



VOICE

BETTA VIEW

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November 25, 2018

Today:

“Geared for Growth – Jesus As The Pattern For Everything”

Tonight:

Youth Devo at the West Farm for all kids & teens – 3pm. 810 Fish Hatchery Road

Wednesday:

Singing Night

Saturday:

*Work Day for Christmas Parade Float
10am*

Contact Elder for November – Fred Denney

Order of Worship

Welcome -Announcements

Call To Worship

Song #: A Shield About Me

Prayer - Marty Livingston

Song Leader: Shaun Stancil

Song #470: Victory In Jesus

Song #359: I Love The Lord (1,2,3)

Communion & Offering

Song #18: Faithful Love (1,2)

Song #: Amazing Grace—My Chains Are Gone

Children dismiss to Children's Bible Hour

Scripture Reading: Tyreic Foster

Message: Josh Lifford

Song #943: Do You Know My Jesus (1,3)

Closing Song

Song #535: The Glory-Land Way (1)

Prayer - Duane Stephens

***“Give Thanks To The Lord, For He Is Good;
His Love Endures Forever.”***

Growth Is Hard, But Not Impossible

As we look around at what is taking place within Christianity, we see a major shift within just about every flavor of Christianity. Some are growing at rapid paces while others are declining even faster. Whether you agree or disagree isn't relevant, the facts are clear. One of my favorite quotes is "Documentation beats conversation." This is a stated truth that is undebatable. We can "sit and discuss" all we like, while others "go and do." Which one do you believe will be most successful?

Growth is hard because growth means that we have come to the realization that what we've been doing simply isn't "cutting the mustard" anymore. In order to grow, we will have to stretch ourselves mentally first. What I mean by that is we will have to evaluate current ideas and understandings against what Jesus actually demonstrates to us in His written word. After we have done so, then we must consider the times we are living in and realize that since we live in a different world than what people did in 1900's that the same things they did won't help us much in our age of information and technology. We live in such a diverse world that if we do not bring ourselves up to speed we will be "left behind." All it takes is for one generation or two to disappear and if that generation is not replaced with new blood the inevitable is in order. Therefore, as you can already see, growth demands adjustments and adjustments mean change.

What Kind of Change?

The first thing on the minds of many when they hear the word change is to automatically resort to "liberalism." I would like to address that elephant in the room at the beginning of this series concerning growth. To me, when I hear this, my thoughts immediately take me down the path where nothing is done because of fear. Let me explain. When our first thoughts are "liberalism", above the reality, generally one of two things can be assessed about the person stating the concern, 1.

A lack of understanding concerning what real liberalism is, and 2.

They have the "slippery slope" mentality which leads them to believe that "if we do this, then that will soon follow." Thus, it is fear that controls them rather than truth. As disciples of Christ, we are called to let love, not fear be our controller (see 1 John 4:18).

Let's look at the kind of liberalism we should avoid at all costs.

Post-modern "Theological Liberalism".

This type of reasoning rejects the most important tenants of our faith and that is the "inspiration of the Bible, the doctrine of God as one divine being manifest as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the authoritative nature of Scripture as a whole." Theological liberalism allows for a person to do whatever an individual may wish without thought or consequence.

Sadly, many see something as being liberal only because of it being different than what we have been "used to." This is not liberalism.

This is seeing the reality and making the necessary adjustments in order to inhibit growth among our people in the time we live in.

It is my prayer that you will take the time and give these thoughts the ample consideration they deserve and come to the realization that yes, growth is indeed hard, but not impossible. We must be willing to stretch our minds and develop ourselves into the kind of people who put Jesus at the center of everything and make our judgments solely on what would make him most happy. In the end, that is the only thing that truly matters.

— Josh

Upcoming Events



November 27: Polar Express work night—6:30pm

November 28: Singing Night

November 29th: Polar Express work night—6:30pm

December 1: Work Day for Christmas Parade Float—anyone that can help please be here at 10am

December 4: Work Day for Parade Float

December 5: Work Day for Parade Float

December 3: Family Christmas Party beginning at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. Members please bring finger foods, sweets and drinks. Everyone will need to bring a wrapped Christmas gift (limit \$10). Kids 0-6th grade will do a gift exchange and 7th grade to Adult will do a gift exchange. If you have any questions, please see Nicole or Andi.

December 6: Oxford Christmas Parade 5:30pm—BVH will have a float in the parade to promote our Polar Express event. We need members to help decorate the float and to also be in the parade to hand out Golden Tickets. See Nicole with questions.

