

THE ENCOURAGER



Saving the Lost, Strengthening the Saved, & Serving Others in the Name of Jesus Christ

Birthday Card Showers

Please help us celebrate Chincie Ross' birthday by bringing a birthday card for her on Sunday, September 5th and one for Rose Moss on the 19th.

Divorce Care

A non-denominational separation and divorce recovery support group is being sponsored by our church every Wednesday at 6:30 P.M. starting on September 15th. It will last for 13 weeks. You are welcome to begin attending the group on any week. Topics covered include: Healing, Anger, Depression, Loneliness, New Relationships, Finances, Children, Forgiveness, Reconciliation, Moving On, and Growing Closer to God. If you know of someone who is newly separated or who has been divorced for many years, this group is for them. Everything said at all meetings is kept in complete confidence. Please call the church office for more information at 381-2286 or send an e-mail to tuttlechristianchurch@yahoo.com.

Divorce Care for Kids

"Divorce Care for Kids" is a 13-week program for children (ages 5-12) who are a part of a family experiencing divorce and separation. Our church will be hosting this group of children every Wednesday evening at 6:30 P.M. starting September 15th. DC4K features fun games and activities along with DVD dramas about real-life situations of children in divorce and points children to the Bible and Jesus Christ as their source of healing. Topics include learning about what is happening to my family; facing my anger; how to deal with my sadness; who's to blame; dealing with loneliness; talking to my parents and moving on, growing up and growing closer to God.

Prayer Power Line

The Prayer Power Line (PPL) will now have a new ministry leader. Joyce Kettler has volunteered to take over this important ministry. Look for the new PPL kick-off next month!

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Homeless Outreach Night

We need as many people as we can gather to go and help serve food and pass out clothing to the homeless on Monday, the 20th. We will leave the church at 5:30 P.M. Please contact Gary, Terry, or Vicki C. to let them know if you are planning on attending or if you have any questions regarding your participation. If you cannot attend that evening, they always need help preparing the food that afternoon. Everyone's help is needed and appreciated. You may also donate the following new or used items at any time: blankets, sheets, pillows, bath towels, wash rags, men's socks (crew white), men's jeans, men's underwear, sweat shirts and sweat pants (large and up), women's bras, socks, and underwear, insulated underwear, gloves and stocking caps, toiletries (travel size is best), deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, liquid bath soap, bar soap, combs, hair brushes, razors, chap stick, mouthwash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotions, food (individual snack items), juice boxes or bottled water.

Small Groups

Sunday night small groups will be in full swing again this month beginning on the 12th. If you are not involved, please contact one of our elders so that you can be placed with a group.

If you are unsure about small groups or what is involved, please take a look at page 2 for some information.

Small Groups

Let's face it. Life is hard! It is even harder when you have to do it alone.

God designed us for relationships, not casual connections, but meaningful, life-giving friendships. When we begin to talk about life, faith, struggles, strategies and experiences with others, we go beyond what we know or are capable of and begin to do even greater things, go greater distances, conquer larger obstacles and stand our ground. This happens when we unite with others who share a common belief and begin to pray and care for each other.

This is the purpose of small groups—connecting with others who are doing life together—a support system.

We want to encourage you to join a small group. Both you and the friends you make in your small group will be blessed, knowing that life doesn't have to be done alone.

Small groups generally meet on Sunday nights between 6 and 8 pm. They usually eat a meal together, have a discussion or lesson, then pray together. They may even go out for an activity or service project.

Join a group today and be a part of something great!

For more information or to be placed with a group, call Bruce Long at 381-4318.



Barnabas Corner

Thank you for your kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated. The plant was so thoughtful, as well as your support over the last several months.

Love, Shelia, the Gilmore, and the Ryno families

Thank you for the beautiful flowers and wonderful meals. Your kindness means so much to us. Thank you again, Ross, Jessica, Landry, and Hatti Gible

Thank you so much for the opportunity to work with the children this summer. I really enjoyed getting to spend time with them. I felt like I got to know people at a different level, and my list of family members has grown. Neil and Vickie were great to work for and made the experience more than just a job. Once again, thank you for this opportunity.

In Christ's love, Dana Whitley

Perception Is(n't) Everything

“And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.”
Philippians 4:19

Researchers at Purdue University recently found that when football kickers miss a field goal, they actually see the goal posts as smaller than they really are. And kickers who make their field goals perceive the posts as bigger.

It seems the same rings true for Christians and their highs and lows.

When we are going through tough times in our life, we tend to look at God as a small, insignificant, powerless, or absent God. We wonder where God was and why He didn't use His super powers to protect us or remove the obstacle from our path.

Just the opposite occurs when things are going well. We tend to talk with others about how great God is and how well He has blessed us. We boast of His infinite power and marvel at His intellect.

Strange to think about, but isn't it often true?

Why is it so hard to see our God the same all the time?

Scriptures like Philippians 4:19 are great to read at these times, because it simply reminds us that God will meet “all our needs.” That means that what He offers or does or allows or chooses is right for that occasion.

