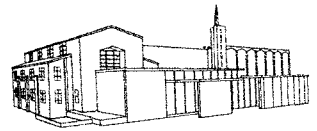




# 16th & Pile CHURCH OF CHRIST



Volume 56 Number 16

April 21, 2010

## James 3:13-18 in Perspective (Part 10)

*Without Partiality.* I'm convinced that so much of what currently divides many brethren is nothing more than conflicts of interest, and the interests aren't necessarily the cause of Christ. Empires are erected for which people are incredibly dedicated and to which they are extremely loyal. Many have put much time and effort into them, so they tend to be amazingly partial.

In the world in which we live, people often take sides on issues because of loyal connections, regardless of what might be right. As difficult as it might seem, we cannot be partial in the process of conflict resolution. We must give things an honest hearing, regardless of the sides or we'll be engaging in folly (Prov. 18:13).

*Sincerity.* Jesus just didn't utter truths and then not live them. We, too, need to be living our profession (James 2:14-26). Too much hypocrisy has been exposed over the years for us to not learn this lesson. A great number have tragically fallen off the precipice of the challenge to live out one's beliefs. It's not good enough just to say the right things. We must believe them and live them from an honest and sincere heart (1 John 3:17).

### Final Thoughts...

Truth will prevail, conflicts can be resolved, but what good can come if we cannot maintain our dignity in the process? The cause of Christ is hurt by our inability to distance ourselves from the envy and strife that often accompanies and/or precipitates our conflicts. May we come to our senses with a love for what is right, and do things the right way so God is glorified. May we never forget, "For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice."

*Doug*

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Pew Packers - 5:40 pm - each Sunday

Ladies Bible Study - 2:00 pm - each Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class - 9:30 am - each Wednesday in Room 4

Friday School - 8:45-11:45am - each Friday

April 23 - 10:30 am - Devo at Retirement Ranch (2221 Dillon)

April 25 - Youth Rally in Dimmitt for grades 6-12 (church van will leave from parking lot at 1:00 pm and return after the end of services Sunday evening)

April 28 - 5:45 pm - Dinner & Devotional for children (see details below)

**Vacation Bible School - June 14-18**



**Attention Parents!** We would love to have your children for dinner and a devotional before Bible classes on Wednesday, April 28 at 5:45 pm in the fellowship hall. Parents are welcome to stay also.

For more information, see Delores Swartz or Doug Young.

## MOUNTAIN VIEW CHRISTIAN CAMP

We want our kids (ages 9-18) to go to Mountain View Youth Camp near Ruidoso the week of July 18-24. If you have kids who would like to go, please pick up a registration form in the foyer and mail it as soon as possible. The Elders have budgeted money in the Youth Fund to help pay for camp.

## THANK YOU

~ Thank you for the many thoughtful and beautiful anniversary cards you sent to help us celebrate 56 years. They helped make our day special. We traveled to see our great granddaughter, Ryleigh, born in Plano, TX, February 17, weighing 1 lb. 10 oz and now she is at 4 lbs. 1 oz. We were also able to attend the wedding of our granddaughter, Candice Cox in Longview, TX. *Melburn & Caruth Johnston*

~ Dear 16th Lap Robe Ladies, Thank you very much for the lap robe. I have sure enjoyed having it. It is sure a wonderful gift from special ladies. Love, *Doris Widner*

~ Thank you very much for your generous participation in our Big Heart campaign. The 61 sets of bath linens for Reagan Cottage which you gathered for us is safely stored in our commissary, waiting to be distributed as needed. Your partnership with us as we serve the boys and girls is such an encouragement to me personally, as well as my entire staff. It strengthens us to know that you think of us, that you pray for us and that you continue to share with us. Please drop by the campus for a visit at any time convenient with your schedule. We would consider it an honor to show you around and let you see our work first hand. Please call me if there is any way we can serve your congregation. Sincerely, *Lynn Harms*, President, The Children's Home of Lubbock.

# REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Kathryn Beardain - 1608 Jonquil - chemo treatments  
 Cathryn Bogard - Farwell Convalescent Center - in hospital last week  
 Jody Jones - 2009 Colonial Pkwy - in hospital last weekend  
 Kenneth Jones - 2720 E. 21st

Joyce Lough - PRMC/Room 601  
 Debbie Old - 1917 Janeway - chemo treatments

**Those with continuing health problems:**

Cora Henson, Essie Judah, Marleah Kirkpatrick, John & Kay Prater, Fern Stewart,  
 Jack Weaver, Jerry Wicker, Ruby Wright

**Family & Friends:**

Pam Brumfield (daughter of Melburn & Caruth Johnston) - chemo  
 Jim Delashaw (husband of Billie Tabor's sister, Verbenia) - heart surgery  
 Ryleigh Grace Cox (great granddaughter of Melburn & Caruth Johnston)  
 Pam Jones (sister-in-law of Kenneth Jones) - cancer  
 Cecil McCain (husband of Jean) - 43214-E-US 70, Portales - radiation treatments  
 Faye McKinney (mother of Allen McKinney) - radiation treatments  
 Ella Miller (3 year old great niece of Darra, Kathy & Marleah Kirkpatrick) - leukemia  
 Velma Norris (sister-in-law of Bob & Barbara Norris) - cancer  
 Jim Reyna (son of Pete Reyna)  
 Dr. Charles Siburt (friend of Doug Young) - multiple myeloma  
 Charles Williams (friend of Jack Weaver) - radiation treatments

**Those in Care Centers:**

**Clovis Health Care & Rehab Center** (1201 Norris) *Leona Helm*  
**Retirement Ranch** (2221 Dillon) *Bobbie Gulley, Velda Jolley* (moved to room 120)  
**Senior Citizen Resident Center** (2210 Mabry) *Foy Bailey, Donna Forsee, Lula Sims*  
*(Lula has changed rooms and is now in Room 7)*  
**St. Anthony's Health Care & Rehab Center** (1400 W. 21st) - *Eva Lee Raulston*  
**Farwell Convalescent Center** (305 Fifth St., PO Box 890, Farwell, TX 79325)  
*Cathryn Bogard, Mozelle Floyd, Stacie Glover, Wayne Johnson*

**For the Record**

Sunday - 04/18/10	
AM Bible Classes	145
AM Worship	226
PM Worship	no count
Contribution	\$9,589.86
Wednesday AM Ladies Class - 04/14	
	13
Wednesday PM - 04/14/10	
	70

**16TH & PILE  
 PANTRY NEEDS**

Jello  
 Tuna  
 Vienna Sausage



April 14, 2010



Dear Friends in the Ministry,

Combined support from special people like you, enables us to continue broadcasting the gospel message. When we think about the far reaching effects of this work, we are amazed at what God is allowing us to do.

A viewer from the country of Oman - southeast of Saudi Arabia - writes in part, *“For a long time I have been searching for Bible study course materials and as providence would have it, I found your programme on TV., offering such materials as I needed. I know that it is the Lord that guided me to watch your programme. Please pray that I will surrender my life to the Lord and also that my wife and daughter will do so.”*

Wow! That letter came from a long way from Clovis, New Mexico, but it came from one who perhaps is very close to finding Jesus and his salvation. It is true that “Key” is seen and heard on radio and television stations in over 120 countries, but it’s exciting to receive feedback from those who tune in to the broadcasts.

Please know, you help make such responses possible. Your faithful partnership in this effort is truly appreciated and goes a long way to assist people in places like Oman.

Be sure to read this month’s newsletter. There are some exciting things happening around the world and especially in India.

Sincerely,

Don McCasland  
For the Elders

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes . . . . . 9:00 AM

Worship . . . . . 10:00 AM

Worship . . . . . 6:00 PM

### Wednesday

Ladies Bible Class . 9:30 AM

Bible Classes . . . . . 7:00 PM

Church of Christ Bulletin (USPS 068-630) is published weekly, except the weeks of June 20th and December 25th, by the 16th & Pile Church of Christ, Clovis, NM 88101. Periodicals Postage Paid by the 16th & Pile Church of Christ, 1521 Pile, (PO Box 1237) Clovis, NM 88102-1237.

POSTMASTER: Please send any known address changes to: Church of Christ Bulletin, 16th & Pile Church of Christ, PO Box 1237, Clovis, NM 88102-1237