

# Prime Times

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s many of you know, I have been going to Alto Frio Baptist encampment to the Senior Camps for many years. The camp is very comfortable now with nice accommodations and good food. In my early days, my Grandmother paid \$15 to send me to camp and I think she deserved some peace and quiet from me. Today, I understand some people send their children to be influenced by Christians to accept Christ and be saved. Many have made decisions there. Although, my Grandmother had done her preliminary work by taking me to church, reading me Bible stories and being a wonderful example, I went to Alto Frio and washed my hair with Tide (my working mother forgot to pack my shampoo) and I accepted Christ there. Today, when I drive onto the property, I can feel my Holy Spirit stir and I usually shed a few tears.

I started reading the history of the camp which will be 90 years old next year and thought you would be interested in how it got started. In the giving of the land, John H. Davis said, "I want to make this gift to the Lord of the universe." That statement was very significant for rancher John Davis, he had not up till that time recognized or accepted Christ as his savior. It was stipulated in the preliminary agreement that there would be a reversionary clause in the deed. That clause was to the effect "that the property be used for religious purposes only or the ownership would revert to the original owners." It is part of the Deed. Our church, along with others support Alto Frio through their budgets, but much of Alto Frio's budget must come from camps and donations. Last year was particularly taxing as they had unexpected expenses and the school year calendar changed and they had some camps that had to cancel.

We can help by giving donations and also attending the Renew Camp on April 22 thru 25<sup>th</sup>. D.L. Lowrie, I have many of his CDs, is the Bible teacher and Joseph Tillery is preaching. There will be numerous activities including games every night. I love getting together with other Christians and sharing what God is doing in our churches. JD is taking us on the bus or buses so we can have fun on the way. I am hoping that Larry will bring the Primetime Choir so

they will sing for us. The cost for the three nights, 9 meals and 5 snacks is only \$145 per person for doubles, three to a room is \$115 each and a Single is \$235. John Wheat, Joy Hawkins and I are on the board of Alto Frio and we would really appreciate your support for this wonderful resource. I just need your \$25 deposit and you will be "all set".

In Christ, Jane Rackley



## Stitchers for Jesus by Cheryll Overla

The sewing ladies have been excited and encouraged to watch our group grow in numbers and productivity! At our February meeting we had a new lady attend and also a total of 117 dresses and boys short sets were sewn and turned in. We are still amazed ourselves!! The ladies say they are just doing their "few and just a small amount" but when it all is added together the result is wonderful. But we know that is just how the Lord works and uses us. Preparations are being made for the March meeting which will be our second Old Fashioned Sewing Bee. We will gather with our sewing machines, materials and supplies and spend a day of fellowship, sewing, and of course having a potluck meal and see what we can accomplish. Praise the Lord for our group of faithful ladies who love to do this work so willingly. Cheryll Overla





Women of the Word Class - Room 208 by Jean Allgood

ears ago, I read, "A prayer for March". It made sense as it called March the "in between" month. March isn't considered winter and it isn't spring either, it is just a month "in between". This may seem to imply that March is insignificant but that is not so. For after all baseball Spring Training begins in March (Yea!) AND the hummingbirds arrive this month! These beautiful, amazing little birds bring me such joy and hope. When I see that first hummer approach my feeder. my spirits rise and a smile spreads across my face. The hope of spring fills me with joy. A beautiful verse in Ecclesiastes (3:11) says, "He has made everything beautiful in its time." So even though March is an "in between month" it still has its own beauty and purpose and God has given it to us—to honor and serve Him.

