

Matthew 2:2

2 "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him."

Romans 1:25

25 For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

Reference: Matthew 2:1

John 1:29

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John 3:16

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We want to welcome each of you here as we come to worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We welcome those visiting today and welcome you back the next time you are able. If you are visiting today we would ask if you would remain after services a brief moment so we might get the chance to greet you and welcome you here in person. Again Welcome!

Looking for a church home? We would love to have you be a part of the work here. Wanting to know more about your walk with God? Have some questions? Want to set up a group or personal bible study? Have a need or know of someone who does. Please take the time to visit with us we would love to know how we may serve you.

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Today we are going to use and investigate a word used during this time of the year Advent. What is it? What does it mean? How do those recognize what it is outside of a calendar or candles. We all must be looking for a special Advent in all our lives right now and steadily prepare for it. In short Advent means "Coming" usually for a important person or place. We know that of a great return. But in order to be a part of the return we must have Him in our lives now. Reminder that scriptures used in todays sermon can be found on the back.

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:.....Eric Sharum

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.....Charles Kelsey

RECORDS OF THE WEEK

Bible School:	42
Morning Worship:	65
Evening Worship:	38
Mid-Week:	35
Ladies Class:	
Contribution:	\$3,749.00
Weekly Budget:	\$3,750.00

THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Opening Prayer:Weldon Flanagan

Closing Prayer:Tim Curtis

Sunday Evening:

Opening Prayer:James Brennan

Wednesday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Ed Valdez

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If you would like to see a past sermon you can go to our web site and click on the weekly sermons tab.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER the following who are recuperating at home Jerry Golson, Becky Kelsey, Kim Warren & Sue Peddy. Please keep in your prayers Bryan Cain's father and David Byrd's father.

MEN'S MEETING this coming **Sunday afternoon, December 17, at 5:00 p.m.** at the Student Learning Center for all the men of the congregation to go over the budget for next year.

ADDRESS: If you would like to send a card to Ann Collins her address is: Ann Collins, c/o Crestview Court, 224 W. Pleasant Run Rd., 204 A Belair, Cedar Hill, TX 75104. She would love to hear from you.

SIGN UP SHEET FOR COOKIES FOR-MONDAY NIGHT FOR THE MASTER:

If you can bake cookies for Monday Night For The Master please sign the paper posted on the bulletin board in the back hallway.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 13 - Eric Sharum
- 16 - Tony Salas
- 20 - Dolores Flanagan
- 26 - Dana Parish
- 27 - Kathy Cain
- 27 - Glen Wampler
- 31 - Jerry Doughty

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From the rising of the sun
To the place where it sets,
The name of the
L O R D
Is to be praised.

Psalm 113:3

God Loves A Cheerful Giver

The apostle Paul reminds us that when we give, "Let each one do just as he has purposed in his heart; not grudgingly or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver" (**2 Corinthians 9:7**). How do we rise above giving grudgingly to giving cheerfully? Here are some ideas to consider:

Giving can be done cheerfully when...

- ...We see the needs that are being met by our contributions.
- ...We experience how much good it accomplishes for the giver.
- ...We recognize that we are giving back to the Lord.
- ...We realize that God will bless us spiritually and materially.
- ...We know that God gave us all that we have.
- ...We understand that our use of money is a stewardship.
- ...We remember what Jesus has done for us.

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CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, James & Barbara Bolton, Debbie Bowden, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy Horn, LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Dwaine Zacharias, David Byrd's father, Bryan Cain's father, Johnny Burch, Lena Kelsey, Randy Hill, Kim Warren, Joyce Ray, Dala Melton, Teri Lynn Disney & Katrina Brennan.

EXTENDED CARE:

Jack Treffinger is in McMahon in room A 82 B
Joyce Ray is in Cedar Crest in room 106

In Case You Missed It

Psalms 107:29 He calms the storm, so that its waves are still.

A story is told about a Romanian Jewish believer by the name of Richard Wurmbrand who spent 14 years in communist prisons where he was tortured brutally for his faith and then lived to tell about it. In his book, The Oracles of God, he writes about acquiring inner peace and tells the following powerful story. During a tempest at sea when a ship was being tossed to and fro by the angry waves, the wife of a naval officer asked her husband, "How can you be so calm in such a storm?" The officer drew his sword, pointed it at his wife's chest and asked, "Why are you calm and unafraid?" Surprised, she said, "Why should I be afraid? The sword is in the hand of my husband who loves me too much to harm me. "Her husband smiled and said, "This is the source of my calm, too. The wind and the waves are in the hands of my loving Father. Why should I be afraid?" So we too may be going through a storm right now. But let's remember that we're in the hands of our loving Father. He's right here with us and He's going to get us through times like these. Who do we put our ultimate trust in and with? Only you and I can answer that. But know He who is greater than all the world. He has over come the world.