

HCC's Christian Visitor

Hurst Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

May 31, 2009

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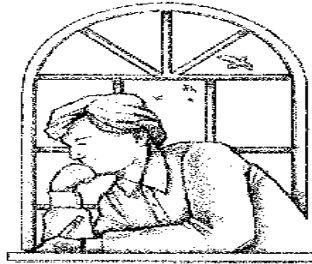
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9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



**In our
thoughts
& prayers**

- *Troops and the Country of Iraq
- *Congregation
- *Church Transformation
- *Hispanic Community
- *Economy
- *Vida Nueva
- *Peace in Gaza
- *Samuel Rudzitis - Friend of Nancy Gage
- *Joy Tullous
- *Barbara DuPuy's sisters
- *All those that have lost their jobs
- *Kristen Carathers' Cousin
- *Karen Anderson's Brother - Marvin
- *Sandra Pollard
- *Lance Morris - fell and has a concussion and broken bones
- *Brian Briscoe's father

Small Groups

<u>Leader</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
Karen Anderson	Sat. 10 a.m.	817-232-9093
Mike Bond	Sat. 5 p.m.	817-571-2929
(Group meets every other Sat.)		
Sandra Hall		817-283-0560
Dee Yeats	Sat. 9 a.m.	817-571-8136
Chris Carathers	1st & 3rd Tues.	817-726-5333
(Young Couples	at 7:00 p.m.	
20-35 Yr. Olds)		

Chris' Thoughts

Aren't holidays great?

Just yesterday our nation gathered in memorial of our fallen soldiers as well as honoring all those who have and are serving. What a wonderful day to remember those who have given so much for our sakes!

It is important to remember special people in our life. The church calls these saints. In some traditions the church goes through a formal process of naming saints such as the Catholic Church. We've all heard of St. Paul or St. Peter haven't we? Of course those guys are in the Bible, but we still have saints around us today too!

A Saint is anyone who gives tirelessly of themselves to others either through work, prayer, support, or other such efforts. Saints are the kind of people that remind us of what we can strive for. Saints show us what is possible if we dedicate ourselves to what we believe in. I have known several saints in my time.

One such saint was a gentle man named Roger Williams. He was a member of the church in Weatherford who passed away just last year. Roger was the kind of person that would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it, though he never asked for any recognition. Roger would organize relief trips to the Gulf Coast and Florida after hurricanes. He helped to organize the entire city of Weatherford when we all thought we'd be getting a bunch of evacuees from Katrina and Rita a few years ago. There were more clothes and supplies donated than an entire army of people could even sort through or use. Our youth group ended up with a bus load of clothes left over that we eventually donated to Beautiful Feet. Roger deeply touched all those that he came into contact with, and I will never forget his loving, generous spirit.

Another such saint that I know of is Adei Greenpastures. Adei is my friend from Atlanta. She is a full blooded Native American, ordained Disciples Minister who is an Elder at FCC Decatur, GA. Adei is one of those people that the minute you meet them you can feel God's presence and the depth of their spirit. She is my spiritual sister as she says. After you sit and talk with her for just a few minutes you have a feeling of peace in your soul.

Saints are important in a Christian's life. They are examples for us to follow and emulate. Saints are not just those that have gone before, but often they are right in our midst. Do you know any saints in your life past or present? Have you thanked God for the example that they have set for you? It is good to remember. Then it is time for us to take our turn at being all that God has called us to be and rededicating ourselves to all that God has called us to do.

Blessings,

Chris

AREAS OF SERVICE

5/31/2009

Presiding Elder: Dee Yeats

Counting Elder:

Diaconate: Pedro Olaque, Clyde Ann Barras, and Florence Aime

Comm. Prep: Kellie Briscoe

Communion Invitation:

Rev. Chris Carathers

6/7/2009

Presiding Elder: Carol Dorman

Counting Elder: Lana Player

Diaconate: Bud Dotter, Laura DuPuy, Belle Madalora, and Michaela Bond

Comm. Prep: Bobbie Douglas

Communion Invitation:

Rev. Chris Carathers

6/14/2009

Presiding Elder: Carol Dorman

Counting Elder: Lana Player

Diaconate: Bud Dotter, Laura DuPuy, Belle Madalora, and Michaela Bond

Comm. Prep: Bobbie Douglas

Communion Invitation:

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TBA "Current"

The TBA (Trinity Brazos Area) Newsletter is available in the church office. Information is listed in the "Current" newsletter about upcoming Men and Women's Retreats.