Lots of praises and happy times have occurred for some of our WOW ladies. **Judy Smith** has finally moved into her newly built home. She is delighted to be settled once again...it was wonderful to see **Darlene Graham's** lovely smile in our midst again. She has been a caregiver for over a year, traveling to another state. Welcome home

Darlene...Loraine Couch shared that on March 3rd her grandchildren Faith and Ryan will be baptized at their Houston church. What a joyous occasion this will be, and the blessings of watching them grow spiritually... Florence Bergen has a new great-grandson, born in January, named Conner Dean. How pleased she is that they named him after her late husband, Artie, as his middle name was Dean. To make it more special her greatgranddaughter was given Florence's middle name Ruth. What a sweet honor and blessing for their family... March is also the second anniversary for me, **Jean Algood**, as the PrimeTime reporter for the WOW class. It has been a good two years and I have truly enjoyed it and thank the class for this continued ministry and their trust in me.

We were saddened to say goodbye to **Barbara Avery** but rejoice knowing she is now in the arms of Jesus. Barbara was a "shut in" and on oxygen; yet she continued to do the Lord's work. She was a

telephone minister for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association working at home giving spiritual help to many that called in. She was a blessing to so many and we shall miss her.

Watch for the hummingbirds ----and enjoy the "inbetween" month.

The Agape Class by Susan Lesser



s it spring yet? It's hard to tell with the temperature swings from 30's to 80's. I see buds on the trees and some of our spring birds have returned from way south.

We've had several who have been ill lately and are partially homebound, such as Karen Maddox, Marvene Wallace, Anne Hager, and John Banks. We pray especially for these. Maxine Burleson is driving again! She and Eva Drost are two of our members located in Brookdale (Trinity South). We also pray for stamina and strength to uphold our two precious Pastoral Care Ministers, Sharron and Frank. They are always so good to be present before surgeries and to take care of the sick ones. There's a small group of people who help by prayer, driving people to appointments, helping shop, or just visiting. If you like to visit or talk, let Sharron or Frank know and they'll be happy to include you. More prayer warriors are needed!

Luncheons have resumed, and we had soup and cornbread again. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month in room 132 and start around 11:30. If you'd like to visit, we welcome you! In our class, we're studying James. After we finish this delightful book, just jam-packed with practical Christian living advice, we'll go on to study a topic, such as 'grace' or 'crown' or 'angels' or other ideas, in the spring. Come see and hear – room 223 in the upstairs corner of the gym. We love having new people come in!

We were blessed to hear from Mike and Patsy about their life before they came to Trinity. What a testimony! Isn't it wonderful to hear about how the Lord has led people through their walk in this life? All of us who are saved have a testimony. As we walk with the Lord, let us all sing praises and share our joy with our friends, our neighbors, strangers and others!





Pilgrims of Faith - Room 121 by Jo Hancock

ebruary was a whirlwind month for many in the POF class. First, we attended a farewell luncheon at Billy Gene's for Sarah and Bob Hoffman, who have moved to LaVita, CO. When we asked the waiter for our ticket, he said someone at the table had already paid for everyone's meal. We later discovered that the Hoffmans had paid the bill as a way of saving farewell and thanks for being part of a loving, caring and well-taught class. Wow, what a nice way to say goodbye! Speaking of being well-taught, we commend **Truman Martin** for his many extra hours of study and prayer during the recent lessons written by A.W. Tozer. Truman has done an excellent job of presenting Tozer's writings with practical, more down-to-earth applications. Thanks also to Bitsy Martin for her support and encouragement for Truman each week as he prepares the lesson, as well as for the many hours she spends as a member of the Long Range Planning Task Force. Our class is blessed by their leadership!

On February 15<sup>th</sup> Sue Pifer, Marjorie Ellis and Gayle Petty hosted a dinner theater for the class featuring a murder mystery taking place in a Paris hotel in 1900. Everyone was asked to dress in period costume, and it was fun to see how we might have looked had we been alive in that era. Merci to Jan Gambrell, who was nattily dressed in French attire, for taking everyone's picture. Tables were decorated by Gloria Goodwin, Jo Hancock, Annette Kurz, Paula Locke, Evelyn Rossow, Emily Shelton and Deanne Walker. Taking on the role of a French chef, Sue, Marjorie and Gayle provided an excellent meal while the cast of "Death by Chocolate" kept us laughing and intrigued. Who done it?! If you missed attending, you might ask one of the cast (Clint Brown, Mark Clemons, Mary Pat Danks, Jane Rackley, Don Rossow, Jan and Ray Solomon and Sandy West) or a class member (Ronnie Zastrow) who kept changing his mind about the murderer during each of the three acts!

