

News & Prayers

West U Members:

Richard Barnes is now permanently at Lexington Rehab Center.

Billy Smith is seeking employment.

Jim Ledbetter received word that his cancer has spread into the spinal cord region.

Justine Rivoire suffered a stroke. She lives at Park Way Place Care Center, 1321 Park Bayour, 77077. She is celebrating 92.

Lane Widick is on a mission trip. He returns on Thursday, March 17.

Nancy Taylor was to have had surgery on Friday, March 11, in Methodist Hospital. She hopes to be home on Monday.

Gayle Napier is experiencing some medical issues. Please keep him in prayer.

Expectant Mothers: **Suzanne Bird, Kathryn Gallaway**

Home Bound Members: Please pray for our home bound family: **Marilyn Castles, Elizabeth Barnes, Justine Rivoire, Nancy Taylor, and Mary Broome**

Family & Friends:

Russell Cook of Knoxville, TN, Calvin Warpula's brother-in-law, is going back to Duke Medical Center for evaluation. He is pain-free and making progress. He recently spoke briefly at church and baptized two people.

The brother of Sheila James, one of our Footsteps teachers, is waiting for a heart transplant.

Ruel Bobet, a dear friend of the Tans, has had his cancer return despite 28 rounds of chemo.

Chris, Verne & Norma Ragle's son, needs prayer in Oklahoma.

Jon Adams, Kristina Curry's grandfather, has stage 4 bladder cancer will be here soon for treatment. He can't do chemo or radiation due to a weak heart.

Catherine Cerda, friend of Jo Ann Clopton, age 5, is in Children's Hospital with high fever from leukemia.

Claire Evelyn Friedrich, Andrea Boney's niece, needs a liver transplant. She now on the list for the next liver for her blood type.

Elizabeth Jetton, 1 year old from Chattanooga TN, is at Texas Children's Hospital on the waiting list for a lung transplant. Her parents Matthew and Sheila Jetton are staying in our church apartments.

Dr. Joe Ejedawe, family friend to Terri Nzewi, who visited our church, has had surgery in Nigeria and is to be transported to the US next month. Pray for a full recovery and safe travel.

Robert Klein's stepfather is doing much better.

Mildred Lindhous was in Hemann Memorial Hospital last week with heart problems

Cancer Prayers:

Jeremy Cotham is out of the hospital and back at the apartment. Please continue to pray for him.

David Gilbert is battling lung cancer.

Luther Bounds, brother-in-law to Mary Fletcher, has cancer.

Pam Allred, daughter-in-law of Bob and Jean Allred, did not get to have the nanoknife procedure because her liver has too many large spots. They are discontinuing the chemo and hope to do the TACE procedure during the next four weeks.

Jim Westley, a friend of Kelly Rushing, has inoperable cancer and needs prayer for strength.

Ronald Russell, Norma Ragle's brother, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.

Kathy Parrish needs prayer for treatments for breast cancer to work.

Michelle Henderson, a recent visitor, is receiving treatments at M.D. Anderson for colon cancer. She is from Winfield, AL.

Reginald DeLoach of Olive Branch, MS, is receiving chemotherapy treatment at MD Anderson for leukemia and is preparing for a bone marrow transplant. He and his wife Katherine will be staying in one of our church apartments

Ed Bruce is starting treatment at MD Anderson for throat cancer. He and his wife, Glenda, are members of Jacksonville C of C in Jacksonville, TX.



West University
Church of Christ

March 13, 2011

Discovering and
Sharing God's Love

Welcome to West U

We're glad you're here to join us in worshiping God.

*Please register on one of the cards in the pew racks and place it in the offering tray. We do not make unannounced visits but we would like to write you and call you to welcome you and answer any questions that you might have.

*Please write your prayer requests on a Prayer Request card and place it in the offering tray.

*For your convenience, we have an attended nursery west of the foyer for babies.

*During the assembly, we invite your children up to the age of eight to participate in a learning time on their level.

*This evening, attend one of our small groups or meet with us here in the fellowship hall at 5:30 for a light supper and Bible study. Enter from the back parking lot.

