

## Calendar of Events

- Feb. 22, 2010 Monday In-depth Bible Classes, Fellowship Hall**  
 6:20 p.m. "The Gospel of Matthew"  
 7:40 p.m. "Survey of the New Testament"
- Feb. 24, 2010 Wednesday Night Services**  
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study in Fellowship Hall  
 Worship and Praise Service in Auditorium

## Remember in Prayer

**West U Members:** Jan Fry began chemo treatments for her lung cancer. Bill Turner is taking treatment for prostate cancer. Emery (Al) Cooper, John Fletcher, Billy Smith and Jim Ledbetter are seeking employment. Susan Gephart is looking for work as a caregiver, sitter, or work in housekeeping or dietary. If you know any possibilities for her, please contact her at 832-921-1195.

**Expectant Mothers:** Kristina Curry, Tiffany Thomas and Melissa Deaver

**Home Bound Members:** Please pray for our home bound family: Marilyn Castles, Elizabeth Barnes, Justine Rivoire, Mildred Lindhout, Lorene Clark, Nancy Taylor, June Coffman, Lorene Clark, and Mildred & Roy Kohlmann.

**Family & Friends:** Ryan McDonald's father, Glenn McDonald, is still having some serious health issues. Deanne Smith's cousin, Michael Luellen, has inoperable cancer. He is in stage 3 1/2. He had surgery to bypass organs around the cancer, so he can eat. He will go through chemo soon.

**Cancer Prayers:** Jonathan Barfield, 22, of Little Rock, AR, had a bone marrow transplant for leukemia. Jonathan and his family will be here for at least 3 months . . . Jim Reyna, preacher for the church in McLean, had a liver transplant in Dallas in October. With all the medical costs and medications beyond his insurance, he is financially overwhelmed. He needs prayers and help. A letter about his needs is posted on the bulletin board near the office . . . Ken Stone, formerly an elder with the Eldridge Rd. church in Sugar Land and now living in Ft. Worth, is in Houston taking treatments for blood cancer. . . Rigo Arguera, Spanish minister in Houston and brother-in-law to Olga Gonzales, is in remission after treatments for lymphoma.

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## Church Hires New Secretary, Janet Cockerham

We are pleased to announce that we have hired Janet Cockerham as our church secretary. Janet will be working in the office Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Christy McDonald has done a good job training Janet and introducing her to our system and programs.

Please feel free to come by the office and meet Janet. We asked her to write the following introduction so that you could become acquainted with her.

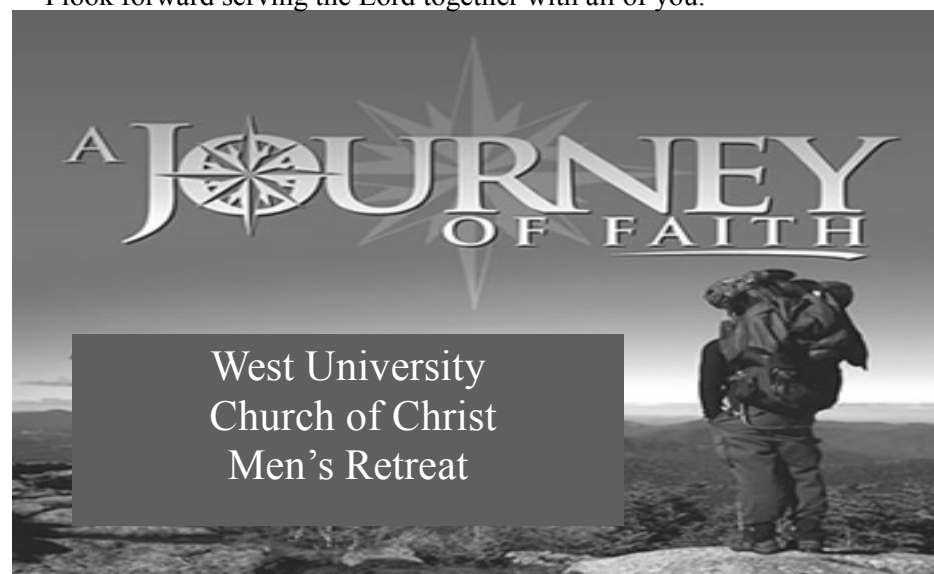
"I am happy to be part of the staff of West University Church of Christ. I was born and raised in Texas and have lived in Houston for many years. I have been married for 31 years to a wonderful Christian man. He and I raised 5 children and have 8 grand children and 2 great grandchildren.

