



Prime Times

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Happy New Year to all my church family! We had the joy of seeing all our children and grandchildren over the holidays. I was determined that I was going to be like "vanilla ice cream and go with anything" not giving advice to them. I pretty much accomplished my goal of "keeping my thoughts to myself" by praying "Lord, these are the people that I pray for every day and you know they don't listen to me. Help me Father!" My only loss was my tongue chewed in half! I did **hand deliver my testimony with their Christmas money.** They read it and gave me a hug, so I encourage you to write yours and hand it out if you haven't already done so. Just to be on the safe side, I put a copy in the back of my Bible in case they can't find the one I gave them.

According to Shelby Next, we have 759 church members that are over 55 years old and are part of our Primetime Ministry. We need a Primetime Director who lives closer to our church and can attend meetings and activities, represent us and is willing to expand the ministries of such a large portion of our membership. When I accepted this leadership, it was my hope that when we satisfied our debt on the Forward By Faith remodel that we could afford to hire a part time or full time Pastor for Seniors. At that time Pastor Wheat and all our Staff met with me and assured me that they ALL worked for Primetime. True to their word, they have all been wonderful and when Sharon Hawk and Frank Brookshire came on board it was even better. I think we all appreciate JD Templeton, he is really a great guy and helps out with anything we need and will not say NO to anyone. So, you are probably wondering, what does the Director do? It used to be more, but I have let some things slip and that is the reason I am retiring.

I write this column 9 times a year, which for someone like me is no easy task. I never know what to write

about, but praise God, He quickens my Holy Spirit and you are all so kind to never complain about my ramblings. I try to help Sherry and Danny Rhoten, our wonderful editors, with pictures and ideas for the Newsletters.

My responsibility is the 4 Primetime Dinners, and this is my favorite duty. I give a sign-up sheet to the Sunday School classes and they pass it out and it comes back full of volunteers. I usually get "Oh no, Is it our time to host again?", but they always come through. I can always count on Larry Danks for a program, but I have to come up with a program each time. If we were Catholics, we could play Bingo!

We have 3 Nursing Home Ministries currently and could have more if we could get more help. I inherited Brookdale and I wish **I could find a Bible Study group to take it over from me.** The Pilgrims of Faith ladies have lunch each month and meet at Hilltop Nursing Home before that lunch. It is a sweet time with the Hilltop residents, and I believe it has **blessed our class and made us closer.** Really, it only takes as **few as six to make up a ministry** and we sing songs, have a devotional and visit our members in their rooms and pray with them. **One hour, once a month for a personal blessing! Pray about it and let me know.**

In closing, if you are in the Choir and need to be at the Wednesday night supper, come to Judy Brookshire's feast to fellowship, live close to the church and have enthusiasm for serving, please let JD or me know. I really need to be fired because there is so much more that can be done with this very important ministry!



The Agape Class
by Susan Lesser



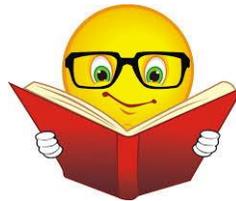
Hello from the Agape Class! Christmas and New Years have come and gone, and winter is upon us. I love snow (just not to drive in)! We're all looking forward to seeing what God has planned for us this coming year. Miracles and blessings surround us every day.

We bid farewell to Ken and Susan Brown who moved to Cibolo to be nearer family. They were faithful teachers and friends for 14 years in our class. We will miss seeing them around the church.

Mike and Patsy Mullens have brought a good discussion format to our group and we appreciate them so much! We're studying James (verse by verse). Patsy has been having some health issues and pain over the past 5 years and we're praying for a good resolution soon. The Tolmans are ailing and that slows getting the house ready to sell. Eva Drost and Maxine Burleson moved into Brookdale in December. Eva drives the pair of them to Sunday School. We're so glad to see them back. We've had several visitors lately, including Patsy's mom Beth Powell who just had a birthday. J B & Rosemary Oswalt have been able to come due to Phiona Mayanja's faithfulness in bringing them. Phiona takes care of the Heart & Stone house where they live. We're praying for Debi Gee's recovery from a stroke – Debi is Bob & Fay Eure's daughter. Karen Maddox has been battling rheumatoid arthritis and is still very stiff and sore.

Norma Daniel has been painting again! Her chosen medium is watercolor, but she has been doing pet portraits in acrylic paints recently. Those of us who are pet parents really appreciate these portraits. Ask me – I'll be happy to show you a photograph of Sofia's portrait!

Luncheons resume in February when the gym floor has been finished. We meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month. We have the best cooks in the church!



