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Three Positions To Be Open For May 12th Election For School Board

Three positions will come open for the May 12, 2012 election for school board trustees and special election to fill an unexpired term. These positions will include two three-year terms to be elected at large, currently held by Mark Simmons and Daryl Hirst. The third position is a one year unexpired term ending May 2013, this term vacated by Don Whitten and filled by appointment by Jamie Espinoza. First day to file is February 4, 2011. Deadline to file is March 5, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. Applications are available at the Superintendents' office during school hours.

Three Positions Open For City Commission and Mayor

The City of Gorman May General Election will be May 12, 2012. The first day to file for a place on the ballot will be February 4, 2012, the last day to file for a place on the ballot will be March 5, 2012.

Places on the ballot for the 2012 election will be Mayor, and Commissioners places 2 & 4.

Currently these positions are held by Robert Ervin, Mayor, Durward Webb Place 2, and Joe Casey Place 4.

ROBBERY SUSPECT APPREHENDED

[Eastland] - On Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 4:50 A.M., the Eastland Police Department was notified of a robbery, in progress, at the Holiday Inn Express located at 1460 East Main Street. Communications personnel reported the suspect was still on the premises.

Police personnel responded to the scene and, upon entry to the front lobby of the hotel, observed a fight in progress between several people. One individual was identified to Officer Dan Wilson as the suspect and he immediately took measures to secure that person. A second individual, identified as the on duty hotel clerk, Harvey Blades, advised Officer Wilson that at approximately 4:30 A.M. the suspect had approached and grabbed him from behind and stuck something in his back, apparently to simulate a gun. Blades later said he made a decision that "it wasn't going to happen that way," he then turned and grabbed the suspect and they fell to the floor in a fight. Mr. Blades said the fight had been going on for nearly thirty minutes when two hotel patrons exited an elevator. He yelled for them to call 9-1-1 and when they figured out what was going on, jumped in to help bring the suspect under control and hold him there until police arrived.

During the course of the fight, the victim, Blades, was struck, at least twice, in the head with a metal object, believed to be the same object used to simulate a gun stuck in the victim's back. The suspect also bit the victim several times on his arms and hands.

When Officer Wilson arrived on scene, the suspect was taken into custody without further incident. Officer Wilson was assisted in placing the suspect into his patrol vehicle by Chief Deputy Randy Hooks of the Eastland County Sheriff's Department, who had arrived on scene shortly after Officer Wilson. The two hotel patrons were later identified and did, at the request of officers, go to the Eastland Police Department where they provided written statements detailing what they had observed.

The suspect was transported to the Eastland County Jail where he was then identified as Deon Keith Simmons, W/M 45 years of age from Mangham, Louisiana. Simmons was booked into the jail on the charge of Aggravated Robbery, a Felony of the 1st Degree, as identified by Section 29.03 of the Texas Penal Code.

Blades was transported to the Emergency Room at Eastland Memorial Hospital by ambulance for treatment of his injuries. It was determined Blades had not suffered incapacitating injuries. He was treated and released. Blades then arrived at the Eastland Police Department where, he too, provided a written statement to Officer Dan Wilson.

At the time of this release, Deon Keith Simmons remains in the Eastland County Jail under a \$10,000.00 bond.

Wynogene Smith To Celebrate Birthday on March 10th

Wynogene Smith will be celebrating her Birthday on Saturday, March 10. If you would like to send her a Birthday card her address is:

Wynogene Smith
1676 City Road 140
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Eastland County Soccer Association Sign-ups!

Yes, soccer in the SPRING! Register your children on March 1st at two convenient locations: Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cisco (1711 Conrad Hilton, across from the bakery); and 1st Baptists Church in Eastland (405 S. Seaman, across from the police station). Registration at both locations is from 5:30 to 7:00, and the fee is \$45 with a discount of \$5 for each additional child (up to four children total). If you have any questions, please call Eric at 254-631-9715 or Jeanna at 254-488-1898. Play more soccer!