December 8: Teen Progressive Dinner

December 10: Polar Express work night—6:30pm

December 11: Polar Express work night—6:30pm

December 13: Polar Express work night—6:30pm

December 14: POLAR EXPRESS—A COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVENT—6pm in the Fellowship Hall! We need your help—sign up on the sheets in the foyer today!

December 18: Ladies Christmas Party hosted by Michele & Kesley Williams at the home of Michele Williams. ALL ladies invited. Please see Michele for details.

December 19: Children's Christmas Program

December 19: Deadline to turn in food items for Christmas food boxes.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

11/27—Shelly Painter

11/28—Cartrica Foster, M/M Lester Behel

11/29—Kenneth Newman, M/M James Mitchell

11/30—Pam James, Brodie Cobb

Remember in Prayer. . .



Friends & Family. . .

Joan Gann (mother of Donna Waits) slipped and fell.
Judy Chaffin (co-worker of Elton Carter) has been diagnosed with cancer.

Wayne Thrasher (friend of Wayne & Gail Carden) has been diagnosed with cancer.

POLAR EXPRESS WORK DAYS THIS WEEK

-Tuesday, November 27th @ 6:30pm

-Thursday, November 29th @ 6:30pm

-Christmas Parade Float Work Day, Saturday,
December 1st @ 10:00am

See Nicole for further details.

CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES

Items Needed:

Boxed Au Gratin or Scalloped Potatoes, Canned Sweet Potatoes, Family Size Mac 'n Cheese, Dry Beans, Bread Mixes, Sugar, Tea Bags, Oil, Cake, Icing, Canned Vegetables, Boxed Hot Chocolate, Boxed Candy Canes, Dry Cookie Mix.

Please leave on the food table outside the office area. Deadline is December 19th. Thank you!

POLAR EXPRESS: ITEMS NEEDED

We need members to start bringing in individual size bags of chips, packaged cookies, and mini bottles of water (leave in the kitchen). Also, there is a sign-up sheet for treats that will be need to be delivered on December 13th—cookies, brownies, cupcakes, fresh whole fruit (bananas, apples, halo oranges). If you have any questions, please see Nicole or Andi. Thank you for your help!

Those Privileged to Serve:

November 2018

Song Leaders:

25th – Shaun Stancil

AM: Opening Prayer

25th: Marty Livingston

Closing Prayer

Duane Stephens

PM: Opening Prayer

5th: Rusty Stephens

Closing Prayer

Nathaniel Maffett

Those to Serve at the Lord's Table:

Presiding:

25th – Jamie Burgess

Assisting:

Duane Stephens, Bailey Livingston, Ted Haynes, Kellen Foster,
Jim Denney, Calvin Phillips, Britt Parker, Matt Smith

Ushers:

Jay Willingham, Kenny Stratton, David Stancil, Jacob Reaves

Little Lambs:

25th: Brittany Denney & Marissa Briley

Greeters:

West Entrance: Linda Carter & Glenda Reaves

East Entrance: James & Linda Galbreath

Main Foyer: Harold & Pattie Bean, Wayne & Gail Carden

Security Duty:

25th: Jay Painter & Russell Johnston

Prepare Communion: Shelly Painter

Secure Building: Eddie Jennings

Youth Activity Host: David & Kathy West

Contact Elder: Fred Denney

If you are unable to serve please contact **Brian Forbus @ 256-831-2471.**

Backpack Food Items Needed:

-Soup On The Go Cups

-Pop-top plastic cup meals

-Any type microwavable container soups

-Individual size boxed raisins

Wednesday Night Devos

We need men to sign up to lead the devotionals on Wednesday nights. If you can help out with this one week, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer!

BVH Leaders

Elders:

Kevin Briley
Elton Carter
Fred Denney
Brian Forbus
James Lindsey

Deacons:

James Galbreath
(Food Ministry, Grounds)
Eddie Jennings
(Homebuilders, Young Adult Activities,
Baptistery, Attendance)
Marty Livingston
(Youth, Office Administration, Widows
Needs)
Forester Tillson
(Worship Sound / Audio)
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Kenny Stratton
(Finance)

Preaching Minister:

Joshua Lifford

Children's Ministry

Activities Coordinator:

Eric Ishee

Youth & Family Minister:

Jake Baker

Service Times:

Sunday

Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:30 a.m.

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Morning Study: 10:00am-

11:00am

Bible Study: 6:30 p.m.

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Returning to a _____

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Think with me...

The Jesus _____

Jesus taught with a Father Directed

His Father Driven Purpose Defined
His _____

Final Remarks

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