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First United Methodist Church

4/15/2019

Office Hours Mon- Thurs 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



Alene Bryant 4/15
Melba King 4/16
J.D. Cage 4/23

FORGIVENESS AND FELLOWSHIP

This morning's devotional comes from one of my devotional readings for today. If it speaks to you, I encourage you to pass it along to someone. Maybe they need a WORD of HOPE!

"I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

Jeremiah 31:34

There is no possibility of true happiness until we have established friendship and fellowship with God. And there is no possibility of establishing this fellowship apart from the Cross of His Son, Jesus Christ.

God says, "I will forgive you, but I will forgive only at the foot of the Cross." He says, "I will fellowship with you, but I will fellowship with you only at the Cross."

Why is this? Because only through Christ's death on the Cross can we be forgiven and reconciled to God.

This is why we must come to the Cross, repenting of our sins and trusting Christ alone to save us. Human pride gets in the way; we don't want to admit we are sinners, or that we are too weak to save ourselves. Only when we leave our pride at the Cross can our hearts be open to God's redeeming grace.

When we come to Christ, God imparts His righteousness to us. It is as if an accounting entry had been made in the books of Heaven, declaring us righteous for Christ's sake. The Divine Bookkeeper cancels our debt!

HOPE FOR TODAY

Other religions have people spending lifetimes attempting to reach God and hoping they've done *enough*. Through Christ, God made Himself accessible to all who would come to the Cross. Those who do will find that the Cross is always enough.

Taken from "HOPE for Each Day ~ Words of WISDOM and FAITH" by Billy Graham, @ 2002, 2012, 2015, 2017, Thomas Nelson Publishers, p. 109.

Let's meet at the Cross and find the forgiveness God has promised us and either begin or deepen our relationship with HIM and each other!

May your EASTER be blessed to overflowing by the Holy Spirit as you look at the cross in a fresh new way!

Shalom!

Tom

EASTER LILIES

It is time to have the sanctuary adorned with beautiful lilies for Easter. If you would like to honor or remember a loved one, contact the church office to reserve a lily in their name. Cost is \$15 each



HOLY WEEK

MONDAY APRIL 15, 2019
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (Lunch Provided) 12:00 P.M.

TUESDAY APRIL 16, 2019
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 12:00 P.M.
(Lunch Provided)

WEDNESDAY APRIL 17, 2019
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH (Lunch Provided) 12:00 P.M.

12th Annual Friends of Ceta Dinner

Thursday - April 25th, 2019 St. Luke's UMC - Southwest 5805 98th St. - (98th & Frankfort Ave.) Lubbock, TX.

Time of Food, Fellowship, Fun, Prayer, and TESTIMONIES! \$50 per person - for the evening

All funds raised assist in providing resources to SUPPORT the MINISTRY of Ceta Canyon and provide scholarships so that NO CAMPER will be turned away from attending.

If interested in attending let Pastor Tom know or contact Kathy with Ceta Canyon - Kathy@cetacanyon.org.

If there are 8 or more from Muleshoe & Earth attending we could Co-Sponsor a table!

Tom Carter Pastor



April 3, 2019

Tom Carter First United Methodist Church PO Box 505 Muleshoe, TX 79347-0505

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It's my pleasure to thank you for your recent gift of dish detergent, laundry detergent, and bedding to Texas Boys Ranch. We truly appreciate your generosity to us and your commitment to the children we serve.

Support such as yours plays a crucial role in sustaining our efforts to provide for the needs of each child we serve. We strive to meet the diverse needs of all our children who come to us with a variety of issues and concerns. Your thoughtful contribution helps us to create an environment in which our kids can grow and thrive.

Thank you again for investing in our kids and helping us to better their lives.

For the children,

John Sigle President

APRIL PRAYER CONCERNS Butch and Judy Cox **Brooks David Gear** The family of Leonardo Gallegos The youth and their leaders Flooding in the Midwest Zoe Bankston, girlfriend of Chief McHone's son, has a brain tumor. Margaret Buhrman, swing bed at Muleshoe hospital Tanya Crawford Marshal and Ann Head Susan Kerby is in Covenant Specialty Hospital. Sheryl Morris Tom Jinks is at home in Lubbock J.W. & Gloria Herrington moved to Lubbock into assisted living, Gloria has been diagnosed with a tumor Sally Ellis Larry & Berta Combs Leonardo Aviles, leg amputation Kearney Scoggin is in the hospital Marilyn Nickels, sister of Helen Cook The Women Removing Barriers Sanctuary in Muleshoe for women and children Buck and Lynn Campbell Barbara Mae Blackman Jean Allison Matthew Alarcon, a Junior at MHS and the son of Rick & Rhea Alarcon, is cancer free Winn Cantwell Robert and Maurine Hooten Mary Nell Bleeker Debbie Treider and her mother Joy Coston Marjorie Morgan, mother of Pam Thomason America, our president, and all of our governmental elected and appointed officials, and world leaders Tom and Rhonda Carter Our church and church leaders Raymond Treider Lewis Wayne and Wanda Shafer Gladys Black Luke Siegel of Lubbock Deke Kendrick of Friona, Sally Messengers Mother Walter Marie Boness Molly Anthony of Portales, mother of Mark Anthony Alene Bryant of Amarillo All residents of Parkview

11 year old Ernie Toscano of Muleshoe

Fred Clements

Betty and Dillon Noble



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Wanda Cockerham

Randy Smith of Lazbuddie

Sandy and Royce Turner

Our Military and their families: Brad Henry, Judd Glover, Treg Box, Morgan Young

Sam Damron and Pat Nickels of Lubbock