PIONEER SABBATH RECAP:

We had a wonderful Pioneer Sabbath last week with sunshine and a lovely breeze to keep us comfortable outside. A big thank you to all who participated (and those in character!): Pastor Danny, Clarence Newton, and Brady Gendke for setting up and running the AV; Brady, Rick Cottrell, and the other deacons for setting up and taking down; Orlando Lizardi for the general lesson study; choir members for providing the music; Charleigh Walkowiak, Mason Morris, Emma Campbell, and Tom Bunch for other service elements; and of course Pastor Kevin who presented an Ellen White sermon from an 1889 Campmeeting.

Thank you to the Love In Action Sabbath School class for hosting a bountiful potluck. The highlight of the meal was making our own butter (yes, you read that correctly) under Michelle Lizardi's direction. It really worked and was delicious!

The Church Social was also coordinated by Michelle with the help of our amazing young adults who served us popcorn and root-beer floats while we watched "Tell The World" on a giant inflatable screen outdoors.

All in all, it was a fun day, and we even made some new friends from Georgetown! Hi, Pat and Judy!! We hope you come to see us again soon!

















"Churning" our own butter!



HARVEST TREE:

It's the time of year when our minds are particularly drawn to how blessed we are and what a blessing it is to share our abundance with others. Every year we have an Angel Tree that goes up after Thanksgiving. This year we are adding a Harvest Tree that will give you the opportunity to donate non-perishable food items to make Thanksgiving baskets for families in need. The excess food items will go to Harvest House.

The autumn "tree" will be in the inner lobby until November 18th. Take a leaf (or two) and return the items written on the back to the baskets under the tree. If you have names of families who could benefit from this effort, please let us know.



AGAPE FEAST:

Our annual Agape Feast will be held November 17th in the Fellowship Hall. This year's program is titled, "The Hands of Jesus" and will be in a more biblical setting. This event is growing in popularity and last year we had very few empty seats. We hope you will plan to attend this delicious meal and interactive communion service. Come early to ensure a place at the table.



NEW MEMBER INFO:



Meet new member, Jennifer Lara! Jennifer lives in Joshua with her younger brother, parents, and cousins. They love nature and animals and own their own chickens. She says she felt at home the moment she came into our church and loves how active we are. Her goal is to serve the community as much as she can and feels she can do that with us. Jennifer's friendly and eager personality has already gotten her involved in the church choir and children's Sabbath School. Welcome, Jennifer, we're so glad you are part of our family!



Then we have Bob and Charlene Sparenberg who live in Cleburne, are parents to Joel Sparenberg, and grandparents to Evan and Alex Sparenberg. Bob hails from Belgium and is a retired Evangelism Minister. Bob and Charlene have been married for 54 years and served the Lord together in Alberta, Newfoundland, and Ontario, Canada before moving to warmer pastures in Florida and Texas. One thing I have already learned about Bob is he is super passionate about our Veterans! Welcome to our church family, Bob and Charlene!

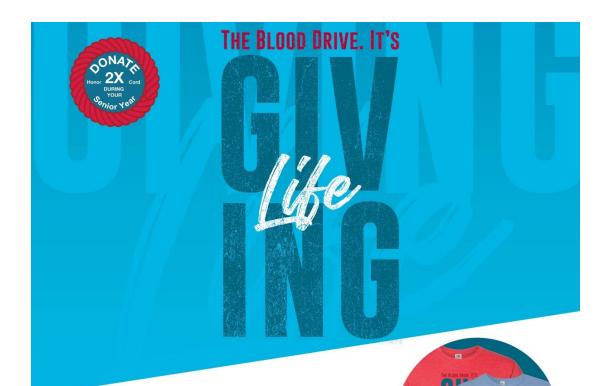
AREA EVENTS OF INTEREST:

Here are some events that I have been asked to share with you.

- CANCELED: PUC ALUMNI EVENT on Sabbath, November 4 at Arlington Adventist Church. Due to unforeseen circumstances the Haystack Luncheon is canceled. We look forward to seeing our Alumni and friends in Texas in the Spring of 2024.
- SENIOR FELLOWSHIP THANKSGIVING DINNER on NOVEMBER 16, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.

In the Keene Church Annex (Formerly the Senior Citizen building) A beautiful Thanksgiving Dinner for seniors 55 and above will be prepared for you. ALSO, a musical Concert by Robin Houghton on guitar and Ridge Roberts on violin will be presented. At nineteen, Ridge Roberts holds many championship fiddle titles, having won numerous contests, and appearing at the Grand Ole Opry in 2021, 2022 and 2023.

Tickets will be sold at the Annex for \$9.00 each. Reservations are required. Please call or text Rita Earhart (817-357-9644) or email to ritaearhart@yahoo.com to reserve your seat for a wonderful evening of fellowship, good food and music.





Blood Drive

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

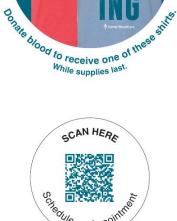
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Carter BloodCare Bus

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CEDAR CREST WORKS! JOB FAIR

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023 | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Dallas City Temple SDA Church

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REMEMBERING BRYAN SELLERS:

With deep sadness and heavy hearts, we share the passing of Bryan Sellers on Sunday, October 22, 2023. Bryan and his wife, Erin, and boys Dillon and Cameron were members of the Burleson Adventist Church for many years and are currently members of the Keene church.

A funeral service will be held for Bryan this Sabbath, **October 28, at 4 pm in the Keene Church Sanctuary**. The family asks that everyone attending wear shades of Bryan's favorite color - blue.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Burleson Adventist School or Keene Adventist Elementary School for their Student Aid/Worthy Student Funds. Donations can be made through the church or directly to the school of choice.

Please keep the Sellers family in your prayers during this extremely difficult time. A meal train at this <u>LINK</u> has been organized as well if you'd like to support the family directly.

I will close with Psalm 116:15 from the New Living Translation: "The LORD cares deeply when his loved ones die." And we know He cares deeply for the ones left behind... Praying with you for the soon return of Jesus!! ~ Liz ~

(I am not in the frame of mind to include the **FUNNIES** today. Thank you for understanding.)



"I don't deserve this."

It's a sentiment uttered—muttered—millions of times a day around the world. Our deep, unyielding sense of justice is aroused each time we aren't treated fairly by a spouse or colleague, when we get unexpected charges from the tax office, when we think that God or fate has given us more than we can bear. Deep in our souls, we desperately want life to be fair.

But it's also a line heard millions of times each day by men and women marveling at the offer of the gospel. And whether we're correct or not to sometimes protest our bad treatment or unlucky turns, we're always accurate to say in the presence of God's amazing grace, "I don't deserve this."

"God is so rich in mercy, and He loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, He gave us life when He raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!)" (Ephesians 2:4-5).

Grace never ceases to amaze—just because it flows from a God of justice who ordained that Jesus would bear the penalty for our sins and die for us. That gift offers us a future we never could have earned—living with Him forever.

Say the line you know is true, with all the hope it holds for you: "I don't deserve this."

And stay in grace.

—Bill Knott