

The Encourager

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“Having a Root in Themselves”

Mark 4:16-17 tells about the seed sown on stony ground. They receive the word with gladness but have not root in themselves. The word **themselves** is important to note, we must believe for our self, we must establish our selves in the faith, we must have our own experience with Jesus. Galatians 6:4 says let every man prove his own work then shall he have rejoicing in himself and not another. When we are babies in Christ it's alright to be carried by stronger more mature Christians but we must grow up. Paul said in 1

Corinthians 13:11 When I was a child I spoke as a child, I thought as a child but when I became a man I put away childish things. We must grow in grace and become mature in the knowledge of Christ. How do we establish roots in ourselves? Here are a few things we can do:

- 1 Peter 2:2 We must like a newborn desire the milk that causes growth. If you are not hungry for God's Word, ask Him for hunger.
- 1 Peter 5:10 when you go through temptations, trials, don't give

up, go through the trial it will strengthen and settle you. Remember how you leave a trial is how you will enter the next trial.

3. Pray and claim the Prayer of Paul for the church for yourself you are a part of the church and Paul was praying for you. Ephesians 1:15-23, Ephesians 3:14-21, Colossians 2:9-15.

Written by
Pastor Kelly Rumfield



Church Services

Sunday Morning Service
10:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service
6:00 p.m.

Generation Impact
6:00 p.m.

Christmas Program Practice
6:00 p.m.

Kid's Church 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study
7:00 p.m.

Teachers

Nursery: Frances Diaz & Rebecca Perez

2 & 3 year old class
Kimberly Kilbourn

4 & 5 year old class
We need a teacher for this class

1st & 2nd grade class
Angie Garza

3rd & 4th grade class
Chuck Kilbourn

5th & 6th grade class
Class will stay in the Service

Psalms 100

Make A joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord He is God: it is He that hath

made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with THANKSGIVING, and into His courts with

praise: be THANKFUL unto Him, and bless His name.

For the Lord is good; His mercy is every lasting; and His truth endureth to all generations.

November 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Keep Up With The Times						1 Good Samaritan Nursing Home
Reset Your Clocks						
2 DAYLIGHT SAVING	3	4 ELECTION DAY	5	6	7 Ladies Fellowship 6:30 p.m. at NWBC	8 Work-Day Christmas Float 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. See page 4
9 International day of prayer for the persecuted church	10	11 VETERANS Day	12	13	14	15
16	17 *This is the week to turn in Christmas Shoe Boxes →	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 *East Star Ministries Thanksgiving Dinner at Harlingen	27 Happy Thanksgiving	28	29
30						*See page 4 for further information on the different dates.



Richard & Starla Linn will celebrate their 22nd Anniversary on November 15th
 Carlos & Tanya Vento will celebrate their 11th Anniversary on November 15th
 Jesse & Irene Perez will celebrate their 47th Anniversary on November 19th
 Fred & Mary Hirschmann will celebrate their 18th Anniversary on November 24th
 Lionel & Diana Campbell will celebrate their 9th Anniversary on November 27th

Michelle Atkinson will celebrate her birthday on November 1st
 Stephanie Villarreal will celebrate her birthday on November 1st
 Laura Vargas will celebrate her birthday on November 4th
 Isabel Puente will celebrate her birthday on November 5th
 Patricia Atkinson will celebrate her birthday on November 8th
 Gabriel Gonzalez Jr. will celebrate his 17th birthday on November 15th
 Yvonna Rumfield will celebrate her birthday on November 16th
 Angela Gonzalez will celebrate her birthday on November 19th
 Sarah Perez will celebrate her 8th birthday on November 19th
 Gizelle Hernandez will celebrate her birthday on November 20th
 Martin (Alex) Torres will celebrate his birthday on November 27th



Teacher Spot Light—Eddie Perez



Eddie Perez is our Spot Light teacher for November. He is the 11 & 12 year class teacher and he also teaches the youth group.

Eddie has been married to Ida for 5 years and has a daughter Angela, who is 16. He enjoys spending time with them. He also enjoys hunting, fishing and driving his Classic 1970 Plymouth Roadrunner. "Most of all I enjoy my life because of my Lord Jesus Christ who lives in me oh! How I rejoice in that," says Eddie.

Eddie was born in Harlingen and raised in San Benito and one of his most memorable events as a child was when

He went fishing with his mom and dad and they would take his 22 rifle and went shooting for rabbits, armadillos rats, birds and anything in between.

