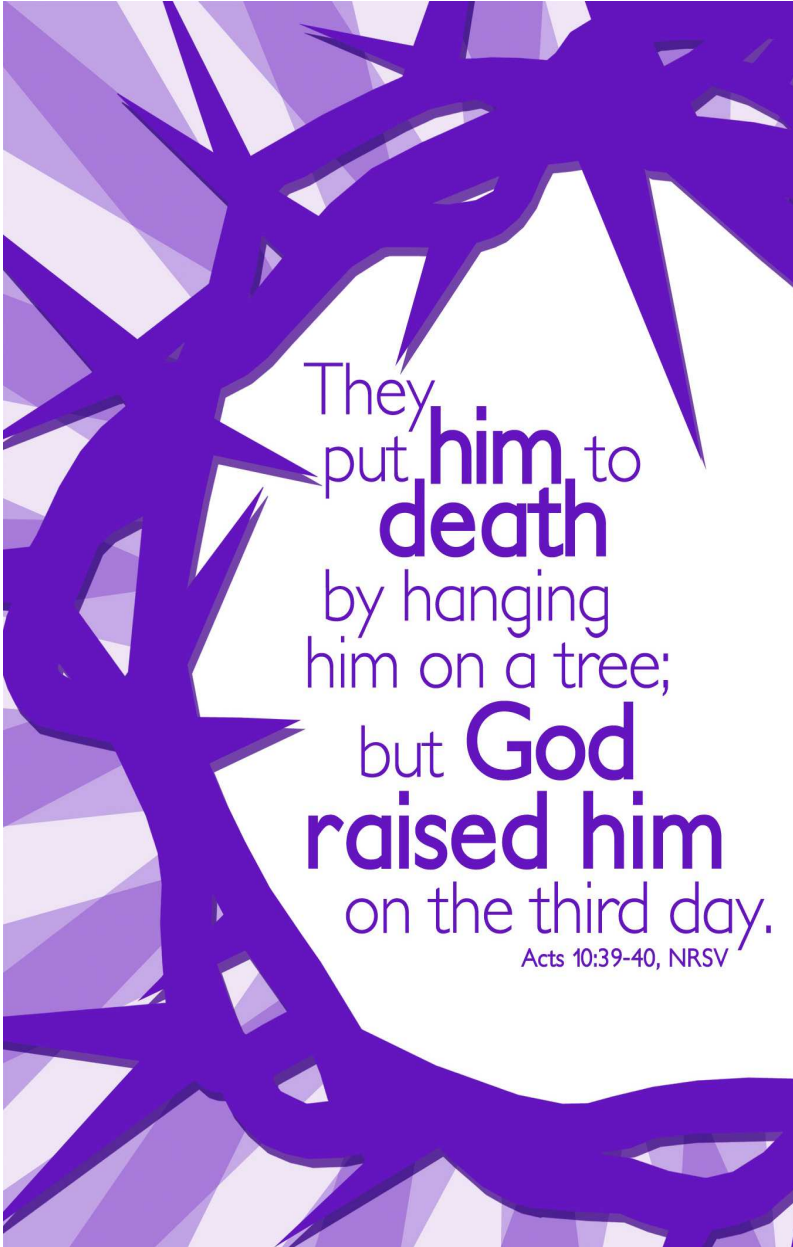


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Dear Church Family,

The late Dr. Jerry Falwell made one of the most astounding statements that I have ever heard. He said this, “Old maps will not guide the Church into a new world.” Now some of you will totally miss the significance of that statement. Jesus said the same thing when He said in Luke 5:37-38 (NKJV), “And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; or else the new wine will burst the wineskins and be spilled, and the wineskins will be ruined. But new wine must be put into new wineskins, and both are preserved.”

“Wineskins” were goatskins made into watertight bags. New wine expands as it ages; the wineskins had to be new and pliable wineskins. Used skins had become hard and dry. When filled with new wine that expands these old skins would burst and spill the wine. The Pharisees were like that; they were hard and dry and could not accept Jesus. They could not accept that their traditions or rules weren’t going to work. Christianity required new approaches, new traditions, and new structures.

