



The Zion Bell



Zion Church of Kurten
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Special events of interest for August:

- 1 "Splashway" Day
- 4 Life Group Host Meeting
- 6 Women's Ministry Mtg.
- 11 Ministry Leaders Mtg.
- 12 Discover Zion Class
- 15 Men's Wild Game Dinner
- 20 Meals of Love Preparation
- 24 Ministry Center Dedication
- 27 Awana Leader Banquet

Dates to be determined: Awana Leader Training Sunday School Planning Mtg.

Life is an opportunity,
benefit from it.
Life is beauty, admire it.
Life is a dream, realize it.
Life is a challenge, meet it.
Life is a duty, complete it.
Life is a game, play it.
Life is a promise, fulfill it.
Life is sorrow, overcome it.
Life is a song, sing it.
Life is a struggle, accept it.
Life is a tragedy, confront it.
Life is an adventure, dare it.
Life is luck, make it.
Life is life, fight for it.
-- Mother Teresa

Pastor Kevin's Korner

The other day I was reading how practically everything we experience is made up of molecules. These vary in size from simple pairs of atoms, like an oxygen molecule, to complex organic structures. But the biggest molecule in nature resides in your body. It is chromosome 1. A normal human cell has 23 pairs of chromosomes in its nucleus, each a single, very long, molecule of DNA. Chromosome 1 is the biggest, containing around 10bn atoms, to pack in the amount of information that is encoded in the molecule. Such a small part of our body is so very important to defining who we are as a person. Paul tells us that the same is true of the church. Every part, every gift, every person has an important role to play if we are to fulfill our mission of reaching the lost and growing to be more like Jesus.

This month at Zion we are having a ministry fair. You will be able to connect with ministries that help you to grow in your faith and you will be able to find ways to serve others. I want to encourage you to start prayerfully considering your place in the work of Zion and how you may be able to serve others this fall. Consider setting aside a couple of hours every other week so you can be in a Life Group. Think about people in your life that need the Gospel and look for opportunities to share, invite, and engage them. Come and join us before and after our services August 17th and 24th at our ministry fair.

BENEVOLENCE

One of the marks of a follow of Jesus in the New Testament is our concern and care for the least of these. The care of the needy begins within our church body and then extends to our community. This is the primary focus of our benevolence ministry. Through your generosity, our Elders are able to help members when they come to a time of need and to help members of the community as we are made aware of a need. Our benevolence account is separate from our general budget and is intended to be a place for people to give extra blessings to. An extra blessing is simply our way of identifying generosity that extends beyond a persons regular offering toward the churches budgeted needs. As you find yourself led to give extra blessings, consider our benevolence fund. If you have a need or know of a need please contact an elder. All needs are strictly confidential which is why the account is entrusted to Elder care. Donations can be written to Zion with Benevolence account in the memo.

MINISTRY CENTER DEDICATION

It seems like the time has flown by since the enthusiastic ground breaking ceremony was held on February 9th of this year. Construction has been progressing steadily and is close to being wrapped up. Soon it will time to move into our new ministry center. The official ribbon cutting ceremony will be on Sunday, August 24th, following the regular church service. Join us for the dedication and prayer. We'll all have a chance to stroll through the new facility. Punch and cookies will be served in the multi-use great room.

Men's Group to Host Wild Game Dinner

Our men will host a wild game dinner on Friday, August 15 at 7 PM at Zion's Family Center for men of the church and their guests.

Guest speaker will be Bubba Bush, UFC/MMA champion. Bush, an operator of Brazos Valley Mixed Martial Arts in College Station, will share his testimony. The Aggie said recently in an interview on KBTX that he hopes to spread the word of God through his athletic exploits.

Raffle tickets are available from Pastor Kevin, Mark Stasny or Albert Rhodes at \$10 each or 5 for \$45. All proceeds go to Still Creek Ministries.

RSVP is needed by August 6.

Awana at Zion

Do YOU have a heart for children; did you know YOU can make a difference in their lives by sharing your time and GOD's word?

Well, you can, by helping with our Awana Program! Believe it or not, it is time to start gearing up for our 2014-2015 Awana year. The first thing on the agenda is to recruit and train much needed new leaders, helpers, etc. There are many positions to fill so if you have been considering becoming involved with Zion's Awana now is a very good time. Anyone interested can reach us: Albert or Carol Jean Rhodes at 979-589-3015 or at arhodes723@yahoo.com; or Toni Wickersham at 979-589-3703 or at wickangus@aol.com.