Eddie was born again in 1996 at Power Church in Arlington TX. "The moment I walked into the church I felt the presence of the Lord. Something I had never experienced before."

Eddie believes that when he walked into Power Church he was filled with the spirit, "but I prayed to receive the Spirit in 1998 at NWBC."

Eddie was water baptized at Peaster Baptist church in Weatherford TX.

Eddie was asked by Lionel to take on the 11 & 12 year old class. "It has

been a blessing to teach the class the Way of the Lord," says Eddie. "It is my goal that they may grow to the full measure of Jesus Christ."

Where are you employed? How long have been employed at same job? "My wife and I are owners of Perez Auto Repair & Electric in San Benito and have been in business since 1998."

Why did you choose NWBC for your home church? "I was invited by my family and decided to make it my home church."

Written by Eddie Perez



Kid Spot Light— Makayla McGinnis

Makayla McGinnis is our spot light kid this month and she celebrated her 5th birthday on October 18th. Makayla is the grand-daughter of Isabel Puente and is sister to Joey Deleon. Makayla's mother is Sonia Garcia and her daddy is Jason McGinnis. Makayla is in pre-kinder at Austin Elementary School in Harlingen. She attends the 4 & 5 year old class in Sunday school.

Makayla does not have a favorite sport but

she loves to dance; and is still dancing & jumping to "We Got the Power." Her favorite



song is "Awesome God".

Makayla was born again at the age of 4. Makayla loves

to hear about Jesus' power and knows that Jesus lives in us and that's why we have power. Makayla's favorite verse is "God has

not made me afraid" according to II Timothy 1:7. "Makayla loves to pray and knows Jesus is powerful and the devil has no power.

When she has a need, falls, whatever the first thing she wants to do is pray and even when a mosquito bites her," says her grandmother.

Makayla's favorite pass time (loves) is to sing and she is always singing the songs from church.

Written by Isabel Puente

The Hay Ride Girls



Sisters in the Lord.



Miranda Garza brushing the calf.



Carlos & Tanya Vento, Team Leaders and all other volunteers that helped, also to all those that donated the food for the Fall Family

Festival.

All glory & honor to our Lord!

Shoe Boxes for Casa Hogar “Imperio de Amor” A.C.

This year our shoe box project is going to be a little different. We picked children from the orphanage in Mexico. Here is some information:

Casa Amor “Imperio de Amor” A.C. was established in April 2007. It is located in Guadalupe, Nuevo Leon (This is one of the municipalities of the city of Monterrey). 3 hours South West of McAllen The director of the home is Eduardo Dominguez. He is helped by his sisters and brothers-in-law. The children at this

home enjoy playing soccer, marbles, hide and seek, drawing, studying, reading the bible, and singing praise songs.

Here are some gift suggestions:

SCHOOL SUPPLIES-pens, pencils, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, coloring and picture books, etc.

TOYS-small cars, dolls, stuffed animals, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch, toys that

light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS: toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

OTHER-hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-Shirts, socks, balls, caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

A PERSONAL NOTE-In an envelope, you may enclose a note to the

A prayer for Thanksgiving Day

Almighty God, our Creator, Redeemer and Eternal Companion, we come to you overwhelmed by the goodness you bestow on us without limits.

On this special day, we recall how you blessed our forefathers who came to this wonderful land seeking freedom to worship without restraint or hindrance.

We are immeasurably grateful for our heritage. We pray that our faith may be as fervent as the faith of those who left everything for a land strange to them and where they were strangers to the

natives.

Therefore, we gather as grateful benefactors of your pilgrim servants who paid a costly price to glorify you and serve you faithfully. For them, we give you our deepest gratitude mindful of that first Thanksgiving meal shared by newcomers and natives. We gather around our tables as family and friends.

We come to you in love and great appreciation for your constant grace and gifts bestowed upon us. The abundant and beautiful food before us is the most

lovely and present evidence.

Ever-giving and ever-loving God, we humbly thank you for all your benefits. We wish only one thing more. May we have the honor of your presence? Be our Guest that we may know that we have had fellowship with you and with one another.

In the name of your greatest gift to us, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Our deepest condolences to Mrs. Evelyn Lachico (wife), Debra Lachico (daughter) and family on the passing away of Mr. Jessie Lachico on Tuesday, Oct. 21st. Please keep them in your prayers.



Reminder! Please bring your aluminum cans for the fund raiser. The funds will go to the Spring Family Festival.



November 9th we will honor the **Veterans**; if you know a veteran please invite them to church.



