

Church of Christ deer park

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Shut Down

As I am writing this article, the federal government has been shut down for three weeks. Some are beginning to feel the impact in wages. Some feel the impact other ways. Have you ever considered what would happen if there was a salvation shutdown?

What if Jesus shut down His blood from cleansing us? The blood of Jesus forgives me of my sins (Mt. 26:28; Rev. 1:5). What if Jesus had never died for me? I would be a miserable person. I would not have my sins forgiven. Is that really important to people today? Certainly it is.

What if God shuts down His grace? God is more gracious than we can ever comprehend. While we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Rom. 5:8). That is a great verse about grace although the word is not used. The grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men (Titus 2:11). When Jesus died, we see the ultimate act of grace. That is why John notes, *"Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ"* (John 1:17). Therefore, grace saves us through our faith (Eph. 2:8, 9).

What if God shuts off His ears and doesn't hear our prayers? We want God to hear us. We don't always know how He answers prayers, but we know He does. Peter notes, *"For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and His ears are open to their prayers; but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil"* (1 Pet. 3:12). For my prayers to be effective, my life must be where God's wants it to be. James adds to this by stating: *"The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much"* (James 5:16 NKJV).

We don't want God to shut down any of His blessings on us. Thankfully, we can prevent that from happening. If we become Christians and live faithfully for Him He promises us, *"I will never leave you nor forsake you"* (Heb. 13:5).

I am glad God will not shut down his love for us. We must show our love for Him by obeying Him and becoming Christians and living a faithful Christian life. Then we have the assurance that God will be with us and the blood of Jesus will continually cleanse us from all sin (1 John 1:7).

Bill Brandstatter

Congratulations to Chad Burke for appointment to the Board of Regents
San Jacinto Community College 11-3-25.
See San Jacinto web page for full article on Appointment.

Remember Justin Imel as he participates in the
"Ride to End ALZ - Texas" on 11/8

Mark Your Calendar
(see details inside)

Prayer Page

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Romans 12:12

Sunny Glen Children's Home
Truck Route Groceries
December 9-11th

Life Line Screening
December 11th

Arms of Hope Christmas Tree
Ornament Project
December 14th

Christmas Stocking Project
December 16th

Daily BIBLE
Reading Schedule

Birthdays

Ladies Pillow Ministry & Devo
Tuesdays 9:00 to 11:00

Facebook Page
Church of Christ
Deer Park, Texas



"...but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Philippians 4:6

Prayer Needs & Requests:

Our Country & Our National Leaders look to & be guided by God; God Bless & protect President Trump & God Bless the United States of America; People of Israel & Ukraine; Hill Country Flood Victims; Thanksgiving for release of prisoners in Israel; Pray the cease fire holds and Hamas lays down arms; Hurricane in the Tropics; Gene Barton (Nancy Barton husband) possible heart surgery - sees surgeon 11/10; Justin Imel as he participates in the "Ride to End ALZ - Texas" on 11/8; Betty Hunt (Tammy Imel sister-in-law's mother) just diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer; Sue & George who had a hip replacement; Jeff Myers - neck fusion; Terry Knight has tumor - testing (Dale Guillory friend); Betty O'Bannon good to see her continuing to improve; Dale Guillory testing; Jeff Riggs (Kay Riggs son) back surgery went very well on 7/21 & is much improved & started PT 9/29; Eileen Adair PET Scan 6/6 was clear - next one in December; Adrian Burke as his job takes him to Israel & Traci as she travels to spend a week with Adrian; Copper Kimbrough (Avery Cable Kimbrough husband) still undiagnosed - please remember this young couple; Carolyn Sparks & Marion Hood (Shannon Burke mother & aunt) are being cared for at home now & Shannon as she travels often to the San Antonio area to check on them; Sandra Burke (Jimmy & Peggy sister-in-law) has been diagnosed with sarcoidosis & will continue seeing doctors for plan forward in addition to kidney function problems & is undergoing more tests at the present; Mitch Sparks & Children; Jeanette Prater; Ben & Linda Coleman (all prayer request of Sheri Williams); Stephany Plank-breast cancer; Maurene Martin-colon cancer; Tracy-prostrate treatment; Charlott Wagner still needs our prayers (all friends of Dale Guillory); Building Program; Inmates of our Prison Ministry (600 Inmate students); Share the Gospel of Jesus; Remember God is in Control; A Faithful God Deserves Praise; Are We Faithful to Him?; PUT GOD FIRST!; God Keeps His Promises; Be Present; **Hallelujah! What a Savior!**; Produce Much Fruit; Ask for Wisdom; Give; Commit; Let Your Light Shine; **FEAR GOD!** Practice Our Christianity Daily; Be THANKFUL for our MANY BLESSINGS; We must hear The Word to be saved - **DEVOUR THE WORD**; Hunger for God's Word & Read It Daily; Listen; Keep Our Eyes on Heaven; Love Our Neighbor; Be rich toward God; Actions Speak Louder; Jesus said, "Do you love me?"; Earnestly seek our God!; Come, great is the Lord and most worthy of our praise; Pray Without Ceasing for Each Other; Serve Others; Deny Self & not be Mere Human; Breathe the Spirit of God; Excitement & Enthusiasm for the Lord; Pray That We Know God's Word & Live It & Put it into Practice; Us all as we strive to be better Servants for the Lord, Share Our Lord, Serve Each Other; Love!

