

THOSE WHO SERVE

FEBRUARY 16, 2020

SUNDAY MORNING

SCRIPTURE READING

Case Davis

Romans 4:7-8

SONG LEADER

Wes Ives

OPENING PRAYER

Phil Smith

COMMUNION

Wayland Higginbottom (bread)

Doug Lewis (cup)

Fred McKamy (offering)

David Hull

PICK UP CARDS

Tony Jack Canan

Ryland Davis

CLOSING PRAYER

Don McDonald

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Aaron Green

SUNDAY EVENING

SONG LEADER

Daniel Warren

OPENING PRAYER

James Jones

CLOSING PRAYER

Jeff Blitch

WEDNESDAY

February 12th

SONG LEADER: Jeremy Davis

CLOSING PRAYER: David Moore

February 19th

SONG LEADER: Trey Gannon

CLOSING PRAYER: Noble Anderson

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

BIBLE CLASSES: 9:00 A.M.

MORNING ASSEMBLY: 9:50 A.M.

EVENING ASSEMBLY: 5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

BIBLE CLASSES: 7:00 P.M.

MISSIONS

Jesùs Amaya

Torreón, Mexico

Sunset International

Ukraine

Foster's Home for Children

Stephenville, Texas

Cherokee Home for Children

Cherokee, Texas

LAST WEEK'S RECORD

Sunday Bible Class 85

Morning Assembly 123

Evening Assembly 55

Wednesday Bible Class 42

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Remember in your prayers...

Shut-ins: Betty Bickle (Granbury Care Center), Laverne Cardwell (lives in Grace Home, 1106 Holiday Court in Granbury), Mary Kate Carrico (Granbury Care Center, F-hall, room 48), Beth Hobbs (with daughter in Decatur), Faye Hurley (Courtyards) Barbara Hutchinson (Mulberry Manor in Stephenville). **Others to pray for: Cleta Akers, Toby Cushing, Joan Dudik, Barbara Holland, Melissa Medcalf. In the military: Robert Bell, T.J. Foster, Ethan Wells. If you have any prayer requests, announcements or updates, it is essential that you email them to Brad Fry at texasfry@gmail.com.**

News & Notes

The next R&B lunch will be Thursday Feb 13th, to celebrate Valentine's day. We will be serving Italian food. Come join us! Our numbers are growing!

The next men's fellowship breakfast will be Saturday, February 22nd at 7:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. There is a food sign-up sheet in the foyer. If you have any questions, contact Michael or Daniel Warren. We look forward to seeing you there.

We will be taking lunch to the Tarleton Bible Chair Tuesday, February 25. There is a food sign-up list on the bulletin board and aluminum pans and lids in the foyer for your dishes. If you have any questions, see Joyce Blitch.

Communion Preparation

February—Wes & Lisa Ives
March—Brad & Shirley Fry

Greetings from Ukraine,

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven..." As hard as it is for Jay Don

and I to think about leaving Ukraine, the time has come. This is officially our last semester to fill the role of president and "first lady" of UBI!! Our role will change in June to International Liaison when we move back to Canada, but we will still be VERY involved with UBI and the work in Ukraine. This change is one of the hardest things we have ever done but "this is the time" and we know God will see us through.

Sunday, December 1st, we attended the Vancouver Church which has supported us for 40 years. After services we had a delicious potluck and were presented with a lovely and generous gift package from the church. It was a bitter/sweet experience as we have been with this group for 40 years and have so many dear friends and cherished memories here. Many of our loved ones from here have gone on to heaven, many have moved away but there still remain a few dear ones who we hope to see from time to time since we will always be visiting Vancouver to see our son, his wife and 2 precious grandsons!!

In December we were blessed with being with our brothers and sisters at Delta and Nanaimo, B. C. and Calgary, Alberta to share the message about our transition and what has been happening the past year at UBI. It is always so encouraging to be with you all and hear how you love and appreciate the work in Ukraine. We have loved this work for so long and it fills our hearts with joy just to talk about it.

Our family Christmas was a week early and we all had a great time (minus our Texas son and family). Lots of fun, gifts and even a trip to the movies to see the **LAST (I hope!!!)** Star Wars movie. The movie was really pretty good and at the end I looked over at Jay Don and he was bawling!! I couldn't believe it and asked him WHY???? He said he was just so touched at the end thinking of how he began the journey of watching Star Wars movies with all our children when they were young and there we all were watching the last one together (except for our son in Texas who loves Star Wars also!!) Indeed God has blessed us with a wonderful family that we have made many, many special memories with.

We started our time in Texas with a late Christmas celebration with our son and family there and then celebrated New Year's with lots of family, my sister and husband, their 3 sons and families and our son and family. We have been ringing in the new year this way for 18 or 19 years. It is always a fun evening.

After New Years we spent the rest of January fund raising and

sharing the UBI story. Our first presentation was at the Woodland West congregation in Arlington, Texas. This is a fabulous congregation that will be taking over our sponsorship. They have been involved with the work in Ukraine for many years and love it dearly. That Sunday morning Tim Burrow, Jay Don and Brandon Price were all there and spoke on the past, present and future of UBI. They did an amazing job. Jay Don and I were also presented a crystal bowl with the UBI emblem engraved on it for our 19 years of service there. The tears started flowing from us then and haven't stopped for long ever since!!! After church they had a delicious potluck where we got to meet and visit with so many encouraging people. We so look forward to working with this congregation and having a great relationship with them.

The rest of January we visited congregations in Spearman, Levelland, Midland, Shallowater and Breckenridge. You just can't imagine how thrilling it is for us to be with all of wonderful people. We feel such love from you and you just fill us with such an uplifting spirit that we can't wait to get back and start working with UBI. Your constant praise for us and our work leave us feeling very humbled and not worthy of such praise but I want to say again that we could **NOT** do this work without your financial help. So please realize that you are as much a part of this work as we are. We just have no words but, "thank you from the bottom of our hearts".

We flew back to Kiev on Jan. 28, Jay Don's 73rd birthday!!! Bless his heart, for the last 19 years we have either been packing or flying back to Ukraine on his birthday!!! He's always good natured about it and we always have a late celebration with our staff and students. This time has been a bit harder because as soon as we got back we both got sick with **awful** colds. Jay Don went ahead and did student interviews as soon as we got back but I "forbade" him to get out on Sunday!! The flights home were full of people coughing and with that awful virus going around I made him go to the doctor to make sure he didn't have bronchitis or pneumonia!! He doesn't but the doctor put him on an antibiotic anyway for safety!! Mine has been just an awful head cold.

To God be the glory!!

Jay Don and Mary Lee

Attachments area

[YouTube video UBI 2019](#)