

Doug's Corner

There will be a VBS planning meeting TODAY following Bible Classes in the fellowship hall.

We will be hosting Nexus next Sunday night. We will start at 4 pm with some fellowship activities, followed by worship at 5 pm, and dinner for the teens at 6pm. We will have a sign up sheet with how you can help out soon.

If you are going to T3, please make sure you have picked up an itinerary from me.

I have listed below several upcoming events. Please make sure to mark these on your calendars now.

Coming Soon

February 3rd—VBS Planning Meeting

February 10th—Nexus @ Bell Avenue

February 15-17—T3 in Lewisville

March 29th-31st—Spring Youth Retreat

High School Mission Trip—June 16th-21st

Pine Springs, 7th-12th Grade—July 14th-20th

Pine Springs, 4th-8th Grade—July 28th-

August 2nd

Remain in Me, and I will remain in you.

—John 15:4

Order of Worship

Prayer

111: Come, We That Love the Lord

219: He's My King

71: Blessed Assurance

86: By Christ Redeemed

Lord's Supper

1: A Beautiful Life

The Greatest Commands

I Corinthians 13:1-3

What the World Needs Now

421: Love Lifted Me

Announcements

863: I Love You with the Love of the Lord

Prayer



5 PM Service:

Are Your Eyes Dry?

Luke 19:37-45

The Bell Avenue Church of Christ Beacon



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There Is a Habitation

Heaven. What's it going to be like? We joyously sing songs about "marching to Zion" and resting in the "beautiful paradise valley", but have we ever taken the time to truly reflect on John's descriptions of the New Jerusalem?

In Revelation 21, he stated that, "...the wall of the city had twelve foundations..." That might strike you as a little odd, but in ancient times, invading armies would often dig under the city walls and attack their enemies from within. Thus, whether taken literally or figuratively, John's point was that heaven's walls and foundations are impregnable; its residents are secure.

According to verse 16, "*The city lies foursquare, its length the same as its width.*" The length John described was 12,000 stadia, or approximately 1,380 miles. That's roughly the distance from Dallas to Los Angeles. When multiplied by its length, heaven occupies almost 2 million square miles of space! To put that into perspective, if the world's 7 billion inhabitants lived in a city that had the same population density as New York City, it would only occupy 250 thousand square miles. In other words, heaven's occupants will have *plenty* of room.

If you're still not impressed, have you ever considered heaven's light source? It would take a lot of watts and bulbs to keep that kind of space well-lit, but in verse 23 John says the city doesn't even need the sun or moon! Why? "*For the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.*" Since God is eternal, heaven's residents will never see darkness.

We may only have "a few more days to be filled with praise and to tell the old, old story", but one day, if we've been faithful to God, John's vision will become a reality for each and every one of us. I look forward to seeing you there!

Speaking the Truth in Love

Assembly Times

Sunday Worship

9:30 AM and 5:00 PM

Sunday AM Bible Class

Following Services

Wednesday Devo/Classes

7:00 PM

Ministers

Pulpit

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For the Record

January 27, 2019

Sunday Classes.....128
AM Worship.....175
PM Worship..... 71
Giving.....\$5,847.75
Weekly Budget.....\$5,903.46
YTD Giving.....\$20,786.31
YTD Budget.....\$23,613.84

Elders

Cled Click

Eddie Hankins

*Gene Mayfield

**indicates current contact person for the month*

Deacons

David Gustin

Fellowship

Colby Patterson

Transportation

Casey Wall

Building Maintenance & Grounds

Jeff Williamson

Visitation & Youth

Mural Worthey

Missions

Other Ministries

Cled Click

Adult Education

Gene Mayfield

Finance

World Bible School

Richard Mayfield

Contribution & Tract Rack

Mural Worthey

Amarillo Bible Chair Director

Reminder:

In reverence to God and respect toward other worshipers, please remember to silence all cell phones and pagers at the beginning of the worship assembly.

Congregational News

Welcome!

Welcome to Wyatt & Raynetta Earp! Their address is 6305 Mosley, 79119 and the phone number is 270 994-1534.

Also, welcome to Richard, Julie, Kaden and Teagan Wright! Their address is 2220 Peach Tree, 79109 and number 806 674-3193.

Both families want to worship, work, and fellowship with us here at Bell Avenue.

Study Groups

Ladies Bible Class and the Men's Prayer and Study Group meet Wednesday mornings at 10:00.

Games

The Young at Heart group has their game days on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

It's Never Too Early to Plan

There will be a VBS planning meeting today after morning classes in the fellowship hall.

All Hands on Deck!

Come one, Come all! All hands are needed Thursday, February 21st at 6:30 to work on invitations, pamphlets and thank you notes for our Ladies Day, Saturday, March 23rd.

Happy Valentine's Party!

The Valentine party this year is open to all single adults. It is Saturday, February 16th at 6:00pm. Sign up to enjoy good food, entertainment, games and fellowship!

Ronald McDonald House

February's monthly collection will be Magic Erasers. We are also collecting coke tabs.

Reading Material

Interested in good Christian reading material? We have copies of The Spiritual Sword and Gospel Minutes on the desks in the foyer. We receive The Spiritual Sword quarterly and new Gospel Minutes weekly. Also, there are two tract racks down the west hall. Pick up your reading material today!

"Go Ye Into All the World..."

Check out the map that Mural Worthey installed on the west hall wall that shows Bell Avenue's missions.

Prayer List

Nicole Pruitt's mother, Carolyn Keller, will have hip replacement surgery on Monday, February 4th in Childress, TX

Alex Bell, Lisa Brown's mother, Janie Pruitt, Jon Cartwright, Frances Dennis, Marie Gardner, Rowena Hall, Don & Rhea Hicks, Kenley Martin, Otha Mae McMorries, Mark Pruitt Don Renner, Jack Scott. Amber Scott, Jim & Pat Simon, Wiley Smith, Jessie Faye Thomas, Stephanie Turvaville's mother, Debbie Arnold, George Vinson

In charge of meals in February for those in need:

Ann Wright

New Mexico Christian Children's Home will be here April 4th. Suggested items are: microwave popcorn and corn syrup.

Bell Avenue Missions

- Amarillo College Bible Chair
- Panhandle State Bible Chair
- WTAMU Bible Chair
- Brazil
- In Search of the Lord's Way
- Key to the Kingdom
- Northern New Mexico
- Prison Ministry
- High Plains Children's Home
- New Mexico Christian Children's Home
- Eastern European Missions
- Spanish Literature Ministry
- Bangladesh School of Preaching
- Cameroon School of Preaching
- South America Preacher Training School

Song Leader

Doug Martin

Opening Prayer

Alex Bell

Lord's Supper Servers

A. L. Westmoreland,
Robert Johnson, Danny Haney,
Colby Patterson, Adam Wall,
Michael Foster

Back

Tommy Patterson, Josh Foust

Lord's Supper Prayer

Terry Brittain

Scripture

Moises Ramirez

Closing Prayer

John Chance

Cards

Gage Williamson, Hank Brown