The Library Ladies!
by Susan Lesser and
Rebecca Hopkins

Happy New Year! The library is ready for your visit and we'd love to see you. If you can't come in the hours posted (Sun 8:30-9:45, Tues 9-11, Wed 9:30-6:30), please give me a call and we'll arrange a good time for you. We are always listening to our customers and appreciate feedback. We have books & DVDs for teens and adults – both Christian study and reference, and fiction and biography. We've also got 2 very comfortable rocker-gliders. Come browse and spend some time visiting. We thank Marlene for the beautiful window she creates each month in the hallway between the Family Life Center and the office, and for the donation of a rocker. Our space on the shelves is limited, but if you would like to donate, please contact us. We need to know what to do with the donations we can't use (return to you? Goodwill?). Our library store is stocked with books (Unshakable, Dangerous Love, and My Utmost for His Highest) and CDs from The Centurymen. We have new books and DVDs displayed, and a separate display for the teen books. By the way, y'all, those teen books are fun to read! See you soon!



Singing Men of Texas - Judith Sutherland @ Fox News



Singing Men of Texas - Trinity Members enjoying NYC



Crossroads
by Kathy McAlpin

(Editor's Note: Kathy's article was left out of the last Newsletter. Some of the information is in the past but other info is still pertinent.)

Happy Fall Greetings from Crossroads
Changing of the seasons is one of my favorite times of the year. I love the Fall, with the masterpiece that God lays before us with His paintbrush in hand. Thank You, again Lord for this rain.

Crossroads Sunday School is open to anyone that wants to join us. Age is not an option even though we are 60+. Our teacher, Gary Anderson is teaching in the book of John. On board is also Keith Williams, who alternates with Gary.

Time for a slice of life from members of our class, with your class reporter...which is a time for members of the class to share 100-word bio of something in their life that touched them deeply and to reflect what a special moment or time it was in their life. Each month I focus on someone new. This month, I approached Phil and Remoh Meadows. Remoh shared: "Philip works part time as an instrumentation technician all over the country, so we live in a fifth wheel and travel to his work. In our spare time, we love to travel all over the world, including mission trips. Some of our adventures have included snowmobiling, hot air ballooning, scuba, and rappelling

November Birthdays: Happy Birthday from Crossroads Class:

Cheri Rippee 11/02 Loy Beard 11/04, Bob Behan 11/05, Tanya Gilbreath 11/07, Dale Durr 11/09, Joan Brantley 11/12, Mimi Philips 11/12, Roger Van Burkley 11/14, Don Markham 11/17, Jennifer Lord 11/19, Jim Merrick 11/19, Denise LeMeilleur 11/22, Lew Emmons 11/27.

Anniversary's: Happy Anniversary from Crossroads Class:

Kim and Laura Lee 11/10, Bruce and Lanie Ebel 11/15, Roger and Becky Van Burkley 11/19, Keith and Debbie Williams 11/24, Dan and Christine Parr 11/28

~ John 12: 44-46: Jesus cried out; "The one who believes in me believes not in me, but in Him who sent

me, And the one who sees me sees him who sent me. I have come as light into the world so that everyone who believes in me would not remain in darkness~



Stitchers for Jesus
by Cheryl Overla

The ladies' sewing group is going strong into our new year of 2019. We had a great meeting in January after a little time off, with 86 girls dresses turned in. We enjoy looking at and admiring all the dresses and seeing the handiwork that each lady does. Thank you so much ladies for giving of your time and many talents to work on these garments for children who truly have a need. The group sent 70 dresses with our missionary going to Rwanda, Africa in February and 25 dresses to an organization here in Kerrville. Also, in the planning is another "sewing bee". Our first one was a great success with the sewers looking forward to doing it again. Always we welcome new people. We meet the 1st Thursday of the month at the church in room 121.



PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

tea party

TO CELEBRATE

TBC Women's Ministry

Sunday, February 17th at 12:30-2:00pm
Cailloux Campus Activity Center
Schreiner University; 2100 Memorial Blvd
RSVP is required for this free tea party
RSVP to Gina Stewart 830-895-0100
or gstewart@tbck.org
By Sunday February 10th



***Jubilee Class
by Rae Logan***

I hope that you were able to attend the Christmas Choir program, ONLY LOVE. The Choir puts in so many hours of practice plus we all need to support Larry. He puts in so many hours working with the youth, the Drama people and of course the Choir. Those from Jubilee Class who participated this year were Eva Euler, Lois Hickman, Roy Hickman, Donna Hill, Rae Logan, Sandy MacFarlane, and Bev Nyitrai. Thank you from the class for putting in all those hours. We received many compliments on the performance.

