



# THE BEACON

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sunday evening worship tonight at 5pm!
- Elders/Deacons/Preacher meet after services tonight
- Bible School meeting February 21 after pm services. For more details see Trice Dunn or Tim Reynolds.
- Friday Night Forum on February 26 at 6pm in the annex - this is a time to discuss Bible questions that you may have. Come and spend some extra time with other Christians in God's Word!
- The postcards for this year's Bring A Friend Day are being designed. If you would like to submit a photo for use (digital only please), please give or e-mail it to Daniel.

**FEBRUARY 14, 2010**

## FOR YOUTH

- ATTENTION BIBLE BOWLERS: Please meet tonight at 4pm (before worship). Your assignment is to read Exodus chapters 11 and 12! For more information see Dwayne or Christie O.

## PRAYERS REQUESTED

Neil Vick • Joe Nimmo • Evalyn Jordan • Ray Henderson • Deanna Friend • Maria Muniz • Paula Marani • Ella Collister • Marsha Harper • Gaye Johnston • Shirley Jackson • Keely Brian • Ronnie Thornton • W.C. English • Kenneth Starks • Holly Mitcheson • Kaylin Denfip • Sharon Watkins • Wayne West • Betty Traugher • Verlene Bowerman • Addison Noles • Kadence Tubbs • Trish Lofton (surgery on Feb 18 at Marshall Co. Hosp.) • Glen Ward • Gary Dowdy • Katy Walker

## Additions From Last Week

- Charlie Bennett is at home after a stay in Lourdes
- Pat Edwards is in room 507 in Lourdes after surgery on Friday.

PLEASE LET DANIEL KNOW WHEN SOMEONE MAY BE REMOVED

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

February 14 - Jeffry Edwards

February 17 - Kenneth Dean

February 21 - Diane Dean

February 22 - Tim Reynolds

February 23 - Mark & Phyllis Hendrickson

February 23 - Jim Holland

February 23 - Kadence Tubbs

THIS WEEK'S BUS DRIVER IS JIM HOLLAND, CALL 354-8616

## RECORD

	Act.	Goal	1Yr. Ago
Sun. Sch.	89	125	110
Worsh. AM	129	150	140
Worsh. PM	82	125	78
Midweek	85	125	84
Offer	\$2701	\$3200	\$2945
Weekly Budget:	\$3000		

# Those To Serve

**This Week (2/14)**

**Next Week (2/21)**

**Announcements:**..... *Mark Reynolds*..... *Mark Reynolds*  
**Sunday AM Song Leader:**..... *Jeff Edwards*..... *Mike Wyatt*  
**Scripture Reading:**..... *Jordan Holland*..... *Logan Oakley*  
**Lord's Supper Devotional:**..... *Harold Jones*..... *Dennis Redden*  
**Greeters:**..... *Dwayne & Christie Oakley* *Greg & Amy Nelson*  
**Sunday PM Song Leader:**..... *Jeff Edwards*..... *SINGING*  
**Wed. PM Song Leader:**..... *Jeff Edwards*..... *Mark Reynolds*

NEXT WEEK'S BUS DRIVER IS BILL DALE, CALL 704-0029

MISSION WORKS	
CHINA	\$300/MONTH
AFRICA	\$300/MONTH
T.R. WEBB	\$200/MONTH
NEW PATHWAYS	\$150/MONTH
GBN-TV	\$100/MONTH

**LAST WEEK  
YOU BROUGHT**

**7**

**VISITORS TO SERVICES WITH YOU!  
THANK YOU! BY INVITING AND BRINGING  
VISITORS YOU ARE MAKING THIS  
CHURCH GROW!!!**

**Britthaven:**

*Nadine Peck (126b)*  
*Pauline Shepherd (100)*

**Spring Creek:**

*Deloris Pritchard (113)*  
*Perry Cornwell (326)*  
*Margaret Grogan (314)*

**Stilley House:**

*Emma Powell (201)*

**At Home:**

*Mary Alice Johnston*  
*Sharon Brewer*  
*Terrell & Barbara Darnell*

## When Your Troubles Are "Elevated"

When the Burj Khalifa tower in Dubai opened on January 4th, I admit to having thought how cool it would be to go to the top of it. The observation deck sits 124 stories and 2717 feet above the ground. The Burj Khalifa is now the tallest building in the world. Apparently, a good number of tourists share my fascination. However, a little over a month after opening to the public, 15 people got an experience of a lifetime. They were stranded in the elevator for 45 minutes due to what has been speculated to be electrical problems. Those stuck in the lift spoke of hearing a small explosion. Tower staff dropped a ladder into the shaft and helped them climb back onto the observation deck (information gleaned from [www.thetimesonline.uk/](http://www.thetimesonline.uk/)).

Acrophobia, the fear of heights, can cause your heart to race, your breathing to get heavy, profuse sweating, and claustrophobic feelings. You can feel trapped. But, even if you don't suffer from acrophobia, you would have been a bit nervous dangling nearly 3000 feet above the ground in a wounded elevator.

Do you ever feel that loss of control and helplessness in circumstances of your own life? You might not trade places with those stranded Dubai tourists, but maybe you can relate to how they must have felt. Maybe you feel hung out to dry, stranded, and alone. You may wonder where God is in the midst of your hurt. You desire rescue, but you are unsure whether help will arrive. If you hung onto your faith through those trials, you know the relief that follows your elevated troubles. What can you do when your troubles are elevated?

- o Pray! Talk to God about your fears and worries.
- o Trust in God's providence.
- o Make a plan of action.
- o Seek aid from resources that can help you relieve the issue (whether books, professionals, friends, etc.).
- o Find someone to serve.
- o Research passages of scripture that relate to our troubles.
- o Quit behaviors or habits that contribute to the troubles.
- o Find the peace that comes in depending on God's help and fight worry.

Those suggestions are not a panacea or cure-all. They can, however, work like that ladder thrown to those stranded riders. Once back on the deck where all is much clearer, relief can return. Sometimes it simply requires taking some needed steps. I hope you are never stuck in a situation like those poor souls in Dubai, but you will meet trouble. Make us of all that God gives to help in times of trouble and enjoy the rescue He provides.