The first night of Awana is Wednesday September 3 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. We would love to talk with anyone about our Awana program whether to explain what Awana is and what takes place each week or share some of the many blessings we and others have experienced since becoming involved. Helping the children and youth of our community to come to know, love and serve the Lord is a wonderful way to spend Wednesday evenings. Please consider joining our Awana family.



SUMMER BREAK FOR AUGUST; NO LIFE GROUPS, NO BIBLE STUDIES, NO CHOIRS. ENJOY YOUR FAMILY AND SPEND TIME IN GOD'S WORD

Sunday School Teacher Fall Planning Meeting TBD; keep your eye out for a date and time from Jamie Wells.

Ahoy! Ahoy! Ahoy!

"Gangway to Galilee" Vacation Bible School

Hope Evangelical Free Church

5376 Raymond Stotzer Parkway
(Highway 60)

College Station, Texas 77845

Sunday through Thursday

August 3-7 from 6:00 – 8:30 Pm

All Ages & Adult Classes

Mom and Dad can go on a date or go shopping.

Drop the children off, or parents may stay too!

Dinner is served every night from 6:00 – 6:30 pm

Bible, Games, Crafts, Music for a Whale of a Time!



August 3-7, 6-8:30pm

For all ages

Pre-Register for our VBS

at goo.gl/dpikdU

Visit our website for more info

Planting the Garden of Your Daily Living

First, come to the Garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses.

Plant 3 rows of peas.

- 1) Peace of mind
- 2) Peace of heart
- 3) Peace of soul

Plant 4 rows of squash.

- 1) Squash gossip
- 2) Squash indifference.
- 3) Squash grumbling.
- 4) Squash selfishness.

Plant 4 rows of lettuce.

- 1) Lettuce be faithful.
- 2) Lettuce be kind
- 3) Lettuce be patient
- 4) Lettuce really love one another.

No garden is complete without turnips.

- 1) Turn-up of meetings.
- 2) Turn-up for service.
- 3) Turn-up to help one another

To conclude our garden we must have thyme.

- 1) Thyme for God
- 2) Thyme for each other.
- 3) Thyme for family.
- 4) Thyme for friends.

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love.

There is much fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow.

BIRTHDAYS:

- 02 Diana Kurten
- 03 Claudia Pine
- 04 Steve Dittfurth
- 04 Jesse Weatherly
- 08 Vanessa Sinclair
- 08 Neely Rutledge
- 10 Monique McFalls
- 11 David Norris
- 13 Frank Metzger
- 18 Cora Younger
- Tatum West
- 20 Lenora Schram
- 21 Alandra Price
- 23 Maria Bendiksen
- 24 Harley Clark
- 27 Rick Anderson

ANNIVERSARIES:

- 02 Pat & Carrie Shields
- 03 Harley & Julie Clark
- 20 Larry & Jan Thompson
- 22 Lynn & Glenda Kurten
- 27 Cory & Betty Cotton
- 30 Allen & Claire Hammack

Condolences to the families of:

- Banny Conrad (Bill Conrad's uncle)
- Paul McGee
- Eddie Guillotte (wife of Susie Guillotte)
- Jimmy Wells (Jamie Wells' father)

- ◆ If you have a prayer request please contact:

Diana Kurten - dikurten@gmail.com

- ◆ The Chapel is open daily for prayer.

Please be in prayer for:

- Denise Burch
- Buddy Weatherly
- Dawn Bratton
- Marie Henderson
- Peggy Kindt
- Janie West
- Evelyn Payne
- Sherry Fikes
- Allison Ellis
- Bea Heartfield
- Barbara Petty
- Amy Kurten
- Elizabeth Castillo
- Billie Toland
- Jolene Broach
- Louise Woodard
- Judy Irick Greer
- Ada Gustavus
- Nancy Murphy
- O.V. Christensen
- Everett Martin
- Hawley West
- Richard Tedder
- Doris Marek
- Jan Thompson
- Mike Welch
- Lynn Kurten
- Lenny Sanders
- Larry Gustavus
- Aaron Staab
- Mandy Hooks
- Fran Leifheit
- Kerri Stringfellow
- Claude Roster
- Jim Bob Booker
- Regina McDonald's parents
- Mark Nardin
- Miranda Nichols
- James Stasny
- Elo Mertz
- ...And of course all of our Servicemen and women

August 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 7 PM Life Group Hosts	5 6 AM Elder Prayer	6 Dominoes 12:30 PM 7 PM Women of Zion Mtg.	7	8	9
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