

A COMMUNITY... CREATED... CALLED... LED... RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

SOUTHWEST CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Special Service on July 5

On July 5 we will have our next table service along with a 4th of July meal. We will also honor Beth and Jeremy Brown who are moving to Lubbock in early July. Beth has been our church secretary on two occasions: July 2001-November 2003 and July 2006-June 2009. Contributions toward a gift for the Browns can be given to Steve Sandifer or Steve Sargent. Plan on joining us and staying for lunch and the presentation.

Welcome Home, Campers!



Campers enjoyed a week at ACU Camps MPulse and Learning to Lead. Those attending were: Gregory Gibbs, Elizabeth Golden, Calvin Johnston, Laura Montoya, Camilla Suarez, Juliana Suarez, Steve Sargent and Stephanie Watson. Thank you for your prayers and cards during the week. Quiz our campers on what they learned at camp!

Fond Farewell

Beth & Jeremy Brown

As the time draws near for our departure to Lubbock, we are reminded of our love for you. You took a fledgling medical student and a very green Bible college graduate and gave them a home and a family. We had only been married for 6 months when we moved to Houston, and that now seems like a lifetime ago! Tropical Storm Allison had just ravished the city and the medical school, and we weren't sure we had made the right decision to come to the Texas coast. However, SWC changed all of those thoughts in a matter of months. We have gone through a number of changes within our church family and our home family, yet we still feel as much love as we did during those first months in town.

There are specific ministries dear to our hearts, but the overall ministry of SWC is the one we cherish the most--journeying together on common ground. We will never forget working on our first Summer Mission with Joe Becker at the helm and watching our neighborhood and city come together; traveling to

Rockcleft and driving 4 ornery teenagers for 26 hours and loving every second; being taught how to play bridge and making bridge night a part of our regular routine; working with the youth of this church and watching them grow in love; and sitting at the feet of gifted scholars that taught us the Word. Our various small groups and ministry teams have given us the gift of friendships that we will carry for the rest of our lives.

And your singing! Oh how we love to hear your wonderful voices raised in song to the Lord! Southwest Central, you possess the gift of praise in abundance, and your beautiful voices open the doors to the throne room of God each time we are together. Thank you for showing us what the Kingdom of God can be--a place where all are welcome, where grace flows freely and where Christ and His love come before all things. We will miss you, and we take you with us in our hearts.

Update from Glynn Langston and Insight International Excerpts from the latest newsletter

- ◆ Near the end of 2008 we heard about a Russian girl and her father who are both blind. They have never read the scriptures and wanted to do so. A mission group from one of the congregations in Forth Worth, Texas, delivered the only Braille book of the Bible we could get at short notice. The girl and her dad were delighted. We recently received more books of the Russian Braille Bible and have sent them to these new students of God's Word. My prayer is that the Bibles we send worldwide along with many Bible lessons will reach sincere, open and obedient hearts.
- ◆ In early January I went to California both to speak in several places, to meet with the head of the Braille bible production group, and also to meet and spend some time with three blind people who have received Bibles. How fantastic to meet with those I had talked to for so many months. Please keep them in your prayers. Some of them face health and poverty issues.
- ◆ The ministry is also now working with John Clayton who heads the Does God Exist ministry. We are helping to get more of his material in an accessible form which blind people can listen to. Many lessons discuss the evidence for creation and for the truth of the scriptures.

For a full newsletter contact the church office.

As God has loved us, we will meet people on common ground and journey together to the higher ground of life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Cafe Grace Summer Series

Join us on Wednesday, July 1, for the Café Grace Summer Series. We'll hear from Byron Fike of Clear Lake speaking on the faith of David. We will also enjoy a time of singing and fellowship. The church is open at 6:30 p.m., and the service begins at 7:00 p.m. Teen and children's classes will meet in their regular locations. Childcare is available.

