

Tuskawilla Church of Christ

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Sunday: 9:30 AM Bible Class

10:30 AM Worship

Wednesday: 7 PM Bible Class

Welcome to our Visitors. You are our honored guests. Please fill out a visitor's card and let us know if you have any questions about our congregation.

Serving Today

Song Leader: Jimmy Wilson

Opening Prayer: Ken Lathrop

Scripture Reading: Ben Blaylock

Communion:

- Lead: Roger Weaver
- Assisting: Austin Bruce
- Side: Dennis Furin
- Side: Kenny Wilkerson

Sermon: David West

Closing Prayer: Jerry Sirmans

Usher: Ken Lathrop

Today's Service

- 104
- 392
- Opening Prayer
- **Scripture Reading: Acts 16:25-34**
- 149 (Communion)
- 683
- **Sermon: In the Same Hour of the Night**
- 278 (Invitation)
- Closing Prayer

Announcements

- Troy Vargas' Grandmother, Ilse Steinke, passed away last Monday. Our condolences to the Vargas family.
- **Directory Update.** Please see Pam Lester today if you need a new directory picture. If you are not currently in the Directory and wish to be, please see Jimmy Wilson to pick up a Directory information sheet.
- The **Draft September Service Roster** is on the table in the foyer. Please provide any changes to Jimmy Wilson.

New Prayer Requests

- **Maria Gomez**, friend of Sandy Lathrop; Thyroid Cancer.
- **Cathy Moore**, Fran Goode's Daughter; neck surgery.
- **Lynn Williams**, Fran Goode's Sister-in-Law; heart surgery.

Continuing Prayer Requests

- **Paul Eldridge**
- **Yvonne Parker**
- **Tom Lester**
- **Suzy Wilkerson**
- **Iwana Smith**
- **Kathy Eldridge**
- **Helen Moore**
- **Jenneta May** – Member at Gary and Pat Miller's congregation in KY.
- **Debra Urbin** – Doris Booth's Daughter
- **Jerry Gialdella** – Tom Lester's Cousin
- **Joe Weathers** – Friend of the Lester'

Event Calendar

September 12th - Ladies' Bible Class, 7PM

October 10th – Ladies' Bible Class, 7PM

October 30th – Potluck Luncheon

Upcoming Birthdays

August 29th – Sara Robey

September 3rd – Austin Bruce

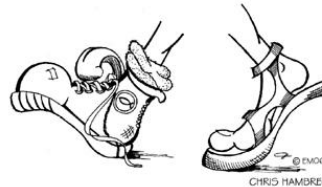
September 3rd – Michael Parker, Sr.

September 14th – Elva Shade

September 16th – Ben Smith

September 22nd – Elka Shade

September 28th – Gary Miller



LORD, PLEASE WALK WITH ME!!

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TESTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

“ . . . we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that you endure, which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer” (2 Thessalonians 1:4,5).

SEEKERS OF GOD CAN HARDLY DO WITHOUT QUALITIES LIKE PATIENCE, ENDURANCE, AND FORTITUDE. That is why periods of persecution have tended to separate the true seekers from the merely curious. Faith either learns how to deal with difficulty or it dies a miserable death. The Christian has no greater practical need than to learn how to handle hardship successfully.

When there is something that we must endure, we are faced with a crisis: do we or do we not have the character to meet the difficulty? But the manner in which we endure difficulty is every bit as important as the question of whether or not we'll endure it. We are called upon not only to bear our burdens, but also to bear them with a Christ-like spirit. We must resist bitterness and resentment and maintain gratitude and reverence. Deciding which spirit we'll have as we tackle our problems is one of life's key decisions.

Motivational speakers have often pointed out to us the link in the Chinese language between *crisis* and *opportunity*. Denis Waitley puts it this way: “The Chinese symbols for *crisis* are identical to those for the word *opportunity*. Literally translated it reads, ‘Crisis is an opportunity riding the dangerous wind.’” Situations that we see as merely “dangerous” (in other words, “difficult”) should often be welcomed as occasions for growth and service. If we take all the risk out of life, we also take out the opportunity. The course of least resistance leads only one direction: downhill.

When we pillow our heads at night, we need to have things that give us peace. Many such things are available, but one of the best is the simple peace of knowing that we've done things that day that were not easy for us to do. If we can see ourselves as people who are learning little by little to master the hard parts of life, we will live with a greater confidence and be able to

serve those around us more helpfully. The ancient adage is true which tells us, “A ship in a harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for.”

“The greater the difficulty, the more glory in surmounting it. Skillful pilots gain their reputation from storms and tempests” (Epicurus).

Gary Henry – WordPoints.com

Today's Bible Question

In Proverbs we read “The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, but the Lord tests _____”?

- A. Men
- B. Hearts
- C. The wicked
- D. The righteous



Answer to Today's Bible Question

Answer: B
Proverbs 17:3