Blessed is the man who starts each day with zest, who gives the world his best, who takes the time to pray, who knows the joy of play, who sees the best in others, and treats all men as brothers.



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I don't know about you but once the hustle and bustle of the holiday's are over and families have gone back home and all of the decorations are put up we sometimes have to stop and catch our breath. December goes way to fast. But finally when January arrives I am often excited. For one it's a fresh start. It's like the feeling you get after a spring cleaning...Old things are put away or deposed of entirely and we clean up and clear out and start fresh, New, and for me that's a great feeling, but for some of us spring cleaning never arrives we get stuck sometimes and stay in the same situation season after season and year after year and that fresh start never comes. We'll make that your challenge today. I challenge all of us to look at our ourselves and look to make some changes for Gods glory in 2012. Look around at opportunities to serve him more. Your going to hear a lot of more of the message "Good Fruit in 2012", and let me say that Good fruit should never be confused with the world's definition of good works. Good fruit is born in the heart and produces outward into the world. Its only motive is Jesus Christ! Find what good fruit truly is, read in Galatians 5:22,23, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Will you start producing good fruit this year. Lets make that our aim together as we continue to serve him

Eric

## **Worship And Study Opportunities**

Sunday:

Bible School......9:30 A.M Worship......10:30 A.M

Evening Worship....6:00 P.M

Wednesday:

Ladies Bible Class......10:30 A.M. Mid-Week Bible Class....7:00 P.M.

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:**Bryan Cain

## **RECORDS OF THE WEEK**

Bible School:	79
Morning Worship:	111
Evening Worship:	56
Mid-Week:	
Ladies Class:	14
Contribution:	
Weekly Budget:	\$3,772.00

#### THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Scripture: ......Justin Davis

**Sunday Evening:** 

Scripture: .....Ed Valdez

**Wednesday Evening:** 

Opening Prayer: Keith Parrish
Closing Prayer: Joshua Sharum

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**WEBSITE:** http://www.spreaker.com/page#!/show/university\_church\_of\_christ\_sermons

VIDEO PAGE: www.youtube.com\universitycoc2011

**PRAYERS:** LaDonna McKinzie has been in the hospital in Okla. City with her heart problem. She is at home now. Rod Watson had surgery on Tuesday in Tulsa.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Shelley Brennan who received the award of National Board Certification for teachers.

THANK YOU: We received a call from Don Turner who wants to thank everyone here so much for taking care of and being there for his mother Juanita. He sees God working through those here and he just wanted to thank you so much for all you are doing for Juanita since he has not been able to be here to see about her.

# WEDNESDAY MORNING LADIES' CLASS

meets every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at the Student Learning Center.

# **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

- 2 Trena Burch
- 3 Donna Caldwell
- 7 Marvenia Harrington
- 10 Jerry Golson
- 12 Taryn Higgins
- 18 Pat Doughty
- 19 Steve Morris
- 25 Cody Barrington
- 27 Kenneth Gregory
- 31 Jesse Stoner

Search the Scriptures Daily **WESTVIEW BOYS' HOME** grocery truck will be back in April 2012.

Needed items for the boys:

Coffee

Cookies

Tea Bags

Canned Ham

Sweet Cereal

**Green Chilies** 

Powder Gatorade

Potato/Tortilla Chips/Fritos

Non-Food

Sunscreen

Spray-N-Wash

Liquid Cascade

Off/Wasp Spray

9-Volt / AA / AAA / C / D - Batteries

Be sure and look at the expiration dates on items.

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, James Bolton, Joslyn Burch, Donna Fletcher, Bill & Marvenia Harrington, Leroy & Pat Horn, Dorothy Isom, Peggy Leverett, Corine Marcum, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Chesley & Jeannie Montague, Letha Owens, Herb & Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Marie Sexton, Velma Shook, Juanita Turner, Dwaine Zacharias, Erin Bryan, Lauren Caldwell, Mary Courington, Dortha Adler, Johnny Fitzsimmons, Donna Flower, Jason Hamlin, Joe Hanna, Larry Harris, Sally Hayes, Mary Hood, Jean Leverett's niece, Anna, Paige Mitchener, Geraldine Nettles, Sue Peddy's grandson Troy, sister, Mary & brother, Darrel, Adam Ray, Chuck Ray, Brett Ross, Don Turner & Cheryl White.

### **VALUE**

Last Sunday night I gave a lesson on value. I had

admitted that I enjoy shows that show hidden value through programs like Pawn Stars, Storage Wars, Antiques Road Show and American Pickers. I also relayed a story that was once told by a well-known speaker who started off his seminar holding up a \$20.00 bill. In the room of 200, he asked, "Who would like this \$20 bill?" Hands started going up. He said, "I am going to give this \$20 to one of you but first, let me do this." He proceeded to crumple up the \$20 dollar bill. He then asked, "Who still wants it...?" Still the hands went up in the air. "Well," he replied, "What if I do this?" And he dropped it on the ground and started to grind it into the floor with his shoe. He picked it up, now crumpled and dirty. "Now, who still wants it?" Still the hands went into the air. My friends, we have all learned a very valuable lesson. No matter what I did to the money, you still wanted it because it did not decrease in value. It was still worth \$20. Many times in our lives, we are dropped, crumpled, and ground by force into the dirt by the decisions we make and the circumstances that come our way. We feel as though we are worthless but no matter what has happened or what will happen, you will never lose your true value and especially to God. Dirty or clean, crumpled or finely creased, you still have the same value to God. And as the TV commercial portrays, Priceless. That's why God sent his only son. For you, For me. See your total worth through the eyes of the savior because as Jesus said in Mark 8:35.37.

35 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. 36 What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? 37 Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? That is some value isn't it? So as you go about your life this week start looking around you today and start looking at others how God sees them. PRICELESS

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