July is BIM Month

Braes Interfaith Ministries needs toiletries! July is the month SWC has a special collection to meet the needs of people in Southwest Houston. This summer the need is for toiletries of all types. Toothbrushes in individual packages, bath soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, shaving cream — any of the toiletries you may use daily are needed by BIM. You may bring any items you wish to donate to the Fellowship Hall. There will be a table set up along the North Wall. We will be collecting toiletries for the entire month of July.

Mark Your Calendar...

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1
Café Grace Summer Series
THURSDAY, JULY 2
Keenager trip to Lake Jackson
FRIDAY, JULY 3
Bridge Night, 7:00 p.m.
SUNDAY, JULY 5
Table Service
Elder's Meeting, 5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 8
Café Grace Summer Series
SUNDAY, JULY 12
Care Groups Meet
WEDNESDAY, JULY 15
Café Grace Summer Series
FRIDAY, JULY 17
Bridge Night, 7:00 p.m.

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Dear Friends,

We want to thank our church family for all of the cards we received regarding my foot injury.

In Christian Love,

Trudy Bustamante

Dear Special Friends at SWC,

Thank you for your love and support this last six months. Your prayers, cards and visits have meant so much. You have been an inspiration to me. I am doing very well and hope to see more of you soon. I have deep appreciation for your caring and thoughtfulness.

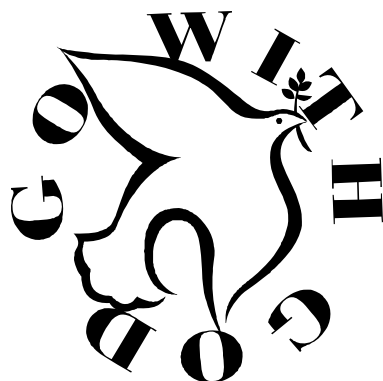
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DAILY BIBLE READINGS

June 30 Psalms 82-89
July 1 Psalms 90-97
July 2 Psalms 98-104
July 3 Psalms 105-107
July 4 Psalms 108-116
July 5 Psalms 117-119:72
July 6 Psalms 119:73-176
July 7 Psalms 120-135
July 8 Psalms 136-142
July 9 Psalms 143-150
July 10 Proverbs 1-4

Family Matters

Frances **Bivins** welcomed family to the service last Sunday... It was nice to see former member Jenna **Cope** and daughter Reese last Sunday... Bobbie **Huebner** welcomed daughters Janice **Calvert** and Tracy **Stewart** last week... The **242 Small Group** enjoyed a weekend of rest and relaxation in Galveston... Jo and Steve **Sandifer** have returned from watching son Kenneth graduate from Officer Training School in Fort Benning, Georgia.



Remember in Prayer...



Dot Beckett, suffered a stroke, hospitalized at SW Memorial, room 610... **Martha Haun**, scheduled for surgery on June 30 at St. Luke's Hospital... **Deborah Winters**, former member, surgery scheduled for June 30... **Beth White** is scheduled for surgery on June 30... **Jonathan Winkles**, nephew of Bob and Carrell Harden, complications with foot after surgery.

Continue to Remember:

Trudy Bustamante... Kendall Cummings... Mary Drehsel... James Fleming... Christin Fletcher... Raydoe Goree... Lawrence McAfee III... Shirley Smith... June Rutledge Tharp... Joyce Toellner... SWC friends & family in the US military... SWC families who are grieving.

Just for the Record June 28, 2009

Class	68
AM Assembly	119
Budget Gifts	\$6044.40
Designated Gifts	\$725.00
Year-to-Date	
Planned Giving.....	\$335,400.00
Actual Giving.....	\$337,447.54
Giving Over Budget.....	\$2,047.54
Other Gifts.....	\$369,123.55

Elders

Dick Darroh	David Pipes
Michael Tucker	Larry Watson

Staff

Mike McAlister	Interim Pulpit Minister
Steve Sargent	Youth & Family Minister
Steve Sandifer	Pastoral Minister
Beth Brown	Secretary
Antonio Zapata	Maintenance
David Louis	Keymaster

Assembly Times

Bible Class.....	9:00 a.m.
Worship Assembly.....	10:15 a.m.
Evening Assembly.....	6:00 p.m.

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