sad; to all who sin and need a Savior, and to whosoever will come a hearty welcome is extended.

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Beginning Next Friday Night

Weekend Meeting

February 26-28, 2016

Josh Kirby & Jacob Hudgins, Speakers

Friday 26th, 7:00 pm — *The Golden Rule* (Josh)

Owning Spiritual Poverty (Jacob)

Saturday 27th, 7:00 pm — *Unleashing the Heart* (Jacob)

Judge Not, That You Be Not Judged (Josh)

Sunday 28th, 9:45 am — *The Problem of Self-Righteousness* (Josh)

10:30 am — *Radical Honesty* (Jacob)

2:30 pm — *70 x 7* (Jacob)

Our Deepest Need (Josh)

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Be Careful, You're Bending That Twig

By Leslie Diestelkamp

We are all aware of the old proverb that says: "As a twig is bent, so will it grow." And when we seriously consider this, we know it is true. But it is so easy to forget this lesson. For parents, Solomon expressed the same principle when he said, "Train up a child in the way that he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6).

Parents, remember, you are bending that twig. One way or the other, to the right or to the left, for better or worse, you are determining the course of life which that child will take. Be careful, lest you bend it in the wrong way!

Paul commands parents to "Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord" (Eph. 6:4). This includes:

1) Train your children in morality — in clean thoughts, words, and deeds. "Wild oats" (corruption) that is practiced in childhood and adolescence cannot be productive of purity later. If you complacently watch their immodesty in childhood, you can expect to see impurity in adulthood.

2) Train them in honesty. It is still the best policy! Help them to regard truth and fidelity as precious qualities. Show them, by word and by example that half-truth is only a lie and that a man's

word should be as good as his bond.

3) Train them to respect authority, always - the policeman, the teacher, the parent, and the Lord. If they do not learn to respect the first three, they will hardly respect the Lord either.

Your children deserve the best you can give them. They did not ask to be born, and their destiny is not really theirs alone, but in your strong or weak will. And the best you can give them is not just measured in education, culture, financial security, etc., but in character which you produce in them. Yes, you are bending that twig. Be sure you bend it right.

3 Good Habits To Acquire!

1. Praying Frequently

Daniel is a good example of one who was in the habit of praying. When Darius issued a decree that no petitions be made to any god or man (except to him) for thirty days, Daniel knowing the statute had been signed, went into his house and with his windows opened prayed three times as he did aforetime (Daniel 6:1-10).

2. Bible Study

Paul encouraged Timothy, "Till I come, give attention to reading..." (1 Timothy 4:13). The Bible contains instruction in righteousness; it is the word of life, and it

is the book that we will be judged by when this life is over (2 Timothy 3:16; John 6:63; 12:48). Develop the habit of reading and studying the Bible.

3. Attending Worship Services

The assemblies of the church furnish you with opportunities to worship God, to provoke your brethren to love and good works, and to be encouraged yourself. Do not forsake the assemblies of the saints like some do (Hebrews 10:25).

—Good News, 1/10/16

Weekend Meeting!

February 26—28, next weekend, are the dates for our meeting especially designed for young people, but all ages are invited. **Josh Kirby** and **Jacob Hudgins** will be the speakers. Josh works with David Holder and the Castleberry church in Ft. Worth. Jacob recently moved from the Campbell Road church in Garland to the Fairview Park Church of Christ in Little Rock, AR. Be making plans to profit from the good Bible teaching we will hear.

Since the lessons in these weekend meetings are especially focused on issues faced by younger people, work diligently to have your children and grandchildren in these services. Also, encourage them to invite their friends, relative and associates.

Our Spring Gospel Meeting

Will be **March 13 — 16, 2016.**

Yes, this follows very closely after our weekend meeting, or otherwise we would have had to wait until June. **Roger Shouse** from Charlestown, IN, will be the speaker in this meeting. He works with the Charlestown Road Church of Christ. Let's make plans to be in every service possible and pray for the success of the meeting.

Gospel Meeting

John Kilgore will be the speaker this week in a meeting at the Greer Blvd. church in Pittsburg, **February 21— 24, 7:00** weeknights.

NEWS (continued from back page)

Sunday and Wednesday and were not in our services—**Marion Shurtleff** was sick last Sunday and not in our services—**Jerry and Jennifer Wildman** were both sick last Sunday and not in our services, but Jerry was back with us Wednesday night. Jennifer was out of town—**Tyler Cody**, Pat and Relda's son-in-law, will have foot surgery soon—Remember **Willie Don Davis, Vivian Stroman, William White, Catherine Moss, Randy Blackmon, Wade Miller, David Chapman, Kris Ferguson, Jr., Relda Marshall, Dorothy and Charles Kyle, Pat Brown, Deborah Brown, Tammy Willeford, and Judy Hinson**—Remember our **Shut-ins: Loyd Clark, Shirley Ferguson, Maurine Lee, Irma May, and Lelda Thompson.**