On February 17th several ladies of the class had a wonderful and inspirational time at the TBC Women's Ministry Tea Party at Schreiner University. Paula Locke spent many hours in preparation as one of the hostesses, and **Gina Stewart** lent her expertise providing the printing for the program. February also found Marjie Cleveland and several other TBC ladies volunteering at the Women's Christian Job Corps by teaching or mentoring. It's very encouraging to see how some of our members are sharing their talent and time.

In an attempt to help our new members, get to know some of our long-time (not OLD!) members better, we share the following paragraphs:

Hello, we are the Rossows, Don and Evelyn. We have been married for 53 happy years and we have a daughter, son, daughter-in-law, and three grandsons. Don was born and grew up in the Gonzales, TX area and Evelyn was born and grew up in the Eagle Lake, TX area. We are both farm kids and were also well grounded in Christian homes. After graduating from our local high schools, Don went to Stephen F Austin College and attended for one year. Evelyn went to Wharton Junior College for a year. After one year of college we each moved to Houston to work and that is where we met, fell in love and married on December 10th, 1965. We moved from the Houston area to Pearland, TX in the fall of 1972. We lived in Pearland until 1998. From Pearland we moved to our present home in Fredericksburg.

We live on 90 acres and Don spends most of his time being 'Smokey the Bear'. He is trying to clear the property of dead trees from the drought. Don is part owner of an electrical construction company in Houston. He still goes to Houston twice a month to check on the business. Evelyn has been a stay at home mom and part time church secretary at Shadycrest Baptist Church in Pearland and FBC in Fredericksburg. While attending Shadycrest Don taught young adults for a number of years and Evelyn taught younger children. After moving to Fredericksburg, Evelyn continued to teach younger children.

Evelyn also enjoys crocheting and gardening.

We love to travel. When the kids were at home, we would head out every summer for a two-week camping trip. We have been to almost every state in the US. After the kids were grown, we discovered we like to go on cruises. We have been to Alaska, the Caribbean and to New England and Canada several times. Our favorite would be Alaska.

We moved our membership to Trinity about 7 years ago. We began attending Truman Martin's Sunday School Class and that is where are to this day. (What a great teacher.) The members of the class are so friendly and a joy to be with. Evelyn does teach a younger children's class twice a month and Don works the parking lot once a month.

That's our story and we're sticking to it.





Jubilee Class by Rae Logan

The time to submit our articles seems to roll around in a hurry. We have had a lot of illness in the Jubilee Class this month. Maybe because we are all getting older. Does that account for it do you think?

I think I will start with those in the hospital. Probably the most serious case, has been Stan Cullison. Stan has been to San Antonio, as well as to Peterson. He has had surgery (maybe more than one). The older I get I don't seem to retain information like I did. We hope to see you back in class before too long. Stan, you are missed.

The class did get word from Linda and Peggy that his surgery went well and that he should be released in a day or two. Things just aren't the same without you Stan and Linda too.

We should all have the attitude of Alma Ruth Willeford, what a special lady. Alma Ruth had a section of her colon removed. I went by to see her the day after surgery. She was receiving company and had her Alma Ruth look on.

The other person I went to see that day was my neighbor, Jane Vaughan. Jane is having problem with managing pain, please keep Jane on your prayer list.

This is just the tip of the iceberg, of those who are under the weather. We will hope that better weather will bring out better health for Jubilee Class.

