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# Reminder

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

## Check the Tongue

Speech is a grand endowment of God to men. The power to express thought, the ability to communicate ideas, is one of the true proofs of man's superiority over beasts. A child's first words are dear to a parent. The last words uttered by a loved one in death are treasured.

Experience, history, and the scriptures all attest to the power of the human tongue for good or evil. Experience has deprived us of much if we have not heard the gentle persuasion of a mother's tongue or the stern yet loving rebuke of a father's lips. History, dutifully and faithfully recording the lives of those who made it, weaves a fascinating fabric of events which resulted from words uttered by good and evil men. The Bible tells its readers plainly, "Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things" (James 3:5)

Often as a doctor seeks to diagnose a disease he says, "Let me look at your tongue." Not only is the tongue an index to the physical state of man, but also it reflects the condition of the "Inner Man." "A good man out of the good treasure of

his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil; for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh." (Luke 6:45) You cannot speak dirty and ungodly language and have a pure heart. A man who "cusses" has something wrong with his heart. Profanity is incompatible with Christianity; you might as well try to mix oil and water.

Profanity is a habit that affects the whole of a man's character. Chemists tell us that a single grain of iodine will impart its color to seven thousand times its weight of water. It is so in higher things; one weakness, one bad habit, may influence one's whole life and character.

Hear the words of the Lord Jesus Christ: "But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give an account thereof in the day of judgement. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." (Matt 12:36-37)

By John Clark

### 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

#### James 3:10-11

Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter?

## SERVICE

Welcome – H. Banks  
Hymn Director – L. Williams  
Opening Prayer– R. Renz  
Morning Lesson – D. Broadwell  
Announcements – M. Mann  
Closing Prayer – J. Carithers

## EVANGELISTS

Daniel Broadwell  
Steve Garrett

## ELDERS

Brian Haley  
Mark Mann  
Mike Pharris

## DEACONS

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

## BIBLE CLASSES

How to Study the Bible

- Jesse Knapp
- Kings
- Michael Krueger
  - Justin Seale
- Graded classes for children

## DIRECTORY UPDATES

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## What is your Attitude?

To some serving the Lord is an honorable privilege; to others it is a heavy burden. To some Bible reading is interesting; to others it is dull. To some assembling with the saints is a wonderful experience; to others it is an obligation to be endured. To some prayer is a sweet occasion; to others it is a chore often neglected. If to you, dear saint, being a Christian is not the most important thing in life, if the Bible is not the most important of all books, if the assemblies of the saints are not more important than that job or school, if living for Jesus is not the highest of all callings, if going to heaven is not the greatest of all aims, then you need to take an immediate and thorough inventory of your attitude and ask God to help you to correct it. Eternity is coming!

By Bill Crews

## NEWS AND NOTES

Continue praying for those of our number who have on-going health issues. Bob Stark, Deb Haley, Janice Kimbrough, Jan Cooper, Curby Stech, Laura Claburn, and Don Hurd. Fran Spencer has also been added to this list.

Patricia Butler is currently in the midst of several medical tests to determine what is causing her health concerns. She will have an appointment with an oncologist this week. Please pray for a positive outcome at this appointment, and peace of mind for Pat and the Clanton Family.

Please continue to pray Terri Sams, who is visiting from Birmingham, Alabama while undergoing treatment at MD Anderson.

The date of our Gospel Meeting has been set for October 7 -9 with Wayne Moody. There will be a singing on Sunday, October 9, at 1:45 pm, as well.