"I have been saved for 20 years and love serving the Lord in any way I can. My husband and I enjoy serving together in ministry. I have been involved in children's ministry, ladies ministry and Sunday School for several years.

"My professional background is in purchasing and general management. After leaving that area, I had the privilege of serving on the staff at Southwest Calvary Baptist Church for 9 years.

"My hobbies include decorative painting and crafts. I am a certified decorative painting teacher and enjoy teaching others to paint.

"I look forward serving the Lord together with all of you."



Have you ever thought about how you got to where you are in your walk with God? Is it easy for you to look to your past and see how far you've come? Maybe you look to your past and realize that you've slipped off the course.

Where would you like to go in your walk? Are you ready to make the next step in your journey of faith? The West University Church of Christ invites all men to get away on the weekend of March 12 and 13 to our Men's Retreat, simply entitled "A Journey of Faith".

Join us for a Friday and Saturday full of fun, camaraderie, and investment into your spiritual walk with God. Cost will be \$60 per person. There are only 30 spots available. Please sign up in the foyer today.

### Belmont Village Services

This Week: Brad Hinrichs; Next Week: Jim Taylor

### Last Week's Record

A.M. Worship – 150  
 Contribution –\$7,171.52 Coins for Christ Total-\$39.18



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Discovering and  
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## 13 Deacons Ordained Today

Today in our assembly, we will ordain the following thirteen men as deacons to serve our congregation and our ministries in the community and the world.

- John Fletcher--Worship
- Ryan McDonald--Children
- Roger Rue--Finance
- Jim Taylor—College and Young Professionals
- Cameron Bird—Transportation, Adult Education
- Brad Hinrichs—Sound/Video, Building Maintenance/ Security, New Member Assimilation
- Kerry Lackey— Family
- Brian Deaver—Apartments and Medical Center
- Hilton Merritt—Missions, Outreach, Involvement
- Ken Sandberg—Ministry Communication and Evaluation
- Terry Scarborough—Men
- Randy Bullard--Hospitality
- Al Richey—Finance

We honor and appreciate these men and their families and thank them for accepting these new responsibilities. They will need our support, participation and prayers.

"Those who serve well  
 as deacons gain an excellent standing and  
 great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus" (I Timothy 3:13)

# Worship Service

## Welcome

### Call to Worship - Hilton Merritt

#2 *We Praise Thee O God*

#38 *Our God is an Awesome God*

#779 *How Great Thou Art*

## Prayer

### Scripture - John Fletcher

#383 *Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross*

## Communion

*All Christians are invited to commune with us.*

## Offering

*Guests are not expected to participate in the offering. This is a voluntary offering.*

#66 *Doxology*

## Invitation Message

#909 *There's A Fountain Free*

### Shepherd's Prayer - Kelly Rushing

#429 *O To Be Like Thee*

### Scripture Reading - Cameron Bird

Matthew 25:14-23; Colossians 3:23-24; 4:17

*(No Little Lambs or God's Flock Today)*

## Message

*"A Job Well Done"*

## Ordination Ceremony

#533 *I Am A Sheep*

*\*Please join us after the service for a meal in the fellowship hall.*

*All are invited to stay.*

## Our Theme for 2010

# "Rediscovering Our Focus"

**This Week: Ministering for Jesus**

## Tonight's Opportunities

- 5:30 Bible Study/Communion/Soup Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall, enter through the back parking lot.
- Family devotionals on your own. A suggested guide is available in the foyer.

## Little Lambs/God's Flock Schedule Change

We will not have Little Lambs or God's Flock today due to our deacon ordination service.

## Men's Retreat Sign Up and Payment Today

Today in the lobby outside of the auditorium, Terry Scarborough will be set up to collect payment and sign ups for the Men's Retreat. The cost is \$60. You can pay all of it today, or pay half now and half later. If you want to guarantee your spot, please make a payment today. The first 30 people who both sign up and pay will be able to go.

## Sunny Glen Children's Home Ministry Needs

On March 9-11, Sunny Glen Home will be visiting West U to pick up supplies needed by the children's home. They have requested that we provide the following: \*Diapers (size 4-5), \*Liquid Laundry Detergent, \*Liquid Fabric Softener. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be given to Melinda Lackey (281-703-5813; Melinda\_lackey@hotmail.com). You can drop your items in the box beside the office.

