

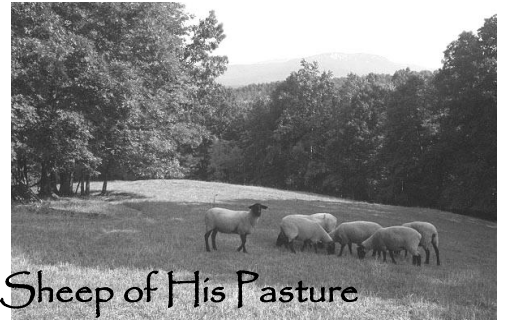
# Meadow View

## Church of Christ

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## Psalm 100:3



We Are His people, the Sheep of His Pasture

### Sermon Topics

#### A.M. Worship

“Blessed Are the Persecuted Ones”

#### P.M. Worship

“Loss for Christ”

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### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday:

Bible Classes	9:30 A.M.
Worship A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Worship P.M.	5:00 P.M.
*Life Groups	5:00 P.M.

(March – May / September - November)

\*Last Sunday of the month meet at the building for a combined service 5:00 P.M.

#### Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class	9:30 A.M.
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(Sept. – May)

#### Wednesday

Bible Classes	7:00 P.M.
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#### Life Groups

Meet at the building for a combined worship service through February 2014

### A People of Grace

Sharing a Message of  
Grace with Our  
Community and  
Around the World

### "Holiday Gift Basket Party-Re-scheduled"

Due to the Weather, the Holiday Gift Basket Filling Party has been re-scheduled for

Saturday, December 14, 6:30 p.m.

At the home of Charles & JoAnn Bowles

If you have any questions please contact the Bowles or the Kofahls

### The New Fall 2013 Mini-Directory Is Now Available

You can pick one up at the Information Desk in the foyer.

### *Secret Sisters*

*Blessing Day: Today, Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>*

*“White Christmas”*

*Bless your Sister with a Christmas ornament or adornment*

**Secret Sisters**, Don't forget to continue to pray for your sister this week and encourage her in some way.

If you have any questions please see Romonna Wilson or Cathy Hare

### Christmas Holiday Changes

Men's Prayer Breakfast canceled December 20<sup>th</sup>

Office will be closed

Wednesday, December 25 - January 1<sup>st</sup>

All classes canceled Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

Bible Hour Canceled Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

Strengthening Family is canceled until January 27<sup>th</sup>

Book Club will not meet until January 30<sup>th</sup>

## Prime Timers' Ministry

Mission Printing/ Arlington

2nd Thursday of each month

Meet at 8:45; leave at 9 am

**Canceled for December 12<sup>th</sup>**

Questions regarding the Prime Timers' Ministry  
please contact Bob Watlington

## Meadow View You Have Been Most Generous

This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else...thanks be to God for his indescribable gift! 2 Corinthians 9:12-13; 15

Thanks to all those who brought food for the pantry.

Thanks to the Chisholm's for organizing and putting away.

Thanks to those dedicated and committed members that participated in the Strengthening Family Ministry. They wrote 1,939 cards, made numerous visits and phone calls along with prayers for the sick, shut-ins, the congregation and those who made prayer request known.

Thanks to those who work so hard to maintain the yard.

Thanks to the congregation for supporting the ministries of this congregation.

Thanks to the staff who minister so diligently to edify and encourage the membership.

## FYI: If There Is Bad Weather

### And It Requires the Cancellation of Services...

In the event of the cancellation of a church service due to bad weather, we will announce it through the MVCC News. Also we will announce it on the weather page of nbcdfw.com

**Jim & Brenda Knight** will be moving to Ft. Morgan, Colorado due to Jim's health.

They were scheduled to fly out on Friday, but due to the weather had to change their flight to Monday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. They will be facing many challenges, from Jim flying, transitioning to a new location, etc.  
Please keep them in your prayers.

**We would like to thank everyone  
for your help and support of our  
Baby Blanket Ministry**

## Women's Corner:

### Ladies Book Club

The Book Club will not meet again until January 2014

January's Book: *A Voice In The Wind*  
by Francine Rivers

### Baby Blanket Ministry:

Please contact Sherry Grice with any questions or offers of assistance.

### Ladies' Craft/Crop Night at MV Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> Meet at 7:00 pm

Contact Cathy Hare with any questions.

### Wednesday Night Ladies Bible Class: Room - A2

Study: *What Happens When Women Say Yes To God*  
by Lysa TerKeurst

Teachers: Romonna Wilson, Jackie Aguilar & Karen Withrow

### Ladies Bible Class

Class will meet each Tuesday morning at 9:30 a.m. during the MISD School year in the MV Fellowship Room

Teacher: Jackie Aguilar

## Yarn Donations for the Cancer Center at Baylor

*"Passing the Hat"* - makes caps for cancer patients.  
If you have yarn to donate, please contact Joy Holmes.

## Year End Singing

Mesquite Church of Christ

Sunday Evening, December 29<sup>th</sup>

More details to come

### Care Calendar / Help With Food For Those Who Have Long Term Care Needs

HELPER LOGON: To access each person's personal Care Calendar site, visit <http://www.carecalendar.org/logon> and enter the following information in the appropriate spaces:

**Murrell & Bernice Carmack:** Calendar ID: 106317; Security code: 6625

Other members who would appreciate occasional meals:  
**Eary/Gowen**

Questions... please contact Vicky Olson at 972-226-4863 or  
Dahlia Dougherty at 972-816-3547

## Valet Parking

For those who have signed up for valet parking: Please drop off auto in marked area. Will return keys after service.

## Children & Youth News

### Christian Care Center Today

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Every Month

Meet at the MV bldg. at 1p.m. for Worship at CCC

### Pollyanna at the Langford's

Saturday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>; 7:00 p.m.

