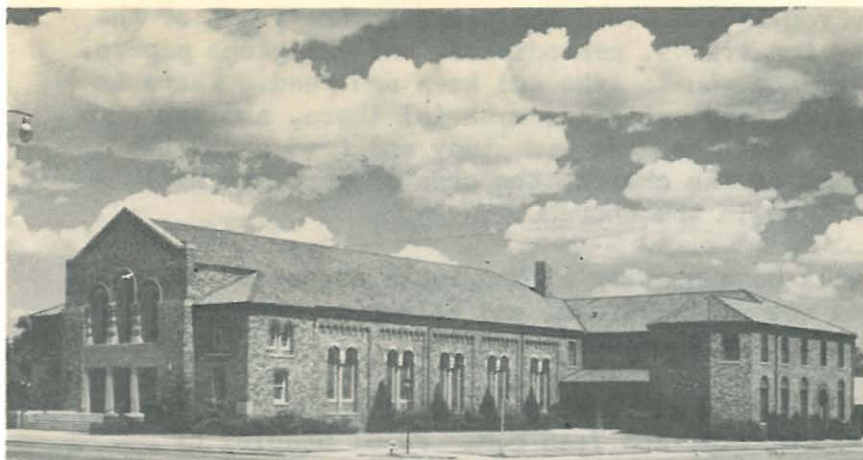


The Messenger

"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



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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:

Bible School Attendance -- 444

Contribution ----- \$1,137.89

Perhaps you have noticed the racks in the front of the building for tracts, periodicals, and religious papers. These are for you to take and keep and read. There is much interesting religious material there, and you will find that the more you study and read about the activities of the church, the greater part you will want to take in the church.

There will be a meeting at Henrietta August 9--19. Services are at 10:00 a.m. and 8:15 p.m. Brother Virgil Trout will do the preaching.

A meeting begins at Electra August 10--19. Services are at 10:00 a.m. and 7:45 p.m. F. S. Stanley of Midland, Texas, will preach.

Theron A. Baber and Miss Bobbie Ruth Brubaker were married July 31 in Iowa Park, Texas. They are now living at 1609 Kemp Boulevard.

Our sympathy is extended to Major L. W. Hare and family in the loss of Major Hare's sister, Mrs. C. D. Bishop, in Dallas.

We congratulate the following who recently responded to the invitation.

Aug 2
Jay Lile, 1315 Fillmore, Phone 2-9307, Baptized.
Kenneth W. Wilson, 3755th Student Squadron, Placed membership from Denver.

RADIO PROGRAMS:

The subject on Herald of Truth today will be, "Eternal Security."

"Freedom in the Primitive Church" will be the subject on the Quanah broadcast Monday, August 10, at 9:05 a.m.

The Daily Bible Lesson is conducted by Loyd L. Smith over Station KSWO, Lawton, Oklahoma, Monday through Friday at 9:45 a.m. The Sunday program is at 9:00 a.m.

WILLING CHURCH

I have found the members of the 10th & Broad Church a willing people. Some are willing to attend every service, while others are willing to stay at home, especially if company comes in, headache comes on, or rain comes down. Some have willing minds but their bodies shirk, while with others the body is willing but the mind won't work. Some are willing to be absent in body if they can be present in spirit. While others are willing to be present in body if they can be absent in spirit.

Some are willing to enjoy all of the blessings of the church while others pay for them. Some are willing to lead the line to the refreshments and dinners, and even more willing to let others lead all the prayers, the songs, and the way to personal work. Some are willing to push the Bible School work, and others are willing to ride while they push. Some are willing to work and there are entirely too many who are willing to let them do it. What a willing people!

It is wonderful to be willing to do good, but we should never be willing to shirk our duty. "Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil." Eph. 5:14,16.

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"Religion without morality is a tree without fruits; Morality without religion is a tree without roots!"

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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.

DOES THE CHURCH OF CHRIST TAKE PEOPLE IN FROM OTHER
CHURCHES ON THEIR BAPTISM

I. Church Is Divine

- A. Christ is its head - Ephesians 1:22,23.
- B. Christ has all authority - Matthew 28:18.
- C. When people are baptized scripturally the Lord himself adds them to the church - Acts 2:47.

It is not ours to say who can or cannot be received into the church. This is a divine matter and can only be determined by searching the New Testament Scriptures.

II. Only One Baptism - Ephesians 4:5

- A. Not the Baptism of John the Baptist - Acts 19:3-5.
- B. Not Baptism of Holy Ghost. This was a promise to the apostles, not a command to us - Acts 1:5.
- C. It is water baptism as commanded in the Great Commission - Mark 16:16; Matthew 28:19.

III. Who Should Be Baptized

- A. Only those who have been taught - Matthew 28:19.
- B. Only those who believe - Mark 16:15,16.
- C. Only those who have repented of their sins - Luke 24:46,47; Acts 2:38.
- D. Only those who have confessed Christ as the eunuch did - Acts 8:37.
- E. Only those who have faith in the operation of God - Colossians 2:12.
- F. An infant cannot be baptized for he can neither be taught, believe, repent, or truly confess Christ. Infants have no need to be baptized for they are safe - Mark 10:14. The baptism of infants would teach salvation by water alone.

IV. The Scriptural Mode of Baptism

- A. Water is needed - Acts 8:36
- B. Much water is needed - John 3:23.
- C. It requires a going down into the water - Acts 8:38.
- D. Both the baptizer and the one being baptized must go down into the water - Acts 8:38.
- E. It requires a burial - Romans 6:4.
- F. It requires a resurrection - Romans 6:4.
- G. It requires a planting - Romans 6:5.
- H. The entire body is to be washed - Hebrews 10:22; I Peter 3:21.
- I. It requires a coming up out of the water - Acts 8:38; Matthew 3:16.
- J. It requires a birth from the water - John 3:5.
- K. It requires a form of death, burial, and resurrection of Christ - Romans 6:17.

V. Purpose of Baptism

- A. To put on Christ - Galatians 3:27.
- B. To get into Jesus Christ - Romans 6:3.
- C. In order to reach the blood that takes away our sins - John 19:34; Romans 6:3.
- D. Thus for salvation - Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; I Peter 3:21.

VI. What Are The New Testament Requirements & Qualifications For The One Doing The Baptizing

- A. There are none.
- B. The Scripturalness of your baptism is not determined by who did it, but why and how you did it.

VII. Conclusion

- A. The important point is, has the one baptized learned the truth, believed the truth, truly repented of his sins, and made the right confession, that Jesus is the Christ, and been immersed in baptism.
- B. If one has done these things God himself has added him to the church. If one has not done these things God has not and will not add him to His Church - Acts 2:47.