



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

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| KEITH BIFFLE | RICHARD ROGERS |
| LAURA LEMASTER | DON BLAKE |
| KENNY KIRKER | LEANNE HARPER |
| WAYNE SMITH | DENNIS LEE |
| | MARILYN FOWLER |

Better Moms Make A Better World



Will Meet April 28th
5pm to 7pm

Spring Fling Quilt Sale

April 28th

8:30am-10:30am

Pancake Breakfast



April 28th

8:30am-12:00pm

All you can eat \$5

Youth Ministry News



Sunday, April 28th

Children's Choir 4pm

Snack supper 5 to 5:30pm
\$3 donation

CYF, JYF, PYF & Chi Rho
5:30-7pm

CYF & College Bible Study
6pm on Wednesday nights

Don't forget to stop by and
write a note in our graduating
senior's journals!

**2013 VBS
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. You can 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 28, 2013

Sermon: "Heaven Comes Down"

Scripture: Revelation 21:1-6

This fifth Sunday after Easter I want to turn from resurrection and its present-day possibilities, to heaven and its future possibilities. Heaven is, after all, what we typically think of when we think of resurrection, our resurrection. We can't know for sure what the experience of heavenly resurrection we be like, but we can at least piece together some scriptural fragments to sketch an outline. One important scriptural fragment is this week's passage from the book of Revelation. What surprises me is that St. John's heavenly vision doesn't picture heaven as a place out there where you and I finally get an eternal pass to leave the world's messes behind. Surprisingly, St. John envisions the glorious day when the City of God, the rule of God, comes down to where we are and everything which is broken about life here, now, is made whole. Maybe we can begin to think of Heaven not only as escape from, but participation in the sort of abundant Creation that God Creator always intended.

Scripture Link: <http://bible.oremus.org/?ql=233181846>

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.



Funeral and Cemetery Planning Seminar
Sunday, May 26th at 11:30am
in Fellowship Hall

Lunch will be served so if you plan to attend please **RSVP to the church office**

Special Day Offering

We are in the last week of our Special Day offering campaign. So far we have collected \$4,735.00. We are only a short amount away from our goal of \$5,500.00. It is not too late to give; we need you. Please make a commitment to the principles of compassion and mutual care that define us as a people searching for Christ's peace in these difficult times.

Thank you for supporting this very important outreach commitment.

Outreach Ministry



Doves Covenant Group

The Doves Covenant Group will be praying for the following during the week of May 1st:

Paul Turner	Betty Vaughn
Jake Vaughn	Tina Vaughn
J.T. & Kate Walker & Cooper	Bernice Wallace
Porchia Watkins	Ray & Fonda Watson
Nellora Wells	Kim Wahlin
Michael & Trisha Whalin	Mike Whalin



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



April Birthdays

- 25th Erika Martinez
- 26th Dancy Caldwell
- 26th Greg Camp
- 27th Julia'Ann Ashcraft
- 28th Mike Harrison
- 28th Barbara Hogue
- 29th Kent Roeger

May Birthdays

- 1st Darween McPeak
- 3rd Melody Biffle



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 initiative in mission. It offers the 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.

Sharon