Pictorial Directories

We have begun talking about a new pictorial directory! It's been 5 years since our last pictorial directory. The photography places are doing more and more of the work, but we would still need to have someone here that would work directly with them. If you, or someone you know would like to coordinate this project for us, please let us know!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP, STUDY, SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP

5/30 Saturday

5/31 Sunday

9:00 A.M. Sunday School

10:00 A.M. Choir Prep

10:20 A.M. Elders' Prayer Time

10:30 A.M. Worship

12:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

3:00 P.M. Grief Counseling Course

6/1 Monday

7:00 P.M. Elders' Meeting

6/2 Tuesday

6/3 Wednesday

6/4 Thursday

Fort Worth Cats Game

6/5 Friday

6/6 Saturday

9:00 A.M. Church Clean Up and Fix Up

6/7 Sunday

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6/8 Monday

6/9 Tuesday

6/10 Wednesday

6/11 Thursday

6/12 Friday

6/13 Saturday

6/14 Sunday

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10:20 A.M. Elder's Prayer Time

10:30 A.M. Worship

12:00 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

2:00 P.M. Board Meeting

Church-wide Father's Day Celebration

Sunday, June 21st

The Gilley family will host a church-wide Father's Day Celebration after the worship service in honor of JM Gilley's 80th birthday and Father's Day. No Gifts Please!

"The Connection"

The "Connection" will begin again in September.

Counseling Services

Brian Briscoe

I am licensed to provide individual, couple, group, and family counseling in depression, anger, anxiety, addiction, and many other issues. I currently run a men's sobriety support group on Sunday afternoons (<http://webpages.charter.net/javajunkies/>). For more information, call 817-907-6937 (907-O YES) Brian Briscoe, MS, LPC-i

Reception for Sammie June 28th

Sammie's last Sunday with HCC is June 28th. We will have a reception to honor her last Sunday with us.

Beautiful Feet Ministries

Will begin again in September.

Disciple Men's Fellowship

Meetings are the first Saturday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

May 10, 2009

Worship 55

May 24, 2009

Worship 52

Elders' Meeting Schedule - 2009

June 1

July 6

August 3

September 14

October 5

November 2

December 7

Youth News

What an exciting time in the youth ministry! As classes end for the summer we look forward to this summer and all that it will have in store for us in camps. Look out for a calendar coming and being on the bulletin board soon!

Camp post cards are going to be out on a table in the lobby free to be picked up and mailed off to camp. They will already be addressed so all you have to do is write an encouraging message and stick a stamp on it. Easy as pie!

Camp supplies needed: The camps need any working pens, markers, paper, crafty things or stickers.. So much of what we do requires these supplies and we need help getting them! Drop them off at the church anytime and they will make their way to Athens and into the hands of youth from all across the TBA!

Justin Floyd
Youth Minister
Hurst Christian Church
(817) 366-5196 cell
Go Frogs

Camps

Camp forms are available on the youth bulletin board, if you have any questions be sure to find Justin and ask him. We need people to get involved in the camps.

Camp Dates:

Chi Rho 1 Camp (completed grades 6 and/or 7)	June 8-13
Chi Rho 2 Camp (completed grades 6 and/or 7)	June 15-20
TBA CYF Conferences (completed grades 10 -12)	June 15-20
JYF 1 Camp (completed grades 4 and/or 5)	June 22-26
Chi Rho 3 Camp (completed grades 6 and/or 7)	June 22-27
Discovery 2 Camp (completed grades 2 and/or 3)	June 26-28
JYF 2 Camp (completed grades 4 and/or 5)	June 29-July 3
Niners Conference (completed grade 9)	June 29-July 4
Eighters Camp (completed grade 8)	July 12-18
JYF 3 Camp (completed grades 4 and/or 5)	July 20-24
Eighters 2 Camp (completed grade 8)	July 26-August 1



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JUNE 2009

Membership Birthdays

745 Brown Trail
Hurst, TX 76053



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Laura DuPuy	12 Elston Hall	13 Chet Merritt
14	15 Keith Jesmain	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Marilyn Adams	23 David DuPuy Roman	24	25	26	27
28 J.M. Gilley	29 Janessa Thompson	30				

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Counter Schedule For 2009

	Counter	Elder
May 31st	JM Gilley	Carol Dorman
June 7th	Elston Hall	Lana Player
June 14th	Glenda O'Steen	Lana Player
June 19th	Pat Reinecker	Lana Player
June 26th	_____	Lana Player
July 5th	Glenda O'Steen	JM Gilley
July 12th	_____	JM Gilley
July 19th	Elston Hall	JM Gilley
July 26th	Sandra Hall	JM Gilley

General Fund 2009 To Date

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Total Received</u>	<u>Year To</u>
			<u>To Date</u>	<u>Date Needed</u>
May 17, 2009	\$ 1,593	\$ 2,400	\$ 45,078	\$ 48,000
May 24, 2009	\$ 698	\$ 2,400	\$ 45,776	\$ 50,400