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# Informer

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## God give us Christian Homes!

God give us Christian homes!  
Homes where the Bible is loved and taught,  
Homes where the Master's will is sought,  
Homes crowned with beauty Your love has wrought;  
God give us Christian homes!

B. B. McKinney

This month we will focus on the make up of a Christian home. Each one of us want our children and grandchildren to grow into Christian adults, but our adversary the devil is constantly looking for ways to take away our children. We must purposefully lead our children if they are to be faithful Christians.

The Lyrics above are from a song we will sing this month as we focus on the family. This verse shares some keys to raising faithful children.

1. We must ask God in prayer to bless our homes.  
- Are you praying for your family?
2. We must love and teach God's word.  
- Are you faithful in Bible Study?
3. We must think of God's will when we make decisions about our family.  
- Does God guide your family's decisions?
4. We must love our God if we expect our family to love Him.  
- If your family follows you will they be with God?

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John

## Another of Life's Choices

Proverbs 11:17 A kind man benefits himself,  
but a cruel man brings trouble on himself.

Life presents many options to us on a daily basis. This proverb causes us to think about how we will treat people. Some people are just difficult to get along with while we meet others with the sweetest and kindest disposition. The word translated kind in the verse could also be translated merciful or compassionate. Our Lord was the picture of all three. He was kind, merciful and compassionate to the people he came in contact with including those at his trial and crucifixion. Christians should imitate the Lord. We are also instructed to have the characteristic of kindness. How we treat others will come back to us. This is a classic example of the Scripture that we reap what we sow. How are we treating people we come into contact with?

Solomon declared that when we are kind to people that we are benefited. We show kindness to glorify our Lord but future benefits may come our way as well. One of the joys of ministry is to be able to help people. When you help people the vast majority of times they become friends for life. If the time of need arises in your life then those you helped previously are willing to return the help. What happens when we do not show kindness? Especially what happens when we are mean or cruel to people? The average person does not just walk away but instead tries to determine how to retaliate. Christians know not to retaliate or show vengeance but people of the world want to get even. Our actions will come back upon us. Determine this day and throughout your life to be a kind person. It pleases the Lord and will pay dividends in the future.

Joe

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**OUR MEMBERS**

- Alice Bolton - chemo
- Roberta Bolton
- Ann Brady
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress - NHC Hillview, Rm. 217
- Mary Chumbley
- John Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- Vera Daniels
- Corrine Goetz
- Margaret Johnson
- Reba Jones - recovering from surgery
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Linda Luna
- Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 111-A, 375-4887
- Jimmy Quirk - MRMC, Rm. 677
- Virginia Ragsdale - Poplar Estates, The Gardens, Rm. 6
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview, Rm. 101-B
- Ethel Spears - NHC Hillview, Rm. 112
- Melissa Stutts - chemo & radiation
- Elaine Whitehead

**Responses: We commend Heather Jones who was restored on Sunday and welcome three new families to our congregation: Marna McAdams, Billy & Jean Sims and Donnie and Jill Davis.**

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY**

Ray Kuykendall - brain tumor - surgery Friday at Centennial, James Garner- uncle of Terry Burgess, Wanda Nix, sister of Debbie Massey - surgery to repair broken arm Thursday at Williamson Medical Ctr., Dot Martin, sister of Linda Weaver - Life Care, Rm. Rm. 210, Bob Churchwell- brother of John Churchwell, David Phillips, Laurie Ann Beever - cousin of Kim Fitzgerald and Baileys Christensen - friend of Kim, Tracy Worley, Caroyln Macer, mother of Joe, Patricia Luna - aunt of Jason Kelley, Austin Long - uncle of Phillis Churchwell, Susan, Alex and Evan Rector, Shirley Sharp - lung cancer, Doug Wilson - brother of Peggy Jones, Debbie Spears, Norma Boyette - sister of Bill Jones & Elaine Whitehead, Roiki Phillips, Juanita Boyd - stepmom of Gary, Kathy Reed - friend of Linda Mabry, Dora Bolton - mother of James, JoAnn Anderson - mother of Katherine Nicholson, Ginger Chesnut - at Vanderbilt recovering from stem cell transplant, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John Mayberry, Katherine Jones - mother of Alice Bolton, Mike Primm, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage - Life Care, Rm. 142, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219, Joan Hermsdorfer - aunt of Robin Weaver, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker - sister/Benny Bolton, Ann Graham - Morning Pointe, Rm. 113, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, Ronnie Springer-leukemia, friend of John & Debbie Massey, David Luther, Jacqueline Potts, Mary Blocker, Mary Robb - Poplar Estates - The Gardens, Rm. 8

**WORSHIP LEADERS MAY 1, 2016**

**SUNDAY 9:00 A.M**

Welcome.....Randy Jones  
 Song Leader.....Greg Lusk  
 Prayer.....Nathan Hixson  
 Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Blair Keeling  
     Ryan Massey                      Cheyenne McNeese  
     Jerry Barber                      Larry Nicholson  
     Eric Hixson                        Jim Anderson  
     Ed Johnson                        Bill Fuller  
 Read: Colossians 3:18-21.....Mike Lyle  
 Sermon: Fathers Who Focus.....John Thomas  
 Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Randy Jones

**SUNDAY 5:00 P.M.**

**SOUTH GATE YOUTH AREA WIDE**

**Lord's Supper Presiding.....Byran Farris**

Ushers: Sonny Hargrove, Terry Burgess, John Massey  
 Greeters: Terry & Edith Burgess, Benny & Alice Bolton  
 Visual: Chase Thomason

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

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**NURSERY CARE**

**WEDNESDAY MAY 4, 2016 - 6:30 P.M.**

A.M.....Diane White, Teresa Lyle  
 P.M.....Sharon & Jennifer Davis

Song Leader .....Dennis Thomason  
 Prayer.....Nathan Hixson  
 Announcements/Speaker.....Greg Lusk