



# NEWSLETTER



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### MARCH 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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11 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS	12 MEETING CALDWELL 7:00 PM	13	14	15	16	17
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25 PALM SUNDAY	26	27	28	29 HOLY THURSDAY	30 GOOD FRIDAY	31 HOLY SATURDAY

### NEWS

Caldwell is next up in the rotation for our next meeting. Meal starts at 7:00, with the meeting after. Hope we have some of that left-over brisket from the Festival. It was mighty good.

We are getting down to the wire for our Turkey Shoot. We need everyone to pick up some more tickets. Josiah and company are frantically fishing, in order to have enough fish for the lunch. Remember, we will have the capability for 25 shooters per round if enough people show up. We hope they will.

### A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Well, Tina and I got a tour of MD Anderson a few weeks ago. It seems I got some sort of growth on the lymph gland in my elbow. I never even knew that there were any lymph glands in your elbow. Anyway, the doctor in Bryan took x-rays and an MRI of the thing, and the results were inconclusive, so he told me that just to be on the safe side, he would send me down to MD Anderson on the slim possibility that it might be cancerous. As luck would have it, when we walked in, we found out their computer system was down. How they were able to continue with all the people's appointments without their computers, is beyond me. You would not believe how many people are processed and treated in that Hospital every day. So they scheduled me for an MRI guided biopsy for the next week, so they could get a sample of what was in there, to determine if there was any cancer in it. In the meantime, the growth had been shrinking, which was good. They got what they called a "scant" sample, which was not enough to determine if it was cancerous, so the Doctor decided to cut it out. So they scheduled that for the following week, which now made three weeks in a row that we were going down there. As a result, we would always have to leave the day before the first appointment, since it was always scheduled fairly early in the morning, and you couldn't trust the Houston traffic to try to leave early the morning of the appointment. By the time you got done, it was usually 3 or 4 pm, so we wound up spending another night each time, rather than face that river of automobiles heading half way to Hempstead, before you got out of traffic. So we got down for the third week, and had another MRI to locate the growth for the Doctor, so she would know where to start cutting, and lo and behold, they couldn't find the thing. It had totally disappeared. Don't know if it just disappeared on it's own, or if it was because of the prayers, but either way I am grateful for the outcome. The reason I am sharing this, is because of my shock at seeing the amount of people that pass thru that hospital in a days time. Statistics don't mean much until you put a face to it. The other reason is that we should be thankful for the health care system we have, that can process so many people in a days time, with only minimal wait time. The people go through that hospital like parts coming down an assembly line. I am sure it means a lot to someone suffering, and would have to sit somewhere waiting for an hour to be seen.

Yet, cancer is the 3rd highest killer in America, with about 275,000 people a year. The reason that cancer is so visible, is that you can see the people affected, because they all go to the same place for treatment. The #2 killer is heart disease, with about 283,000 people, but they all go to different places, so you can't put a face to it. What is even worse, is that the #1 killer in the United States, ABORTION, with 502,000 deaths, has no treatment plan. I wonder if minds could be changed if all half a million of the babies were piled up in a big pile for everybody to see. You think that would make a difference? I bet it would.

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Reverend Billy Graham

1919-2018

My favorite Protestant preacher passed away last week, the Reverend Billy Graham. I remember sitting at our black and white television in the late 50s and until his crusades quit being televised, whenever that was, listening to his sermons. I don't know anyone who could compare to Rev. Graham when it came to delivering a sermon. I don't care what religion you professed, his message was right for everyone. He had the God given talent to say things in such a way that could be understood by everyone, whether you had no formal education, or you had a Doctor's degree. I don't believe there was another person that was able to touch as many people as he did. I think he was right when he said he knew where he was going when he died, and that was heaven. It is too bad there isn't another person able to step up and replace him in the Protestant world. We are fortunate to have the head of our church, but the people of the protestant religions have no one, at the time when it is needed most. I like his decision to be buried in a pine coffin made by Louisiana prison inmates.

May his soul rest in peace with the Lord.

Reprinted from a Billy Graham website that featured a column entitled "My Answer."

Editor's note: Before his death, Billy Graham approved the following response as his final My Answer column. Mr. Graham's column will continue in some form.

I hope I will be remembered as someone who was faithful—faithful to God, faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and faithful to the calling God gave me not only as an evangelist, but as a husband, father and friend.

I'm sure I've failed in many ways, but I take comfort in [Christ's promise of forgiveness](#), and I take comfort also in God's ability to take even our most imperfect efforts and use them for His glory.

By the time you read this, I will be in heaven, and as I write this I'm looking forward with great anticipation to the day when I will be in God's presence forever.

I'm convinced that heaven is far more glorious than anything we can possibly imagine right now, and I look forward not only to its wonder and peace, but also to the joy of being reunited with those who have gone there before me, especially my dear wife, Ruth. The Bible says, "Now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face" (1 Corinthians 13:12).

But I won't be in heaven because I've preached to large crowds or because I've tried to live a good life. I'll be in heaven for one reason: Many years ago I [put my faith and trust in Jesus Christ](#), who died on the cross to make our forgiveness possible and rose again from the dead to give us eternal life. Do you know you will go to heaven when you die? You can, by committing your life [to Jesus](#) Christ today.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

[Put your trust in Christ today.](#)

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