

FAMILY MESSENGER

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Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study	9:45 a.m.
Worship	10:45 a.m.
Worship	6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Meal	6:00 p.m.
Bible Study	7:00 p.m.

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The Veggie Christian

Growing a blue-ribbon garden of Christians in a congregation is difficult, but some of the following vegetables really upset the four-food group perfection desired in a Christian's life.

Mushrooms: They are always in deep problems and want to stay in the dark no matter what.

Sweet Potatoes: Treat everyone sickeningly sweet, but when their skin is cracked and they are opened up, they have a lot of strings attached.

Tomatoes: They blush when someone asks if they are a Christian.

Turnips: Show s up at worship services and other church activities spasmodically.

Pickles: These people have a sour disposition, are often bitter and leave a bad taste in folk's mouths.

Rhubarbs: They need tons of sweetness added by outsiders before they are functional.

Irish Potatoes: Have eyes everywhere, see everything, and are often prejudiced when it comes to name calling.

Green Beans: They snap at every little thing that doesn't suit them.

Lettuce: Usually crisp and vibrant, but bruises easily.

Artichokes: They have a barb at the tip of each leaf so extreme caution must be used when they are unfolded.

Okra: Can be very slippery and slimy when steamed.

Cabbage: Puts up quite a stink when in hot water.

Beets: Very powerful in coloring things their way. They are good friends of the Irish Potato regarding prejudice.

Carrots: They think they see things more clearly than anyone else.

Cauliflower: So bonded to family that they must be cut away.

Beans: They like to toot their own horn.

However, there are some good vegetables planted in our Christian garden that are good for everyone!

Broccoli: Close-knit, but works well in clusters.

Zucchini: Gives of itself to everyone and has multiple talents.

Celery: Stands tall and close with its fellow members.

Yellow Squash: They are versatile and work well with everyone.

Peas: Once shelled, they produce the best part of themselves!

Jake's Jots.....

Dr. Scott Fahlman has been working on artificial intelligence for his entire 40-year career at Pittsburgh's Carnegie Mellon University. In particular, Fahlman wants to revolutionize our human-computer interactions. But on September 19, 1982 he created something that will outlast his career working with AI—the emoticon, those little symbols we've grown to love, "the smiley" :-). Fahlman invented the smiley when his CMU colleagues were having trouble recognizing sarcasm on an electronic bulletin board. "The need for 'joke marker' arose after a series of posts speculating about various things that could happen in a free-falling elevator. Would a pigeon in the elevator keep flying? Would a lit candle go out? What would a puddle of mercury do? As Fahlman says in the story, "What's amusing is that (after) a forty-year career working on AI—I could solve AI and I know what the first line of my obit would be." Dr. Fahlman will forever be known as the guy who invented the emoticon.

We read of the legacy another man left in Joshua 24:14-15.

14. *"Now therefore fear the Lord and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River in Egypt, and serve the Lord.*

15. *And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."*

When it comes time for our physical bodies to say farewell to this world, we will certainly be remembered by the life that we lived. When Joshua's life came to a close, there was no doubt concerning his convictions, and his legacy was firmly established. He lived his life in such a way to be certain of that. What will you be remembered for? -Jake-

In Our Prayers

Betty Garrison remains in Dallas in the hospital. She started her radiation on the brain tumor. Please keep her and **Doyle** in your prayers. **Mary Hasselman** was diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer. She started her treatments this week. Please cover her and Don in your prayers. **Louise James** is suffering with a kidney infection and is having trouble with the stint in her kidney. Please remember her. **J.W. Bennett** fell at Brookside Manor and is sore and bruised. Please remember him and Billie in your prayers. **Sam Yeargan** is recovering from a broken bone in his leg. They are hoping that it heals on its own so he can avoid surgery. **Mikayla Yeargan** has asked that we pray for her uncle Robert. He recently had surgery to remove his foot due to infection. Others to pray for are: **J.W. Bennett, Elsie & Mack Purnell, Jim Wilson, Cory Jones, Geovanie Orta, Jill Muegge, Eva Brock, Loyd Upchurch, Lillie Hallmark, Pansy Henson, Lucy Ette Ayres, Mary Huebsch, Betty Pratt, Dixie Cooper, Joseph Chidester, Larry & Bettie Goff, Dave Peters, Don & Louise Newton, Nathan Couch, Carolyn Beadles, Jeremy Sweat, Kevin Jenkins, Jacob Jones, Randel Carlock, Sandra Fort, Arthur Freeman, Opal Cox, Dee McGlaughn, Ashley Bradbeary, Lloyd Harkins, Miquil Lopez, Scott Dutton, Victor Jefferson, Ron Kelley, Patricia Kelley, Vasha Reeks, Carroll Davis, Karen Herndon, Colton Contreas, Hubert Baker, Christine James Meitzene, Damion Meitzene, Jerry Honeycutt, Isa**