Continual Prayers:

Adair Family; Gene Barton (Nancy Barton's husband); Diane Bowman (Tammy Imel friend); Donna Bomfalk (Erin Burke friend); Gina Branstetter; Carole Broyles; David & Patsy Camp; Deanna & Norman Cox (Carole Broyles sister & brother-in-law); Dennis & Mary Gray; Louise Friday; Pat & Hugh Fletcher; Edna Earl Goodman; Deavyn Gordon; Joyce Gray (mother of Dennis Gray); Dale Guillory; Nalin Hayter; Myra Higgins and her granddaughters-Alysa & Samantha Higgins; Justin Imel health issues; Summer Imel (Justin & Tammy Imel niece); Pat Jackson & Norma McBride (Peggy Burke friends); Copper Kimbrough (husband Avery Cable Kimbrough); Ann McKinney (Tammy Imel mother); Betty O'Bannon; Glenda Peters; Bernice Reed; Brandon Reed; Kenny Reed; Robert Reed; Mike Reed; George & Karen Reyez (Dale Guillory friends); Mike Ritter; Bobby Rowan; Johnny Salas; Andrew Shirley (Scott & Erin Burke Son-in-law) heart issues; Jim & Linda Thomason; Lara Tucker (Nancy Barton niece); Sheri & Bruce Williams (Dale Guillory's sister); Susan Williams, Karl Vinson

Please Remember These Battling Cancer:

Tammy Adair; Amy Cote (O'Bannon & Burke friend); Gerald Elliott; Mother of Mrs. Farris (Gina Branstetter friend); Frances & Vici (Sonoma O'Bannon friends); Roseann Hudoba; Nathan Lunday-prostate cancer & Tracy Park (Dale Guillory friends); Jess Williams (Nancy Barton son-in-law)



Pick your Stars from the Giving Tree and fill out.
Have Star & Gift Cards to Church Office
by Sunday, 12/14th

Notice NEW REQUESTS FOR TYPES OF GIFT CARDS
AMAZON, VISA, WAL-MART or H-E-B
Gift Cards

(Please hand Gift Cards to Peggy or use Drop Box in Office)



PEANUT BUTTER & CANNED CHICKEN

THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATE!



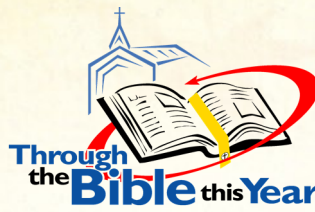
NOVEMBER

birthdays

David Camp 9

Carole Broyles 16

Kay Riggs 28



Daily Bible Reading

November 9 - November 15

Sun 9 am Jeremiah 51-52

pm Hebrews 6

Mon 10 am Lam 1-2

pm Hebrews 7

Tues 11 am Lam 3-5

pm Hebrews 8

Wed 12 am Ezekiel 1-3

pm Hebrews 9

Thurs 13 pm Ezekiel 4-6

pm Hebrews 10:1-23

Fri 14 am Ezekiel 7-9

pm Hebrews 10:24-39

Sat 15 am Ezekiel 10-12

pm Hebrews 11:1-19

Salad Dressing, Refried Beans (15 oz)
Chips (Vanity Pack), Nacho Cheese Sauce (15 oz)
Square Dinner Napkins, 16 oz Plastic Cups
Lysol Toilet Bowl Cleaner, Disinfecting Wipes
PineSol, MrClean, Fabuloso, Small Air Fresheners
Latex Free Gloves, Baby Wash & Shampoo