**My Misconception
Humbled Me**

Last Sunday, March 6, Judy and I and two of our grandchildren left the house at 8:21 a.m. to drive to Champions church on Cutten Rd., where I was to speak at 9 a.m. I had been busy working on my class and sermon notes and didn't take the time to check out the directions, even though I had a Key Map, a GPS, and Mapquest and Google on the internet. I knew the way. I had been there three times in the past. I could see it in my mind very clearly. It was a short distance off highway 290 on FM 1960. I had it visualized perfectly.

I drove south on FM 249 and turned west on FM 1960 headed toward 290 and Cutten Rd. would be on the left. It wasn't there! I drove all the way to 290 and turned around. By this time it was 8:50 a.m. I passed Jones Rd. and said, "That's where it is, off Jones Rd., instead of 1960." Judy kept saying to me, "I think you are going the wrong way. It's on the other side of 249." I wouldn't listen to her. I knew where it was. When 9 o'clock came I was still lost wandering around in a frustrated quandary. I felt so bad all over. I kept saying out loud, "Why am I so dumb? Why didn't I check the directions? Why didn't I bring the phone numbers? What is wrong with me?" Judy kept saying kindly, "I think it's the other way. You need to turn around and go back to the other side of 249." At 9:14, the minister called West U and asked, "Where's Calvin? What's his phone number?" He called me and gave me directions. Judy was right. The church was in the opposite direction east of 249. At 9:25, twenty-five minutes late, I walked in to teach the class before 300 waiting people. I was so humiliated and embarrassed by my failures to check the directions and not listen to my wife. Jokingly, the minister introduced me that morning as "the late Calvin Warpula."

My delusion and stubbornness reminded me of what the book of Proverbs says twice about us humans, "There is a way that seems right unto a person but the ends thereof are the ways of death" (14:12; 16:25). The apostle Paul speaks of having a strong delusion to believe something not true (2 Thess. 2:10-11). I now see how that happens. A person is so convinced with wrong ideas that he or she refuses to listen to anyone else, and ends up lost like me.

I've been humbled by this experience. I've learned that I need to get directions from reliable sources and then follow them. I've learned that I cannot trust my own feelings and opinions. I need outside help. I need to prepare for the journey before I begin it. Isn't this what God has been telling us all along? "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your paths" (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Calvin Warpula

Moment of Friendship

#162 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
#538 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less
#601 My God and I

Prayer

#314 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Communion

All Christians are invited to commune with us.

Offering

Guests are not expected to participate in the offering.

This is a voluntary offering

#472 A Shelter in the Time of Storm

(Children are dismissed to Little Lambs
or God's Flock during this song)

Scripture Reading

Daniel 6:1-26

Message

"How to Tame Lions"

#712 Jesus is Coming Soon

Shepherd's Prayer & Benediction - Hilton Merritt

Be on guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.
1 Corinthians 16:13-14, 23

#711 Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

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Coming Events

March 6 - Meeting for Families with Children
 March 17 - St. Patrick's Day
 March 20 - Celebration Lunch for Suzanne Bird
 April 2 - Ladies Day
 April 10 - Egg Hunt
 April 17 - LTC Presentation Day
 April 22 & 23 - LTC in Dallas
 April 24 - Easter Sunday
 April 29, 30 - Family Camping at Brazos Bend
 May 8 - Mother's Day
 May 14 - VBS Workday
 May 30 - Memorial Day
 June 5 - VBS Teachers' Meeting
 June 19 - 23 - Vacation Bible School
 June 19 - 25 - Lake Cisco Sr. Camp 7th - 12th
 June 26 - 30 - Lake Cisco Jr. Camp 3rd - 6th

Last Week's Record

A.M. Worship - 162 Contribution - \$14,832.98 Coins for Christ - \$194.76

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SERVICES TIMES

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Bible Classes for All Ages
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
Evening		Small Groups (Life Groups)
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Mid-Week Service



**This evening,
you are invited to meet with any of these LIFE groups.
Please call the leader
if you would like more information.
Maps are in the foyer.**

