Editorial

#### Communication

(Preventative Maintenance Against Disaster)

It happened in January of 1990. Avianca Flight 52 crashed and scores of lives were snuffed out. After listening to the "little black box," the cause of the crash was labeled, "Lack of Communication."

Failure to communicate. How many disasters could be avoided if people would decide to communicate and then follow through with that decision? The number one destructive force in today's marriages is a lack of communication. The husband expects the wife to know what he is thinking, what he expects and how he feels without ever opening up and telling her. The wife expects the husband to fulfill her needs without ever clearly defining to him what her needs are. Too much assumption takes place, which gives way to suspicion, which then leads to divorce: the disaster of a destroyed marriage.

Lack of communication is what is at the root of many problems between parents and teens. They become estranged from one another over something that could really have been solved by intelligent communication. They lose touch with each other's thoughts and concerns, and before long every discussion is a miniature war.

Problems in the local church could be avoided if there was better communication. Sometimes when a person is sick, no one comes to see about their needs, and feelings get hurt. Why? Probably because few, if any, knew the person was sick. Brother "A" felt ignored by brother "B" because when he went to shake his hand, he failed to reciprocate. So brother "A" gets his feelings hurt and a relationship is nearly destroyed. This could be avoided if the two would communicate. They would probably discover an unintentional oversight. Sometimes a preacher or teacher says something that is not understood. People get upset and begin to question the integrity of the person. Unless communication takes place at this point, some real difficulties can arise. Those who question a teaching should approach the one who taught and communicate their concerns. One usually discovers there is no need for alarm and the teacher/preacher learns where to add clarity.

Communication is more than just talking. It is understanding what the other person is saying. And it is making sure the other person understands what you are saying. When we go to this much effort to make sure everybody understands, and keep ourselves with an open mind for understanding, communication happens and disasters are prevented.

-Jeff Gardner

# **Break Trail**



# AREA WIDE SPRING RETREAT

When: April 8th-10th
Sign up final deadline March 31st (No Exceptions)
Where: Oakridge Retreat Center
Cost: \$100 a person (10 dollar
discount per child)
What: A fun spiritually uplifting
weekend with 8 other local churches
drawing on Jesus' journey to the
cross. Activities include Human
Foosball, Climbing Wall, Power
Bouncers, Giant Maze, low ropes
course, Axe Throwing

If cost is an issue to coming please let me know!



TO GET TO SLEEP.

"NOPE...I TALK TO THE SHEPHERD."

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd sacrifices his life for the sheep. A hired hand will run when he sees a wolf coming. He will abandon the sheep because they don't belong to him and he isn't their shepherd. And so the wolf attacks them and scatters the flock. The hired hand runs away because he's working only for the money and doesn't really care about the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep, and they know me. just as my Father knows me

and I know the Father. So I sacrifice my life for the sheep. I have other sheep, too, that are not in this sheepfold. I must bring them also. They will listen to my voice, and there will be one flock with one shepherd" (John 10:11-16).

## **Sermon Notes**

# Discipleship-Living: Friendship with Christ John 15:13-14

Discipleship-living culminates in friendship with Christ. How do we capitalize on that and return His offer of friendship? By obeying His command to follow Him. We must learn His attitudes and imitate those. Notice three attitudes of Christ we must have in order to be His friend.

I.	P	Attitude
	A.	This is His attitude toward His E and
		H fathers.
	В.	His relationship to His earthly father was S
		0
	C.	His attitude toward His H father was also one
		of O
	D.	He remained C obedient to His
		P
II.	P	Attitude
	A.	
		P
	В.	His attitude was to give all people the B of the
		D
	C.	I the U into your circle of friends
		and influence.
	D.	,
		a F He can be.
III.	P	Attitude
	A.	Jesus looked at Himself as a S
	В.	If you want to be truly G, you must be a
		S
	C.	He could have a servant spirit because He had a
		H and P self-esteem.
	D.	
		think too L of Himself.
	E.	Jesus thinks you are B and He loves Y for

you.