Likewise, our church programs, ministries, and the way we do things should not be so structured that they have no room for a fresh touch of the Spirit, a new method, or a new idea. You and I must be careful not to allow our hearts to become so dry, hard, and calloused that they prevent us from accepting something new that Christ wants to bring.

The message of the Gospel will always remain “new” because it must be accepted and applied in every generation. As you and I follow Christ, we must be prepared for new ways to live, new ways to look at people, new ways to serve.

Too many times our worship and our Christian life becomes nothing more than religious rituals and ruts, which is another way of saying its dead. That’s why a lot of worship services sound like funeral dirges. The Christian life is a feast, not a famine or a funeral.

In the Love of Christ,
Bro. Dudley

March 4 2012

Sunday School 31
Church 56
Budget: \$8,541.00

March 18,2012

Sunday School 55
Church 68
Budget \$5,299.69

March 11, 2012

Sunday School 50
Church 69
Budget \$4,399.00

March 25, 2012

Sunday School 44
Church 67
Budget \$2,015.00

Designated Offerings Monthly Total

Air Conditioners \$100.00	Tseasa \$100.00
Building Fund \$130.00	Youth Fund \$84.00
Food Pantry \$150.00	Sound System \$85.00
Annie Armstrong \$350.00	Benevolence \$50.00
Lily Fund \$14.00	

Average In Sunday School 45
Average In Church 65
Budgets Receipts In March \$20,254.69
Monthly Budget Needs \$21,882.94
Under Budget \$1,628.25

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 2012

9:30 am Prayer Time For Services
9:45 am Sunday School Hour
11:00 am Morning Worship Service
5:00 pm Visitation
6:00 pm Sunday Evening Service
Youth Activities

Wednesday, April,2012

6:00 pm Fellowship Meal
6:30 pm Mid-Week Service
Youth & Children Activities

Please continue to pray for the Youth Minister Search Committee, A.L. Ward, Jeanie Gainey, Davy Smith, Stepheny Bennett & Michael Vargas.

IN THE DAYS AHEAD

COMMUNITY EASTER SERVICE

April 1st at 6:00pm at the Community Church

April 8th Noon

Youth Fundraiser Lunch

Cost: Donation

April 16th 5:00pm Finance Committee Meeting

April 18th 6:30 pm Business Meeting

April 23rd 5:00pm Property & Space Committee Mtg.

May 4th – 6th DNOW

Speaker will be Sam Swann

This year it will be a community DNOW including FBC Wink

Revival

Sunday Morning May 20th –Wednesday Evening May23rd

Do you have a washing machine that is still working and you would like to get it out of your way? If so there is a need for one in the Youth Minister's parsonage. Call the office if you can help with this.



Would you like to purchase one or more lilies? The cost is \$14.00 each. Call the office to reserve one or more.

YOUR INVITED TO A

It's A Girl !!



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FBC Parlor

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YOUTH FUND RAISER

Easter Sunday, April 8th Noon Cost: Donation

Menu: Chicken Fajitas— Salad or Soup & Salad

Easter Egg Hunt for the kids

YOUTH TRIP

April 22nd Midland Granda Communication Stadium

To hear Tim Tebow and Switchfoot No Charge

DISCIPLESHIP NOW

May 4-6

Cost: \$35.00 per youth

Guest Speaker: Sam Swann Band Info. Later

Grades 6-12th Open to all students

YOUTH CAMP

Camp Doulos Sivells 2012

June 10-15 Cost per Student \$185.00

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A SPONSOR FOR DNOW OR HELP A YOUTH WITH THE COST OF DNOW OR CAMP

Dnow sponsor fee is \$200.00 if you would like to be a sponsor

Cost per youth for Dnow is \$35.00 & for camp is \$185.00 if you would like to help one of the youth with the cost.