1. North Houston Area meets at 5:00 p.m., led by Jim Taylor/Brad Hinrichs, 1328 Sue Barnett Dr., Houston, TX 77018 713-695-1443
2. West University Area meets at 5:30 p.m., led by Calvin Warpula, Fellowship Hall here at the church building 713-669-0137
3. Pearland/Sugar Land Area meets at 5:30 p.m., led by Lane Widick/Kerry Lackey, TBA
4. Young Professionals Group meets at 6:00 p.m., led by Curtis Neveu, Holly Hall Apts., 2111 Holly Hall St., Apt. 1609, Houston 77054 918-770-3436

**Activities Available
at Shield Bearer**

Shield Bearer would like to share their upcoming activities with those who may need them. You may see a list of these activities on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Song Leader Workshop
At Sugar Land Church of Christ**

There is a Song Leader Workshop at Sugar Land Church of Christ on Saturday, March 19th from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. by March 16th by calling 281-561-0881.

Employment Opportunity

Lubbock Christian University is looking for a Kitchen Coordinator to work at Pine Springs Camp for the summer. The camp is located in the Sacramento Mountains in New Mexico. Responsibilities include coordinating meal preparation, overseeing kitchen staff and maintenance of kitchen. For more information please contact Terri Warren at terri.warren@lcu.edu or 806-720-7219.

**“Couple Checkup for
Dating and Engaged Couples”**

Will be presented at Memorial Church of Christ on Sat., April 2, from 9 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Each couple must register by March 25, 2011, and complete the Couple Checkup test by March 28, 2011. There is no fee for the test or for the seminar. At the completion of the workshop, each engaged couple will receive a certificate, valued at \$60, toward purchase of a Texas Marriage License. A light breakfast and lunch will be served. Couples who attend must pre-register by going on-line to www.mcoc.org.

**Bible Teachers
Workshop**

The 2011 Central Texas Bible Teachers Workshop will be held at Cameron Road Church of Christ on July 22 & 23. For more information you may go see the bulletin board in the foyer or go to www.crccaustin.org/ctbtw.html.

Sunday Classes at 9:30 a.m.

1. **College/Young Professionals**—Jim Taylor teaches the book of Genesis in the Community Room.
2. **Women’s class**—Avanell Merritt is teaching the book of Esther in the library.
3. **Fellowship Hall**—A study on the book of James. Taught by various members each month.
4. **Auditorium**—Calvin Warpula teaches “The Book of Romans”.

Wednesday Night Classes at 6:30 p.m.

(Please park and enter through the kitchen door.)

1. **View and Discuss** "The History of the Restoration Movement" - Calvin Warpula
2. **Ladies Class** - Class taught by Alicia Hinrichs - “Get Out of the Pit” by Beth Moore. Books are \$7.

LTC Practice Schedule

Area	Day & Time	Place	Leaders
Drama	Sundays, 8:45 am	Upstairs	Brad Hinrichs Doug Delony
Puppets— Older Group	Sundays, 5-5:30 pm	Taylor's Home	Christy McDonald Lou Ann Taylor
Puppets— Younger Group	Sundays, 5:30-6 pm	Taylor's Home	Christy McDonald Lou Ann Taylor

Items Needed for VBS

Believe it or not, we are already thinking of Vacation Bible School 2011. It will be here before you know it. We are starting to collect items that will be needed for our crafts and activities and are in need of

- 150 cube type tissue boxes or 8 count Pop Tart boxes
- 150 paper towel rolls

You may place the items in the box provided



**Celebration Dinner
Planned for Suzanne Bird**

Suzanne Bird is expecting her third baby in April. On March 20th the ladies will be having a celebratory dinner with her after church at Guadalajara (2925 Southwest Freeway). Gifts of diapers or gift cards are not expected but would be appreciated. For questions, you may contact Kathryn Gallaway at kgallaway@rice.edu.

**Ladies Day
Pre-registration
Continues**



Pre-registration for Ladies Day on April 2nd is available today. Please stop by the table in the foyer after services to sign up. Pre-registration will continue each Sunday throughout the month of March. Registration closes and payments are due by Sunday, March 27th.



**The Truth Project Presents “The
Divine Imprint”**

Everyone is invited to see The Truth Project video tomorrow (Monday) night at 7 in the fellowship hall. The presentation will be on the social order God has designed for the family, church and our world. The emphasis will be on the beauty and value of relationships and some things that are working to destroy them.

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