

**News & Prayers**

**West U Members:**

**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.  
**Jim Ledbetter** asked for prayer that he can find a job. He needs to take care of his housing, insurance, and support.  
**Olga Gonzales** is scheduled for surgery on May 23rd. Pray that it goes well.  
**Lou Ann Taylor** is home and considering options for further treatment.  
**Addell Delony** was in St. Lukes Hospital and received a pacemaker. She is home.  
**Jo Ann Clopton** had a heart catheterization on Thursday.

**Gerald Primm**, of Mulberry, AR is receiving treatment for prostate cancer at M.D. Anderson. Gerald and his wife Sandy will be staying in one of the apartments. Bob Hayes, a patient at MD Anderson, is awaiting a stem cell transplant. He and his wife, Darlene, are from Cabot, AR.  
**Alexander Bobet**, 20 years old, has been diagnosed with stomach cancer. He is the son of Ruel Bobet, a good friend of the Tans, who is also battling colon cancer.



Lead a life  
**worthy of the calling ...**  
 making every effort  
 to maintain the unity  
**of the Spirit in**  
 the bond of peace.  
 Ephesians 4:1-3

**Expectant Mothers:** 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:**

**Amanda Wissman**, sister of T.J. Vera, is pregnant and considered high risk.  
**Claire Evelyn Friedrick**, 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.  
**Roy Ward** has leukemia and doctors are deciding on what procedures will be done. He lives in Dallas.  
**Tom Henry**, Jo Ann Clopton's brother, has experienced strokes and seizures after his 5 bypass heart surgery. He is hospitalized in San Antonio.

**Cancer Prayers:**

**Jeremy Cotham** is out of the hospital after receiving a round of chemo and doing some tests on an outpatient basis.  
**Pam Allred**, daughter-in-law of Bob and Jean, will have another PET scan on May 23.  
**Mechelle Henderson**, taking chemo treatments at MD Anderson.  
**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.

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**Coming Events**

May 15 - Fellowship Meal  
 May 15 - Teen Room Workday  
 May 21 - Family Picture Scavenger Hunt  
 May 29 - Celebration Sunday - Fellowship Hall  
 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  
 August 6 - Men's Bible Study & Breakfast  
 August 21 - Family Luncheon

**Last Week's Record**

A.M. Worship – 158 Contribution - \$5,914.90 Coins for Christ - \$234.90

**WEST UNIVERSITY CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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**SERVICES TIMES**

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



West University  
 Church of Christ

May 15, 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.

**Moment of Friendship**

**Welcome**

#147 I Stand Amazed  
 #543 Wonderful Words of Life  
 #549 There is Sunshine in My Soul  
 #711 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

**Prayer**

**Communion Devotional**

**Communion**

*All Christians are invited to commune with us.*

**Offering**

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

**Children's Sermon**

#189 Peace Be Still  
*(Children are dismissed to Little Lambs  
 or God's Flock during this song)*

**Scripture**

Psalm 133:1-3 and James 3:13-18

**Message**

"Blessed Are the Peacemakers"  
 #490 It Is Well With My Soul

**Shepherd's Prayer & Benediction - Jim Taylor**

Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. Ephesians 4:3

*(Screen Only) Days of Elijah*

**Community**

In Acts 2, we read of many wonderful events that took place as the Church began to take form. We see the Holy Spirit make a dramatic entry into the disciples as they are all together. We read of Peter's great sermon of how he explained what had happened, gave a great account of Christ and his death, resurrection, and exaltation, and finally a plea for all to repent and be baptized. About 3000 people who witnessed the events of this day gave their lives over to Christ, but more importantly, gave their lives over to each other.

In the verses following these great events, we read in verses 42-47 of how the Church community began to form. It was marked by the people devoting themselves to the work of teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer. From these verses we learn that the church was not just a gathering of people who came together on Sunday for an hour or two, but a group that was dedicated to each other at all times.

The church is facing an interesting dilemma right now across the country. Generations are growing more and more segregated over issues. Most of these issues are not even scriptural issues, but traditional issues. When this occurs, the congregations become even more divided, and you end up with 3 or 4 different camps within one body. Maybe the reason churches are struggling more over these things is because there is a lack of community in the church. Sadly, people are more willing to argue and divide than they are willing to devote themselves to each other as the first century church did.

Acts 2:47 says they praised God and enjoyed the favor of all the people. Because of that, God added to their number daily. Will you enjoy the favor of all the people you worship with today? Will you be willing to make that happen more than just on Sunday morning? Can we put petty differences to the side and join together to spread the good news of Jesus to all? Let's be a community of believers, and devote ourselves to each other!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE



We invite you to visit  
[www.westuchurch.com](http://www.westuchurch.com):  
 ☞ Sermon Transcripts  
 ☞ Sermon Audios

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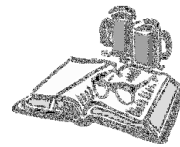
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### Fellowship Meal Join Us Today



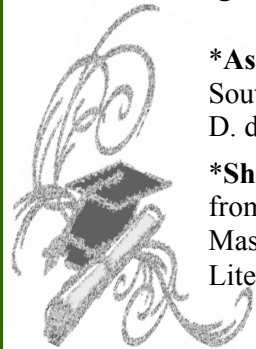
Everyone is invited to stay today and share a fellowship meal in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning Worship Service.



### Monthly Discovery Men's Study

On June 4, all men are invited to a Discovery Bible Study from 7am to 8:30. This will be led by Hilton Merritt. Continuing on the first Saturday of each month for 5 months, we will study key qualities to marking spiritual formation. They will focus on Matthew 5:3-10. We will do these early on Saturday so the men can have the rest of the day to spend with family. Please plan to attend and bring a friend! Contact Terry Scarborough for additional details.

### Congratulations, Graduates!



\***Ashley Davis** is graduating from South Texas School of Law with a J. D. degree.  
\***Sherry Vaughan** is graduating from Walden University with a Master of Science in Reading and Literacy.



### Astros Tickets

The church has been given 20 tickets to a Houston Astros game for Tuesday, May 24 at 7:05 pm. The seats are in section 416. The first 20 people to come and claim these tickets may have them free of charge! You may see either Lane or Calvin, or come by the office at any time during the week.



### 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 where 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](mailto:kerry_lackey@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.

### Phone Volunteers Needed for Apartment Ministry

The Apartment Ministry that serves medical patients and their caregivers is seeking volunteers to answer the telephone to take applications for prospective guests. Slots are available Monday through Thursday and are very flexible. Call Jesse Young, 713-206-8884, for more information.



### A Friendly Reminder

If you haven't completed a Membership Information sheet, please take just a few moments to do so today. Forms are available at the Welcome Center. You may also print the form from our web site, [www.westuchurch.com](http://www.westuchurch.com). Please drop the completed forms in the box provided in the foyer or place it in the box next to the office door.

### 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.

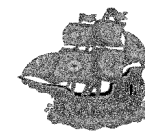
*(Please park and enter through the kitchen door.)*

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



### 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.



### Vacation Bible School 2011



### Register Today!!

VBS registration is now open. You may register on line at the West U website, [www.westuchurch.com](http://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. *Items are need now, so please bring them ASAP.* More items will be added as needed, so if you don't get one this time, keep checking.



### Youth Group News



### 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 through 30th. Please contact Lou Ann Taylor at 713-502-9842 if you are interested in attending.