

From Faith to Faith

Granbury Street Church of Christ

Unsung Heroes

Granbury Street's 2013 Summer Series

June 5 **Luke**

Jeff Jenkins (Lewisville, TX)

June 12 **The Little Maid**

Ken Hope (Garland, TX)

June 19 **Great Woman of Shunem**

Joey Davis (Roanoke, TX)



June 26 **Tabitha**

John Dickison (Gordon, TX)

July 3 **Epaphroditus**

Andy Chavarilla (Corsicana, TX)

July 10 **Paul's Sister's Son**

Robert Moss (Fort Worth, TX)

July 17 **Barnabas**

Neal Thurman (Tyler, TX)

July 24 **Aquila and Priscilla**

Ross Haffner (Colleyville, TX)

July 31 5th Wednesday Singing

Aug 7 **Onesiphorus**

Denny Wilson (DeLeon, TX)

Aug 14 **Phinehas**

Jim Nash (Seagoville, TX)

Aug 21 **Jephthah's Daughter**

Doyle Bruce (Jefferson, TX)

Aug 28 **Demetrius**

Willie Alvarenga (Fort Worth, TX)

Shepherds

Sid Carruth
Kenneth Helm
Clark Lehtinen
George Sowell

Deacons

Gary Barger
Jeff Day
Vince Grinnell
Justin Hewlett
Bill Hughes
Tim Norman

Preacher

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Rearranging Your Priorities

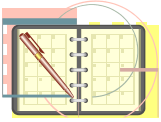
Kevin W. Rhodes

Have you ever wondered why someone who has been a Christian for only a few years may be more involved in the work of the church, know more Bible, and show greater character than someone who has been a Christian for years? The answer is very simple. The first Christian adopted Christian priorities; the second did not. When writing to the Colossians, the apostle Paul said that Christianity implies a whole new set of priorities: “If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth” (Col. 3:1-2). We know this. Heaven’s priorities, Christ’s priorities, spiritual priorities should become our priorities. Yet somehow we have trouble identifying these priorities as we walk through life and following through even after identifying them. And then we wonder why our life does not seem to change that much!

The uncomfortable truth, proven in countless ways over time, confronts us: we do not really like change—even (or perhaps especially) if it is in the form of repentance or spiritual growth. Therefore, our life does not change because WE do not really change. We return to spiritual stagnation and sin much like a struggling smoker, attempting to quit for the fifth time, lights up yet another cigarette. We know it harms us. We know it is wrong. Yet we do it anyway. Perhaps, then, the reason why we have trouble rearranging our priorities lies in the fact that we are trying

to see through the dense cloud of all our *old* priorities. Attending Bible class and worship on Sunday requires far less effort than getting up and getting ready for work--unless old habits on Saturday night or sleeping in habits on Sunday morning still rank above it among our personal priorities. Unfortunately, we like to hold on to our old way of doing things, even if that means putting spiritual priorities on the back burner. We do not like saying goodbye to worldliness and spiritual indifference. However, as long as we cling to them, we cannot really follow Christ.

As Luke records, Jesus Himself pointed this out when He called disciples to join Him: “Now it happened as they journeyed on the road, that someone said to Him, ‘Lord, I will follow You wherever You go.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.’ Then He said to another, ‘Follow Me.’ But he said, ‘Lord, let me first go and bury my father.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God.’ And another also said, ‘Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house.’ But Jesus said to him, ‘No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God’” (Luke 9:57-62). In this passage, Jesus offered three different examples of people who said they wanted to follow Him. But Jesus demonstrated in His replies that to follow HIM requires establishing a whole new set of priorities.



News and Notes

Among our sick

- P. D. Ash, Dale Ash and Cheryl McIntosh's father had gallbladder surgery this past weekend. He is in room 697 in the Richardson Tower at Harris downtown.
- Tom Barger, Gary Barger's father, has been diagnosed with skin cancer.
- Mary Chambers, Jeff Day's sister, has been in the hospital with problems with her thyroid. She was released on Monday but will have further tests on her heart to see if there was any damage.
- Alta Hunt, De Stidolph's mother is in serious condition at Mesquite Christian Care.
- Billie Shaw had problems with her knees and had shots in both plus she had eye surgery this past week.
- Tracy Rhodes' surgery last Thursday went well.
- Larry Thompson had out patient surgery for skin cancer in Dallas on August 9th.
- Sara Wisialowski is in room 413 at Huguley. She was trembling and fell several times.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to Jason, Amy, Linda Hackler and family in the passing of Jason's grandmother, Edna Hackler. The graveside was Wednesday at the Rio Vista Cemetery.

Bridal Shower

Sunday, August 18th, the ladies are invited to a bridal shower for Maddie Hochdolf bride elect of Caleb Norman 1:30-3:00 in the annex. Their selections are at Target, Wal-mart and "myregistry.com".

Please Note

- Saturday, August 10th will be the next Family Day at 10:30 A.M. We will be studying Ezra 4. Bible Search leading opportunities will begin at 10:00 A. M. The Good Samaritan service project opportunity will be at 1:00.
- Sunday, August 11th, 7th—college age youth devotional will be at Larry and Ginger Owens' home after the evening worship service.
- Tuesday, August 13th, will be the 55 years and older game night in the annex starting at 6:00 P.M.
- Sunday, August 25th, There will be a fish fry after the evening worship service. Please bring side dishes and desserts.

Those who Serve Lords' Supper: 8/11

Front South

Neil Stidolph
Rob Stidolph
Tim Norman

Front North

Kenneth Helm
Doug Jones
Mike Harding

Back South

Justin Hopkins
Bill Hughes
Daniel Hughes

Back North

James Hunt
Dewayne Henegar
Doug Kilcrease

Leading prayers:

Sunday AM

Russ Jones

Sunday PM

Don Crecelius

Joshua Haynes

Wednesday PM

Dale Mullen

Joseph McPherson

Announcements:

Sunday AM-PM:

Jeff Day

Wednesday

Jeff Day

Song leaders:

Sunday AM

Jason Hackler

Sunday PM

Jason Hackler

Wednesday PM

Neil Stidolph

Foyer Personnel:

Sunday & Wednesday

James Hunt

Collection Counting

Paul Murphy / Jeff Day / Kyle Day

Wed. PM Devotional (8/14)

Jim Nash



Sermons for Sunday

PM

Saving Your Children
Exodus 2:1-10

AM

The Worldwide Flood
Genesis 7:1-24



Remember in Prayer

Laurie McPherson's parents

Our Gospel Meeting with David Baker
(October 11-13)

Bible Search (November 23)

All those mourning the loss of loved ones

Our shut-ins

Lost souls that need the gospel



Our Records

Bible Class 147

AM Worship.....245

PM Worship 166

Wednesday Bible Class 7/31.....137

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