2012 Gorman Track Schedule

Thursday	March	8	Cross Plains	Boys
Saturday	March	24	Meridian	Girls/Boys
Friday	March	30	May	Boys
Saturday	March	31	Ranger	Girls
Thursday	April	5	District Track (Blanket)	Girls/Boys
TBA	TBA	TBA	Area Track	Girls/Boys
Fri/Sat	April	27, 28	Regional Track (ACU)	Girls/Boys
Fri/Sat	May	11, 12	State Track (Austin)	Girls/Boys

2012 Gorman Junior High Schedule

Monday	March	5	Cross Plains	Girls/Boys
Monday	March	19	May	Girls/Boys
Monday	March	26	Strawn	Girls/Boys
Monday	April	9	District Track (Zephyr)	Girls/Boys

Boys Coach: James Gerick
Girls Coach: Tommy Simmons

Pray For Rain

"Thank You"

We would like to thank the many friends and neighbors that helped us through the passing of our Annie. Thank you for all the thoughtful cards, flowers, phone calls and food brought to our houses and the church. Thank you so much to the Church of Christ for the dinner, flowers and hymns, and also to John Howard for the lovely service. We would like to express our appreciation to Ray, Carolyn and Marjorie at Higginbotham Funeral Home for the compassion, tender care and hugs. We are grateful to Panda's Flowers for the long hours and beautiful flowers. Lighthouse Hospice and the loving staff of Ranger Care Center all went above and beyond expectations to make my Grandmother's days as comfortable as possible.

Thank you to all our friends for your hugs, smiles and shoulders given in comfort.

The family of Annie Watson

Items of interest

Men's Community Prayer Breakfast meets at 7:00 a.m. On the third Wednesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church in Gorman.

Gorman Senior Citizens meet once a month on 3rd Wednesday at 11:30 in the Gorman Senior Center. Bring Covered Dish or \$3.00 Per Plate.

The Order of the Eastern Star holds its regular stated meetings on the First Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

4-H - The Club is going to meet the first Wednesday of each month in the New Gym. All people interested in participating are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be at 3:45 -4:45. For more information Call Cindy Underwood 734-5085.

SANDRA CAGLE WILL BE IN GORMAN AT THE CITY OFFICE TO RENEW AUTO LICENSE PLATES. HER NEXT VISIT IS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21ST FROM 9 TIL NOON.

Oakland Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oakland Cemetery Association, P. O. Box 532, Gorman, Tx 76454 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

Food Bank
New Hours - 10 to 11 a.m. - Second Thursday

Gorman Masonic Lodge No. 716 A.F. & A. M. Regular stated meetings are 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Members are urged to attend. Visitors are always welcome. Stan Harper, Master - Kenneth Good, Secretary.

Gorman Oaklawn Cemetery Association is accepting donations for the Care of the Cemetery. Donations can be sent to Oaklawn Cemetery Association, 7726 CR 362, Desdemona, Tx 76445 or to American State Bank, Gorman, Texas 76454

Panthers End Season In Area Playoffs

The Gorman Panthers ended a very successful year of 21 and 9 by the score of 56-25 against the powerful Throckmorton Greyhounds 20 and 2 in the Area Round at Breckenridge on Thursday in a very physical game with each team committing 14 fouls.

The Panthers fell behind 10 to 5 in the initial quarter and only scored 3 points in the second period and trailed the heavily favored Hounds 26-8 at halftime. The Big Red scored only 8 points in the third and were held to just 9 points in the final period. This was the third loss to the Greyhounds this season.

Zach Carlton led the Panthers with 12 points. Jon Fenley hit 5. Yovani Palacios got 3. Sergio Hipolito and Matt Fox each had 2 and Dakota Pacheco hit 1.

In Regional Action on Tuesday the Panthers to the Area Round with a 57-54 overtime game with Newcastle at Breckenridge. The Panthers trailed at halftime by 10 points scoring 10 in the first and 9 in the second. They came back with 17 in the third and got 13 in the fourth to tie the game. They outscored Newcastle 8 to 5 in OT for the 57-54 win.

Zach Carlton led Gorman with 23 points. Jon Fenley had 16. B. J. Ramirez got 9. Dakota Pacheco, Sergio Hipolito and Matt Fox each hit 3.

The Panthers had a very good season and are to be Congratulated for going this far in the playoffs. Good going gang!!!

Panthers Blank Indians In Season Opener

The Gorman Panthers started the Baseball Season with a big Bang, defeating the Comanche Indians 15-1 on Saturday in Goldthwaite's Tourney.