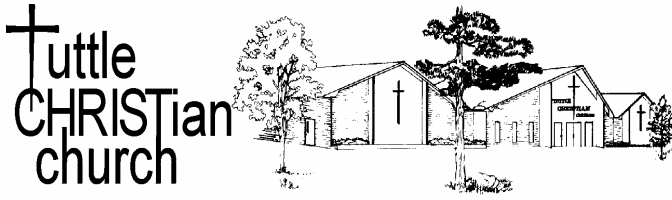
The key for us as Christians is that we see God as being the same, all-powerful, all-knowing, and all loving God that He always is. Most likely, if we see God as being less than He is, it is because our perception of Him has changed, not Him.

Elsewhere God tells us that He never changes—He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

May we never forget to praise God for His unchanging ways, and always view Him as being “big enough” for whatever we need.

Regaining Perspective,
Neil B. Davis

For upcoming events for your teens, please pick up a calendar outside the auditorium or at the welcome center.



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Ladies' Circle

We will be kicking our 2010–2011 Ladies' Circle off with a P.M.S. Party (Popcorn, Movie, & Shopping) on September 11th at 6:30 P.M. Come dressed in your comfies, and we will watch a movie and shop for a great cause. The shopping will take place at the church, and it will be all low cost items and jewelry. All the proceeds will go towards our annual Christmas Store for Kids. We will also be discussing the upcoming year and what to expect out of it. We hope to have a great turnout! As always, babysitting will be provided at the church.

Men's Ministry

Join us Saturday, September 18th, at 8:30 A.M. for breakfast and fellowship. Everyone is also invited to the Area Wide Men's Meeting on Monday, September 20th, at 6:00 P.M. at Draper Park Christian Church.

New 2011 T.C.C. Directory is Coming

We are planning on putting together a brand new T.C.C. address and photo directory, but we need everyone's participation to make this directory successful. During the month of October, Ken MacNeill will be retaking everyone's pictures. We actually have permission to borrow his friend's professional equipment, so we are hoping to have even better pictures than last time. You will all receive a letter this month letting you know when available photo dates will be. We are looking forward to 100% participation from everyone!

Serving this Month...

Opening Prayer: 5th — Kenny Bomgardner; 12th - Bruce Long; 19th - Ronnie Williams; and 26th – Tony Foster
Communion Meditation: 5th —Tony Foster; 12th —Ronnie Williams; 19th—Kenny Bomgardner; and 26th –
Bruce Long

Wednesday Nursery: 1st—Lori Mitchell; 8th—Cheryl Williams; 15th—Ann Frisbie; 22nd—Kimberly Dix; and
29th—Vicki Craig

Communion to Shut-Ins: Brian Carver

Communion Preparation: Rose Cassie

First Hour Nursery: Vicki Craig & Cheryl Williams

Second Hour Nursery: Kimberly Dix, Summer Hildebrand, & Caitlyn Tower

Kid Zone Entrance 1st Service: 5th—Gwendolyn B.; 12th—Linda Morris; 19th—Heather Morgan; and 26th—
Reggie Morris

Kid Zone Entrance 2nd Service: 5th—Gary Locke; 12th—Vicki Craig; 19th—Billy Joslin; and 26th – Michelle
Weisenbeck

Toddler Church—1st Service: Kyra Reed

Toddler Church—2nd Service: Jessica Lingle

Children's Church—Kristie Joslin

Children's Church Helpers: 5th – Cassidy DeWitt; 12th – Andrew DeWitt; 19th – Breanna Lavicky; and 26th
- Tyler Spear

Junior Church—Vickie Lavicky

Children's Ministry Team

First of all, thank you to everyone who came to our appreciation dinner, and an even bigger thank you to Terry Locke, Robby Williams, and Ginni Foster for preparing and cleaning up. As we start a new quarter, I would like to remind all of our spectacular teachers about a few things.

Please be here at least 10 minutes before your teaching hour begins to greet your kids.

If you will be gone on a teaching Sunday or feel ill, please call the teacher that you share the class with on the other quarter to see if they can sub. If they are unavailable, please call me as soon as you know at 314-3658. This will give me time to prepare the lesson for your class before the kids arrive. This will also allow me time to get a sub if I am already needed in another class.

If you ever feel you need a break or would like to try another area of ministry, please do not hesitate to talk with me.

Last, thank you all so much for sharing your time with these beautiful kids. I know they all love and admire each of you. You are all such a HUGE blessing to this church, to them, and to me.

Upcoming Children's Events:

Community Children's Choir at First Baptist's Family Life Ctr.—Each Wednesday from 6:00-6:45 P.M.

Divorce Care for Kids—Begins 9/15—Each Wednesday from 6:30—8:00 P.M.

Children's Outing to the Zoo—Sept. 11th—10:30 A.M.

Wednesday Evenings: Dinner at 6:00 P.M. and FW Friends (3 years-5th grade)