

Reminder

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Kermit, TX*

Everyone who calls on
the name of the Lord
will be saved.



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Dear Church Family,

Today, I want you to think about the “church.” What is the church? Well, it’s certainly the Bride of Christ. We all know that. But what does the word “church” mean? The Greek word is “Ekklesia” and it means “the called out.” From out of this world of sin and darkness God calls His people. There are many admonitions in Scripture regarding those whom God calls out

The Scripture tells us in 2 Cor. 6:17 (NKJV), “Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you.” Another is found in 1 Peter 1:15-16 (NKJV), “..but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, ‘Be holy, for I am holy.’”

Paul said to young Timothy in 2 Tim. 2:2 (NKJV), “And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.” Perhaps for you or me to make such a statement might well be pompous and arrogant, but it wasn’t for Paul. I doubt if any would disagree that the Apostle Paul exemplified what it meant to be a follower of Christ.

Paul’s letters to Timothy and Titus are pastoral epistles. Paul is telling them as well as all pastors through the ages how to pastor. The fact was that Paul could take neither of these men any further than he had been himself. That’s true for all spiritual leaders. I can take you no further than I have been myself and neither can any other spiritual leader.

The Bible says this in Hebrews 13:17 (NKJV) concerning pastors “....for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account...” The New Living Translation reads like this, “Their work is to watch over your souls, and they know they are accountable to God.”

One thing I am always conscious of as Pastor is that I must give an account to God for what I did or didn’t do as Pastor.

In the love of Christ,
Bro. Dudley

December 4, 2011

SundaySchool 55
Church 73
Budget: \$8,659.00

December 18, 2011

Sunday School 35
Church 56
Budget \$11,467.00

December 11, 2011

Sunday School 61
Church 87
Budget \$1,596.00

December 25, 2011

No Sunday School
Church 42
Budget \$3,139.00

Designated Offerings Monthly Total

Air Conditioners \$150.00	Lottie Moon \$1,814.00
Building Fund \$30.00	Youth Fund \$73.00
Food Pantry \$220.00	Poinsettias \$162.00
Decoration Fund \$72.50	Benevolence Fund \$692.00
Post Tickets \$120.00	

Average In Sunday School 50
Average In Church 61
Budgets Receipts In December \$24,861.00
Monthly Budget Needs \$21,774.58
Over Budget \$3,083.45

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 8, 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, January 11, 2012

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



Plans are in the works for the annual church banquet in February. More information coming later.

THANK YOU NOTES

Dear Church Family,
I would like to thank you for the Christmas gift. It was deeply appreciated.

In the Love of Christ
Bro. Dudley

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for the love shown to me with the Christmas bonus. I so greatly appreciate it!

Many Blessings,
Justin Niksich

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for the generous Christmas bonus. I thank the Lord and FBC members for allowing me to be church secretary. I wish you all a healthy and blessed 2012.

Love & Prayers'
Judy

Dear Church Family,
Thank you so much for my Christmas bonus and, also my arms and I thank you so much for the new vacuum cleaner.

God Bless You,
Juanita

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

In October, November and December the Ministerial Alliance Food pantry helped 63 families with a combined total of 211 people

A New Year With The Lord

A new year is about to unfold
With new opportunities to explore
Doors will open for new experiences
New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things
The things of this past year
The Lord will do new things in us
Much more than we are aware

For He will make a way for us
As we put our trust in Him
And he will guide our every step
By His presence we have within

What God has placed within our hearts
We find we'll be able to do
If we look for the opportunities
We'll see the door to go through

We mustn't let anything hold us back
But rise up and take our place
And be all that God wants us to be
With a fresh touch of His grace.

By M.S. Lowndes

*“Forget the former things;
Do not dwell on the past.
See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?
I am making a way in the desert
And streams in the wasteland.*

Isaiah 43: 18019