If you need a ride meet at the building at 6:30 p.m.

Everyone needs to bring a WRAPPED GIFT. The max amount spent on a gift should be \$10.

### Winter Advance

January 17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>; Cost: \$40

### Youth Recycling

Items can be taken to the High School classroom

The recycling project for the Youth Group continues throughout the year. Please call the office for a list of items, or check the Youth Bulletin Board.

## Chili Cook-off & New Year's Party

Tuesday, December 31st

At Meadow View; More details to come

### In the Military:

Check out the Military Bulletin Board in the hallway across from the office

*Joe Aguilar*, Texas Army National Guard, at home

*Shane Anderson*, nephew of Mitch & Leigh Kovalcik, Japan

*Phillip Barnes*, Grandson: Ruth Fox/ Harry Barnes, stationed in VA

*Jason Boulware*, South Korea; his wife Tasha is in Killeen, TX, Tasha is Helen Lyon's granddaughter

*JP Fields*, son of Harold & Lynn Kempf, at home in Army Reserves

*Sgt. Jeannette Henry*, Army Nurse, friend of Sarah Blythe, Afghanistan; 2<sup>nd</sup> tour to the Middle East

*Lt. Col. Manlee Herrington*, friend of Claudio & Rosella Chisholm. Prayers for wisdom

*Justin Kent*, Army, Roy & Joan's grandson, South Korea

*Chris Kovalcik*, Navy, South Carolina

*Diana Lutzke*, Ruth Golden's granddaughter, Air Force

*Gregg Moseley*, Judy Bramlett's son, Air Force, Virginia

*Claudia Niemiec*, Nurse, Friend of Claudio & Rosella Chisholm

*Ben Pimentel*, Doug & Diane Neveu's son-in-law, serving in CA

*Ryan Scarbrough*, son-in-law of Karen Withrow, Ft. Bliss, El Paso

*Jacob Stephenson*, Navy, Medic Sch. training in San Antonio

*Robert Stovall*, friend of Glenn & Dahlia Dougherty; Afghanistan

*Frank Vilches*, returned to the USA

## "The Sober Scriptures"

The Bible is a unique book in many ways. It makes for itself some extraordinary claims. A well-known one of these is found in 2 Timothy 3:16; "All Scripture is God-breathed" (NIV). The Scripture actually claims for itself a dual authorship. For example, in Hebrews reference is made a few times to Psalm 95. One reference attributes this Psalm to the Holy Spirit (3:7), and another reference attributes it to David (4:7). There is no contradiction in these two statements. The Bible claims that its lead author is God, the Holy Spirit, who guided the human penmen. Consider Peter's explanation of this dual authorship: "Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit" (2 Pet. 1:20-21 NIV).

A relevant question to ask at this point is: What proof do we have that Scripture isn't composed of man-made fairy tales? How can we know that God was directly involved in its writing?

There are many answers that could be given to this question. Space won't allow a lengthy discussion. One compelling answer that might be easily overlooked because of its subtlety is the sober account that the Scriptures give of many of its most important events. Without fear of contradiction, the death and resurrection of Christ are the central events of Scripture. Have you ever noticed how the resurrected Christ is described? The angels who were present at Jesus' tomb are described as very glorious. "There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men" (Matt. 28:2-4). Jesus, on the other hand, is described as appearing very ordinary. He had a wounded body (Luke 24:39-40). Mary, at first glance and before close inspection, actually thought that the resurrected Jesus was just a gardener (John 20:15). Jesus is definitely more important than any angel or than all of the angels (Heb. 1:4). If the resurrection story were just a fairy tale, the inventor no doubt would have described Jesus' body as having more glory than the angels who attended him. This sober account lends weight to the view that the writers were describing actual events, and that they were guided by God.

Mike Hisaw

### Prayer Response:

*Amy Goldsmith; Jessica Schar*

**Restoration & Membership: Mauri Sadler**

2833 Maple Dr., Mesquite, TX 75150

**Thank You Card: Sherri Hamiter**



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### **Call to Worship**

Song Service Cliff Gunnels

867 *To Canaan's Land I'm on My Way*

Welcome Don Olson

Call to Worship Psalm 2:10-12

Prayer Howell Gibbs

XXX *Just Over in the Glory Land*

716 *Sing to Me of Heaven*

344 *Low in the Grave He Lay*

(Communion)

XXX *Hilltops of Glory*

(Children Exit for Bible Hour)

### **“Blessed Are the Persecuted Ones”**

Matthew 5:10-12

I. Explaining Persecution

II. Experiencing Persecution

III. Enduring Persecution

922 *Jesus Paid It All*

Shepherd's Prayer Billy Pope

853 *When We All Get to Heaven*

Closing Prayer Doug Neveu

### **Meadow View Church of Christ Family Record**

#### **Ministers**

Pulpit Minister: Mike Hisaw  
Youth Minister: Tim Lampley

#### **Elders**

Merrill Jones  
Mark McSpadden  
Don Olson  
Billy Pope

#### **Deacons**

Brad Chapman  
Mitch Kovalcik  
Matt Langford  
Ken Odle  
Tinker Rich  
Howell Gibbs  
Gary Kelly  
J.L. McNamee  
Graham Pierce  
Tracy Hare  
Greg Kofahl  
Doug Neveu  
Fred Rasmussen

#### **Missionaries**

Cesar & Tini Basantes,  
Children: Gabriel, Sanchay, and Rosa  
Jerry & Helda Manawan -  
Children: Joshua & Jeremia

#### **Attendance**

Bible Classes 148  
A.M. Worship 271  
P.M. Worship/Life Groups 112  
Wednesday Classes 139