With everything else I had going on, I made a quick trip out to Muleshoe to attend the funeral for my sister in law. Betty was a grade behind me in school. If you are curious about my route, I go to Abilene, then to Childress. Childress is at the bottom of the Panhandle. From there I go to Frances's. Frances lives at Parnell (it is on the map). Nearly due west from Childress. It is about 10 miles from Estelline, then Turkey is 20 miles from Parnell. If you are still curious look at the map of the Panhandle of Texas, basically I was driving from one side to the other. Muleshoe is 22 miles from the state line of New Mexico. Since my brother, no longer lives in Turkey. His children live in Big Spring, so I am glad he is there. I don't really have a close tie to Turkey anymore. It is a sad day for me. We still have our farm there. My nephew lives on the farm. It is leased out.

I have permission from Wayne and Christi Hampton, to rerun their story first Published in February 2014 Christy \mrites, Wayne was born in Abilene, TX, but was raised

in Jal, NM, I was born in Los Angeles, CA and moved to Phoenix for a while and moved to El Paso, TX when I was 6 years old.

Wayne was stationed in Germany while in the military and later moved to El Paso, Wayne worked for El Paso Natural Gas Co. for 31 years. I worked for the City of El Paso in the Public Inspection Office and as an Elementary substitute teacher. We met in our church choir in 1967 and married in 1968. Even though Wayne was raised Baptist he served as a Pastor in the Methodist Church for several years, but later came back to the Baptist Church.

We have been blessed with two children and four grandchildren. Our son and his family live in Houston, and our daughter and her family live in Austin. We moved to Kerrville to be near to our children. We went church shopping when we first got here. But quit looking after we visited Trinity. Wayne loves to write poetry and both of us love visiting family, traveling and reading. We were both active in Prime Time Choir for several years and have been on several of the choir mission trips. Wayne was in Mens Quartet for 14 years. I am a member of Sanctuary Choir and have been a mentor at Starkey for several years. Both of us have been active in Bible Study groups and are blessed to be members of Jubilee SS class and Trinity.

#### Healthful Hints by Ann Peay



his month I decided to provide some HELPFUL Hints.

COFFEE FILTERS Who knew! And you can

COFFEE FILTERS......Who knew! And you can buy them cheap at the Dollar Tree!

- 1. Protect a cast-iron skillet. Place a coffee filter in the skillet to absorb moisture and prevent rust.
- 2. Recycle frying oil by filtering through a coffee filter.
- 3. As a sewing backing. Use a filter as an easy-to-tear backing for embroidering or appliqueing.
- 4. Stop the soil from leaking out of a plant pot. Line the bottom of the pot with a filter.
- 5. Put baking soda into a coffee filter and insert into shoes to absorb or prevent odors.
- 6. Use a coffee filter to prevent spilling when adding fluids to your car.
- 7. Use them to sprout seeds...Simply dampen the filter, place seeds inside, fold and place into a plastic baggie until they sprout. (I'm going to try this one next month.)



Prime Time Singers by Larry Danks

our Prime Time Singers have been very busy since the beginning of 2019...believe it or not, they are in the TBC Chapel every Friday morning at 10 am...rain or shine! They sing, laugh, pray and encourage each other. In fact, some of the "non-musical" things are the most important things that go on each week!

February found the PTS traveling to Fredericksburg to present our musical program for the residents of the Windcrest Care Center. This is one of our favorite spots to sing both because of the wonderful residents we encounter and because the care center staff are very engaged with us as we present our program. We had two special guests who traveled all the way from Conroe to spend the day with Carolyn Hopper and Cleo Meadow.

We have been blessed this year with some new voices and many who are always in place so that we are again making two choirs out of our group for some of our March concerts. On March 1<sup>st</sup> we will go to two different local care centers at the same time. Part of our group will go to 220 Harper to present our program while the other part of the group will go to the Brookdale Skill Care facility to present the same program. This is no small endeavor just because we must duplicate everything...leaders, accompanists and narrators. The reality is that some of our local care facilities are simply too small to accommodate the 50-60 Prime Time Singers that could come.

On March 15<sup>th</sup> we will again go to two different locations with part of our group singing at the Edgewater Care Center and the other part going to Mountain Villa.

