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## DID YOU KNOW?

Jerrell Martinez had a stroke.

Oliver Bowden in hospital isolation; Sister Bowden in Round Rock Reliant rehab (hip surgery).

James & Robert Martin's father passed away.

James Iley's father passed away.

Walter Nutt's mother passed away

Bishop Johan van Loggerenberg's mother passed away

Missionary Les Melton recovering from major head injury.

Prayer? Call Jerry Ward 361-937-7474 Healing is coming!

191 attended Sunday night revival at Rockport church.

Brought out more chairs for pastoral installation in Cuero

Norvells preached So Cal conference; enjoyed R&R in LA.

The Nutt's RV sold!

## Principles for Pastoral Success

Ministry is a challenge. How should your time be spent when there is an endless array of good things from which to choose? What should your priorities be?

### **PRAYING IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN PREACHING.**

You must guard your time for prayer even more closely than your time for study. When forced to choose, make prayer your top priority. Prayer is not preparation for the work—it is the work. If your prayer life is mediocre or inconsistent, your first priority is to set aside time for this exercise.

**PREACHING IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ADMINISTRATION.** Many pastors spend so much time running

the church that they have little time for study and reflection. The ministry of the Word gives the greatest impact. Ask yourself what you are doing that someone else could do; be generous in giving away all the responsibilities you reasonably can.

**THE FAMILY IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE CONGREGATION.** Pastors need to make some hard, deliberate choices in their families' favor. It's the small daily decisions that reveal whether you value your family above those that pay your salary.

**FAITHFULNESS IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN COMPETITION.** It's easy to get discouraged in the ministry when

you compare yourself to others. Overcome a spirit of comparison and rejoice in and learn from the successes of other pastors. When you are content with your part in the kingdom's work, you will have a sense of satisfaction and fulfillment.

**LOVE IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ABILITY.** You must know the Word and be able to communicate it, and you must have skills in leadership and working with people. Paul cautioned that all the gifts and talents were folly if not accompanied by love (1 Cor. 13:1-3). Even the best Bible teaching doesn't change lives if it's not filtered through a personality filled with love.

*Erwin Lutzer*

## Missionary Eulogy from Bolivia

My mother, Jerry Lynn Nutt (Bradley), went to be with the Lord on Saturday, October 24th. She was born in Newport, Arkansas in 1939. She completed her B.S. from Southwestern AGU and her M.A. from AGTS in Springfield, MO. She arrived in Bolivia with her family in 1968 to fulfill her missionary calling. She

served alongside of my father, Howard Wayne Nutt, for 41 years in Bolivia and together they pioneered the Assemblies of God in two states with over 200 churches started during that time. My father continues to hold the torch high for all to see. We will always remember her as a loving Mom, anointed revival-

ist, and the most generous person we have ever met. My mother was buried in the city cemetery of Sucre, Bolivia so that all who loved her can have a constant reminder of the price that was paid to establish the church in Bolivia. Thank you Lord for the life of my Mother.

*Missionary Walter R. Nutt*

RATED #1  
DON'T MISS  
THIS ONE!



Vernell Ingle

## Minister's Advance

By the time you receive this newsletter, 50 ministers and spouses will be at **Minister's Advance** in the beautiful Hill Country resort town of Fredericksburg at the famed Sunday House Inn, right on Main Street next to blocks of shopping. The opportunity to hear our special

guest speaker Vernell Ingle is worth the time, effort and expense. And the #1 show in Texas at Rockbox Theater is an added treat, along with Angus-burger cookout and dinner at Double Jade Restaurant. Take time to be strengthened and blessed! We all need it.

## Bylaws

Newly revised District By-law books and Credential Renewal Questionnaires were distributed at the Fall Fellowship meetings. Those that missed it may get CRQ and Bylaw book from their Sectional Presbyter. Ministers need CRQ to receive 2010 credential card.

## Fall Fellowship Who's Who



Bishop shared from Psalms 105: 1-4, 17-22—Joseph suffered until his word came. Sections provided wonderful eats, including desserts for the fellowship following the 60-minute service. Offerings totaling \$1,115.03 will help toward septic (\$826.74) & A/C (\$882.68) repairs at HQ.