The Panthers scored 1 in the first inning, 2 in the third, 12 in the fourth for the victory with Comanche scoring its 1 run in the second.

Dakota Pacheco (6), Zach Carlton (8), and Jon Fenley (1) completed a No hitter. Recording each out as a strike out (15).

Every Panther scored at least one run and had at least 1 RBI.

The Panthers had 10 hits led by Dakota Pacheco with a Double, a Triple, and B. J. Ramirez with a Double and 7 total bases.

Community Newspapers: "The Heartbeat of American Journalism"

Localism is trending today in the realms of food and finance. The institution of the local community newspaper is also popular, but it wasn't blogged into being - it was born long before videos started going viral. Major-metropolitan newspapers may be a slowly dying breed, but community newspapers prove that American journalism is alive, well and living in the rural areas, small towns and suburbs of our land.

The word "newspaper" may conjure mental images of a big pressroom, delivery trucks and eight-column banner headlines, but 97% of U.S. papers have a paid circulation of less than 50,000. Their combined circulations, though, exceed 109 million - more than 3 times the aggregate total of the big daily newspapers.

These are the community newspapers. They are staffed by professional journalists, but their news coverage is locally-oriented. High-school sports and academics, zoning issues, petty crime, neighborhood events, clubs, services, organizations, festivities and milestones - this is the stuff that the local news beat is made of. It is the sort of focus that big-city papers have increasingly lacked both the time and the inclination to provide.

This single-minded dedication to meeting the needs of their audience has set the community papers apart from their big-city brethren. Major-metropolitan newspaper circulations began declining when they lost touch with readers and advertisers, long before the advent of the Internet. Today, the concentration on consumer demand distinguishes the community newspaper product from that of advocacy journalists and hyper-localists. The faddists are motivated by ideological or topical considerations extrinsic to their relationship with their customers. The bond between the community papers and their readers is organic.

University of North Carolina journalism instructor and textbook author Jack Lauterer summed up this relationship neatly: "Community journalism... is the heartbeat of American journalism, journalism in its natural state." That heart beats today as robustly as it did in 1953 when the little Tabor City (NC) Tribune won a Pulitzer Prize for its expose of local Ku Klux Klan activities. It was the first Pulitzer award ever made to a weekly newspaper.

The category "community newspapers" includes small daily newspapers, whose skeletal structure mimics that of the major-metro papers but which cover little or no metropolitan, state, national or world news. The term is also broad enough to encompass weekly papers that specialize even more narrowly and are often distributed free in street racks, stores, malls or shopping centers. Among the popular weekly forms are shoppers - which publish copious retail advertising by groceries and auto dealerships - and alternatives, which feature anti-establishment editorial and lifestyle content.

A good example of this mix is Community Newspaper Holdings, Inc. (CNHI), which used private capital to grow via acquisitions beginning in 1997. Today, it boasts some 90 small daily newspapers and over 200 smaller weeklies in 22 states.

Corporate ownership has arisen to challenge sole proprietorships and partnerships for dominance in the industry. When successful, this has allowed each paper to retain its individuality while enabling the parent enterprise to enjoy economies of scale and scope.

Still, neither corporate ownership nor large size inoculates community newspapers against adversity. American Community Newspapers, Inc. reached well over 1 million households in Texas, Minnesota and Virginia when it was forced into Chapter 11 bankruptcy in 2010. It emerged from reorganization in the hands of its creditors.

From Mankato, MN to Plano, TX; from Vienna, VA to Harrisonville, MO to Walnut Creek, CA, community newspapers stand as testament to the continuing vitality of print journalism. Reports of the death of newspapers may be premature; they are surely exaggerated.

Tax Office Auto Registration Office To Be Closed Wednesday, March 7

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Wednesday, March 7th, the Tax Office Auto Registration in Eastland will be closed from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. For Equipment Upgrades.

The Property Tax Office will be open for business as usual.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Thank You,
Sandra Cagle

February 23, 2012

Hello again from the Eastland County Museum! Things are still moving along at the Museum with the first private event held this past weekend in the form of a wedding shower. Hear everyone involved thoroughly enjoyed the location. Hope to see more. Also the Museum welcomes back the Sons of Confederate Veterans for their monthly meetings.