## UH Student Ministry Invites You to Dinner

The University of Houston campus ministry, called "The Point," invites you to attend a fund raising banquet on Tuesday, March 2, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Hilton Southwest Freeway. Mike McAlister, the campus minister, says this will be an informative look at the mission to the 35,000 university students on the campus. Case Keenum, nationally recognized UH quarterback, will be the guest speaker.

Individual tickets are \$35. Table sponsorships are available. For tickets or more information, contact Mike at 713-743-5984, [cfc.uhouston@yahoo.com](mailto:cfc.uhouston@yahoo.com).

## Good Books Can Help You with Sex Education for Your Children

Last Sunday, Calvin mentioned some books designed to help parents talk with their children about how God designed the human body, how it works, and the importance of purity and sanctity. The books can be purchased online at [www.christianbook.com](http://www.christianbook.com) or ordered at Amazon.com or from local book stores.

If you wish to read about these books and others like them, please search "sex education for children" or do a title or author search on the web sites. Parents, of course, need to read the books first and evaluate their children's needs and maturity. Some reviewers thought that too much information was given to the younger ages and they suggested parental discretion. All the reviewers thought that the books were excellent if appropriately used by parents.

The set of four books is entitled God's Design for Sex: Revised, by Stan and Brenna Jones, NAV Press, \$33.96. The individual titles are The Story of Me (ages 3 to 5); Before I Was Born (ages 5 to 8); What's the Big Deal? Why God Cares about Sex (ages 8 to 11); and Facing the Facts: The Truth about Sex and You (ages 11 to 15). These individual titles are \$9-10 each.

Two other books with high reviews are Where Do Babies Come From? By Ruth Hummel (\$9) for ages 6 to 8 and The Wonderful Way Babies Are Made by Larry Christianson (\$13) for ages 3 to 15.

## Sign Up for VBS Today

Today during our fellowship meal there will be a table set up for you to volunteer to help with VBS. This year's theme is "Survivor". See Christy McDonald ([cmcdonald@gmail.com](mailto:cmcdonald@gmail.com)) or Alicia Hinrichs([jabb1@peoplepc.com](mailto:jabb1@peoplepc.com)) for more information.

## Take a Magnet and Invite Someone to VBS

There are more magnets available in the foyer on the buffet with the VBS dates and time on them. Please take a few and keep one for yourself to "save the dates" and then pass one or more along to your friends. We would love to welcome lots of new little faces this year as well as welcome back some old friends.

## Assistance Still Needed in Mission Effort

Lord Willing, in May of 2010, our Associate and Worship Minister Lane Widick will be taking a mission trip to China. Donations would be appreciated. Lane is still about \$400 short of what he needs. -*Ralph Arnold and Kelly Rushing*

## West University Athletics

Our men's basketball team plays on Thursday night at 9:00 pm. We will be playing at 2nd Baptist on Woodway, in Gym E North.

## Ladies Ministry Secret Sisters

Our Ladies Ministry is starting another round of Secret Sisters. We will start with a kick-off brunch on Saturday, March 6th from 9:30-10:30 am. We will conclude and reveal our secret sisters at the end of May. Rules will include sending your sister a card or note of encouragement once per week, and getting her a \$10-\$15 gift once per month. We do not want this program to be a burden on anyone, but rather a way to admonish and encourage one another. If you would like to participate, please sign up on the Ladies Ministry bulletin board and complete a Secret Sister Information Form. All Secret Sister Information Forms must be completed and returned to Kristen Widick no later than March 1st!!!

## A Note of Thanks From Kristina Curry

"Thank you so much for the wonderful baby shower. I felt very loved by our family at West U. I also want to thank the baby shower committee for their hard work and thank Diana Thompson for the beautiful handmade decorations."

## Healing Hands Ships Aid to Haiti

On January 22, Healing Hands International, a Christian ministry based in Nashville, TN shipped their first 40-foot container to Haiti. The container had tents, medical supplies and water filters. Rice and beans will be shipped soon. The ministry will also drill 30 or more water wells in Haiti. Relief efforts will involve years. As long as funds are available they will provide medical aid, water, food, building materials, assistance in agriculture and other income-producing skills.

West U has contributed over \$4000 to Healing Hands for this relief effort.

## Welcome New Members

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Brad works as an engineer for Siemens. Kristi is a homemaker. They have two children: Tyler and Samantha. They come to us from a church in Pearland.