**Tues, Oct 20—Cuero** [\$282.00] Pastor Kenneth Mills (host), Pastor James & Sis Iley, Pastor Deborah & Bro Irvin, Jeanine & Bro Coppedge, Gus Chupe.

**Thurs, Oct 22—San Angelo** [\$113.22] Presbyter Joe & Sis Cheesman (host), Pastor Judy &

Bro Cody, Pastor Lawana & Bro Hernandez, Pearl Trapini, Jim & Melissa Ogden.

**Fri, Oct 23—Hamilton** [\$175.56] Presbyter Gilbert & Sis Donald (host), Pastor Kelly & Sis Crenshaw, Al & Sis Creel, Pauline Holloway, Claire Newman, Justin & Sis Gowin.

**Sat, Oct 24—McGregor** [\$64.00] Presbyter Bill & Sis Daughtry, Pastor Delmar & Sis Summers (host), Pastor Marshall Bishop, Pastor Mattie Lee Cox, Pastor Charles Bledsoe, Kathy Reed.

**Mon, Oct 26—Austin** [\$61.50] Presbyter Jim & Sis

Moore, Pastor Mylon & Sis Avery (host), Pastor Melvin Clearman, Pastor Jim & Sis Boatright, Ron Gratehouse.

**Tues, Oct 27—Pleasanton** [\$137.00] Pastor Richard & Sis Hagood (host), Pastor Vardie & Sis Hopkins, Ray & Anita Helms.

**Thurs, Oct 29—Beeville** [\$281.75] Presbyter Aaron & Sis Jayne, Pastor Kevin & Sis Powers (host), Pastor Bob & Lady Jayne, Pastor Tim & Sis Baylor, Pastor Jerry & Sis Ward, Pastor Rick & Aletha Webb, Carlton Wetherell, Rick & Sis. Schmidt, Mark & Stacey Swartz, David & Paula Parkman.

On Bishop's Tour,  
New Youth Director  
Jason Norvell  
encouraged District  
to Get Connected!

## Churches Open for Pastor

New Beginnings  
Church in the  
heart of Texas  
Hill Country.



**New Beginnings in Rio Frio** still needs a loving pastor. Call Bishop Norvell today if interested. Bikers Tim & Lori Baylor, Rick & Laurel Schmidt, Brandon Sanders and John

Norvell stayed two nights in Rio Frio, October 8-10.

They were met by Rick & Aletha Webb and Jim & Melissa Ogden and family for service at New Beginnings. Good times!

**San Marcos** headquarters facility is available for a church plant. Pastor Ron Green held 5 services, Aug. 9 - Sept. 6, then went to Arizona then California.

**DeLeon** church is vacant. It

will be sold if no one is interested in re-opening the church.

**Target-a-Town!** Connect within your Section for the purpose of starting a new church. We should be able to reproduce ourselves and grow for Kingdom harvest and God's glory. Visit with your Sectional Presbyter about targeting a city. Together we can do it!

# Youth Ministries Director Jason Norvell

“We’re all in this together...” words from the Disney movie *High School Musical*. These words ring true to us, too. I introduced the vision “Get Connected” on the District Tour—you’re part of a local church youth group, that’s part of more sectional youth, that is part of more district youth, and finally, we are all part of the Pentecostal Church of God. God has given me a word—**double** in

youth camps, talent expos, connect tours, etc., but we’re required to come together and get connected.

I was excited to see youth come out and connect in each section during the Bishop’s Tour as well as Sectional Youth Directors Jim & Melissa Ogden, San Angelo; Justin & Amanda Gowin, Brownwood; Jenice Castillo, Corpus Christi. We learned about the direction of our

District Youth Ministries and had good food and amazing fellowship.

The district calendar, coming next month, has all the youth event days for 2010. Also, SWTX District Youth is now on **Facebook**... come be our friend. Anything and everything we can do, let us know. Call Jason 512-757-7015 or Becky 512-757-7030. We’re coming to a church near you!



