

Check it Out

- ◆ If you have not visited the church's website lately, please do. Kim has added You Tube videos of Watch Night & Children's Church Performances ...Thanks Kim!

Upcoming Events

- ◆ 1/9 David Stroud and Betty Menges' Wedding
- ◆ 1/30 Wedding Shower for David & Betty
- ◆ 2/7 CWC will have election of Director and Asst. Director
- ◆ 2/12 Valentine Banquet
- ◆ 6/12 Dustin & Erika Coleman's Wedding

Hope & Change

\$196.96 was collected from our church banks in the month of December. Thank you for your generosity.



Fruits of Our Fellowship

- ◆ Thanks to the Word of God Fellowship Chorus and Children's Choir for blessing us with a spectacular array of Christmas songs.
- ◆ The Christmas Banquet was a lot of fun. The food was good and everyone seemed to enjoy the games.
- ◆ We enjoyed having Bubba Tracy and his family along with all the visitors at WatchNight Service. What a great way to start off the New Year.

It's All Relative

- ◆ Jennifer's mom and brother came to visit over the Thanksgiving holidays.
- ◆ Thomas is back at Fort Hood and he enjoyed having two weeks off at Christmas.
- ◆ Jessica will be participating in a spelling bee in March and Jake will have his first boxing match in April.
- ◆ Andrew won the school science decathlon...way to go Andrew!
- ◆ Terry & Regena took a two-day trip to San Antonio for a spa rejuvenation trip and it worked, they do feel rejuvenated.
- ◆ David Stroud's fiancée, Betty Menges, came and stayed for a week around Thanksgiving. Their wedding is just around the corner.
- ◆ Dustin's shoulder surgery went well and he can now lift his arm without too much pain. He and Erika will be heading back to Louisiana in mid-January.
- ◆ Dallas is on break from school until mid January.
- ◆ Debbie and Daryl enjoyed some time off from work around the holidays.
- ◆ Kevin's girlfriend, Becky, moved from Huntsville to Conroe. She is currently looking for a job in the Houston area.
- ◆ The Blalocks hosted two days of Christmas celebrations with their family.
- ◆ Zac did very well on his States test...feel free to quiz him!
- ◆ Austin got 105 on his math final and did well on the rest of his finals.
- ◆ Kyle got 2 weeks off at Christmas so he and Kim enjoyed a couple of days in Grapevine...the Christmas Capital of Texas.
- ◆ Velma's nephew and family, Jack and Jeannie, came to visit for 2 days from Granberry, TX.

It's All Relative, continued

- ◆ Carlos and Korbin went to East Texas for a one week Boy Scouts Winter Camp.
- ◆ Kordale will be crossing over from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts (Arrow of Light) on January 23rd.
- ◆ Gaye was "arrested" to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy. She was not released until she raised \$1640...she ended up raising \$1877...way to go Gaye!
- ◆ Willie Mae's daughter, her husband, Tina, Chris, Jenny, Caleb and new baby came over for Christmas. The baby now weighs 11 lbs. and is 2 months old.
- ◆ Kandi and Will are almost finished with their house renovations. They even got to decorate for Christmas.
- ◆ Will finished his accounting class with an A...Economics will start in January.
- ◆ David and Shirley spent the first weekend in December with the Wiegat Family. This year Santa showed up in a Blue Bell Ice Cream truck. David also celebrated his 63rd birthday at Pier 36 with his family.



Get to Know Your Congregation...

Mary Bennett Ricklefsen

Mary was born in Bastrop, TX on Dec. 3, 1921. She grew up around Austin. One thing she remembers most about her childhood was that her dad was an ordained preacher and he filled in where they needed him (this was a country thing). She also remembers playing a lot with her siblings (there were 5 in the family). Her mom played the piano in church. When asked who has influenced her life the most, she replied, "Terry...he takes care of me and I couldn't make it without him." Mary's talents include playing the guitar (she and her brothers all played and sang) and yodeling. She did not have a paid profession but she tried to help others whenever possible. Mary was fortunate to come to know the Lord when she was still young. The advice she would give today is, "Behave in a way to be a good representative of a Christian."

Sis. Mary, you fill our lives with joy and we all love you. Thank you for letting us Get To Know You a little better.

Things to Come...

Kevin's Korner



"Who arranged for my new e-mail address:
longwinded@firstchurch.org?"