Last week we reported we would be running unidentified photos in the hopes you can help identify details of the photos, but we are going to change that for this edition. This past weekend the family of H. P. Brelsford contacted the Museum and said they had a painting of H.P. to donate. Dr. William (Bill) and Peggy Brelsford of Tyler brought the painting to the Museum Sunday afternoon. And it was interesting to note we could find very little on the Brelsford family in the records of the Museum. Bill and Peggy both said they would get much information to us. After a good visit we asked if they would be willing at a late date to sit for a time and give an oral history recording of their family and they agreed. Bill even said he might bring an aunt and his mother to be included.

If you don't know who the Brelsford family is, the next time you are visiting or fishing at Lake Eastland, say a small thank you to this generous family. H.P. Brelsford donated the lake and property to the City of Eastland to be used as a water supply for the city. H.P. was also instrumental in the State Bank which built and opened for banking business in the building the Museum is now located in. He also served terms in the Texas House and Senate. As we learn more history of this family, we will shall bits and pieces.



Dr. William G. (Bill) Brelsford and his wife Peggy presented this painting of Dr. Brelsford's grandfather H. P. Brelsford to the Eastland County Museum. Along with the painting the Brelsford presented a framed piece of letterhead for the Lake Eastland Corporation listing the directors of the corporation, including H.P. Brelsford, and a black and white photo of the Lake Eastland dam.

Thanks a million to the Brelsford family and we look forward to seeing you again and learning more of your family's interesting and exciting history!

We welcome EHS Senior Riley Thornton who is doing his senior community service on Saturdays at the Museum. We want to take advantage of Riley's time in the hopes he can help us become better organized.

Window repair and tinting work should begin in the next week or so. Mike McClure Construction recently dropped off tinting samples for the board to choose from. Mike will work over the windows to get them closed, secured and then seal them to stop the inside curtains from blowing! He will then put a reflective uv tinting on the windows to help prevent uv damage to the exhibits, as well as help with temperature control this summer!

And speaking of exhibits the Museum will begin hosting exhibits from the Humanities Texas soon. These exhibits are no stranger to the Museum as several have been brought in some years ago. Be watching for more on these exhibits soon!

Currently the Museum hours of operation are Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Want to volunteer?? Stop by the Museum and sign up!

See you next week!
Your Eastland County Museum

Bringing the great history of Eastland County to Eastland County!
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Senior Citizens News

By Carol Ward

There Were fourteen at the Center for our Monthly Lunch on February 15th. We enjoyed good fellowship in spite of low attendance. Our food was delicious with many good dishes. For once we had more food than people, how did that happen? Henry Buchanan gave the blessing for all. Appreciate his attendance, he even come when Ann can't.

Our meal consisted of pork patties and potatoes, hominy, pea salad, Mac and cheese, Cole slaw, chicken with rice, chicken spaghetti, deviled eggs, green salad, pizza and cornbread. We only had one good Sock-It-To-Me cake. Glad Geraldene Wright was here with our dessert. Thanks also Geraldene for helping in the clean up.

Sandra Cagle our tax assessor was with us for lunch. Always good to see her. We missed Wilburn Overstreet, Lil Brudnak, and the Shirleys. Talked with Wilburn and he has his up and down days, like the rest of us. Lil just forgets to come, Don't know what's with the Shirley's, must call them. Susan Lipson was here with all the Library Volunteers. Good to see Martha Rainey, hadn't been in awhile. Hope Ruth Rodgers and Bobbie Henley will continue to come and bring their husbands. We only have too men that attend regularly.

I visited with Daisy Slaton on Saturday the 25th. She is doing well and looks so good. Her age just finally caught up to her. She had several visitors the week before and Dr. Dan came that morning. He always brightens her day, even played the banjo one day. I'm sure the other people also enjoyed the music.

Sure was nice to see Ruthie Porter and Billie Bennett. Had missed them. I'm amazed at Billie and Ailene Garrett and all they can do in their 90's. Ailene such a good help to me, missed her in January, and I kind of stumbled around but got it done. They only thing I locked out meat in the car on accident. HA! So our meal was delayed till nearly noon.

