

Lord's Servants

Minister: Donnie Martin

Spanish Minister: Lonnie Tapscott

Missionaries: Dionicio Santillan–
Juarez, Mexico

Miguel Garcia-Zaragosa, Mexico

Kevin Montgomery– International
Bible Institute, Houston, Texas

Shepherds

Jim Kotter

Lonnie Tapscott

Demetrius Williams

Deacons

Keith Boutwell

Rodolfo Rubio

Sunday Evening Worship

No Evening Service

Attendance & Contribution

December 24, 2017

Sunday A.M. Class: 114

Sunday A.M. Worship: 171

Wednesday Evening: 45

Contributions: \$5,665.82

Other: \$600.00

Total: \$6,265.82

2017 Montwood Update

Baptized: 9 Placed Membership: 7

Montwood Leadership

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How Do I Become a Christian?

The Scriptures lay out in precise terms what is necessary for a person to become and remain a follower of Jesus. At Montwood, we believe God's Word teaches that we are initially saved (justified) by grace through faith in baptism and we remain in a saving relationship (sanctified) as we walk with Jesus in the light on a daily basis.

None of us is able on our own to erase the debt sin creates with God nor are we able to perfectly keep God's commands in the way that we live. This is why we fully depend upon God's mercy and pardon for our past guilt and rely on His power and wisdom to live obediently in the present.

If you are interested in becoming a disciple of Jesus for the first time, we invite you to come forward during our invitation hymn or to meet with the leaders of our congregation to discuss further what the Bible teaches.

Becoming a Member of Montwood

All disciples of Jesus Christ (those who have been baptized for the forgiveness of sins and who are striving to live by faith in God's Word) are welcome to place membership with our local congregation. If you are interested in doing so, the shepherds would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and discuss what we believe local church membership entails.

Visit our website: www.montwood.org

Update your information, view upcoming events, bulletins and much more.

Knowing, Showing, Going

•Personally Knowing (the love of God)

•Powerfully Showing (the love of God)

•Prayerfully Going (with the love of God)



Sunday, December 31, 2017

Worship

Song Leader: John Reifers

Welcome: Donnie Martin & Lonnie Tapscott

Prayer: AJ Leday & Pat Moreno

Those Serving the Table:

Isaac Moreno Talon Tapscott

Philip Hart Pat Moreno

Rick Gandara Torrey Canady

John Reifers Carlos Luna

Scripture Reading: Troy Cranston

Deuteronomy 8:1-20

Sermon: Donnie Martin

'The Lord Has Led You'

Family News: Demetrius Williams

December Greeters: Cindy Cooper,
Rhonda LeMense, & Lisa Dean

Sound Room: Williams Family

11845 Bob Mitchell Dr.

915 -855-9896

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Prayer Requests

- **Health and Wellness:** Fatima Chavez, Carlene West, Tiffany Taylor, & Lucille Johnson - restored health; Courtney Lopez, Sarah Williams, Victoria Duley & babies- healthy pregnancy & safe delivery; Tiddley Cooper – undergoing surgery soon; Dennis McConaughy – issues with his cancer diagnosis
- **Strength & Encouragement:**
Montwood Family, missionaries around the world, & any one being persecuted – stay strong in faith, make time for prayer, study and growth in the knowledge and practice of God's Word & learn what it means to be a humble disciple of God; Lisa Dean – job issues; Cianna Martin & family – that resolution will come from information given at her eye appointment
- **Traveling Grace:** Gwen Wilbanks & Laurence Jeffery – weekly travels; Hope Morales, Charles Scott Family, Barnett Family, Hart Family, Paul Landis Family (Gina Hernandez's brother) – safe holiday travels
- **Thanksgiving:** for the leaders of our country, our military; our Shepherds, Ministers, teachers, and the brethren of Montwood COC; to all who volunteered their time and goods to making the food pantry for 2017 a success

Military Members

Fernando Huerta, Jr., Caleb Bloom, Jason Hancock, Trenton Hoeller, Patty Troutman, Kimberly & Anthony Huidor, Joey Dotson, Adam Lewis, James Hugley, Kelvin Kwaramba, Torrey Canady, Joseph & Alvanetta Reed, Lizette (Granado) Wu & Lance Wu, Daniel Massey, Justin Holliman, Derek Davis, Matthew Powell & Justin Young

Prayers for Our College Students

Adrian Luna, Elise Williams, Jessye Boutwell, Tranell, & Morgan Cox, Artiziel Broussard, Kenneth Huerta, Amber & Brianna Rohrer, Christina, Katy & Dominic Hernandez, Zachary & Josh Dantzler, Lyric Barnett, & Andrew Luna

Long Term Prayer Requests

Maria Gandara, Vincent Hernandez, Veronica Rodriguez, Lucy & Tatiana Chavez, Carmen & Albert Martinez, Mildred Bustillos, Don Alan Riggs, San Juana Jayme, Dalton Southern, Christina Hernandez, Anselmo Martinez, Lucille Jackson, Dolores Crocker, Dennis McConaughy, Conte Dantzler, Carlene West, Dolores Cranston, Mary Hallberg, Ann Kotter, Paul Tamez, Lee, Janet Outerbridge, Aubry Herrarte, Farida Maharaj, Vanessa Moran, Wayne Gardner, Gwen Wilbanks, Dawn Spencer, Beth McNichol, Carol Davis, Thelma Gipson, Ellis Lewis, Jr., Veronica Sears, & Marlon Aquino