I don't know about you, but I always hate to see the Christmas season come and go. It always seems such a long time before it will come around again. My Mom used to say when I expressed a wish like that, "Be careful, you are wishing your life away,"

There are some in our class that we know will be traveling during this Christmas Season, Sue Stewart is one of those. She is actually going to be traveling from Coast to Coast. She will be with one son and daughters on the West Coast and then fly to East Coast to be with her other son and his daughters. Sue is probably one of our more well-traveled class members. She was with us on our adventure in New York City. She and her husband were with the military too. They can move you around a lot and I don't believe they ask you your preferences either. Sue will be traveling from 12/20/18 to 1/4/19.

Evie Purswell is another one who asked for traveling mercies also. She and her son, Randy and wife, Sharon, will be going to Ruidoso, N. Mexico. (My old stomping grounds. Jack and I went only once in the winter. We didn't ski but we did ride the trams and take in the scenery.) We mostly went to Ruidoso in the summer time. We had lots of couples that came back every summer. Those are precious memories. Evie and family will be going on the 21st and returning on the 27th. Keep them on your prayer list.

John Hays will see a pain doctor in Boerne on Wednesday. Remember John.

We had word from Billie Hoge, that she and Doyle are doing fine. They are on our Continuing Prayer List. We love and miss you, Doyle and Billie.

Virginia Roberts had good news, her doctor wants her to start putting weight on her left leg. Virginia sends thanks for prayers, food, cards, and drivers. Keep Virginia on your prayer list.

Buddy and Neva Daugherty's son John is scheduled for surgery soon.

It is with her permission, that I am going to repeat Beth and Chub's story. It is a sweet one.

Beth writes: "Chub and I were both born in Arkansas. Chub in Cabot and me in Tuckerman, where I spent my early years. I moved to Cabot with my parents in 1940. We moved on a Saturday. On Sunday morning, I made my way to Sunday School at First Baptist Church. I was directed to a room where girls were seated on one side of the room and boys on the other. Of course, all eyes were on the new girl in town. I took a vacant seat right across from the most handsome boy I had ever seen. (Rae believes that Chub would have said, (he saw the most beautiful girl). The rest as they say is history. We were married three years later, just before Chub left for WWII. He was in the 82nd Airborne Division and spent 19 months in Europe. Chub was discharged in Dec. 1945. We lived in Cabot until May 1947, when we came to Texas to visit Chub's brother. They later moved back to Arkansas, but we stayed in Texas. Chub started to work for the U.S. Postal service and was Asst. to the Post Master in Carrizo Springs. When that position was eliminated he applied for and was selected for the position of Post Master in Leakey. Chub retired in 1981. We continued to live in Leakey until we moved to Kerrville in 1998. We have been members of Trinity and Jubilee Class since that time."

The Jubilee Class has lost a dear member of our class with the passing of Pastor John's mother, Allene Wheat. I was ill and not able to attend the service, but I am proud that Prime Time Choir represented all of it's members in an admirable fashion.

***Flower Ministry
by Jean Ward***



The Flower Ministry is back at work after having no flowers to deliver during December. We enjoy visiting and praying with those who receive the flowers. It is a joy to see their faces light up as they see beautiful, live flowers. Some ask if they get to keep them and are they really for them! We thank God for this ministry that brings such joy to so many people. We also thank the donors who provide the flowers for our worship together and then for those who receive the smaller arrangements. Thanks to Pam, Joyce, and Beverly for their faithfulness to this ministry. Others are welcomed to join us!



Pilgrims of Faith - Room 121

by Jo Hancock

How did you begin the new year? If you're like me, you went to bed at the usual time and let the rest of the world watch the clock tick into 2019. My new year could easily wait until the morning of January 1! With a good night's sleep behind me I began to think about my expectations and aspirations (NOT resolutions!) for the year ahead, and one word kept capturing my attention: **SPEAK**. Perhaps a favorite song recorded by The Singing Men of South Texas, a group that includes **Dan Petty** and other Trinity men, brought this word to mind. When I Googled the text to "Speak, O Lord" by Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend, I was impressed by their inspiration for writing the song. On their website, www.gettymusic.com/speak-o-lord/, they wrote the following: "One of Christianity's distinctives is that we worship a God who has spoken...who is not silent...speaking the world into creation, speaking His Living Word in Christ, and speaking by His Spirit through the written Word." They prayed that their song would prepare people to humbly listen to God through the Bible being taught and respond to the huge consequences it has on their lives.