We are all looking forward to the Everlasting Choir Conference in Bryan later in March. Joseph Martin will be the clinician and we are working to learn some new music that he will lead there. We have 58 Prime Timers signed up to take part in this event!

As with most of our ministries, it takes lots of people "behind the scenes" to make the Prime Time Singers run efficiently. Thank You to Lew King our accompanist, Jeanne Dame and Sue Stewart who are our music librarians and Sue Pifer who makes sure that everyone has the proper outfit to wear. These folks serve in addition to our officers who lead us every week. This is truly a "well-oiled machine!"



## THE VICTOR

Save the date
Start inviting your
friends and family
and pray for those
who are coming.

April 12, 13 & 14





## Flower Ministry by Jean Ward

ince our last report, the Flower Ministry has delivered 28 flower arrangements. We have been to Alpine, Hilltop, Peterson Hospital, 220 Harper, Villagio, and Edgewater. We are grateful for those who donated the flowers! It is a joy to see the faces of those who receive the flowers and how their day has been brightened. As always, I am grateful to Pam Case who makes the small arrangements and to Joyce Doyle and Beverly Buffington who deliver the arrangements! They are a great blessing to work with! Jean Ward

### **Trinity Marriage Enrichment Weekend 2019**

March 22-24

Alto Frio Baptist Camp, \$170 per Couple

Moving Beyond Getting By!

with Scott & Sherilyn Finch

<b>Friday</b>	
7:00	PM

Registration and Finger Foods

7:30 PM Welcome and Session 1

9:00 PM Campfire

<u>Saturday</u>

8:00 AM Breakfast
9:00 AM Session 2
10:00 AM Break
10:15 AM Session 3
11:30 AM Break

12:00 PM Lunch

1:30 PM Group Activity Time

2:30 PM Free Time 5:30 PM Dinner

6:30 PM Session 4 7:30 PM Break

7:45 PM Session 5

8:45 PM On Your Own

Sunday

8:00 AM Breakfast

9:00 AM Worship and Session 6

10:30 AM Good-bye!

\*\*\*Only 22 spots available! Payment due at time of reservation. RSVP due by March 15.\*\*\*



The Library Ladies! by Susan Lesser and Rebecca Hopkins

arch already! I still haven't gotten used to writing 2019 yet!

You asked, we listened! New library hours: Open 'Sunday 8:15-9:30 and 12-12:30'. (The noon time is new and is based on customer request.) Open 'Wednesday 9:30-1:30 and 3:30-6:30'. Open 'other hours by request'. We're happy to open on special request by our customers.

We've been acquiring several 'newused' books lately. We thank our donors. Space is limited and if we cannot use the books or DVDs, just let us know if you want them back or to pass on the donation to other places/people. Our 'new' acquisitions are located on top of the DVD shelves, the Reference shelves, and the Biography & Youth shelves.

We also have books and DVDs for sale. The Centurymen DVDs are behind the library desk, and we have 'Unshakable', 'Dangerous Love', and 'My Utmost for His Highest' for sale. If you need a wonderful devotional, let me recommend this one by Oswald Chambers. See you in the library!

The Library Ladies

#### All Church Games Day

Presented by the Prime Time Ministry Tuesday, March 12, 1-4 PM in the Chapel Bring your favorite game and snack to share

## Save the Date

## Renew Spring Adult Bible Conference

Alto Frio Baptist Encampment April 22-25 2019

Guest Speakers: DL Lowrie & Joseph Tillery

Call the office for more details
Register at: www.altofrio.com/renew-

bible.conference.html or call 830-232-5271



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Calendar of Events

- 5 Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday)
- 6 Ash Wednesday.
- 8 International Women's Day.
- 10 Daylight Savings Begins at 2:00 a.m.
- 12 All Church Game Day
- 15 Ides of March.
- 17 St. Patrick's Day.
- 20 International Earth Day also called Sun-Earth Day.
- 20 Spring (Vernal) Equinox.

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