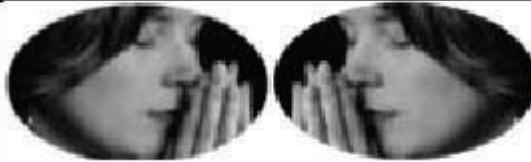


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December 6
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Please Welcome
Miss Katherine Elizabeth
Wilson

Katie was born November 3rd and weighed 7 lbs. 5 ozs. She was 20 inches tall. I say was, because she is growing like a little weed. Andy and Rhonda Wilson are the proud parents. She has 3 big brothers to protect her. They are Jake, Luke and Sam. Congratulations Wilsons, and good luck.

Children are apt to live up to what you believe of them.

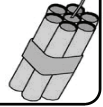
"I believe the time we really look big in a child's eyes is when we go to them and apologize for our mistakes and we say, 'I was wrong. Will you forgive me?'"

~Copied~

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Ladies T-N-T

Mary Allred



Woo Hoo!! Wasn't that a party? Lots of good food, fellowship and gifts to boot. What more could you ask for. Mary Allred turned over the reins to the new Secret Sis coordinator, Melissa (McVey) Gillespie. We will get our new sister assignment at the end of December. If you are interested in being a Sis, please fill out a biography sheet and get it to Melissa. If you are new to our congregation and not interested in being a Sis, please fill out a biography sheet and give it to Mary.

Thanks to Marsha Alexander for opening her home to our crew for the evening. Marsha surprised us all by giving everyone a red boa. Be sure and wear your boa to our Christmas party on the 14th of this month.

The new year is upon us. This year has been a good year for some and a trying year for others. We have lost members and gained members. We have all been blessed by our new little ones that have been born this year. Thanks to all the new "Mommies" who are sharing their precious bundles with the church family.

Our new year makes no promises. We will make our own good and our own bad. Regardless of which path we choose, we will always know that we have our "Family" to rely on. We are never alone. We always have our Christian Sisters to help with a shoulder to cry on, positive reinforcement, a good laugh or maybe just companionship. Above all, we can always rely on God. See you next year. Mary

Hostesses for Future T-N-T gatherings...



We need hostesses for next years meetings. A sign-up sheet for hostesses for 2009 is in the foyer. If anyone is interested in taking over the monthly T-N-T NL, PLEASE contact me at work 766-3355 or home 766-2748.

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

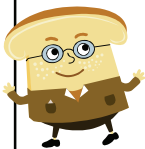
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Helpful Hints and Miscellaneous



Cleaning Lightly Soiled Wallpaper

Slightly dirty wallpaper or spots on non-washable wall covering can be removed by rubbing the stains with a crumpled up slice of white bread.

Pray For One Another



Shut-ins: Irene Hudgins, Floy Stanley & Ruth Light (not doing well) Verna Akers. (Sweetwater Nursing Home)

Undergoing / Awaiting test results, Receiving treatment and/or Continued care:

Family concerns:

Mary Allred will have knee replacements January 6th in Abilene. **Marla McDaniel**, McVey's niece, pregnancy complications with twins. **Ann Hudgins** sister-in-law Joyce Roberts, is doing much better and is undergoing radiation. **Peggy Fenton**, (tumors are shrinking) taking chemo; **Nannette Barrett**, Mary's niece, return of cancer and is not doing well; **Paula Teel**, return of cancer; **Jonna Herrera**, Ruben is having more cancer treatments; Keep **Marie Garrett**, and **Pauline Heine** in our thoughts and prayers as they no longer live in Roscoe, **Our missionaries, Barbara Buchanan, Elsie Nkosi and Linda Sneed**; Our college students. **Kylee Smith** is away from home attending school and needs our encouragement. Those traveling over Christmas holidays.

