

News & Prayers

West U Members:

Addell Delony has not been feeling well.
Elizabeth Barnes celebrated her 95th birthday on April 14th. She is doing exceptionally well. She would love to hear from you. Her address is 6420 Belmont, Houston, TX 77005.
Billy Smith is seeking employment.
Andrea Boney is seeking employment as an administrative assistant. She also is trying to sell her house.
Verne and Norma Ragle request prayers for strength and guidance for themselves and for their son, Chris.
18 of our youth and adults are attending the Leadership Training for Christ Conference this weekend in Dallas.
Brenda Sims requests prayers (1) for her health as she deals with fibromyalgia, and (2) for the purchase of a house.

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

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

Family & Friends:

Brenda Sims' uncle is on life support in a hospital in Durham, NC.
Beverly Dooley is experiencing rotator cuff problems
Amanda Wissman, sister of T.J. Vera, is pregnant and considered high risk.
Dean McKinley, Mary Lynn Rushing's father, is weak and having breathing problems. Mary Lynn will travel to be with him and her mom.
Leann Rockwell Taylor, daughter of Vicki & Rocky Rockwell & friends of the Rushings, has a brain tumor & will have surgery to remove it this week. She had a tumor removed from her brain at age 6 and is now 35.
Claire Evelyn Friedrich, Andrea Boney's niece, came to Houston's Children's Hospital to have her liver transplant but she was too little. Pray that a match can be found soon.
Gail Evans, daughter-in-law of Bernice Whiteside, will had breast surgery in San Antonio on Monday for a cancerous lump.
Russell Cook of Knoxville, TN, Calvin Warpula's brother-in-law, is receiving increased dosages of cancer fighting drugs.

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

Madison Tinley, granddaughter of a sister in Christ, is ill with epilepsy.
Janet Hite, a good friend of the Coulsons, is in a hospital in Los Angeles with heart problems.

Cancer Prayers:

Jeremy Cotham is in the hospital receiving chemo treatments
Pam Allred, daughter-in-law of Bob and Jean, Pam has finished her chemo and is waiting for the results.
Ronald Russell, Norma Ragle's brother, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.
Reginald DeLoach of Olive Branch, MS, is receiving chemotherapy treatment at MD Anderson for leukemia and is preparing for a bone marrow transplant.
David Gilbert is battling lung cancer.
Sharrolyn Reed, of Joplin, MO is receiving treatment for leukemia at M.D. Anderson.
Mechelle Henderson, will be starting chemo treatments beginning April 18th.
Dori Brown of Nashville, TN, is staying in one of our church apartments with her husband Jim and her daughter Kathryn, while she gets treatments at M.D. Anderson for leukemia.

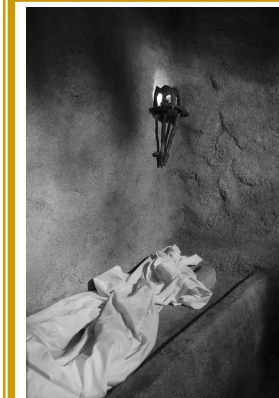
*Pray for the calamity-stricken people of Japan.
 Pray for peace and freedom within the troubled nations of the Middle East.*



April 24, 2011
Discovering and Sharing God's Love

Welcome to West U

We're glad you're here to join us in worshipping 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.
 *You are invited to attend our Wednesday evening Bible Studies at 6:30.



Many of us have fears. Some may be afraid of the dark, spiders, snakes, or the water. Some of us may be afraid of clowns, tight spaces or flying. We've often seen in polls that public speaking is the number one fear. Number two is usually death.

I've often wondered how Jesus was able to do what he did on earth knowing what his fate would be. Jesus knew that he would ultimately be persecuted, hung on a cross, and die for all of us sinners. But Jesus possessed a very unique strength that none of us will ever have: He could conquer death.

People all over the world are afraid of dying. Jesus had no reason to be afraid of death, because he knew he would rise again. That resurrection is what we celebrate today. Christ rose from the dead and showed us that we have hope. We have hope that one day we will rise again and walk with our Savior and our God. There is no reason for us as Christians to be afraid of death, because we have a Savior who defeated it.

On that Sunday morning, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone covering the entrance had been rolled aside. They went in, but they couldn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. An angel of the Lord spoke to them and said "He isn't here! He has risen from the dead!" Praise God!

Moment of Friendship

Welcome

#296 *We Have Come Into His House*
 (Screen Only) *Lord I Lift Your Name on High*
 #23 *Our God He Is Alive*

Prayer

#176 *Lamb of God*

Communion

All Christians are invited to commune with us.

