

## e-News

*OUR MISSION:  
To make His name  
glorious!*



### Weekly Update from North Shore Church

Sunday, January 14, 2018

Adult Sunday School 8 AM

Worship Service 9 and 10:30 AM



**As you know**, it isn't easy making hard decisions. Sometimes those decisions produce a change we don't want and weren't expecting. Avoiding those decisions produces an unhealthy environment where frustration and disappointment interfere with future plans.

For the past six months, Mike Fiddler has been our Church Life/Worship Pastor. During that time it has become clear to the Pastor and Elders that he is not integrating into the North Shore Community as hoped and needed. Without listing the many factors that led to our unanimous decision, Mike has been released from his position on our staff. We provided generous severance that will help the Fiddlers as they seek a new place to serve.

We do not discount what he may offer to another church, we only find that he is not a fit for our church at this time. In fact, with his many gifts, we are confident he will be able to find a position soon.

We regret the apparent suddenness of this action, but feel it is in the best interest of our church and is the decision God led us to make.

As in every other aspect of our lives, following God requires us to submit everything to Him and trust Him for the outcome. We do not lean on our own understanding but in everything look to Him to direct our paths. Sometimes the result isn't what we want and may even seem bad. But in the big picture, when God is in charge, we can trust it will turn out for good. We trust you



### Upcoming Attractions...

**January 14 -  
Membership Class  
(after 2nd service)**

**January 15 - 20 -  
Mission trip to the  
Dominican Republic**

**January 19 -  
Ladies Tea at Lone  
Star Community  
Center**

**January 21 -  
Piercing Word  
Ministry  
Presentation**

### Let's plug into Bible Study and other opportunities:

**Adult Sunday School –  
Sunday mornings at 8:00**

**Bible Study at Live Oak  
Assisted Living -  
Monday mornings at  
10:30**

**GriefShare -  
Monday evenings at 6:00**

**Men's Morning Bible  
Study –  
Tuesday mornings at 7:30**

**Men's Evening Bible  
Study -  
Tuesday evenings at 6:30  
(contact Jim Wagner or  
Neil Mendes for location  
information)**

**Ladies' Evening Bible**

will join us in praying for God's intentions for us and His blessings on Mike and Ann's future.

See you Sunday,  
Pastor Cary

**FYI:** We've asked Jay Lewis to step in for this Sunday only and lead our worship. Also, we've asked Jan Smith to assume her role as Choir Director beginning this coming Wednesday night. We will let you know when other decisions are made.

Our next **Membership Class** will be Sunday, January 14, after the second service. Lunch will be provided.

Our **Ladies Bible Studies and Men's Evening Study Group** are resuming this week. The Tuesday evening ladies group meets at 6:00, led by Liz Alston. The Wednesday morning group meets at 10:00, led by Stacey Buick. The Men's group, led by Jim Wagner, meets Tuesday evenings at 6:30 at the church. As always, the Men's morning group, led by George Nanos, meets at 7:30 a.m. each Tuesday.

A considerable group is heading to the **Dominican Republic** for ministry January 15-20. Please begin covering them in prayer now and throughout next week.

**North Shore Ladies' Tea - "Winter Wonderland" -**  
Friday, January 19, 2018 ~ 4-6 pm at Lone Star Community Center in Montgomery. Tickets are \$5/person or \$20/table of 6. You can decorate your own table. Invite your friends & neighbors (16 years & up, please). Tickets will be on sale this Sunday in the foyer.

Check the Welcome Center each Sunday. **Copies of the TAKEAWAYS** as well as other material are there for the taking.

Are you a **Friend of North Shore Church on Facebook?** Click this:  
<https://www.facebook.com/northshorechurch1097/> and follow us. Much is going on and you even get to add your two cents worth. Updates are made regularly. Stay connected.

Our **Home Fellowship Groups** have resumed. If you aren't in a group, a sign up sheet will be in the foyer to get you connected. Room is available and more groups will start as needed.

Each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. we gather for **Praise and Prayer** in the auditorium. Join us for this special time of intercession for our church and others.

**FYI: Al Gallegos** will be playing at will be at Walden Yacht Club on January 27th, February 3 & 24th.

#### **Financial Report:**

Financial Year 2017

Contributions           \$815,833

**Study -**

**Tuesday evenings at 6:00**

**Ladies' Morning Bible Study**

**Wednesday mornings at 10:00**

**Prayer and Praise –  
Wednesday evenings at 6:30**

**Choir Practice -  
Wednesday evenings at 7:30**

**Read Thru The Bible -  
Thursday evenings at 6:30  
(held off campus)**

## **Important Links**

[Prayer Needs](#)

[Church Calendar](#)

[E-Giving](#)

Expenses	\$806,618
Existing Mortgage	\$618,914
Building Fund	\$735,485

**Serving Others:** There are many opportunities for members to get involved as ushers, greeters or in the welcome center. Contact Mike Roy at [936-597-7717](tel:936-597-7717) or [mroy07@aol.com](mailto:mroy07@aol.com) if you are interested.

**From our Hospitality Ministry:** Ladies! Are you available to help prepare meals for our folks who are temporarily shut-in due to surgery, illness or accident? We have several who could use some help now and others who have things coming that will need help. Please sign up at the Welcome Center or call the church office.

**Flower Ministry:** Anyone who would like to honor a particular occasion or memorial with flowers, please contact the church office on Mondays, [936-597-7000](tel:936-597-7000).

**TLC Food Pantry Ministry:** Thank you for bringing peanut butter and other food items to church (hamper in the foyer) for the Pantry. There is always a need and God is blessing many people through your generosity.

As a **courtesy** to those folks who have reported their struggles with chemical allergies to me, **please use moderation** when applying cologne or perfume before coming to church.

1. The WEBSITE will be the main source of information regarding what is going on in the life of North Shore Church, regular schedule, staff information, what we believe, recorded sermons, prayer, etc.
2. The e-NEWS will be a weekly email with basically "Upcoming Events" and "Important Links" so that you can click to go to the website to see what is announced or updated.
3. The SUNDAY CHURCH BULLETIN will be a printed piece of communication that will help visitors get connected, highlight upcoming events, and provide some blank space for sermon notes.

Please peruse over this e-News and go to the website and look around. If you have any questions or suggestions, please reply as we refine our communication to be the best it can be.