#### **Announcements**

- → Please plan to stay for the Ministry Fair today followed by lunch in the FLC serving Pizza and Salad.
- → Please pick up a Green Sheet Prayer List and be prayerful for all the sick and suffering.
- Community Cupboard Needs for March include: Pancake or Waffle Mix, Syrup, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Apple Sauce, Oatmeal, Cereal, Pop Tarts or monetary donations.
- → Our Children's Ministry is planning an "Easter in the Park" event for April 16, 2022. In preparation for that, Melissa needs donations of plastic eggs and candy that won't melt easily. Between now and March 13, please consider picking up these items from the store to donate. Watch for a donation box in the lobby. Thank you!
- → The Westview Boys' Home Grocery Truck will be here the week of April 4, 2022. Items on their shopping list include: Capri Sun, Sweet Cereal, Canned Soda, Assorted Chips, Beef Jerky/Slim Jims, Jell-O/Pudding Cups, Coffee, Velveeta, Little Debbie's Cakes, Bottled Water, Bottled Gatorade, 100% Orange/Fruit Juice, Assorted Band-Aids, Liquid Laundry Soap and 13/39 Gallon Trash Bags. If you can help, please leave your items in the designated spot in the lobby.

#### Dates To Remember:

- TODAY @ 11 AM-Noon Ministry Fair in the Lobby
- TODAY @ Noon Lunch in the FLC
- March 8 @ 7-9 AM Community Cup in the Coffee Shop
- March 9 @ 8 AM Men's Breakfast @ Madison's
- March 9 @ 4:30 PM Early Bible Class
- March 9 @ 5:30 PM Wednesday Night Supper
- March 9 @ 6:30 PM Singing Practice
- March 9 @ 7:00 PM Adult Bible Class in the Chapel
- March 10 @ Noon Ladies Class in the Chapel
- April 4 Westview Boys' Home Grocery Truck will be here this week.
- April 8-10 Women of Joy Weekend in Branson
- April 8-10 DCYG Area Wide Youth Spring Retreat
- April 16 @ 2-5 PM Easter in the Park

Ministry and Maintenance Statistics			
2/27 Worship Attendance	208		
2/27 Bible Class Attendance	148		
2/27 Contribution	\$13,703.26		
YTD Regular Contribution	\$117,542.37		
Weekly Average			
Weekly Budget			

# Response Form

If you would like to respond to the invitation, please fill out this form and hand it to the minister when the invitation song is being sung.

Name	
Address	
Phone	/ Date//
I come in response to	the invitation of Christ
forgiveness of my s  To be restored and To transfer my church.	
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# Welcome To Our Sunday Morning Family Worship March 6, 2022

Please fill out an attendance card and pass to the aisle for collection at the close of worship. Yellow for our Guests; White for Members.

# Order of Worship

Song #167, HosannaIvan Gonzalez				
Welcome				
Song, Firm FoundationTim Holt				
Song #528, I Know That My Redeemer LivesTim Holt				
Song #810, Listen to Our HeartsTim Holt				
PrayerRichard Judd				
Song #699, I'll Be A Friend to JesusTim Holt				
CommunionTim Hempel				
Song #66, DoxologyIvan Gonzalez				
OfferingTim Hempel				
Scripture Reading, John 15:12-17Tim Corbeil				
Song #548, <i>The Lily of the Valley</i> Tim Holt				
Message, Discipleship-Living: Friendship with ChristJeff Gardner				
Song #800, What A Friend We Have In JesusTim Holt				
Closing AnnouncementsJeff Gardner				
PrayerChad Barney				
Song #881, Mansion over the Hill TopTim Holt				

### **Schedule of Assemblies**

### Sunday 10:00 AM 11:15 AM

Wednesday

Early Class 4:30 PM
Singing Class 6:30 PM
Mid-Week Adult Class 7:00 PM
Hispanic Class 7:00 PM

Worship

Classes

Attended Nursery from birth to 2 years is available for Sunday. For transportation to Worship and Other Assemblies Call (405) 672-1311 M-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.