



Maranatha Sunday School Class



Maranatha Class notes:

Today: 8 February 2015	Next Week: 15 February 2015
<u>Birthdays:</u> Karey Low (8) Jerry LeDoux (11) Keith Madden (14)	<u>Birthdays:</u> Sam Smith (17) Dean Todd's (18)
<u>Anniversaries:</u> Sarah & Cisco Maldonado (10) Brenda & David Worthington (12)	<u>Anniversaries:</u> Suzy and Rob Morgan (16)
<u>Prayer today:</u> Mary Bundren	<u>Prayer next week:</u>
<u>Speaker this week:</u> Rev David Wiggs	<u>**Speaker next week:</u> Rev David Wiggs
<u>Snacks this week:</u> Claudia Altshular Debbie & Scott Morgan	<u>Snacks next week:</u> Carol & Mickey Maus Charlotte & Roger Rowe

MINUTES:

Opened class with prayer at: 9:45

Class recorder was turned On at: 9:59 Off at: 10:40

Thank you for the snacks and refreshments.

****Michelle Place is our VP of curriculum. If you or someone you know that would be interested in giving a class/lesson, please let her know with contact information. This is a very demanding and time sensitive job, so we all need to help her on this task throughout the year.**

January 2015 class average: 76.5

GUEST:

Liz Pierron
Steve Echols
David and Mareanne Stanbagh

Susan Davis
Dee Dueck



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FINANCE:

Get your finance request into the Finance committee this February. First distribution is scheduled for **March 2015**. We are using this form to help us start a trackable/trendable way of showing (a source document) of what we spend and donate our money on throughout the year. We want to get away from just "shooting off the hip" on doing things. Just because we have donated to a cause in past doesn't mean we can't again or have to again. Work with us so that we can make this a better and more efficient way of doing business for us all.

From Susie Butterworth: Susie has sent a draft past expenditure spread is in the work now. Mark Butterworth and Jim Embrey are reviewing the data currently. It should be published soon to the website. More to come soon.

MISSIONS:

13 February: **Day Center for the Homeless**. Signup sheet has gone around and is filled up. If still interested, get with Roger and Rex for more details.

23 February: **Chili Supper**, only a few spots left to sign up for! Nancy and Joey have the details. This is fun for all.

SOCIALS:

Sunday, March 8, Noon **Road Trip to the Coleman Theatre in Miami, OK** – Back by popular demand, this time without ice on the roads, please! We will see the 2:30 viewing of the 1915 silent film *The Italian* while Resident Organist Dennis James plays the Mighty Wurlitzer pipe organ. We will be back in Tulsa around 6:00 p.m. (K, J) **Clip board is going around for signing up on this, starting today.**



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Several church announcements on another attachment to this newsletter.

From Jim Embrey: Thanks again to David Wiggs informative and insight to our church mission and our "way forward" plan for Boston Avenue. **See page 6 of this newsletter** for a picture of the information that David put onto the board that went along with his lecture today.



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Carol and Dave Grim will be conducting a class titled, "Invitation to the New Testament", day and time to be announced. This is projected to be an eight week course. See attachment for this week for more info.

Gabrielle Blankenship is asking if anyone would be interested in forming a book/study group on the side to continue their Christian walk in faith. Please let her know. **Addendum: Gabrielle wants everyone to consider changing the format to be 1) pick a book, 2) read the book, 3) meet and discuss the book. She feels that meeting every week is too hectic and demanding with our busy lives. Please let her know.**

Angelyn Dale announced that she will be teaching the **TAGS Class**: "What Talents, Abilities, Gifts and Skills Did God Give To YOU?" Come discern and discover your own talents, abilities, gifts and skills in this fun, active and participatory workshop. God has given each of us our own special aptitudes to serve His Kingdom, but we aren't always sure where we fit. This is a four hour class in which you explore how your unique capabilities could both fulfill you and bless BAUMC in ways no one else can! Angie will be offering the class at the church on Saturday, March 7th from 8:15 to 12:30 and a separate session on Sunday, April 19th from 12:15 to 4:30, so choose the time that fits with your schedule. If you are interested, please contact Angie for more details. Her email is adale@hallestill.com and her cell phone is (918)638-2353.

1. Mark your calendars:

- A. **Rev. David Wiggs** will be our speaker for all of February. He has two down and two to go!
- B. **Dr. Mouzon Biggs** will be our speaker for the whole month of March.

CARANATHA:

Lynn Jesse-Russell ask that if anyone has any information about class members to please let any Caranatha member know so that they can check with the family to see if they need anything.



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Joys & Concerns:

Mary and Clark Bundren are celebrating the birth of their brand new granddaughter! They now have one of each!

Carol and Mickey Maus are celebrating their son (Greg) selection to present his paper at the London IEEE conference: Greg's paper is titled, "*Decoding, Hacking, and Optimizing Societies: Exploring Potential Applications of Human Data Analytics in Sociological Engineering, both Internally and as Offensive Weapons*"

See attachment to read the full email from the IEEE conference committee from London. Great job Greg!

The Sherman's granddaughter has been selected to go to OSU on a full ride scholarship in the Veterinarian degree program. Congratulations!

In your daily prayers, remember the unspoken and those without a voice.

- Please email me (maranathaclass@gmail.com) any and all Joys & Concerns and I will incorporate them into our newsletter and if time permits, into our class, next week.

Technical Notes:

None this week.

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Love Generously
Agape = well being of another
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Matthew 25

Okla Conference Strategic Plan

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Confrontation (defined): An opportunity to engage in a concentrated and focused discussion.

Let's keep our hearts and minds open and always willing to have a "civil discourse" and respect for each other's opinion--whether or not we agree with them.

Go in Peace and Happiness,

Jim Embrey

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