Recipe Exchange

MEXICAN FUDGE

- 8 to 12 oz. grated cheddar cheese (4 cups)
- 4 medium beaten eggs
- 1 small can chopped green chilies
- 2 or 3 strips fried bacon (chopped in chunks)
- 1 tablespoon bacon drippings (optional)



Mix all together in an 8X8 Pyrex baking dish. Cook 30 minutes at 350 degrees. Cut into small squares. Best when served at room temperature.

CRANBERRY CHUTNEY

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| 1 cup fresh orange sections | 1/4 cup orange juice |
| 4 cups cranberries (1 Pkg.) | 2 cups sugar |
| 1 cup chopped, unpeeled apples | 1/2 cup raisins |
| 1/4 cup chopped walnuts | 1 Tblsp. vinegar |
| 1/2 tsp. ginger | 1/2 tsp. cinnamon |

Combine and bring to a boil. Reduce heat. Simmer 5 minutes or until cranberries pop. Chill and serve. Makes 5 1/2 cups.

Mary Allred

If God Had Voice Mail

Thank you for calling heaven.

I am sorry, all of our angels and saints are busy helping other sinners right now. However, your prayer is important to us and we will answer it in the order it was received. Please stay on the line.

- If you would like to speak to:
- God, press 1.
 - Jesus, press 2.
 - The Holy Spirit, press 3.

If you would like to hear King David sing a Psalm while you are holding, press 4.

To find a loved one who has been assigned to Heaven, press 5, then enter his or her social security number followed by the pound sign. (If you get a negative response, please hang up and try area code 666.) For reservations in heaven, please enter J-O-H-N 3:16

For answers to nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth, life on other planets, and where Noah's Ark is, please wait until you arrive.

If you are calling after hours and need emergency assistance, please contact your minister.

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Biblical Theme Songs

Noah: "Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head"
 Adam and Eve: "Strangers in Paradise"
 Lazarus: "The Second Time Around"
 Esther: "I Feel Pretty"
Job: "I've Got a Right to Sing the Blues"
 Moses: "The Wanderer"
 Jezebel: "The Lady is a Tramp"
 Samson: "Hair"
 Salome: "I Could Have Danced All Night"
 Daniel: "The Lion Sleeps Tonight"
 Esau: "Born To Be Wild"
 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: "Great Balls of Fire!"
 The Three Kings: "When You Wish Upon a Star"
 Jonah: "Got a Whale of a Tale"
 Elijah: "Up, Up, and Away"
 Methuselah: "Stayin' Alive"
 Nebuchadnezzar: "Crazy"



God
 enters
 by
 a
 private
 door
 into
 every
 individual.

-- Ralph
 Waldo
 Emerson —

Birthdays

December

21~Marie Collins
 24~Melissa Gillespie
 30~Beki Denison

January

02~Marva Edwards
 06~Lauren Johnson



Due to my surgery, the Ladies T-N-T Newsletter for January will not be published. If anyone is interested in doing the NL for January, you can contact me at 766-3355 or 766-2748. Any and all help is appreciated. Thanks, Mary Allred

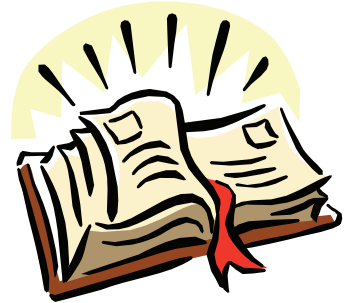
Classic Quote by Hans Christian Andersen (1805-1875)
 Danish poet and novelist

Every man's life is a fairy-tale written by God's fingers.

And the matches gave such a brilliant light that it was brighter than at noon-day: never formerly had the grandmother been so beautiful and so tall. She took the little maiden, on her arm, and both flew in brightness and in joy so high, so very high, and then above was neither cold, nor hunger, nor anxiety--they were with God.



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VICTORY

As usual, I've put off writing anything for the newsletter until the last minute, literally! Wondering what to write and considering the huge amount of subject matter there is for Christians to think on, I came across, again, a passage in Romans I thought would be good to close the year for my wonderful sisters, and who better than Paul to give a short sermon on our "Victory in Christ!"

