

FAMILY OF CHURCHES COMMITTED TO A MISSION

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Rudy's Review

As the New Year has started I did something I have been avoiding for some time now. I stepped on my scales at home. Ouch!!!! A couple of years ago I was diagnosed as "diabetic" and I needed to change my lifestyle a bit. When I heard those words "it scared me". I started walking 7 days a week (4 miles a day). I had to change my eating habits. I was at the point in my life that I was afraid to eat anything. I started looking at healthy

recipes to cook and healthy things to eat. Slowly the weight started coming off. I was feeling better and was a little more active. I had reached my goal in weight loss to the point I weighed what I did in High school. Things were great. I feel that the fear of what could happen drove me to be a better individual.

Well as time passed I started relaxing the diet. I would reward myself with something from my past. I would roll over in the morning instead of jumping out of bed at 5:30 to go walk. Soon it was 5 days and then 4, then 3. You get the picture. It was the same with eating. Before I knew it I was putting on the pounds again. And then the "weigh in". Ugh!! What happened I thought to myself. As I pondered that statement it hit me; "I had <u>lost</u> the <u>fear</u>". I didn't have that drive; that fear anymore.

Sometimes in our Christian walk we catch the fire, the vision of the Kingdom and we get after it. Then after some period of time we may lose that fire, lose the fear so to speak. We get a little lazy and think we can get it back with little effort.

To walk the Christian lifestyle we have to keep that "fear" that drive to the kingdom fresh in our lives. Maybe where we once prayed and read God's Word every day, we slipped to 5 days or 4 or maybe once a week, or once a month. Then we get to the point where we wonder how we got back to where we were before.

This not only happens in our lives but in our Christian walk and even in our churches.

Are we willing to step on the scales before God to see how we measure up in His eyes? As I looked at the scales that day I was disappointed in myself that I had let it get that far. Would God be disappointed in us for letting us slip back that far?

Let's get back to what has made us the best we can be; let's get back into a regiment that makes us not only physically fit but also spiritual in shape.

Bro C.

PS If you are interested in being a chaplain. Tuesday Feb. 13 at 7:00 pm at our Ex. Board Meeting we will have Kenny Kelly the Chaplain Specialist from the BGCO come and talk about being a chaplain. So if you are ready to serve in this area come be a part.

CHURCH MISSION GIFTS							
CHURCH	%	December					
Antioch	1	392.45					
Bowers	9	934.63					
Calvary	5	162.88					
Cambria	5	11.28					
CP Wilburton	4	-0-					
Enterprise	1	30.00					
Featherston	5	70.00					
Gowen	3	86.99					
Grace Country	1	50.00					
High Bridge Keota 1 st	1 3	46.14					
Keota 1 st	3.5	-0- -0-					
Lequire	6	464.50					
Lutie	6	-0-					
Main Street	2.5	206.04					
McCurtain	5	149.31					
Mountain Home	5	-0-					
N Rock Creek	5	203.20					
Panola	5	127.25					
Porum		-0-					
Quinton 1st	8	1,015.98					
Red Oak 1st	4	828.21					
Rocky Ridge	5	-0-					
Southside	4	-0-					
Stigler 1st	3	654.70					
Sulphur Springs	3	31.77					
Thessalonian		-0-					
Trinity Stigler	5	240.00					
Unity, Keota	5	291.00					
West Liberty	10	1,181.00					
Whitefield	6	555.06					
Wilburton 1st	5	1,162.72					
TOTAL		\$ 8,895.11					
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CHURCH DECISIONS*

December P B L R O Panola 1

*Legend: P=Professions, B=Baptisms, L=Letter, R=Rededication, O=Other

FEBRUARY 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Paul Brady (Wilburton FBC)	5	6 Dottie Minshall (Sulphur Springs)	7 Rose Day Oklahoma City State Capitol	8 Janet Parker (Trinity)	9	10
11	12	13 Executive Board Meeting@ 7:00pm Association Center Host: High Bridge Guest: Kenny Kelly Chaplain Specialist	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Bob Maxwell (Retired)
25	Quail Spring: 10:00am	reaching Conference s Baptist Church, OKC -4:30pm, Cost:\$50 bgco.org/leadership	28		March 4-11 Week of Prayer for North American Missions/Annie Armstrong Easter Offering	March 13 Executive Board Meeting @ 7:00pm Association Center Host: Thessalonian