

Just Suppose!

Just suppose that your church membership was good for only one year and that your membership depended upon your attendance, stewardship, and service. Would you retain your membership?

Just suppose you were called upon to explain why the church should continue your name on its roll. Could you do it?

Just suppose that the membership of the church was limited to those who could give a written excuse for necessary absences. Would your absence be acceptable?

Just suppose that every member of the church attended just as often as you. Would we need more pews, or would the building be closed and put up for sale?

Just suppose that all who misrepresented their contributions were stricken dead as were Ananias and Sapphira. Would there be a large increase in your church giving?

Just suppose that some parents could look into the future and see the awful and dreadful results of their neglect of teaching and discipline. Would they be different parents?

Just suppose that all those who are so loyal in attending ball games would be as faithful in their attendance of the church services. Would you be more faithful in your attendance?

And suppose that you were as enthusiastic in the church assembly as you are at the sporting event. Would there not be a marked difference in the life of the church?

Suppose then that we all stop this supposing and become dedicated to the high calling we have in Christ Jesus. Our attendance and stewardship would be increased sharply. Many people would be saved from tragic mistakes they otherwise would make and find real joy and happiness in Christian fellowship, instead of the sordid shame in their pursuit of worldly pleasure.

- Author Unknown [adapted], via *The Beacon*, Bellview Church of Christ, Pensacola, FL -

To Die is Gain

If for me to live is money — then to die is loss,
 If for me to live is self — then to die is loss.
 If for me to live is ambition — then to die is loss.
 If for me to live is sin — then to die is loss.
 But if for me to live is Christ — then to die is gain.

"For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain."

Philippians 1:21

- House to House Heart to Heart -

What's true of biology is also true of faith: if it isn't growing, it's probably dead.

News & Notes

NEW CONVERT CLASS: Each Sunday a.m. Bible Class in Room 406. This class is for those who were baptized in the last three years.

LADIES DAY WRAP-UP MEETING: This evening at 4:30 here at the building to discuss our recent Ladies Day and start planning for next year's event.

MEALS NEEDED: For Keith & Elaine McClung while Elaine recovers from a broken ankle. Sign-up sheet on the desk.

CARE & SHARE BEARS: Each Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. All ladies are welcome to participate in this activity to make stuffed bears for kids. Ability to sew not required.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDIES: Each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. All the men are encouraged to take part in this class. **This class will be suspended for the summer months: June, July, and August.**

MEMBER SURVEYS NEED RETURNED: By this Wednesday, May 30th.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Next Saturday, June 2nd, 8:00 a.m. at Connie's Corner unless announced otherwise.

GRADUATION PARTY: For Austin Haught next Saturday, June 2nd, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Building. Hosted by Skip and Sue Haught. All are invited.

FELLOWSHIP DINNER: Next Sunday, June 3rd at about noon at the Fellowship Building, followed by our early afternoon service at 2:00 p.m. at the church building.

CHESTER'S AREA-WIDE SING: Friday, June 8th, 7:00 p.m. Refreshments to follow at the Fellowship Building.

FOX NURSING HOME DEVOTIONAL: Due to a military event at Fox on Saturday, June 2nd, 2:30 p.m., our devotional has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 9th.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE'S BANQUET: Saturday, June 16th.

CHESTER'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: June 18-22, 7:00 p.m. Adult class teacher: Larry Lemasters.

MEMBER VISITS: Our Elders and Minister are making visits to get to know the members better. Schedule a visit here at the building or in your home by signing the sheet on the desk, or arrange an appointment by talking to Rico. Otherwise, expect an impromptu visit.

PANTRY: Cereal & crackers.

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS & CARDS: **Cindy Moore** (Pat Allison's cousin). Cindy has bone cancer. Her address: 2760 Craig Circle, Fullerton, CA 92835.

SICK & SHUT-IN: AT HOME: Elaine McClung, Charlie Delong, David McCoy, Bill & Carol Stillwell, Russell Martin, Blondenia Orr, Doris Dunham, Alex Harless. **FOX NURSING HOME:** Mary Jane Bowers (Room 19), Mary Nelson. **CROSSROADS:** Sarah Miller. **CALCUTTA HEALTH CARE:** Ella Beagle. **AUBURN NURSING HOME, SALEM, OH:** Jim Mick. **IN FLORIDA:** Ilene Rayl.