As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men—Galatians 6:10

Congregational Evangelism

— Rob Whitacre —

House to House School of Evangelism (HTHSOE) does not just train a few evangelists on a Monday night; we train the entire congregation to focus on winning souls. The church of Christ was created to be an army of soul winners that work together to achieve its mission. Paul said, "The body is not one member, but many" (1 Corinthians 12:14).

The church is the most capable fighting force in the world. We have the greatest leader who gave the perfect orders (Matthew 28:18). "Go ye" is not just "go me" but "go all." Engaging members of the local church to provide contacts fulfills the strategy of Christ to call "many." Each person in our pews knows dozens of lost people, but if these are not "called" they remain unharvested. Relying on one or two members for contacts is a losing strategy. Congregational evangelism gives us a huge playing field!

Further, for a person to turn down a single Christian is not hard but turning down an entire congregation is much more difficult. When a congregation puts its members to work sending Compassion Cards, they overwhelm a contact with the love. This makes personal follow-up visits enjoyable and more productive. Just think of the difference between receiving one or two cards and receiving 20-30 cards in a week. We need our communities to see the love of Christ in action.

Every Christian needs to be personally invested in evangelism. Every Christian needs a purpose—a mission—training, and to be able to see tangible results. All evangelism should be personal, but when evangelism becomes congregational, we will reach our full potential. A winning army has each soldier, from the cook to the pilot, working together to reach the objectives. Placing it on the back of the preacher, elders, or a select few does not create a functioning body. We must work together to reach the lost and bring glory to God through the church of Christ. "Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen" (Ephesians 3:21).

Memory Verse

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Matthew 16:18 (ESV)

October 22, 2023

ELDERS

Mike Beard

Larry Fisackerly

Joe Moore

DEACONS

Marty Baker

Chris Bryant

Ray Linder

Jason Meier

Jeff Newton

Joshua Pettigrew

Kerry Rice

Jeremy Wilson

MINISTERS

Pulpit Minister

Josh Walker

Campus Minister

Brad Tolbert

Meeting Times

Bible Study 9:30 AM

Assembly 10:30 AM

Assembly 5:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 6:30 PM

ATTENDANCE

| Bible Class70 |
|-----------------------|
| Sunday AM Worship 103 |
| Sunday PM Worship70 |
| Wed. Evening81 |
| Budget \$5,810 |
| Contribution ¢5 752 |

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYERS

- ♦ Ricky Naron has been put on hospice
- ♦ Homer Harris (Roger Harris's cousin) passed away
- Annitta Perks (Joshua Pettigrew's aunt) is dealing with infection and recovering from a broken hip and wrist after a fall
- Ronald Pettigrew (Joshua's brother) is dealing with an eye infection
- ♦ Terry Boykin is at home with COVID
- ♦ Eddy Don Russell is at home awaiting test results
- ♦ Sandra Higgins will have cataract surgery Nov 8th
- ♦ Jim Beasley had knee replacement surgery
- ♦ Bryant Flannigan is fighting an infection
- ♦ Jessi Baker (Fern Baker) is recovering from injuries
- ♦ Laverne Potter is at Lake Village undergoing rehab
- Michael & Daphne Fuqua continue to need prayers after daughter, Marlene, passed
- Acacia May (Becky Rice) is feeling better and has a plan forward

- ♦ Kelly Koonce has undergoing treatments
- ♦ Rebecca Wilson still has optic nerve pressure but the results came back showing she did not have cancer
- Wendy Tassin is recovering from surgery

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Jean Enlow Betty McGuire Pat Turner

Lyndell Baker Judy Purvis Laverne Potter

Marie Wooten



10/21 Tailgate - HSU Tailgate - SNU



Elders, Deacons, & Ministers will have a 2024 Planning Meeting on Nov 2nd

LOVE Ministry will meet November 5th

MARK YOUR CALENDARS TODAY

MIRACLES OF JESUS: Jesus Walks on Water Group 4 (Kerry & Becky Rice) Card Writing - 3:30 pm

THIS WEEK

Ladies' Class - Wednesday @ 10 am
Fall Festival - Saturday - 10 am - 1 pm
5th Sunday Giving - 29th - Giving goes toward building fund

NOVEMBER

2nd - Planning Meeting (Elders, Deacons, & Ministers) 5th - LOVE Ministry Meeting - 4 pm

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

OCTOBER

Janet StaudingerValerie Thompson

24 Jerry Smith

29 Kelly Koonce Mark Sponaugle Ryan Thompson

30 Jim & Barbara Dyson

DAILY BIBLE READING

MONDAY Matt 15, Mark 7

TUESDAY Matt 16, Mark 8, Luke 9:18–27

WEDNESDAY Matt 17, Mark 9, Luke 9:28–62

THURSDAY Matt 18

FRIDAY John 7–8

SATURDAY John 9:1–10:21

SUNDAY Luke 10–11, John 10:22–42

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LADIES' DUTIES

Communion Prep

Oct 22 Angela Naron
Oct 29 Angela Naron

Nov 5 Barbara Newton Nov 12 Barbara Newton

OCTOBER

CARDS

Janet Staudinger

FOOD

Lindsey Baker Jennifer Knight

PENCILS/CARDS

Carolyn Ashcraft

