

## **DOUG'S CORNER!**

Wow! Sunday night's Nexus was great! We had a great turnout from the other churches, but it was our church that made it great. I want to thank Ethan Hays, Evangeline Martin and Laynie Hughes for coming up with the activity for the night. I had a lot of good comments about it. Hunter McColl, Hank Brown and Troy Brown did an amazing job giving the lesson during worship. I knew they would do an awesome job, and I am so thankful for them. Thanks to the rest of our teens that helped in many ways to make Nexus a success. I also want to thank all the many adults that helped prepare our food for the night. It was so wonderful. A special thanks to Darlene Barrington for heading up the food. We have an awesome church!

This Is The Way! - Doug

### Upcoming Events

Dec. 10th —Youth White Elephant Gift Exchange  
Feb. 16th -18th —T3  
June 17th-19th—MIA  
June 23rd-29th—MVCC Session 1  
July 7th-13th—MVCC Session 2

## **Order of Worship**

### **Welcome**

### **Shephard's Prayer**

755: When the Roll is Called Up Yonder

756: When We all Get to Heaven

268: I Gave My Life For Thee

### **Communion**

153: Footprints of Jesus

### **Philippians 2:5-11**

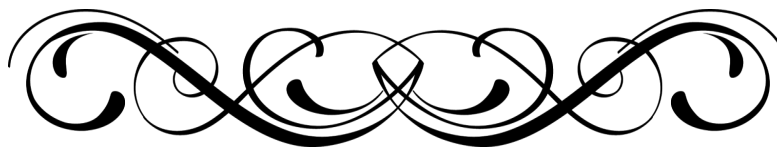
### **Taking Up The Towel-The Heart of a Servant**

924: I Am Mine No More

### **Deacon Installation**

### **Prayer**

### **Announcements**



### **2 Peter 2:7-10**

### **The Choice of Lot**

## **The Bell Avenue Church of Christ Beacon**



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In Matthew 25:14-30, Jesus tells the familiar "Parable of the Talents." In a nutshell, a man is planning a trip and, before he leaves, he entrusts some property to his servants. He gives one servant five talents, one two talents, and a third received one talent.

Some footnotes say: "a talent was worth more than a thousand dollars." This, technically, is correct. However, scholars say that a talent was the largest unit of weight, equaling about seventy-five pounds. Others say this would be the equivalent of 6,000 denarii. A denarius was the daily wage of a laborer. So, a talent was worth, roughly, 16 1/2 years wages—and that does not allow for any time off, not even weekends.

Of course, in the parable, the five and two talent servants double their master's money. The master is pleased with these two servants. The one talent servant buries the money because he was afraid of losing it. The master is not pleased with this servant and takes his one talent, gives it to the one with ten talents and throws "the worthless servant" out where there will be "weeping and gnashing of teeth."

At times, we try to sympathize with the one talent servant. He was only given one talent while the other two were given more talents. Perhaps we fail to understand that it was not just "chump change" the one talent servant was given. That one talent had enormous value: 6,000 days pay!

The Master has given each of us "talents" according to our abilities. Just because I can do things you cannot do does not mean you are any less valuable than me. Just because you can do something I cannot do does not make me any less valuable than you.

We all are blessed by God. God expects us to use those blessings to bring Him glory. You may have been blessed with much; you may have been blessed with little . . . but you have been blessed with something.

Are you using those blessings so that the Master who gave them to you will say, "Well done, good and faithful servant . . .?"

# Speaking the Truth in Love

## Assembly Times

### **Sunday Worship**

9:30 AM and 5:00pm

### **Sunday AM Bible Classes**

Following Services

### **Wednesday Devo/Classes**

7:00pm

## Ministers

Carl Dye

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### **Youth and Family**

Doug Martin

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### **Secretary**

Beverly Hays

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## For the Record

**November 5, 2023**

AM Worship.....	112
Sunday Classes.....	97
PM Worship.....	125
Giving.....	\$5,526.00
Weekly Budget.....	\$5,272.96
YTD Giving.....	\$191,863.82
Budget.....	\$237,283.20

## Elders

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Eddie Hankins

\*Gene Mayfield

Mural Worthey

*\*indicates current contact  
person for the month*

## Deacons

**Colby Patterson**

*Transportation*

**Casey Wall**

*Building Maintenance & Grounds*

## Other Ministries

**Cled Click**

*Adult Education*

**Gene Mayfield**

*Finance*

**Richard Mayfield**

*Contribution & Tract Rack*

**Mural Worthey**

*Amarillo Bible Chair Director*

## Reminder:

**In reverence to God  
and respect toward other  
worshippers, please remember  
to silence all cell phones and  
pagers at the beginning of the  
worship assembly.**

# Congregational News

## **Prayers**

Sam Collins had a heart Cath procedure Friday.

Sherry Lee will have surgery on her spine, an ablation, on November 14th.

Please continue to keep them and those on our list in your prayers.

## **Special Thanksgiving fellowship meal.**

We will be having a fellowship meal November 19<sup>th</sup> after morning services for Thanksgiving and to honor our veterans. There is a signup sheet on the monitor's desk for sides and desserts.

## **Christmas Bags for Shut-ins**

We are collecting for the Christmas Bags for our shut-ins. If you would to help, please give your donations to Janet Barton, Barbara Propst, Beverly Hays or put them in the "cow box" on the monitor's desk.

## **Read to Your Heart's Content**

Here are some books in Bell's Avenue's library that would go well with Danny Haney's Wednesday night class on Christian Ethics.

"Biblical Faith on Social Ethics" by E. Clinton Gardner

"Well-Spring of Morality" by J. D. Thomas

"Young People Make Moral Decisions" by Rubel Shelly

## **Daily Newsletter**

If you are still not receiving the Daily Newsletter , there is a yellow sheet on the monitor's desk to add your name and email address.

# Prayer List

Nancy Brown; Martha Campbell; Rebeckah Castillo, Suellen Cross; Paula Gilliland; Sandy Hadaway; Ted Hardwick; Patrick Harris, Don & Rhea Hicks; Jill Johnson; Jerry & Sherry Lee; Kenley Martin; Sammye Martin; Nelda Morgan; Deedie Thomas; George & Betty Vinson; Casey Wall; Debra Zoller

In charge of meals for November for those in need:

Gayle Hankins

## **AM**

**Song Leader**-Doug Martin

**Opening Prayer**-Richard Wright

**Lord's Supper**

**Prayer:** Casey Wall

**Front** - David Gustin, Richard Mayfield, Nick Coleman, Marc Lathem

**Back**— Kenneth McColl

**Scripture:** Jim Gonzalez

**Speaker:** Carl Dye

**Closing Prayer**—Nate Roehr

**Cards**— Micah Wall, Teagan Wright

**Door Monitor**-Michael Foster

**AV**-Hank Brown, Kendall Brown

## **PM**

**Song Leader**--Cled Click

**Prayer** - Gene Mayfield

**Scripture** - Mural Worthey

**Speaker**-Carl Dye

**Closing Prayer**-Tommy Wright

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