Romans 8:31-39 NAS

*31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us?
 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?
 33 Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies;
 34 who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us.
 35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
 36 Just as it is written, For your sake we are being put to death all day long; We were considered as sheep to be slaughtered. (Psalm 44:22)
 37 But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.
 38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,
 39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

*Until next year,
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Kids' Bible Jokes

Q. Why should we be encouraged by the story of Jonah and the whale?

A. Because Jonah was down in the mouth, but came out all right.

Q. When was the first meat mentioned in the Bible?

A. When Noah took Ham into the ark.

Q. On the Ark, Noah probably got milk from the cows. What did he get from the ducks?

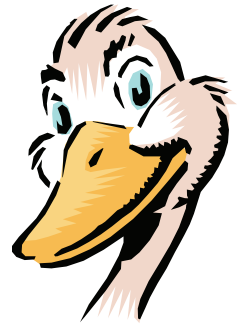
A. Quackers.

Q. Why did Noah have to punish and discipline the chickens on the Ark?

A. Because they were using "fowl" language.

Q: How do we know Peter was a rich fisherman?

A: By his net income.



Anniversaries

December

09~Johnnie & Ed Althof

16~Mary & Danny Allred

19~Rhonda & Andy Wilson

23~Charlotte & Tom Griffith

28~Tammy & Wade Carper

29~Dixie & Jimmy D. Smith



BEAUTY



The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, the figure that she carries, or the way she combs her hair. The beauty of a woman must be seen from in her eyes, because that is the doorway to her heart, the place where love resides. The beauty of a woman is not in a facial mole, but true beauty in a woman is reflected in her soul. It is the caring that she lovingly gives, the passion that she shows, and the beauty of a woman with passing years only grows!

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EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU JESUS?

A few years ago a group of salesmen went to a regional sales convention in Chicago. They had assured their wives that they would be home in plenty of time for Friday night's dinner.

In their rush, with tickets and briefcases, one of these salesmen inadvertently kicked over a table which held a display of apples. Apples flew everywhere. Without stopping or looking back, they all managed to reach the plane in time for their nearly missed boarding.

ALL BUT ONE !!! He paused, took a deep breath, got in touch with his feelings, and experienced a twinge of compassion for the girl whose apple stand had been overturned. He told his buddies to go on without him, waved good-bye, told one of them to call his wife when they arrived at their home destination and explain his taking a later flight.

Then he returned to the terminal where the apples were all over the terminal floor. He was glad he did. The 16 year old girl was totally blind! She was softly crying, tears running down her cheeks in frustration, and at the same time helplessly groping for her spilled produce as the crowd swirled about her, no one stopping and no one to care for her plight.

The salesman knelt on the floor with her, gathered up the apples, put them back on the table and helped organize her display. As he did this, he noticed that many of them had become battered and bruised; these he set aside in another basket.

When he had finished, he pulled out his wallet and said to the girl, "Here, please take this \$40 for the damage we did. Are you okay?" She nodded through her tears. He continued on with, "I hope we didn't spoil your day too badly."

As the salesman started to walk away, the bewildered blind girl called out to him "Mister...." He paused and turned to look back into those blind eyes. She continued, "Are you Jesus?" He stopped in mid-stride, and he wondered. Then slowly he made his way to catch the later flight with that question burning and bouncing about in his soul:

"Are you Jesus?" Do people mistake you for Jesus? That's our destiny, is it not? To be so much like Jesus that people cannot tell the difference as we live and interact with a world that can be blind to His love, life and grace. If we claim to know Him, we should live, walk and act as He would.

Knowing Him is more than simply quoting Scripture and going to church. It's actually living the Word as life unfolds day to day.

You are the apple of His eye even though we, too, have been bruised by a fall. He stopped what He was doing and picked you and me up on a hill called Calvary and paid in full for our damaged fruit.

GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY