

# Senior Adults

**"Wisdom is with the aged, and understanding in length of days." -Job 12:12**

This verse not only states the value of speaking with older adults but commissions us to be teachers of the Word of God through our experiences. In 1 Kings 12 Verse 6 it tells us that even Solomon once sought the expertise of older men who helped him make important decisions about the kingdom of Israel. So, as the senior leaders of the church, we are obligated and commissioned to share the Word of God with others. Take time this month to do that with someone you know who needs it (or even a complete stranger). They will be blessed; so will you.

As you may know we went to quarterly senior luncheons. Here is the tentative schedule for 2023, but keep in mind, we may have impromptu events or even lunch out. We are praying for you all and look forward to fellowship again. God Bless

Senior Adult Luncheon Schedule – 2023

(All luncheons start at 11am in FLC unless changed)

March 16th

June 16th

September 14th

December 7th (Christmas Party)

Please mark calendars and plan to attend this fellowship. -Donna & Ron Stoner



**"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11**

I think the words "I know the plans I have for you" have to be so very encouraging, to us all. He has no plans to put anything in our path that he will not equip us to handle. As we move into a new month, we should have confidence in a living God who wants us to succeed in things we do and to be secure in the knowledge of His love. We want to encourage you all, especially our men, to be involved in all of the church activities you can. For our church to be stronger we need to come together to make New Home the beacon of light in Titus and our community. Find ways to get involved. We have an Easter presentation in the works and need help with it. Check the bulletin for the fellowship and prayer times we have for men and ladies. Make your New Year's resolution to get more involved with God and His church.

Remember what Hebrews 11:6 tells us; we must have faith to be nearer to God, and He promises to reward anyone who seeks Him out and believes. We pray you all have a great month of February and look forward to seeing you in church and at fellowship events. God Bless!

**"And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him." Hebrews 11:6**

-Ron Stoner

## NHBC FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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### Sunday Schedule

8am Men's Prayer  
8:45am Sunday School  
10am Worship  
5pm Men/Women's  
Bible Studies

### Wednesday Schedule

5:45pm Dinner  
6pm Bible Studies

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# The Process of Processing

## Pastor Matt Nixon

February 2023

Got your attention? Perhaps you are a computer person interested in my wisdom to explain how the 1s and 0s work finally, or maybe you are an outdoorsman and need the best how-to for fish and game prep. I assure you that I am no authority on either, but I can direct you to others who are, making me a valuable resource. Well, if I offer no relief of your wondering in these fields, then what am I getting at? The idea is this. How do you process the world around you? How do you engage the ebb and flow of day-to-day without being overrun by skepticism and critique? I aim to give you a method.

I am currently enrolled in a Critical Thinking class at New Orleans, and the design is to press us to reason, considering all the angles before drawing a conclusion. We are assigned a daily reading of Jim Dennison's The Daily Article. In this report, the author seeks to bring a biblical worldview into today's issues. For the most part, I think he does a good job. Perhaps you would like to subscribe as well, but I'll leave that up to you. One article last week, ripped right for the headlines, addressed the arrest of a Texas-based Youth Pastor as one among 28 involved in a prostitution ring. No names were given, and I must confess I had not heard of this tragedy. Dennison's first response, by his admission, was to be angry that the news media sought to headline the pastor rather than the doctor or the lawyer who was arrested. How do you feel about it?

This is mine and Dennison's point because we are of the faith that the media has just taken advantage of an opportunity to blast Christianity with the water hose of judgment. How dare they single out a pastor and neglect the guilt of the other professionals. This is the danger for each one of us as we are faced with conflict, challenge, and even exposure when we are in the wrong. Because we are prideful, it is a means of defense to point out someone else's prejudice to the disregard of our own. We take up arms because one of ours is under attack. But should he not be? If he is guilty, which I would assume they are pretty confident in since they normally don't make arrest on a whim in situations such as these, should he not be headlined? After all, the Scripture is clear that those who desire to teach desire a noble task. However, it also warns that they will be held accountable dually. While it does hurt that a proclaiming Christian could allow himself to be dragged so far down, it equally hurts to know that those who had come to him for shepherding, one of those qualities being protection, have been neglected in that role. And even worse he is called to be a representative of God as all Christians are. The news outlet sought to bring a shock factor to sell their product. It worked. We also should be equally shocked, that someone of faith could participate in such heinous activity. We should be concerned that the image of God has taken another hit (as Paul warned against). We also should be aware that as Christians we too are representative of God. We would do well to shift our arousal from *how dare they* to *how dare he*. It is all about perspective.

As we move into February, we continue to pray for all who suffered loss during the storms that swept through our community and State in January. It has been encouraging to see how so many joined together to help those who have been affected. Sister churches calling to see if supplies were available or to offer supplies. Individuals gather to help cut trees and whatever else was needed along with first responders.

We see new faces in our gatherings, and make new acquaintances in the aftermath of tragedies and storms. And then as things settle back down, we all get wrapped back up in our own circumstances and lives. And that is what matters most to us again. We as a body of believers should be showing the love and compassion of Christ everyday, not just after the tragedies and storms, not just in times of need.

So as this year unfolds, I am still hopeful that,

This will be the year we put others first,

The year we pray for others without ceasing,

The year we spend more time in God's Word,

The year we spread God's Word,

The year the light of Jesus shines brightly through us, in an ever growing darker world.

May this encourage us all to love others everyday, not just in bad times.

**"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another."**

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**John 13:34** -Steve Spivey

February always makes us think of Valentine's Day. I personally am not a fan of Valentine's Day, but I LOVE to teach kids about how amazing God's love is. Here is a cute little song that is sung to the tune of "Jesus Loves Me". It goes through the verses of 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a and will help your kids learn what love is about.

1 Corinthians 13: 4-8a  
(to the tune of Jesus Loves Me)  
Love is patient, Love is kind. Is not jealous, does not brag  
Is not proud and is not rude, Does not look out for its own  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
the Bible tells me so  
Don't get easily angry, Don't keep records of all wrongs  
Don't be happy with evil, Full of joy when truth is said  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
the Bible tells me so  
Love protects and It does trust, Always hopes and never quits  
Never fails and never ends  
1 Corinthians 13  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
Yes, Jesus loves me  
the Bible tells me so

Children's Ministry

Some things coming up soon: We know many people are already beginning to make summer plans. With that in mind June 19-20 will be Kids Camp and June 26-30 will be VBS. - Jennifer Varner