

PRAYERS, JOYS, & CONCERNS... FOR THE FOLLOWING:

KEITH BIFFLE DON MCKENZIE

LAURA LEMASTER PEGGY GUTHRIE

KENNY KIRKER LEANNE HARPER

WAYNE SMITH

BILL & MARILYN FOWLER

CONGRATULATIONS TO LEANNE HARPER
UPON THE BIRTH OF HER GRANDSON
KALEB GENE LANDRUM
BORN ON APRIL 5, 2013
PROUD PARENTS ARE
DARRELL & STACIE LANDRUM

CONGRATULATIONS TO
BEN & AMY HILL UPON THE BIRTH OF THEIR
GRANDAUGHTER HARPER MADISON HILL
BORN ON APRIL 10, 2013
PROUD PARENTS ARE
ERIC & BRIGITTE HILL



Pancake Breakfast



Youth Ministry News



Sunday, April 18th

Children's Choir 4pm

\$1 \$3 donation

JYF, PYF & Chi Rho (No CYF) 5:30-7pm

CYF → College Bible Study 6pm on Wednesday nights

April 21st 12-4pm

CYF will play broomball

At FCC McKinney

June 16th-20th Ages 4 - 5th grade

The time has begun ...

We are collecting donations for our annual garage sale scheduled for Saturday, May 4th beginning at 7am! Please bring all of your donations to the Activities Building on Sunday mornings. Please see Sharon Campbell if you have any questions.



You may also call the church office during the week. We can arrange to pick-up your donations if you cannot bring them to the church. Contact Allison at 214-517-8755. THANKS!

THIS WEEK'S SERMON

Sunday, April 21, 2013

Sermon: "A Question of Plausibility"

Scripture: Acts 9:36-43

Synopsis: I tend towards a rational, thinking, approach to Christian faith. And I have to admit: this week's larger-than-life gospel story from Acts gives me fits. I'm not altogether sure how seriously I should take this story. Did a community of widows, largely marginalized in the Church no less than three chapters earlier in Acts, really persuade Peter, the Church's top apostle, to stop the important work of his mission trip in order to come and say a prayer at a visitation for one of their beloved members? And did Peter, who struggled with his doubts, really think that his prayer would do anything more than comfort the afflicted? And finally, what really are we to make of Tabitha's apparent resurrection from the dead? In John's Gospel we saw Jesus pull off this sort of miracle. But Peter? A mere disciple? Did he really have that kind of power? And when did the Church start thinking it was possible to expect its own resurrection? The Church finally came to believe that Jesus was capable of being resurrected. But where did we, the Church, get this idea that we could experience resurrection, too? And even if something like what Luke describes in Acts really did happen, how deeply do you and I think that a miraculous event like this is likely to happen again? Among us? In our life-times? But then again, maybe the problem isn't Luke's outlandish story. Maybe, the problem is with how narrowly we define what's plausible, and what's not.

Senior Recognition

There are journals in the Fellowship Hall for members of the congregation to write notes and well wishes to our seniors. Senior Recognition is scheduled for Sunday, May 5th. During worship we will take time to honor our seniors. A luncheon will follow for the seniors and their families.

NURSERY WORKERS NEEDED

As of now, we have not hired a new caregiver for the nursery. We ask that you continue to think of those in your circle that would be interested in a position on Sunday mornings from 8:30 - 12:30. We would prefer to hire two reliable helpers, but need one as soon as possible. We appreciate all of our members who are volunteering their Sundays to help us through this time. Please continue to pray for the person or persons who might be wonderful with our children. Thanks very much.

- Laurie Dodd, Personnel Chairman

Special Day Offering

April 7th - 28th is when we collect Special Day Offering. Last year we raised over \$5,500. Our goal this year is to collect as much or more than last year. It is a great opportunity to reach out and help those who are experiencing health epidemics, hunger, and malnutrition. As individuals, we can help by contributing money and sending it to our national missions board. Please pray about this opportunity and write a check to FCCG. In the

memo line, write Special Day Offerings. Thank you for your generosity.

To Us. To Others. To God.

Outreach Ministry

North Texas Area Annual Area Assembly

Guest Preacher: Rev. Renee Hoke **Trinity-Brazos Area Leadership Transition Project Minister**

> Sunday, May 5th 3-5pm (Child Care by reservation—call 972.272.2900) East Dallas Christian Church, 629 N. Peak St., Dallas, TX 75246



Doves Covenant Group

The Doves Covenant Group will be praying for the following during the week of April 24th:

Gale Sullivan Steve & Eve Sutton Charles & Joanne Terry Joni Thomas Kasey Tomlinson Brad & Allie Traylor Loeine Turner

Amy Sutton Ricky & Connie Tallant Fonda Thomas Ellis & Nancy Tomlinson & John Marty Tomlinson Floyd, Teresita & Arnold Turner, Jr.



April Birthdays

17th Marilyn Lawley 21st Loeine Turner 25th Erika Martinez 26th Dancey Caldwell 26th Greg Camp 27th Julia'Ann Ashcraft 28th Mike Harrison 28th Barbara Hogue 29th Kent Roeger

Happy Birthday!

2013 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JULY 13-17, 2013 • ORLANDO, FLORIDA

The 2013 General Assembly theme, "Lord, Teach Us to Pray," calls us to pray deeply for God's direction, strength, courage, and in mission. lt offers initiative opportunity for praying communities of Disciples to connect with each other as the

family of God. Oh, Lord, as we move together toward wholeness, teach us to pray.