Martha R. brought her helper, Maria, so glad to have her eat with us. Also Maria Garcia came to be with us, as she is a volunteer at the Library. She is there on Mondays from 5 to 7. We had a library meeting after the lunch. The Center so cold we decided to go back to Library. Usually its very warm to me.

On the 7th of March we will meet at the D.Q. for lunch at 11:30. The Senior Fund will pay for this. So please come and enjoy. We also will meet on the 21st for our regular luncheon on the 3rd Wednesday. Hope to see more out with the warmer weather.

Hope all is well and everyone improving - Carol

Pig Tales From Hogtown

Our regular second Saturday dance at the DAC will be held on March 10. The concession stand opens at 6:00 and the music starts at 7:00.

This Saturday, March 3rd, is 'Breakfast at the DAC' from 7:00 until 10:00. Come and start your weekend with us. The cost is by donation.

Something new at the DAC:

On the second Tuesday of each month, we will have a jam here at the DAC for acoustic instruments. If you like to play, are just learning or just want to listen, come on in at 6:30. The first jam will be March 13.

Mark your calendars for March 24 - we will have an Italian dinner. Everyone liked the Mexican dinner that we had last month, so we are going to try to tickle your taste buds again.

See you in Desdemona!

Carol Pell

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Come See What PPNRC Can Do For YOU!

Santo Dairy Queen Officially Opens Feb. 24

The premiere state of the art Santo, Texas Dairy Queen officially opened its doors for business Friday, February 24, 2012 with all the fanfare and excitement the community could muster. Mineral Wells Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors conducted an official welcome and ribbon cutting ceremony. Santo High School provided a drum roll for the ceremony with the band's drum line and a DQ cheer from the cheer squad and mascot along with several athletes. Texas and American Dairy Queen Dignitaries, community leaders and school officials were also in attendance.



Richeson Group owns and operates 53 Dairy Queen store fronts across our Great State! On Thursday, September 22, 2011 groundbreaking ceremonies took place for the 53rd Richeson location on the South East corner of US Highway 281 and Interstate Highway 20. The speed and craftsmanship of the new build are attributed to Gary and Linda Moran of Kerrville, Texas. Richeson Group Director of Operations, Dallas Pooser said, "we have worked with Gary about 20 years. He built our Mineral Wells, Johnson City & Kerrville locations and contracted over renovations on several other locations. We like his work and knew he could do the job".

Within Richeson Management are multiple ownership groups. Santo DQ is owned by 4-D Enterprises consisting of Pat Dial, Dallas Pooser and Joe Tillman. Dial, company President and restaurant owner has been in the DQ business for 35 years with Richeson Group. Her first job was as a team member, her mother, a Manager of a Richeson DQ Restaurant was her boss. Upon the family moving to Graham Pat and her mother worked their way up in the company under the tutelage of Doris Richeson to learn every aspect of the business from the counter serving ice cream all the way to the top at the home office in management roles.

Dallas Pooser holds the title of Director of Operations is also a restaurant owner who started his Richeson DQ career as a high school student with a part time job and has 20 years' experience with Richeson.

Joe Tillman, Doris Richeson's Grandson, in his own words "I have been a part of the company since 2002. When I started it was at our very beginning level; I had to show that I could get the job done. Personally I now own and operate multiple DQ locations that are a part of the Richeson Group as a whole. My daughter Hayden Kennedy will be the 4th generation of our family involved in The DQ brand. Morgan, Hayden and I live in Brock, Texas currently. Morgan and I both graduated from Tarleton State University and look forward to many years operating DQs in the future."

Seasonally throughout the year Richeson Group will employ around 800 with a big majority of them in small rural communities where jobs are scarce and DQ is a daily stop for refreshment and nourishment of mind, body and soul. "In this tough economy there is one thing we can count on" says Pat Dial Company President, "Texans and their travel guests are going to eat. We just have to make sure we are ready to serve them."

"We are always looking for strong team members to join us" says Image Relations Coordinator, Lisa McCool. Candidates can log on to www.richesondq.com and complete an application, it's that simple."