## Trip

**District Bishop & District Presbyterian need funds for February PCG Israel trip.**

Brother & Sister Norvell are truly grateful for those at District Convention who responded to Bishop Scott’s appeal and gave or pledged to give toward their trip to Israel with other PCG leaders.

Bishops (SWTX John Norvell) and Navigational Pastors Network (SWTX Bob Jayne) are on the list of potential pilgrims. Your giving will help make it possible. Thank you and Bless you.

## What Have You Learned?

**10 Things I Have Learned About Leadership in 50 Years**—Chuck Swindoll

1. It’s lonely to lead.
2. It’s dangerous to succeed.
3. It’s hardest at home.
4. It’s essential to be REAL.
5. It’s painful to obey.
6. Brokenness and failure are necessary.
7. My attitude is more important than my actions.
8. Integrity eclipses image.
9. God’s way is better than my way
10. Christ-likeness begins and ends with humility.

**5 Statements Worth Remembering In My Next 50 Years of Leadership**—Chuck Swindoll

1. Whatever you do, do more with others and less alone.
  2. Whenever you do it, emphasize quality, not quantity.
  3. Wherever you go, do it the same as if you were among those who know you best.
  4. Whoever may respond, keep a level head.
  5. However long you lead, keep on dripping with gratitude and grace.
- Monday Matters/Joe & Teena Skiles*

## New District Director of World Missions

The District Board in session October 19th, appointed Jim Moore as the District World Missions Director. He started immediately completing the itineration schedule for our missionaries, the Parkmans. Special thanks to Bill Daughtry for sharing his burden for missions.

The General Office is having difficulty scheduling itinerations in dis-

tricts, so Southwest Texas will have the privilege of hosting the Parkmans for the rest of the year. They have already been to several churches, but there are plenty more needing to make a date with the missionaries for a missions service or short missions presentation in one of your regular services. Dates are filling up fast, and

we want to make sure that they are in every church. Pastors, call Jim Moore at 979-716-7873 (cell) or 979-773-2723 (home) to let him know that you care about missions and want the Parkmans in your church. God will be glorified, people will be blessed, and you will touch the Philippines with God’s Good News.

Get **CONNECTED** on **FACEBOOK**, be a fan **SWTX District Youth**

Foundational Principle  
2 Cor. 4:1-7

*When God wants to do an impossible task, He takes an impossible person and crushes him. Leave room in your life for the crushing*

**Bishop assigned Director Moore: call each pastor about a mission service with the Parkmans.**



# November Birthday/Anniversary

Phillip Hurst 01  
 Mattie Lee Cox 06  
 Crystal Henderson 09  
 Joe Cheesman 21



Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Clearman 02  
 Mr. & Mrs. Oliver Bowden 04  
 Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Jones 13  
 Mr. & Mrs. Les Carter 21  
 Mr. & Mrs. Rick Webb 23  
 Mr. & Mrs. Ron Gratehouse 24  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jim Ogden 26

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## It's Green

When Bob & Genivieve Ormand discovered that the District riding mower was ruined, they donated their 2005 L130 48"cut John Deere riding mower to SWTX District .



## Ministers Available

Hank Cannon—Brownwood (325) 643-1967  
 Gus Chupe—Seguin (830) 386-0101  
 Donna Classen—Beeville (361) 343-2844  
 Jack & Genevive Holderby—Schertz (210) 722-0036  
 Ray Keasler—Granite Shoals (830) 798-4019  
 Jim & Melissa Ogden—San Angelo (325) 212-8689  
 Bill Pierce—Austin (719) 821-6906  
 Jesse Webb—San Angelo (325) 763-5512  
 Carlton Wetherell—Rockport (361) 790-7610  
 Doug White, Jr.—Victoria (361) 489-9032  
 Ben Carter—Lockhart (512) 213-8982

The enemy knows a house divided cannot stand. If you see discord in your relationships, watch out—warfare may be nearby. Satan hates love and operates well with slippery slopes. If he can start "in the beginning" with male and female unions, he can try to break down unity... one relationship at a time. We must not allow offenses to rob our hearts of the capacity to love, and we must not allow fear to keep us from loving freely. "Help us, Lord, not to allow negative thoughts to become negative attitudes." *Paulette Reed*



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