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As I See It. . . By Brian Gregory

Well, 2015 is well underway and things are moving right along here at South Gate. Our annual “Bring A Friend Day” was a huge success. We set a new record for total attendance, 429 is the new mark. I am so thankful for everyone who prayed about this and invited others. It is always such an encouragement to invite others to worship and have them come. We cannot forget the awesome meal that followed. We had an abundance of food and so many of you brought and prepared food and helped to serve, clean up and set up for that occasion. Isn’t it amazing what great things we can accomplish when we work together!

Although this was a great success, lets not overlook the fact we have a lot of other things going on.

- Youth For Christ participants meet each Sunday evening. This program is always an encouragement to our children and is most of all an investment in the future of the church.
- 3rd Annual Chili and Soup Cook off is Feb. 7th.
- Primetimer’s Banquet is Feb. 14th.

Finally, let’s not forget the theme for 2015, “Bind Us Together”. Our emphasis is upon unity, what it looks like, why it is necessary and how to achieve it. I am personally very excited about the work at South Gate and so thankful to be part of it. What 2015 brings for us as a church is up to each of us to determine. Let’s make it great together.

Take A Stand. . . By Joe Macer

Romans 1:32 Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.

Do you know what behavior that God expects of people and is this what you strive to do? A few sentences before today's verse, Paul records a few sins such as: wickedness, evil, greed, depravity, envy, murder, strife, deceit, malice, gossip as well as others. Paul has two accusations in this verse to make towards mankind. First, many individuals know what God's laws are and they refuse to do them. They understand the behavior is wrong and that the end result will be death. Due to a lack of faith, hatred towards God or succumbing to temptation these individuals are guilty of this behavior and without forgiveness will reap the consequences. Each of us should educate ourselves thoroughly in order to know what God wants and then strive to do as he has commanded.

The second accusation is that individuals would give approval for others to do this wrong behavior. Countless times I have heard individuals say (especially politicians) that I would never do that but if someone else wants to do it then who am I to say they can't? Laws are passed that violate God's commandments with the theme of allowing people to do what they want. This attitude puts people into the same category as the previous. Giving approval to ungodly acts is also deserving of death. Christians must take a stand. If something is wrong, we must avoid it and we must declare it is ungodly behavior. Do you take a stand where God has declared his will? Right will always be right and wrong will always be wrong. Take your stand for the right and stand against the wrong.

**KEEP YOUR PRAYERS:
SOUTH GATE MEMBERS**

- Mike Andrews
- Charlotte Attkisson-NHC Hillview Rm. 221
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown,
- Rebecca Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress
- Mary Chumbley
- Sarah Churchwell
- JoAnn Coleman - recovering from surgery
- Athaleen Cox
- Clyde Farris, Hillview, Rm. 103-B
- Ila Goodman - NHC Columbia, Rm. 122-B
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Frances Petty - Sterling House, Rm. 403
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview, Rm. 101
- Betty Roland
- Albert & Ethel Spears
- Virginia Staggs-Poplar Estates 101
- Elaine Whitehead

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Linda Andeson - sister-in-law of Katherine Nicholson, Jack & Karen Raines, James Mullins - nephew of Linda Porter - cancer, Joan Kittrell - recovering from heart & kidney transplants, Dora Bolton, mother of James - flu, Jack Craig - uncle of Lisa Kelley, Mary Jane Primm, Horace Dawson, uncle of Edith Burgess - Hillview, Rm. 102-B, Ken York - friend of Kathy Garner, Billy Oliver (Poplar Estates, Rm. 201) - brother of Corrine Goetz, Evan Rector, W.M. Morrow, Deak Waldrum, Patsy Loveless, Gerald Boyd, Dennis Thrasher - father of Lisa Kelley, Charles Stofel, Joan Van Hooser, Lou Miller - Poplar Estates, Rm. 205, Clara Totty - Poplar Estates, Rm. 102, Jackie McPeak - liver cancer, Travis Jett, Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody, Teresa Warf Walkup - cancer, Shirley Woods - mother/Diane Upchurch, Mark Shaw, Bobby Wales, Patricia Luffman, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Earline Hensley - sister/JoAnn Coleman, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Little Gatlin Macer, Sharon Riley, Doris McKennon - sister/Edna Hardison, JoAnn Anderson, Alice Lovett - aunt/Cheyenne McNeese, Ann Graham - Morning Point, Rm. 113, Jenny Miller, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Paul Jackson - father/Rhonda Farris, Alfred & Irma Pagel, Billy Dan & Betty Morrow, Bella Huey, Clara Griggs-cancer-aunt of Donna Altobell - 202 Nowlin Court, Columbia, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, Anne Bryant - recovering from head surgery (no visitors)

WORSHIP LEADERS JANUARY 18, 2015

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Welcome.....Randy Jones
Song Leader.....Greg Lusk
Prayer.....Richard Farris
Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Jim Pollard
 Barry Cross Jerry Barber
 Donnie Davis John Allen Thomas
 Mike Lyle Chase Thomason
 Ryan Massey Bobby Daniels
Read: Hebrews 8:3-6.....Sam Quirk
Sermon: "Unity and the Restoration Movement".....Joe Macer
Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Randy Jones

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome/Song Leader.....Kevin Mick
Prayer.....Gary Boyd
Read: Matt. 5:21-26.....Byran Farris
Sermon: "When You're Angry With Your Brother".....Brian Gregory
Lord's Supper Presiding.....Tim Raines
Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Charlie Willis

Ushers: Johnny Smith, Duane Allen, Bryan Farris
Greeters: Tommy & Jadonna Hight, Bill & Peggy Jones
Audio/Visual: Alex Jones

Security Team: A.M. Jason Kelley, Benny Bolton P.M. Corey Massey, Greg Lusk

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Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.**

WEDNESDAY, January 21 - 6:30 P.M.

NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Iris, Samantha, Shelby Anderson
P.M.....Connie White, Linda Kuykendall

Song LeaderJerry Wilson
Prayer.....Boyd Wood
Announcements/Speaker.....John Thomas