Doris Richeson company founder presently sits on the Texas Dairy Queen Operators' Council, and it is not her first term. In 1977, she became the first woman to serve on the council and, in the 1980s, her leadership marshaled enough strength, in true Texas fashion, to keep marketing dollars in Texas for a Texas advertising campaign, and the right to keep the TDQ food system, which is unlike that of the American Dairy Queen system.

Desdemona News

By Vonnie Guthery

First Baptist Church of Desdemona continues to have average attendance each Sunday. Bro. Charlie enjoys his "Special" time each Sunday morning with all the young children. All the Members invites visitors to attend each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. for Sunday School and at 11:00 a.m. For Morning Worship Service.

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4. Lettuce love another

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3. Turnip to help one another

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1. Thyme for each other
2. Thyme for family
3. Thyme for friends

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love. There is much fruit in your garden that you can share with others.

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" Pray For Rain "

Happenings At FBC!!

Waters! Glory to God, the Baptismal Waters is stirred once again. The Worship Service began with one young lady following Christ in Baptism. Hallelujah!

Mark your calendars:

Feb 29th - 5:30pm - Youth Pancake Supper - donations to fund Youth Program.

Wednesdays: TeamKids at 6pm, Mission Friends at 6pm, and Youth at 6:30pm. Bring your friends! It's fun to learn about Jesus!

Children's Sermon: Traci held the Gorman Progress Newspaper and showed the children the good news in our town. We find the best news of all in the Bible. In Mark 1:14 we are told that God wants us to hear the Good News. Believing the Good News about Jesus changes hearts, minds, and lives. God wants us to share the Good News about Jesus with everyone.

Bro. Barry's Message: "Who's In, Who's Out?" - Mark 10:13-16 (NLT) It's during this time of year that Bro. Barry is asked to fill out "college referral forms" for High School Seniors hoping to enter college. Entering college raises the question, "Who's In, Who's Out?" Even at the level of America's Presidential Candidates, the Republican Debates spark the question, "Who's In, Who's Out?" However, nothing is more important than where you will spend eternity. The scripture is clear in saying that our two options for eternity are heaven and hell. Once again we face this question in our hope to enter Heaven, "Who's In, Who's Out?"

Mark 10:13) One day some parents brought their children to Jesus so He could touch and bless them. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering Him. 14) When Jesus saw what was happening, He was angry with His disciples. He said to them, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children. 15) I tell you the truth, anyone who doesn't receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it." 16) Then He took the children in His arms and placed His hands on their heads and blessed them.

BABIES OR GOOD PEOPLE - Babies are said to be appetites surrounded by noise and are incapable of doing anything for themselves, but good folks get things done. What Do I Do To Earn The Kingdom? (1) Goodness. - Is it your "In"? (2) Badness. - Is it your "Out"? (3) They are both flawed. - There is sin in all things we do. The Bible tells of a rich young ruler that fell at the feet of Jesus to ask how to enter heaven. This man had money, youth, and authority. Jesus told him to go and sell all he had and give the money to the poor; then follow Him. Bro. Barry asked BJ to bring a camel to the platform, and then asked Russell to hold a needle & thread. Jesus tells us that it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of God. Perhaps the riches have nothing to do with money, rather the condition of a person's heart. God through Jesus said we must receive the Kingdom of God like a child to enter it. Three Principles: (I) Pray God will Open Eyes and Change Hearts. (II) Pray that God Protects Your Heart from the Love of Money. (III) Pray that You Don't Walk Past the Needy. Jesus' Disciples weren't rocket scientists - they are simply people who will do as they are told - they are surrendered to Him. Peter, James, & John, not the cream of the crop in any way, but they were open to growing and learning. That's where we can hope. A disciple is a learner - not one who has it all together. Babies are needy, humble, and have nothing without their parents. A child needs everything done for them. We must need our Heavenly Father in the exact same way. Jesus is your Savior that's waiting for you to come to the place where you sell out your life, all you have and all you are, in service to Him. What's your answer to heaven, "Are you In or Out?"

One young woman came forward to accept Christ and follow Him in Baptism, Praise God! We also welcome a lovely woman who came forward to join our Fellowship. Glory to God!

If you are reading this and you have not accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior please call Bro. Barry, ask Bro. Barry to talk with you about being saved or just ask him to pray with you, just call (254) 734-2420.

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