

**News and Notes**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Pam Patrick** - Various health issues including surgery and infection.  
**David Brown** - Spring, Texas preacher, blood clots in leg.  
**Sandy Craig** - Broken shoulder/kidney problems, new tests.  
**Jo Ann McLerran** - Confined to home but doing much better.  
**Glenda Marble** - Faithful Christian at Lexington, Okla. Heart problems.  
**Debbie Post** - Wife of Doug Post, preacher in Salisbury, Maryland - Cancer.  
**Sissy Craig** - For spiritual and emotional strength.  
**Charles and Linda Pogue** - Congestive heart failure.  
**Nancy Verkist** - Ellensburg, Washington. Suffering from Von Hippel Lindau disease.  
**Don Smith** - Faithful brother in Christ persecuted for teaching fellow inmates in an Ohio prison.

**HEALTH UPDATE** - No report from Pam this week. Sandy’s new blood test has been postponed. More on her condition later. Bill Stanley, whom many of you know, is undergoing dialysis three days a week for five hours each day.

**KENYA REPORT** - Benard’s report for the first six months of this year begins on page two. It includes a new school of preaching established in Kenya.

**SERMONS ON YOU TUBE** - Our latest sermons have been posted on Northeast’s You Tube Channel. Encourage others to view these. This avenue of preaching goes into all the world. We have noted viewers from England, across the U. S., even Saudi Arabia, the Philippines, Kenya, and a dozen other countries. We are praying that these sermons will do much good in leading people to Christ wherever they may be.

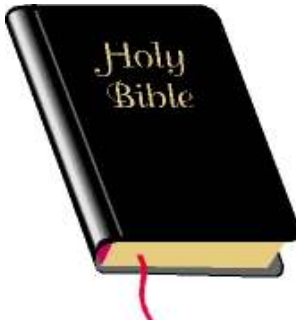
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**Those Who Serve**  
**Sunday Morning, July 2, 2017**  
 First Prayer - Earl Reed    Closing Prayer - Dylan Brewer  
 Communion - Dylan Brewer    Offering - Patrick King  
**Sunday Afternoon, July 2, 2017**  
 First Prayer - Jerry Brewer    Closing Prayer - Landry Brewer

**Records - June 25**  
**Attendance**  
 Bible Class..... 13  
 Morning Worship.....15  
 Afternoon Worship.....13  
 Contribution.....162.00

**Weekly Meeting Times**

Sunday Morning Bible Classes.....9:30  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:30  
 Sunday Afternoon Worship.....5:00



# Sound Doctrine

“But speak thou the things that become sound doctrine” (Titus 2:1)

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## Keeping The Family Together

**Jerry C. Brewer**

No, this isn’t about marriage and divorce. It is about spiritual and eternal matters. At this season of the year, families are vacationing and parents are taking their children to interesting and fun places. It may be a trip to Six Flags, to the Grand Canyon, a fishing trip, camping out, or a Major League baseball game. Whatever the vacation may entail, parents who love their children are making it a family affair with the kids. This keeps the family together in material pursuits and provides wonderful recreational activities for them. How tragic that parents ignore and neglect keeping the family together in spiritual duties that have eternal consequences.

It goes without saying that unfaithful parents who fail to provide spiritual training and set spiritual examples for their children do not really love them—no matter how much they protest that they do. In the midst of commanding spiritual responsibilities for the family, Paul wrote, “And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord” (Eph. 6:4). The father who is meticulous to provide every material necessity, every educational opportunity, every material comfort, and every recreational opportunity for his children, but fails to train them in spiritual things, cannot be said to love his children.

I am personally acquainted with two such fathers, who were once Christians but no longer serve Christ. Between them, they have eight children, all of whom are grown or are in the last days of high school. Not a single one of those children is a Christian. In fact, four are Catholics, and at least one has become a Baptist. The unfaithfulness of these fathers keeps their families together. All are traveling down the broad way that leads to destruction (Matt. 7:13-14). What a tragedy! If they continue on that course, their families will *still* be together—but in eternal torment. And should either of these

fathers die before any of their children, they will doubtless echo the plea of the Rich Man in torment who cried, “I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father’s house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them; lest they also come into this place of torment” (Luke 16:27-28). The Rich Man did *not* want his brothers in torment with him, and that will be the desire of fathers who die out of duty whose children who are not Christians. But it will be *too late*.

Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead (Luke 16:29-31).

Man has a choice concerning his eternal destiny—heaven or hell—and he is making a choice between the two every day. But his choice does not affect only himself. By his faithfulness, or unfaithfulness, he chooses to keep his family together, both here and eternally. What about you? Wouldn’t you rather have yourself and your children safe in the arms of Jesus here and for all eternity, instead of in eternal hell? Think seriously on these things. Life is short, we shall never pass this way again, and there is no “second chance” once we, and our children, die.