Birthdays & Anniversaries

January

5 – Sonia T. Koen

5 – Markie Condra



Kids for Christ: Winter Break

Pre-Teen Zone: On Break

Announcements

- No evening service tonight
- Ladies' Breakfast – Saturday, January 6th @ 9:00am. Mary Magdalene's Group hosting. Bring your favorite breakfast item to share.
- Men's Breakfast - Saturday, January 13th @ 8:00am in the Fellowship Hall. All men are welcome to attend.
- Milestone Ministry 2nd Annual T-3 Chile Cook-off: Sunday, January 14th following morning worship. All are invited to come and taste the chile. See Rhonda LeMense, Judith or Alfred Craig for more details.
- T3 Meeting – January 21st, following morning worship
- If you do not see your birthday or anniversary in the bulletin, let the secretary know

Wednesday, January 3, 2018

Evening Worship

Adult Class: Donnie Martin
Sound Room (January): Isaac Moreno & Dominic Hernandez

Food Pantry Ministry

Pantry item for January: cream of mushroom soup. All other non-perishable items are welcome.

Thank You

Sermon Series: Looking Back & Moving Forward The Lord Has Led You

Deuteronomy 8:1-20

Big Idea: We Must Remember What The Lord Has Taught Us

1. I'm Not As Good as I Thought (v. 2)
2. God Is Better Than I Thought (vv. 3-4)
3. I Have Been In God's Thoughts (v. 5)
4. God Must Be In My Thoughts (v. 6)

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A note from our Shepherds:

"God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Co. 9:7b). We often cite this portion of Scripture in relation to the weekly contribution, and rightly so. However, this concept can and should also be applied to other aspects of giving. We live in a community with many low-income households, many of whom rely on the generosity of Montwood and others to feed their families. This is a great testament to our commitment to the Lord and our love for our fellow man (Mt. 25:34-40; 22:39), a key aspect of our mission.

The shepherds are asking every family to assist in providing food for our community. Please remember to purchase a few cans of food every time you go to the grocery store and bring them to Montwood. With the support of every family, we can continue to provide an important resource to the needy of the El Paso area.

Una nota de nuestros pastores:

"Dios ama al que da con alegría" (2 Co. 9:7b). Solemos citar esta porción de Las Escrituras en relación con la contribución semanal, y con razón. Sin embargo, este concepto puede y debe ser aplicado a otros aspectos de nuestra ofrenda. Vivimos en una comunidad donde hay muchas familias de bajos recursos, entre las cuales hay muchas que dependen de la generosidad de Montwood y otros para alimentarse. Es un buen testimonio de nuestro compromiso al Señor y nuestro amor por el prójimo (Mt. 25:34-40; 22:39), una clave importante de nuestra misión.

Los pastores están pidiendo a cada familia ayudar en proveer comida a nuestra comunidad. Favor de recordar a comprar unas latas de comida cada vez que vayas a la tienda y traerlas a Montwood. Con el apoyo de cada familia, podemos continuar a proveer un recurso importante a los necesitados de la región de El Paso.

If the Lord is leading you to greater involvement in any of the following areas, please see the corresponding ministry contact person.

Participation in Good Works

- **Visitation:** Lisa Dean
- **Pantry Workers:** Dolores Cranston
- **Security:** Dolph Rubio
- **Communion Prep:** Christina Hernandez
- **Bus Drivers:** Tanya Dawkins

Provision for Good Works

- **Supporting Senior Saints:** Rhonda LeMense
- **Pantry Supplies:** Dolph Rubio
- **Missionary Support:** Lonnie Tapscott
- **Youth Ministry Sponsorship:** Phillip Hart
- **Family Care Meals:** Hope Morales

Promotion of Good Works

- **A/V Support:** Demetrius Williams
- **Website:** Troy Cranston
- **Photography / Videography:** Dominic Hernandez
- **Design:** Katy Hernandez
- **Greeting:** Lisa Dean

Si el Señor le está llevando a una mayor participación en cualquiera de las siguientes áreas, por favor vea la persona de contacto correspondiente del ministerio

Participación en Buenas Obras

- **Visitación:** Lisa Dean
- **Despensa:** Dolores Cranston
- **Seguridad:** Dolph Rubio
- **La Cena del Señor:** Christina Hernández
- **Choferes (autobús):** Tanya Dawkins

Provisión de Buenas Obras

- **Apoyar a las personas de tercera edad:** Rhonda LeMense
- **Suministros para la despensa:** Dolph Rubio
- **Apoyar a los misioneros:** Lonnie Tapscott
- **Patrocinio del ministerio para los jóvenes:** Phillip Hart
- **Comida para cuidar las familias:** Hope Morales

Promoción de las buenas obras

- **Apoyo A/V:** Demetrius Williams
- **Sitio en la red:** Troy Cranston
- **Fotografía/Videografía:** Dominic Hernández
- **Diseño gráfico:** Katy Hernández
- **Saludo:** Lisa Dean