April 15, 2012

From the Pastor's Desk...

May God help us fall in love with and remain in love with preaching. We must be a worshiping church, but not at the expense of preaching. It is good that we are a musical church, but not at the expense of preaching. We'd better be a friendly church, but that doesn't replace preaching. We must be visited by the supernatural, but the moving of His Spirit and the demonstration of His might should only lead us to and confirm the truth of preaching. Such is the testimony of the apostles: "They went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen" (Mark 16:20).

How can one establish the value of preaching? What is the estimate of having a man of God who will fulfill the instruction of Ezekiel: "They shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean: (Ezekiel 44:23)? What is the worth of a voice that will declare the Word of God? What is the significance of preaching?

I can please God only with faith, and faith comes by hearing His Word. (See Hebrews 11:6; Romans 10:17.) Preaching convicts sinners, preaching heals the wounded, preaching brings hope, and preaching builds the church. And yet amazingly much of the Christian world is turning its back on it.



King Jesus is Coming





Tues night 7:30 pm

Make it a habit too hard to break!



Clean UP Time

Calling all hands for this week at the rodeo for cleanup. Everyone that can -give of your time- each evening or night in helping pickup at the fair for our annual fundraiser. You will be blessed! There are benefits for your efforts...FREE entrance, delicious supper and desserts from POSF's best cooks! Fun, laughter, fellowship and surprises of all kinds!!! See ya there.

Youth Fun Night The Youth will be joining in the fun this Friday night in helping clean up at the fair. Don't miss out on the FREE food and experience the fun and fellowship! See Bro. Lavelle Jeane for more information.



Music Practice at 4 PM Today!~

Bible Study and Outreach

Be in prayer for the Monday Night Bible Study ongoing at Sis. Desiree's home and the visitors that have come in the last few weeks. Also the Bible Study at the Brossette's home. Would you like to get involved and be a vessel in God's Kingdom? Look around and if someone is missing today.. call or send a card. See. Bro. Wetzel for phone numbers and addresses. Together we can make a difference in the destination of souls in our community. Pray God give me a burden and open my eyes to see the harvest field is ripe and ready!

Emergency Prayer Chain Request

Contact Lidia Venegas 281-508-8642.

Email: <u>lidiavenegas58@yahoo.com</u>. (If she cannot be reached Bro. Custer **832-621-5188**.





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Bold Persistence

In 1953, a fledgling business called Rocket Chemical Company and its staff of three set out to create a line of rust-prevention solvents and degreasers for use in the aerospace industry. It took them 40 attempts to perfect their formula. The original secret formula for WD-40—which stands for Water Displacement, 40th attempt—is still in use today. What a story of persistence!



The gospel of Matthew records another story of bold persistence. A Canaanite woman had a daughter who was possessed by a demon. She had no hope for her daughter—until she heard that Jesus was in the region.

This desperate woman came to Jesus with her need because she believed He could help her. She cried out to Him even though everything and everybody seemed to be against her—race, religious background, gender, the disciples, Satan, and seemingly even Jesus (Matt. 15:22-27). Despite all of these obstacles, she did not give up. With bold persistence, she pushed her way through the dark corridors of difficulty, desperate need, and rejection. The result? Jesus commended her for her faith and healed her daughter (v.28).

We too are invited to approach Jesus with bold persistence. As we keep asking, seeking, and knocking, we will find grace and mercy in our time of need.



Something happens when we pray, Take our place and therein stay, Wrestle on till break of day; Ever let us pray. —Anon.

Persistence in prayer pleases God.

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what's the fastest thing

Sound? not quite Light? almost

answer : Prayer - cause it reaches God even before you say it.