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# Reminder

The weekly newsletter of the church of Christ in Bellaire, Texas

## “Why Women Shouldn’t Take Men Shopping”

Like most men I find shopping boring and prefer to walk in, go directly to what I came for, purchase it and leave. Unfortunately, my wife is like most women, she loves to browse and compare. A few days ago, she received the following letter from Wal-Mart:

Dear Mrs. Woodward,

Over the past six months, your husband has caused quite a commotion in our store. We cannot tolerate this• behavior and have been forced to ban him from coming with you to our store. Our complaints against your husband, Mr. Woodward, are listed below and are documented by our video surveillance cameras.

1. July 15 — Took 24 boxes of Early Pregnancy Tests and randomly put them in other people’s carts when they weren’t looking.
2. August 2 — Set all the alarm clocks in Housewares to go off at 5 minute intervals.
3. August 7 — He made a trail of tomato juice on the floor leading to the meat department.
4. August 19 — Walked up to an employee and told her in an official voice, "Code 3 in Hardware. Get on it right away." This caused the employee to leave her assigned station and receive a reprimand from her Supervisor that in turn resulted with a union grievance, causing management to lose time and costing the company money.
5. September 4 — Went to the Service Desk and tried to put a bag of M&M’s on layaway.
6. September 14 — Moved a "CAUTION - WET FLOOR" sign to a carpeted area.
7. September 15 — Set up a tent in the camping department and told children shoppers he’d invite them in if they would bring pillows and blankets from the bedding department to which twenty children obliged.

8. September 23 — When a clerk asked if they could help him he began crying and screamed, "Why can't you people just leave me alone?" EMT's were called.
9. October 4 — Looked right into the security camera and used it as a mirror while he picked his teeth.
10. October 10 — While handling guns in the hunting department, he asked the clerk were the anti-depressants were.
11. November 3 — Darted around the store suspiciously while loudly humming the "Mission Impossible" theme song.
12. November 6 — In the auto department he changed all the stickers on the tires so that all of the sizes were mixed up.
13. November 18 — Hid in a clothing rack and when people browsed through, yelled, "PICK ME, PICK ME!!
14. November 21 — When an announcement came over the loud speaker, he assumed a fetal position and screamed, "OH NO! IT'S THOSE VOICES AGAIN!" And lastly, but certainly not least:
15. December 2 — Went into a fitting room, shut the door, waited awhile, and then yelled very loudly, "Hey! There's no toilet paper in here!" One of our clerks passed out, then quit when she came to.

Of course, this letter and all of the above events are fictional (well, most of them). But, what do you do when you're bored or have some time on your hands? Why not find something to do for others? How about checking out one of the programs for the church? Ever thought about studying your Bible? Or praying? Or one of a thousand other things you could do in the name of Jesus to make this world a better place? See you at Wal-Mart and, of course, at church!

For His Cause,  
Tim Woodward

## About Us

### Bellaire

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### Who Are We?

A group of God's children, striving to maintain the organization, doctrine and worship as taught in the New Testament.

### Schedule of Services

**Sunday:**  
9:30 AM Worship  
11:00 AM Bible Study

**Wednesday:**  
7:30 PM Bible Study



**MORNING LESSON**  
**Phil Robertson**

“Enjoy Life”

**SERVICE**

Welcome – H. Banks  
 Hymn Director - W. Hodge  
 Opening Prayer – Z. Kelsey  
 Morning Lesson – P. Robertson  
 Lord’s Supper Lesson- N.  
 Lovinggood  
 Announcements – M. Miles  
 Closing Prayer - D. Kimbrough

**EVANGELIST**

Jack Smith  
 Steve Garrett

**ELDERS**

Brian Haley  
 Mark Mann  
 Matt Miles  
 Mike Pharris  
 Jack Smith

**DEACONS**

Scott Clanton  
 David Davila  
 Dan Kimbrough  
 Jesse Knapp  
 Alex Morolez  
 Gregory Williams

**BIBLE CLASSES**

Messianic Prophecies – Robert  
 McDonald

**Auditorium**

I and II Samuel – Jack Smith  
**Room 102**  
 Graded classes for children

**Directory Updates**

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A long time ago, there was an Emperor who told his horseman that he could ride on his horse and cover as much land area as he liked. The Emperor would then give him the area of land he had covered. Sure enough, the horseman quickly jumped onto his horse and rode as fast as he could to cover as much land area as possible. He kept riding and riding-whipping the horse to go faster and faster, even when he was tired or hungry, he did not stop because he wanted to cover as much area as possible.

It came to a point when he had covered a substantial area that he became exhausted, and realized he was dying. He then asked himself, “why did I push myself so hard to cover so much land area? Now I am dying, and see I only need a very small area to bury myself.”

This story is similar with our journey in Life. We push very hard everyday to accomplish so much, to make more money, to gain more power and more recognition. We neglect our health, time with our family and we fail to appreciate the surrounding beauty and the hobbies we enjoy. One day, when we look back, we will realize that we don’t really need that much, but then we cannot turn back time for what we have missed.

Life is not just about making money, acquiring power or recognition. Life is definitely not just about work! Work is only necessary to earn a living so that we can enjoy the convenience and pleasures of life. Life is a balance of work and play, family and personal time. You have to decide how you want to balance your life. Define your priorities; realize what you are able to compromise but always let some of your decisions be based on your convictions as well as instincts.

Life is fragile, life is short. Do not take life for granted. Take it easy, do what you want to do and appreciate nature. Live a balanced lifestyle.  
 Enjoy Life!



**NEWS AND NOTES**

Continue praying for those of our number who have on-going health issues. Deb Haley, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn and Don Hurd.

Nothing "big" on the health front this week. We have several with long term difficulties. Do pray for them, call, send cards or otherwise let them know we/you think of them.

Lauren and Clark posted on Facebook that they are expecting a baby. That is wonderful news for them, and for us. John and Bethany are due in 5 or 6 weeks. What joy!

Not so joyful, Tempest told us Wednesday night that she has accepted a job in Lufkin, so will be leaving us soon. As will Zach and Audrey. They have made an offer on a house in the Dallas area, home to Zach's family. Such a great loss for us.

Anita and I leave this afternoon for a week in Alabama. Going up to keep 4 of our grandchildren for a week. I should be home late Monday, May 2.