

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER, 2016

**DORENE PARRACK-02
SHELBY ROGERS, 02
SHELBY LIPPS-05
TAMARA RUSSELL-07
CLIFF HAMILTON-08
GEORGE PERRY-09
JACK BROWN-11
CHELSEA TRIBBLE-12
STEPHEN BUSE-14
SUE LODOR-14
RONNIE PENDLETON-17
SARA BROWNING-18
STEPHANIE RENFRO-19
KATIE SIKES-20
DANIELLE WILSON-20
BETTY BROWN-21
JESS LITTLEFIELD-21
LUKE McCLYMOND-21
MEGAN PRATER-21
DANNY GIPSON-22
BETH MORRIS-23
GARY BROWN-24
DANA KAY MCKENZIE-28
ZACH WILLIS-31**

PRAYER CONCERNS

JIM BOB COODY
BETTY BREWER
LINDSEY AND BLAKE JOHNSTON AND
FAMILIES
CONNIE ALLEN

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

RALPH FULCHER-health issues. Father of Evelyn Demson.
NATALIE REPMAN-Melissa Trammel's sister
NANCY SWAN-Sue Barriers sister, recuperating from a stroke.
JOHN RITCHEY
PAT RENCHLER-chemo after breast cancer surgery
KAREN McCLURE-friend of Fallon Hope
WANDA JO SYDOW-aunt of Ronnie, Rick and Ray Pendleton
GAIL BISHOP-recuperating from knee surgery
JENNIFER BROWN-diagnosed with Stage 3 breast cancer. Step-daughter of Kathryn Hart's sister, Sheryl.
CORDELIA REDMAN-Mother of Barbara Collinsworth. Recovering from surgery.
WENDY FOX-health concerns
DENISE HOLSON-recovering from double-lung transplant.
ANGIE MORSE HOGAN-daughter of Mickie Morse Bearden
MAVIS MITCHELL-dialysis. Sue Lodor's sister-in-law
DENNIS LODOR
SHEILA BREWSTER-sister-in-law of Sheila Tonne and friend of Carol Connally.
DAVID LeFEVRE-John Connally's brother-in-law, on a transplant list for double lung transplant.
JULIE TATE-friend of Linda Harris
KATHY OWENS-breast cancer
JACK ROGERS-great-great-nephew of Sue Lodor
COBY MEINZER-cousin of Juana Ash. Diagnosed with ALS.
BONNYE ISENHOWER-friend of Sharon Toland.

CONDOLENCES

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TURKEY PICK-UP

**WILL BE SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 6TH
AFTER MORNING WORSHIP.**

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP LETTERS WILL BE GOING OUT SOON. IF YOU ARE A SENIOR THIS YEAR, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION. 254-559-8208

**5TH QUARTER
VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED FOR OCT. 21ST.
FUMC IS HOSTING
AFTER THE GAME.**

**OUR SERVICE MEN AND
WOMEN**

*AUSTIN BURKHALTER-Scott Air Force Base, Illinois grandson of Larry and Jinger Mahan
MICAH CLAY-Navy, Cypress, Texas-son of J.R. and Julia Clay.
NICK CORDOVA- Okinawa. Son of Ray and Merry Pendleton.
JASON GRAHAM-Fort Hood, cousin of Melissa Trammel.
ARIC HOLLY-Fort Worth Naval Air Station, son of Sherry Strickland.
ZACHARY KARL-Afganistan. Grandson of Elaine and Bobby Goswick.
PFC DIEHLAN KEY-Fort Hood, son of Michael and Nickie Leveridge. Grandson of Mike and Rosa Leveridge.
PFC ADAM HAYWORTH-Hawaii. Son of Patti Hayworth Reid. Grandson of Jean Hayworth.
MAJOR JEFF MATSLER
ROBERT RICHARDSON-Fort Hood, son-in-law of Rick and Sharon Pendleton*

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October Pastor's Column

Has a preacher or someone ever asked you to serve on a church committee like the finance committee? What was your initial response? Undoubtedly it wasn't, "Yes, I would love to do that. I have been looking for an opportunity to attending boring meetings and experiencing conflict with some other people at church!" Unfortunately, this seems to be the prevalent attitude these days toward serving on committees and providing church leadership. Church meetings often become a drudgery

This is not the feeling I get when I read about church leadership in Ephesians 4: 11-13. After listing some of the gifts of ministry, the Apostle Paul speaks about the purpose and the goal the gifts of ministry play in church. Each Christian is called, gifted and empowered to do three things:

1. do the work of Christian ministry,
2. build a strong, vital and effective church,
3. personally grow and mature spiritually while serving until a sense of church unity and effectiveness emerges.
and are conflict laden.

Paul has a vision of a strong and effective Christian church, and he wants the Ephesian Christians to catch this vision and then commit to making this vision a reality in their church.

Church service or leadership doesn't have to be boring or full of anxiety. There is a gifted Christian minister and leader in you. I invite you to find your place of service or leadership in our church's structure. God intends you to experience a sense of joy and fulfillment in your church service and in your Christian leadership. The strength and effectiveness of our church, to a large extent, is entrusted to you.

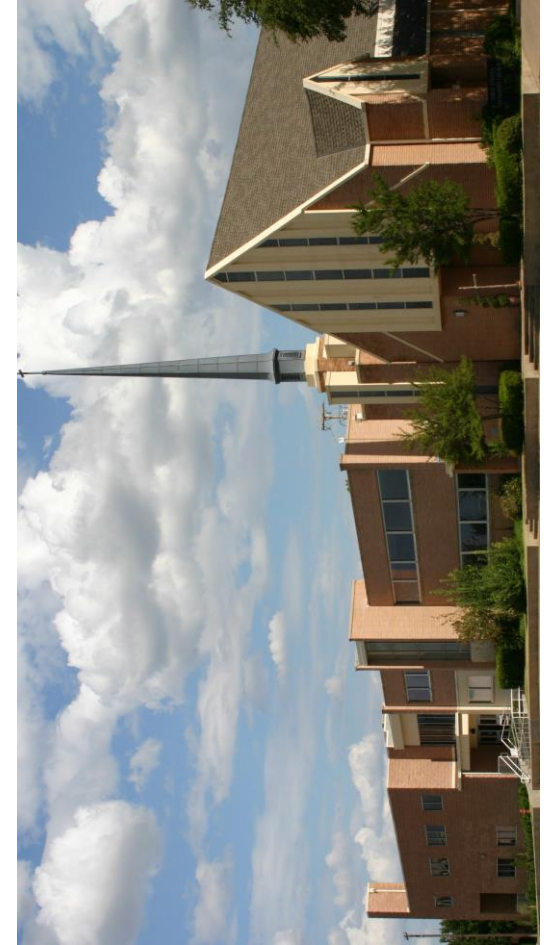
Church service and ministry is not to be limited only to one hour on Sunday morning or once a month during the year. Our church will not grow if it is last on your list of priorities. There are so many opportunities for you to find fulfilling service in our church structure. The first step to finding meaningful Christian service is to begin to identify your gift/gifts for ministry. Do not neglect the gift that was entrusted into your care. You are gifted, called, and empowered. There is a wonderful church leader in you. God calls you to grow, bloom, and become fruitful at church.

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Oct. 13- 5:45 p.m.-Trustee Meeting

Oct. 20-5:30 p.m.-Finance Meeting
and Church Council

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NEWSLETTER**