LIFE LINE SCREENING

will be here

Thursday,

DECEMBER 11, 2025

We will need some

Volunteers

to be present during

the day 8:00 - 5:00

Some FREE Certificates

Will be available

More Information Later



Annual Christmas

Stocking Project

For our Sick and Shut-Ins:

Small items for 8 stockings. (3 Diabetics)

i.e., Xmas Cards, Tea, Fruit, Cookies,

Candy, Cocoa, etc.

Please let Mary or Peggy

know if you plan to participate,

please have your contributions in by

Tuesday, December 16th



TRUCK ROUTE

DECEMBER 9th - 11th, 2025

Supplies Requested

See the List In the Handout, by the front door & listed here:

12 Different Items ----->

By requesting a variety of items they can reduce spoilage & better serve the children's needs.

Is It Possible to IDENTIFY the Church of the New Testament?

With so many forms of "Christianity" today, one may ask, "How can I know I have found the church of the New Testament?" This is a valid question, and we can see why some are confused with over 2000 individual religious groups all claiming to be Christians. However, we can say with certainty that **it is possible** to find the church revealed in the New Testament. As an illustration, consider the following:

I have been married to my beautiful wife for twenty-two years. Let us suppose I decide to take her on a cruise to celebrate our anniversary. Shortly after boarding a ship filled with more than 2000 passengers, we become separated. My wife is a petite brunette. Suppose every other woman on the ship is a petite brunette; am I to despair that I should never find her among so many others? Of course not. Even though many on board are similar, I can easily find her because she is unique among all others. She has specific characteristics that allow me to easily distinguish between her and all others.

The same can be said for the Lord's church. Jesus promised, "I will build My church" (Matthew 16:18). Note that Jesus did not promise to build "churches," but "church" (singular). In Ephesians 5:22-32, Paul parallels the husband-and-wife relationship with that of Jesus and His church. As a husband is to have only one wife, and a wife only one husband, Jesus has only one church. In fact, throughout this text, there are twelve references to the church, all of which are singular in nature:

Ephesians 5:23—"the church" and "the body"; 5:24—"the church"; 5:25—"the church" and "her"; 5:26—"her"; 5:27—"a glorious church," "she," and "her";

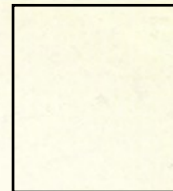
5:29—"the church"; 5:30—"His body"; 5:32—"the church."

If it is possible for me to identify my wife among thousands of other women, though they share some of her characteristics, then it is equally possible for me to find the church Jesus built, though there be thousands sharing some of its characteristics.

—Todd Clippard, House to House



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Serving this Week:

November 9, 2025

Donut Fellowship 9:00am

Bible Class 9:30am

Worship 10:30am

Song Leader: **Dennis Gray**

Scripture Reading & Prayer:

Acts 28:30-31

Prayers & Thoughts for the Lord's Supper:

Sermon: "The Last Words"

Christian Joyner

Closing Payer:

Jimmy Burke

Greeter: **Tammy Adair**

Communion Prep: **Patsy Camp**

Livestreaming: **R.J. Imel**

Stay tuned to our Tithely Messages,
Email Messages, Everything happening on
Facebook Page:

Church of Christ Deer Park, Texas
& our Web Site: dpcofc.org

Meet With Us

Sunday Morning

Coffee & Donut Fellowship 9:00am

Bible Class 9:30am

Morning Worship 10:30am

Children's Bible Hour offered for
3yrs to 3rd grade during
Morning Worship.

Wednesday Evening

Bible Class 6:30pm

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REMEMBER



WEDNESDAY 6:30 pm

REMEMBER WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: I am blessed to be with brethren. I am blessed to serve. I am blessed to learn from others. I am blessed to hear the Word of Life. I am blessed to remember what's important. I am blessed to recharge my spirit. I am blessed to correct my life. We look forward to seeing you Wednesday!