## Kenya Work Report

**EDITOR’S NOTE:** Benard sent the following report of the work in Kenya for the first six months of this year. We are thankful for the baptisms, restorations and the new school of preaching in their great work.

### January

16th Jan. -14th Mar. Eight weeks preachers classes at Kalamindi  
 7th -10th Leadership Seminar Benga church of Christ - Well attended by the brethren working toward maturity of the Lord’s church  
 8th -10th Ligodho church of Christ planted - One baptism and one restoration  
 12th – 15th Luanda church of Christ gospel meeting - One baptism  
 17th - 20th Mau Mau congregation Gospel meeting planted in Tanzania  
 17th - 20th Goyo church of Christ Gospel Meeting - One baptism and one restoration  
 22nd – 25th Koiwalelach church of Christ Gospel Meeting - Led to the restoration of one congregation in Rift Valley  
 28th – 31st Umuri church of Christ gospel meeting  
 28th -31st Ebenezer church of Christ Gospel meeting - Four restorations

### February

4th – 7th Ndisi church of Christ Gospel meeting - One baptism  
 6th – 10th Bomet School of Preaching was started with ten students  
 4th – 7th Koinani Junction church of Christ gospel meeting - Three restorations  
 11th – 14th Aroroin church of Christ Gospel meeting - One restored  
 11th – 14th Namwacha church of Christ gospel meeting - One restored

18th – 21st Togomda church of Christ Gospel meeting  
 18th -21st Siriat church of Christ Gospel meeting  
 25th -28th Sota church of Christ Gospel meeting - Four baptisms and one restoration

### March

3rd - 6th Muramba church of Christ gospel meeting - Great attendance  
 9th -13th Nyabigena church of Christ planted in Kisii - Four baptisms  
 9th - 13th Eastside church of Christ gospel meeting - Well attended  
 9th – 13th Tendonok gospel meeting - Four restorations  
 13th – 15th Sugutek gospel meeting - Two restorations  
 12th – 15th Port Victoria church of Christ Gospel meeting - One baptism  
 17th – 20th Port Victoria Lugala church of Christ (Uganda) - Three restorations  
 23rd – 26th Kalamindi Leadership seminar - Well attended by the preachers  
 28th – 31st Siagon gospel meeting (Nakuru) - Two baptisms  
 28th -31st Homa Bay County Seminar (Homa Bay Town) - Well attended and requested again

### April

2nd – 5th Hebuyangu church of Christ Gospel meeting  
 7th – 10th Kalangi church of Christ Gospel meeting - Two baptisms  
 7th – 10th Mosore church of Christ Gospel meeting - Well attended and two restored  
 11th – 13th Kiptegum church of Christ Gospel meeting - Well attended  
 15th – 16th Homa Bay Restoration plan  
 14th - 17th Meswondo church of Christ Gospel meeting - Sound church in Rift valley with elders  
 14th – 17th Maseno region Men’s leadership seminar - Great attendance  
 21st -24th Mundika gospel meeting - Three baptisms and two restorations  
 21st – 24th Muramba Youth Meeting - 120 youths in attendance and 6 baptized  
 27th - 30th Ladies Meeting at Kalamindi - Ladies from the brotherhood attended the classes

### May

4th – 8th Ugoro church of Christ gospel meeting - Good attendance  
 12th – 15th Kisaku church of Christ Gospel meeting - Great meeting with four restorations  
 12th – 15th Pilelga church of Christ Gospel meeting - Good attendance  
 16th – 18th Kapsilbwo [Chepkoin] church of Christ Gospel meeting - Two souls restored  
 19th – 22nd Suguet church of Christ Gospel meeting  
 19th – 22nd Malele church of Christ Gospel Meeting - Four Baptisms  
 23rd – 25th Kimunjul church of Christ Gospel meeting - One restored  
 26th – 29th Nyamboyo church of Christ Gospel meeting - Well attended

### June

19th – Aug. 14th Eight weeks preachers classes at Kalamindi  
 2nd – 5th Khamisi church of Christ Gospel meeting - Two baptisms  
 2nd – 5th Kiptogoch church of Christ Gospel meeting - Well attended  
 6th – 8th Kapkisiara church of Christ Gospel meeting - Well attended  
 9th – 12th Kamato church of Christ Gospel meeting - Well attended  
 16th – 19th Sero B church of Christ Gospel meeting - One baptism  
 23rd – 26th Ladies Meeting at FTC County Hall