East Star Ministries Larry & Lisa Johnson need help with the Thanksgiving Dinner at Harlingen Nursing Home you may reach him at 412-0801 or 498-2711.

November 9th Going away Cover Dish Meal for Mike, Roma, Aaron and Grant Peace. Please bring a cover dish. This meal will be right after Church Service. See pg. 5 for more info.

Christmas Parade will be December 7th. There will be work days scheduled for the Christmas float; the first day is Saturday November 8th from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. the other days will depend on how much we get done. Please contact Ray Perez for more information.

Cell Phone vs. The Bible

I wonder what would happen if we treated our bible like we treat our cell phone?

What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?

What if we flipped through it several times a day?

What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it?

What if we used it to receive messages from the text?

What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it ?

What if we gave it to Kids as gifts?

What if we used it when we traveled?

What if we used it in case of emergency

This is something to make you go...hmm...where is my Bible?

Oh, and one more thing. Unlike our cell phone, we don't have to worry about our Bible being

Disconnected because Jesus already paid the bill.

Makes you stop and think 'where are my priorities?'

Author Unknown

Mike, Roma, Aaron, and Grant Peace are embarking on a new adventure. November 16th they will leave the Valley and begin their move to Sydney, Australia. They would like to express their love and appreciation for you, their church family. Thank you for always being there when we needed you to lend a hand or lift us up in prayer. You will be missed, but never forgotten. Sincerely, Mike, Roma, Aaron, and Grant

International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church: November 9

BARTLESVILLE –The Voice of the Martyrs is calling on Christians worldwide to set aside Nov. 9, to pray for Christians around the world living daily under the threat of persecution as a part of the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (IDOP).

VOM will join hundreds of churches and thousands of individuals in remembering our brothers and sisters suffering around the world. These believers risk discrimination, imprisonment and even death because of

their active witness for Jesus Christ.

"This is an important day in the church calendar," said Todd Nettleton, VOM's Director of Media Development. "Scripture instructs us to remember those in bonds as though we were bound with them. This special day of prayer is one of the ways corporately we do that."

Christians are encouraged to pray for continued boldness and courage for believers as they share the gospel and for hearts to be softened to the truth

of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Pray not only for persecuted Christians, but for the persecutors as well.

"Our hope is that this day of prayer encourages people to be active all year long in prayer and support for our persecuted brothers and sisters," Nettleton said.

"Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; and them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body." Hebrews 13:3

Ladies Fellowship "Love One Another" John 15:12

The Ladies Fellowship will be held at North Way Bible Church November 7, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

The menu will be Chicken Alfredo, French bread with garlic butter, salad, ice tea or water and dessert. A donation of \$5.00 is welcomed.

On this fellowship we will celebrate in thanksgiving to our King Jesus Christ.

Our Lord has sown His working Power. In answered prayers, in times we just did not expect or thru situations that were stressful.

Ladies you will have the opportunity to share your story. (Testimony)

I would like to thank Pastor Kelly for supporting our "Ladies Fellowship" Hebrews 12:1-2 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so

great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith. Meditate (think) on this scripture. I pray that your spirit will understand the Lord's Word.

Written by Velma Martinez

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"Ye have compassed this mountain long enough:
turn you northward." Deuteronomy 2:3

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Started in 1980 and our mission is to reach souls for
Christ and teach families and individuals the truth of
God's Word and applying it to their daily lives.

The American Hero—Veterans Day: November 11

The American Hero always
comes through
To capture our hearts with a
spirit so true
Some proudly are soldiers who
march in harm's way
Insuring our freedom, coura-
geous they stay
While others come forth as ci-
vilians so brave
Determined in purpose, so
steadfast to save
We should always keep clear a
place in our heart
For each has a value beyond
precious art
Their duty to country will not be
surpassed

Please honor their courage, for
some it's their last

We live in a world which can
be hard to bear

Thank God for these people,
how greatly they care

Do ponder new heroes and
what they will face
And pray for their safety no
matter their place

Our heritage brings out the
best, we all know
Our great book of heroes is
destined to grow

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The following are the church veterans:

Lionel Campbell (Army Veteran)

Adan Diaz (Army Veteran)

John Garza (Army Veteran)

Gustavo Gonzales (Army Veteran)

Fred Hirschmann (Army Veteran)

Kimberly Kilbourn (Navy Reserves)

Jesse Padron (Army Reserves)

Ray Perez (Navy Veteran)

Albino Vargas (Army Veteran)

Frank Villarreal (Army Reserves)

If you are a veteran and your name is
not in the above list please notify us.