Offering

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

#345 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*
 (Children are dismissed to Little Lambs or God's Flock during this song)

Scripture

Matthew 28:1-20

Message

"Christ Is Risen"

#470 *Victory in Jesus*

Shepherd's Prayer & Benediction - Kelly Rushing

"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

#344 *Low in the Grave He Lay*

Elders

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Coming Events

April 22 & 23 - LTC in Dallas
 April 24 - Easter Sunday
 April 29, 30 - Family Camping at Brazos Bend
 May 1 - 5th - 12th Grade Taco-n-Talk Parent Meeting
 May 8 - Mother's Day
 May 14 - VBS Workday
 May 15 - Fellowship Meal
 May 15 - Teen Room Workday
 May 21 - Family Picture Scavenger Hunt
 May 29 - Celebration Sunday - Fellowship
 May 30 - Memorial Day
 Church Office Closed
 June 4 - Men's Bible Study & Breakfast
 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
 July 2 - Men's Bible Study & Breakfast
 July 4 - Independence Day
 Church Office Closed

Last Week's Record

A.M. Worship - 145 Contribution - \$4,736.00 Coins for Christ - \$221.55

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SERVICES TIMES

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Bible Classes for All Ages
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
Evening	No Evening Service this Week	
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Mid-Week Service

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

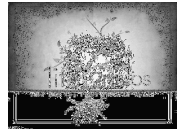


We invite you to visit
www.westuchurch.com
 ☞ Sermon Transcripts
 ☞ Sermon Audios

You may also find links to follow us on



(Sermon CDs available through the office.)



Sunday Night Schedule through the end of May

April 24 - Calvin's Life Group will meet at his home. No other Life Groups will meet.
May 1 - Life Groups will meet
May 8 - Life Groups will meet
May 15 - No Life Groups due to fellowship meal
May 22 - Last official Life Group meeting
May 29 - Celebration Sunday during the evening in the Fellowship Hall (more details to follow)



If you haven't completed a Membership Information sheet, please take just a few moments to do so today. There are copies at the Welcome Center. You can also print the form from our web site, www.westuchurch.com. Please drop it in the box provided in the foyer or place it in the box next to the office door. We thank you for taking a moment to do this. It will help us keep our records current.

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 Hebrews 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. New Song Class filled with Praise and Prayer - Lane Widick - Auditorium
2. "Guard the Truth" - Paul's first letter to Timothy - Calvin Warpula - Fellowship Hall

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Cameron, Suzanne, Madeline and Christian Bird on the birth of the new addition to their family! Charlotte Adell Bird was born on Wednesday, May 20, at 6:30 pm.

Phone Volunteers Needed for Apartment Ministry

The Apartment Ministry that serves medical patients and their caregivers is seeking volunteers to answer the telephone in two-hour shifts during the week. Call Jesse Young, 713-206-8884, for more information.

Vacation Bible School 2011

Registration is Open

VBS registration is now open. You may register on line at the West U website, www.westuchurch.com or complete a registration form and give it to Christy McDonald. For questions, call the office at 713-666-3535.

Items Needed for VBS

There are maps on the VBS bulletin board with needed supplies for VBS. Please take one or more and drop items in the box provided by May 1st. More items will be added as needed, so if you don't get one this time, keep checking.

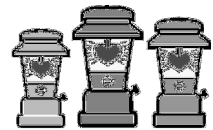
We are still in need of 30 cube type tissue boxes or 8 count Pop Tart boxes. You may place them in the box provided in the hallway.

VBS Workday

There will be a VBS workday on Saturday, May 14th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Breakfast will be provided. Please mark you calendar to come an help us get ready for VBS.

For questions or to let us know you are coming please contact Christy McDonald at mcdonald.christy@gmail.com.

Family Camping at Brazos Bend



Family Camp

Family Camping at Brazos Bend State Park is scheduled for April 29th and 30th.

Please contact Lou Ann Taylor at 713-502-9842 to reserve a shelter.

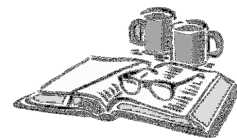
Picture Scavenger Hunt



Please join us on Sat. May 21st from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. Please meet on the

East side of the building near the playground were we will start our picture scavenger hunt. Everyone is invited to attend. All you need is some transportation and be able to meet new people. Please contact Kerry Lackey kerry_lackey@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Men's Bible Study Starting Soon



All men are invited to a new Men's Bible Study discussing the sermon on the mount. The study will be held the first Saturday of the month at West U in the fellowship hall beginning June 4th and continuing for 10 months. We will begin at 7 a.m. with breakfast and end at 8:30 a.m. Hilton Merritt will be leading the Bible Study.

Volunteers Still Needed

Thanks to all who volunteered to teach our children. We really appreciate your response. There are still some opportunities to take part in this most important ministry. To volunteer, please sign up at the bulletin board next to the fellowship hall. Again, thank you.



Youth Group News



5th -12th Grade Taco-n-Talk Parent Meeting, Sunday, May 1st

Calling all parents/guardians of 5th - 12th graders. I would like the opportunity to meet and have lunch with you following morning worship service to share the Youth Group's schedule, goals and activities for this summer. Afterwards, the youth group will go play miniature golf (and who knows, maybe a little bumper boats, arcade games and batting cages will be included). Please plan to attend, we will also be filling out medical and permission forms for the youth. Please see Jay Roberts if you have any questions. You can email Jay at jayroberts86@yahoo.com.

TEENAGERS: Sign Up for Camp

Summer Camp applications for Lake Cisco Christian Camp are in. Senior Camp at Lake Cisco Christian Camp for those completing grades 7th through 12th will be held June 19th through June 25th and Junior Camp for those completing grades 3rd through 6th will be held June 26th though 30th. Please contact Lou Ann Taylor at 713-502-9842 if you are interested in attending.