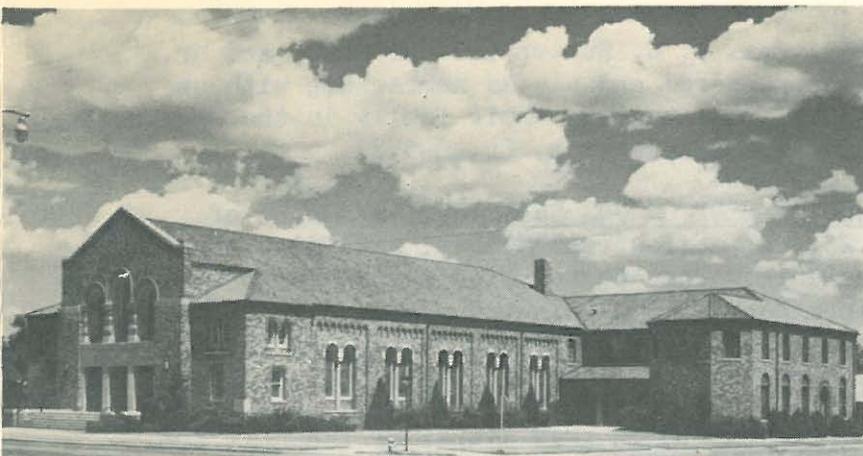


The Messenger

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.
He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved."—Mark 16:15,16



Church of Christ

TENTH AND BROAD, WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Lord's Day

Bible Classes	9:45 A.M.
Communion	10:45 A.M.
Sermon	11:15 A.M.
Herald of Truth, KFDX	1:00 P.M.
Training Classes	6:30 P.M.
Communion	7:30 P.M.
Sermon	7:45 P.M.

Wednesday

Lady's Bible Class	10:00 A.M.
Evening Worship Service	7:30 P.M.

LAST SUNDAY:

Contributions - \$3,703.95 Budget - \$1,341.00
Bible School Attendance - 513 Goal - 750

RESPONSES: Mrs. O. C. Butler was baptized, and Mr. Butler was restored and placed membership with us last Sunday, thus uniting their family in the Church. They live at 2313 Buchanan, Ph. 3-5983.

THE FINAL PAYMENT ON OUR BUILDING, in amount of \$7,026.25, was mailed last Monday, according to announcements. The congregation responded to these needs in a very fine way last Sunday and contributed \$3,703.95, all of which was applied on the final note. Thanks to so many for this fine cooperation.

ARE YOU PLANNING TO BE AWAY either of the next two Sundays, or both? It's fine to visit relatives, give gifts, and spread good will, but don't let the church suffer. If your Christmas buying and giving causes you to give less to the Lord's work, then you've placed the Lord second. Don't let this happen to us. If you're going to be away, keep up your part of the obligations by leaving your contributions here.

THE SICK: Miss Inez Kinnard is a patient in the General Hospital. Brother Hull and Brother Sullivan have been on the sick list this past week.

CONGRATULATIONS: Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Roberts, 1806 Elizabeth, are the proud parents of a daughter, Melanie Rae, born Dec. 14th. Mrs. Zelma Reed is at home, 1706 7th St., with a new baby girl.

OVER 800 INFORMATION SHEETS have been turned in, and you can save a telephone call or a visit by getting in the remaining sheets today. Every name, address, and telephone number must be verified before it goes in the new directory.

GOSPEL MEETING NEXT MONTH. Bro. Trine Starnes of Waco, Texas, will do the preaching in a gospel meeting which is scheduled from Jan. 31, 1954, to Feb. 7, 1954. The interest and enthusiasm manifested by the entire membership in recent months, the many new members, and the interest shown by still others in learning the truth, have prompted the elders and deacons to plan this additional meeting. More people are dissatisfied with denominationalism than ever before. They need an opportunity to hear the truth, and it is our responsibility to provide the opportunity. Let us begin work immediately to make this a great meeting.

IF WE ONLY DO THAT WHICH IS CONVENIENT in the work of the Church, we shall be eternally lost. The Christian life is a life of sacrifice. In this busy season of the year we hear the suggestion on every hand to postpone this or that needed work until after the holidays. Surely we don't mean this! Could we possibly be so brazen as to place everything else ahead of the Church? There are many jobs to do. Why not call the Church office for an assignment?

DO YOU MIND ANSWERING THE TELEPHONE when it proves to be some business of the Church? From someone who is trying to carry out an assignment of church work? It should thrill your soul. How many telephone calls do you receive during a week? How many do you make? What percentage of them have to do with the Lord's work? You may have to budget your time, and you may have to "discourage" various salesmen, but RESOLVE: To practice a feeling of joy and happiness, and smile so big that it will almost show through the telephone, when you have the opportunity, yea the privilege, of picking up the receiver and talking some phase of church work.

MEN - CHECK YOUR OVERCOATS! A gray gaberdine overcoat was taken - perhaps by mistake - two weeks ago today. The owner would appreciate your returning it .

ELDERS

Berry Brown
W. W. Foster
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J. R. Schoolfield
G. W. Sosbee

1400 Travis
1612 Monroe
Route 1, Box 184
2226 Piedmont
3104 Tenth

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Loys Barbour
Seth Cunningham
Jess Gary
Joe Holland
Harry Ledbetter
Bob Lipscomb
Chester Long
Harl Mansur
A. C. McFarlin
Dubose Pipes
C. P. Price
J. Morris Robinson
Boyd C. Smith
Lee Stacks
E. C. Stirman
Tex Stirman
Louis Ward

Route 2, Iowa Park
1718½ Elizabeth
Route 5, Box 191
1635 Hawes
2111 Indian Heights
1600 St. John
2217 Princeton
1652 Pearl
1606 Keeler
2107 Joline
1611 Kemp
1814 Woodrow
1823 Wilson
1305 Buchanan
2407 Bullington
1304 24th
Route 1, Box 196A

Clara Brown, Secretary

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Logan Fox
David Marshall Hadwin
Mrs. Georgia Carver
Gerald Paden
Wayne England

Omika Kuji-machi, Ibaraki, Japan
Casilla de Correo 185, Montevideo, Uruguay
Senckenberg-Anlage 17, Frankfurt, Germany
25 Achille Papa, Roma, Italia
Ryan, Oklahoma

COMMITTEES

Lord's Supper:
Seth Cunningham
Boyd Smith
Harl Mansur

Charity:
Louis Ward
Joe Holland

PLAN OF SALVATION

JOHN 8:24—For if you believe not that I am he ye shall die in your sins.

LUKE 13:3—I tell you, Nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

MATT. 10:32—Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in Heaven.

ACTS 2:38—Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins.

ROMANS 6:34—Know ye not that so many as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into His death? Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.