

The Vine: March 2015

ON THE VINE :

Brian Houston is the founder and senior pastor of Hillsong Church in Australia. That church is responsible for not only several of the praise songs that we sing in our church but for this churches influence throughout the world. Recently I have been studying a devotional series written by Pastor Houston. The theme of this 10 day devotion is “My Spirit, My Responsibility.” I would like to share part of it with you.

“Do you get your esteem from what you do? Do you class yourself and compare yourself against other people? Do you think you deserve more respect or more honor? Promotion does not come from other people or from what is going on around us, it comes from God. Trusting God means we’ll keep the kind of spirit where we can believe that God will open doors for us. Comparison is a deadly game you cannot win. You’ll always come in second. There will always be someone better looking, smarter, more spiritual or someone who just seems to get more breaks. No one from the east or the west or from the desert can exalt themselves. It is God who judges: He bring one down, and exalts another (Psalm 75:6-7). But by the grace of God where would any of us be. God promotes and opens doors when He wants to do so.”

As I read this devotion, I thought how everything that I have, everything that I am, and everything that I have been able to do is because of God and His grace. It is actually very humbling to realize these important Biblical truths. *Kevin*

Easter Cantata

When: Sunday, March 29 at 6pm

Where: First Baptist Church

The combined choirs of FBC and the Paris Assembly of God will bring us the cantata, *Jesus Saves*. Following the cantata there will be a meal served in the church basement!

**First Baptist Church
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**Kevin Coe — Pastor
Guthrie Gardner—Youth
Debbie Sims—Choir
Shannon Ellis—Office**

America For Christ Offering

This month you will have the opportunity to give to this important offering. The funds collected go to support the needs of American Baptist Missions located here in the United States and Puerto Rico. The US is the third largest unchurched country in the world. There is great need for mission work in our own backyard. Last year the FBC of Chrisman generously contributed **\$2860** to this offering!

MARCH BIRTHDAY'S

- 1: Rita Rogers
- 5: Cody Owen
- 6: Lucille Allison
- 9: Tiffany Tarter
- 13: Jarrod Hale
- 14: Luke Kincaid & Jerry Hodge
- 15: Mae Rogers & Dalton Lewis
- 22: Maureen Marvin
- 23: Breanna Hale
- 24: Keith Lawlyes
- 30: Kim Beals
- 31: John Frazee

Worship Attendance

Feb. 1	64
Feb. 8	66
Feb. 15	63

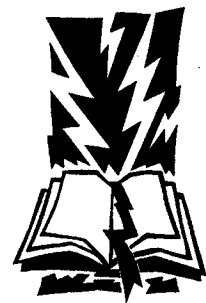
Don't Forget To Set Your Clocks Forward One Hour Before You Go To Bed On Saturday Night March 7th!

6 Things Christians Should Start Doing!
by Jarrid Wilson

1. **Love without limits:**
Mark 12:31
2. **Realize the church is bigger than a building:**
2 Corinthians 12:27
3. **Be the first to extend a hand of grace and forgiveness:**
Matthew 6:15
4. **Seek to be known for what they are for, rather than what they are against:** 1 Peter 2:21
5. **Reach outside of their comfort zones:**
Ephesians 3:12
6. **Join forces with other churches rather than compete with them:** John 17:20-23

Sunday Morning Messages

- March 1: Guthrie Gardner speaking
- March 8: Core Christian Beliefs—The Bible
- March 15: Core Christian Beliefs—Jesus
- March 22: Core Christian Beliefs—Grace
- March 29: The Coming Of The King



Get Involved!

There are many ministry areas where you can be involved. Sunday School Class, Usher/Greeter, Praise Team Singer, Mission Trips, VBS, Youth Group, Nursery Volunteer, Children's Church, and Choir.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 11:15am Deacon & Trustee Mtgs. 6pm Youth</p>	2	3	<p>4 7:00pm Choir</p>	5	<p>6 No FCA @ CHS</p>	<p>7 Don't forget to set your clocks ahead 1 hour</p>
<p>8 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6pm Youth</p>	9	10	<p>11 7:00pm Choir</p>	12	<p>13 No FCA @ CHS</p>	14
<p>15 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6pm Youth</p>	<p>16 6:00pm Philathea Class Meeting with Dorothy Roger's hosting</p>	17	18	<p>19 5:45pm Choir @ Paris Assembly of God</p>	<p>20 Spring Begins 12:15pm FCA @ CHS</p>	21
<p>22 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6pm Youth</p>	23	24	<p>25 7:00pm Choir</p>	26	<p>27 12:15pm FCA @ CHS</p>	28
<p>29 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 6pm Easter Cantata</p>	30	31				