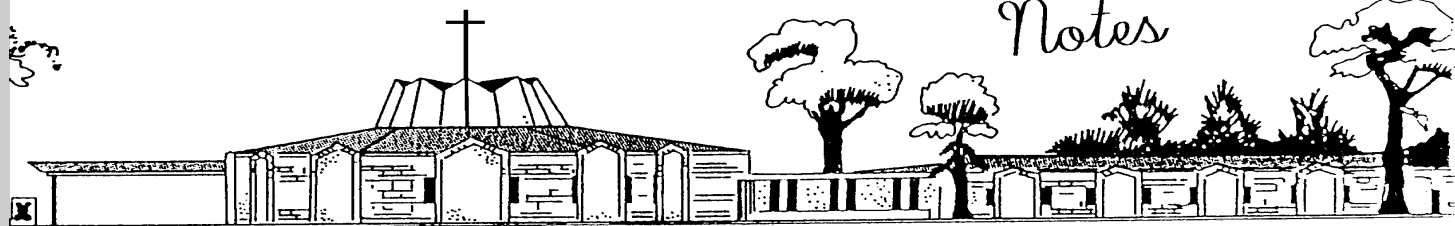


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Church School: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10:50 a.m.

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Rev. Don Joseph, Minister

March 25, 2005

NOTE FROM DON

I have to admit; the one thing I probably like more than anything else in the world is being a dad. When Kelsey was a young child, I got to explain to her how just about everything in the universe worked. I was the “go to” man for all information. I even remember when she asked me to explain the rules of baseball. I emptied our den of all the furniture and set up dog food cans for bases and used soup cans for players. She picked it up pretty well as she ran the bases in the den while we watched the Astros beat the Braves on TV. Life was grand and I felt like a king! Now she’s 15 years old and she’s running all over town. She’s on the computer talking to her friends for what seems to be forever. And instead of feeling like a king, I feel like a hoot howl. I’m always looking at her saying, “Who is this?” or “Who is that?” “Who are you talking to on the computer?” and of course I throw in the occasional, “Where are you going?” just for good measure. Don’t get me wrong. Kelsey is a wonderful girl with a great heart! And after working with youth for 18 years it’s not that I didn’t know this day was coming. I did, and I’ve been praying for a good youth minister for her, for her entire life. I just believe life was a lot more “comfortable” when I was the “go to” man and I felt like a *king* instead of constantly wondering what the next day or hour might hold.

I wonder if those were some of the same thoughts that the disciples had after Jesus was crucified on Friday and they went into hiding for fear that they might be killed as well. Their thoughts may have been how they liked it better when the people were trying to find them because of the great things they heard. How they would push in from all sides just to get a glimpse at the Master. How they were fascinated when the loaves and fish never ran out, the people loved Him. And how they thought He would be King. They thought Jesus would bring in the new kingdom that they had waited for for so long. They knew He was the One!

In the next day or so they would find out that their Friend had overcome death. He had risen from the dead. Their lives would never be the same again. In a short time, Jesus would commission them to take the Gospel to all the world, and all but one of them would die a martyr. Every one of them boldly preaching the Gospel of Christ, never knowing what the next day would bring. So, I won’t be concerned about what tomorrow will bring. I’ll just celebrate what I do know, the love

of God and the power of His resurrection. Happy Easter.

In His Grip, *DON*

Easter Egg Hunt/Services



Don’t forget about our Easter Egg Hunt and the two Easter Services on March 27! The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 26 @ Northwood. On March 27, our Early Easter Service will begin at 8:30 a.m. followed by the normal 10:50 service. A breakfast will be held in between.

Welcome Newest Members

Northwood Christian Church is thrilled to welcome Mark, LeAnn, Song, and Moriah Wallace and Marcus Cooper as the newest members of our church family. We cannot wait for all of the wonderful times to come that we will share with them!

Cabinet/Functional Committees

On Wednesday, March 30, the Pastor’s Cabinet will meet at 6:00 p.m. @ Northwood. The meeting will be followed by the Functional Committees, which will meet at 7:00 p.m.

Newsletter Deadline

In case you weren’t aware, the newsletters have been going out every other Friday due to some scheduling conflicts. Therefore, if you have an article that you would like to put in the newsletter, please get it to us by 12:00 p.m. on the Wednesday of newsletter week. Either call, e-mail to: nwcc@cyberscope.net, or stop by and give it to us. Thanks!

CMF/CWF April Calendar

- **April 13:** The **CWF Executive Meeting** will be held @ Northwood beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- **April 15:** The **CWF Seekers Group** will meet @ Northwood at 10:00 a.m.
- **April 18:** The **CMF Group** will meet at 7:00 p.m. @ Northwood.
- **April 20:** The **CWF Adventure Group** will meet at the home of Diana Schneider at 7:00 p.m.

Elders/Board Meetings

- The Elders Meeting is scheduled on April 9 at 10:00 a.m.
- The Church Board will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13.

Freewheelers' Lunch

The Freewheelers will be meeting for lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, April 11. We hope to see all of them there!

Northwood Website

Don't forget to check out Northwood's website: northwood-christian.org. Bruce has added some cool features including a newsletter section and pictures from recent events.

Fellowship Dinner

We will be having a Fellowship Dinner on Sunday, April 17 after the service. We hope that you can join us for some great food!

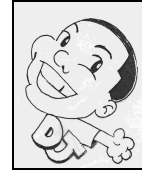
A.D. Players

The A.D. Players will be performing at the Jefferson Theatre on Sunday, April 10 at 3:00 p.m. Stop by and see them if you can!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

5 Beverly Parks
6 Chris Gillikin
8 Craig Mercer
11 Mae Pearl Ernst
15 Jean Green
20 Kirk and Drew Morris
22 Lula Bordeman
24 Joe Beavers
27 Terry Mahan
27 Karen Young
29 Grant Waguspack

YOUTH SIDE OF THE PAGE



Youth Activities

- **Sundays:** Youth Group at 4:00 p.m. in the Activity Building.
- **Wednesdays:** OYC meets in the Activity Building at 4:30 p.m. You can bring homework (which doesn't happen too often) and snacks to munch on.
- **Thursdays:** The Young Adult Group meets for Bible study at 7:00 p.m. in the Activity Building. All College students are invited to come!

Upcoming Events and Rallies

- April 9-10: Spring Rally
- June 5-11: CYF Camp
- June 19-25: Brownwood

Spring Rally is coming up soon so mark your calendars!

Portraits

Don't forget that D.J. is still doing portraits! Remember that anyone can have a portrait done. call the church or speak with D.J. if you are interested in having a picture drawn.

Random Thought



How do you write zero in Roman numerals?

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