Smith, Michael Thomas Gray, Janet Fuller, Jeremy McDonald, Denise Sanders, Kim Anderson, Terry Simpson, Ethan Slinger, George Barr, Joni McCulloch, Erdice McDaniel, Donna Anderson, Martha Stafford, James Willis, Trey Jackson, Eva Woodley, & Lisa Brimcombe.

Upcoming Events –August

8 - Teen Event at Pam Ahearn's home at 6:00 p.m.

9 - "Compact" Sunday & Brookside Devo

19 - School Starts!

Attention Teens!

All of our teens are invited to Pam Ahearn's home on Saturday, August 8th at 6:00 p.m. for a "Corn-Hole" Tournament. The hamburgers will be provided so please bring sides. Also, you will need a lawn chair!

You Are Invited!



Little **Carys Preuss**, small granddaughter of Kim & Dalan Larason is having her first Birthday party. It will be held this Saturday, August 8th here in the fellowship hall from 1 -3:00 p.m. and everyone is invited to attend.

BAPTISM!



Olivia White the daughter of Linda and Richard Taylor, was baptized last week at the Powell Church of Christ. We are so happy for this family and we pray for her as she begins a new life in Christ.

"Compact" Sunday

Come join us this Sunday, August 9th for our monthly "Compact" Sunday. We will have our regular morning worship and at noon we have a potluck luncheon where everyone brings their favorite dish. Then at 1:30 p.m. we ALL meet at Brookside Manor Nursing Home for a short devotional and some visiting with our members there. It is such an uplifting day and a great opportunity for us to be together in worship and fellowship. Hope to see you there!

Address: The following is the address for Betty Garrison if you would like to send a card: C/O Medical City Hospital, Tower A-room#504, 7777 Forest Lane, Dallas, TX 75230.

UPDATE!

Recently on July 22nd, Augusto Hernandez went on a trip to Mexico for the purpose of preaching the gospel of Christ at the Bible conference of the Church of Christ in Vicente Guerrero, Mexico. While there he preached many sermons and taught the people the word of God. He reports, "The Bible conference ended on Sunday, July 25th and God helped us to move the hearts of the people who visited us, and 8 were baptized and a brother was restored to the church. Thank you for allowing me to attend this Bible conference and we ask for your continued prayers."



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AM Worship	161	164	169
PM Worship	58	56	34
Wednesday	98	94	80
Contribution	\$5,329	\$4,966	\$5,115
Hispanic Church	A.M 28		
	P.M. 20		
	Wed. 19		
	Cont. \$138		

A Special Thanks!

Thank you to ALL who had a hand in making our VBS such a wonderful success. We had 33 children plus about 30 adults helping in various areas. A special thanks to John and Courtney Thomas for their help and organizational skills.

It's A Party!



Dear Church Family,

You are invited to a Birthday Party in honor of Shenia Jocop's Quincianera on Sunday, August 23rd from 3-5:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. "Thank God for letting me celebrate my 15 years of age. We count on all of you to be there to celebrate with us."

Shenia Jocop and Family

On The Lighter Side.....:)

The following are real letters written to preachers:

"Dear Preacher, I know God loves everybody but He never met my sister."

Sincerely, Arnold - age 8

"Dear Preacher, I think a lot more people would come to church if you moved it to Disneyland."

Loren—age 9

The Heart of A Child

Whatever you write on the heart of a child no water can wash away.

The sand may be shifted when billows are wild and the efforts of time may decay.

Some stories may perish, some songs be forgot, but this graven record... time changes not.

Whatever you write on the heart of a child, a story of gladness or care.

The heaven has blessed or earth has defiled,

Will linger unchangeable there.

Via- Hinesville, GA