I briefly mentioned last month that I hope some of you will share your word of inspiration for 2019. The word I chose, **SPEAK**, involves not only listening to God **SPEAK** to me through His Spirit, His Word and His people, but also that the words I **SPEAK** would reflect who I am as a follower of Christ. Bible verses such as Ephesians 4:29, Ephesians 4:15 and Acts 4:31b help me rightly handle my conversations, reminding me that my words matter...**SPEAKING** words that build up instead of tear down...words that are true—necessary—kind...words that bring honor to my Lord. What an expectation, aspiration and challenge!

Looking back since the last newsletter, the POF ladies enjoyed a festive and fun Christmas luncheon at the home of **Bitsy Martin**. After a delicious meal they all exchanged Christmas socks according to Bitsy's funny and challenging directions. The next morning **Truman Martin** hosted a Christmas breakfast for the POF men at Cracker Barrel, and I'm guessing they exchanged lots of laughter. Our class always has a good time when we're together, whatever the occasion. Next the POF members were entertained by **Elvis** and **Santa** at our Christmas party at Union Church. Thanks to **Sherry and Dan**

Rhoten, Jan and Ray Solomon and Sandy West for hosting this delightful evening. We also had an opportunity to go caroling as a group at the home of Barbara and Don Walsh. Several class members (**Charles Rackley, Betty Riggleman, Marjorie Ellis, Jeanne Dame, Sam Ligon, Kathy Mears and Gina Stewart** to name a few) have undergone and recuperated from surgery. It's good to see them back in class repaired and in good working order!

Looking forward the POF class will once again host a dinner/theater fellowship. This year's play on February 15 will be "Death by Chocolate"...sounds more scary than yummy. Guess we'll have to wait to find out!

Since the month of February traditionally has an emphasis on love, let's try to share God's love with the people we encounter, whether they be family, friends or even strangers. That reminds me of another favorite song (It's ok to have more than one favorite song, isn't it?), "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love". Love and blessings 'til next month!



Prime Time Singers
by Ann Peay



As I write this, I just came from the beautiful service for our dear Allene Wheat who left us to be with Jesus. She was such a joy as a part of our singers and will be missed by all of us.

We hit the ground running at our first rehearsal of 2019 on Friday, the 4th. We have an ambitious schedule coming up singing in more places than usual. January 18th had us singing at River Pointe wearing our 'outfits' and having a wonderful time 'fellowshipping' (made up word, I know) with the residents.

There will be **NO rehearsal on February 1st** so the Officers Meeting is moved to February 8th at 9:30 AM.

February 15th rehearsal is at 9:00 AM to be able to go to Windcrest Care Center in Fredericksburg for a 10:30 AM engagement.

February 22nd is a regular rehearsal.

Looking forward to March 1st. We will be singing a 'split' engagement with half of us going to one facility while the other half goes to a different one. This has worked out well in the past and has not sacrificed the quality of our music but does allow us to bring our gift of music to more care facilities. (Please be 'flexible' as Larry makes the choices to give the best balance to both 'small' choirs.)

The Everlasting Conference forms and first payment of \$40.00 was due January 25th with the final payment of **\$35.00 due February 22nd**. We will be leaving at 7 AM on Monday, March 25th (That is REALLY early!!) It is a long way and we will need a couple of stops before we have to register for the conference. I am soooooo looking forward, as I am sure y'all are, to working with Joseph Martin as our clinician and I will probably wish we could stay longer and sing more.

This is flu season, allergy season and just general anything-can-happen season so guard your health by eating well-balanced meals and drinking plenty of water. Wash your hands frequently and stay warm. (That is the 'mother' in me as well as the nurse.)

HAPPINESS IS SINGING IN A CHOIR!



Prime Time Dinner
Thursday, February 21, 2019
5:30 PM
Potluck Dinner

Entertainment
Elvis Impersonator
Joseph Fegenbush



Healthful Hints
by Ann Peay

This month's Healthful Hints are quotes about singing. "Singing daily for at least 10 minutes reduces stress, clears the sinuses, improves posture and can even help you live longer!" "Sing! The world needs our music in it." "As long as we live there is never enough singing." "Some days there won't be a song in your heart...sing anyway."

Hey music, Thanks for the therapy!!



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Ground Hog Day - Feb 2
Valentines Day - Feb 14
TBC Women's Ministry Tea - 12:30 - Feb 17
Presidents Day - Feb 18
Prime Time Potluck Dinner - 5:30 PM Feb 21

Trinity University Spring 2019 Sundays, 5:00-6:15 pm

MasterLife, The Disciple's Mission

Mark and Dianne Clemons

2/10-4/7 (except spring break)

Seven sessions

Love Talk

JD Templeton

2/10-3/31 (except spring break)

An adventure in communication. Five sessions

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