



Maranatha Sunday School Class



Maranatha Class notes:

Today: 16 August 2015	Next Week: 23 August 2015
<u>Birthdays:</u> Richard Wansley (19) Richard Payton (19) Jeff Allen (22)	<u>Birthdays:</u> Albert Klein (25)
<u>Anniversaries:</u>	<u>Anniversaries:</u> Dana & Stuart Solomon (23) Melanie & Dave Shepherd (23)
<u>Prayer today:</u> Bob Russell	<u>Prayer next week:</u> Richard Wansley
<u>Speaker this week:</u> Ken Tobler	<u>**Speaker next week:</u> Ken Tobler
<u>Snacks this week:</u> G = Janet Purinton H = Dana & Stuart Solomon	<u>Snacks next week:</u> G = Ginny and Jerry LeDoux H = Debra and Scott Morgan
<u>Boston Avenue UMC:</u> http://www.bostonavenue.org/	<u>Maranatha Class:</u> http://maranathaclass.org/

MINUTES:

Opened class with prayer at: 9:45

Thank you for the snacks and refreshments.

GUEST:

Welcome: Jim & Peggy Evans

2015 Class averages:

January: 76.5

July: 60

February: 85

March: 98

April: 80

May: 66

June: 67

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FINANCE:

We are in the second half of the year! No request for expenditures (donations) have been received as of yet. If none are received, our Finance committee will distribute funds to established agencies to close out 2015. As a reminder, we will carry over some funds to help with 2016 and any outstanding debt we may have to carry over from 2015. We will set up the 2016 class for success.

SOCIALS:

August 30th in the Boy Scouts Troop 20 (downstairs, formerly the Maranatha classroom) we will enjoy Brunch and Blue Grass with David Shepherd and his band. It will be a great time!

MISSIONS:

Thank you to all who helped write letters of encouragement, it was a success! We hit our letter writing goal easily.

CARANATHA:

See separate signup sheet for this event.

- For Susan Rose and her family; (her father (Robert Heckart) passed away on August 3).
- I talked to Susan and they will be doing the service at BA on 21st at 1:00. They would like us to do dinner for 30 at 11:00. Susan does have food restrictions with oranges, bananas and grapes. They will also need a gluten free protein for her sister and her. Maranatha will furnish the meats but I will need volunteers to help serve and to bring sides, salads and desserts.

Thanks so much for all your help. Lynn

Lynn Knight Jessee

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August volunteers to Pray:

2nd: Scott Morgan

23rd: Richard Wansley

9th: John Sherman

30th: Mary Bundren

16th: Bob Rusell

Speakers coming up:

16th: Ken Tobler

23rd: Ken Tobler

30th: Brunch and Blue Grass by Melanie and David Shepherd!

Joys & Concerns:

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- Thanks to everyone helping with Sistema Program.

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Concerns:

- Terry Jones father, who has prostate cancer, suffered a stroke this past week. Also, her grandnephew, Brock, was in a serious car wreck but wasn't injured. However he was holding the hand of a father of five who passed away at the scene of the accident. Please keep all of them in your prayers.
- Make Callebero thanked everyone for their concern and prayers during all of his medical issues and the loss of his sister.
- Keep Paul Staat in your prayers so that he may get support from his insurance company for medical care. This is an on going battle.

Announcements:

El Sistema training is this week Thursday in the Maranatha classroom 5 - 6:30 p.m.

The Restore Hope golf tournament is coming up in September.

Due to the large amount of announcements/attachments, I have split this week newsletter into two different emails for ease of "email management".

From Dave "Chewy" Shepherd

The name of our group is "SaltCreek" (most of us lived around the Saltcreek area near Mannford at one time. There are six band members. We have played together for 24 years. Most of our group, in the early days, was the back row of the choir at First united Methodist church of Mannford. We got together for the first time for a Valentines banquet at the church. It was so much fun we just decided to stick with it and learn how to play other instruments. We perfected Our harmonies by singing in the church choir. We had a couple of members drop out and we've added a couple others but they have both been with us for over 15 years.

Dave "Chewy" Shepherd

Only when we are no longer afraid, do we begin to live

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.

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