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## Tom's Tidbits



### SEE TO IT YOU'RE WORTH SAVING!

A little boy was swimming in a lake when he suddenly got sick and started to sink. Struggling, he went under once...then twice...and then he felt the strong arms of a man lifting him up out of the water.

When they arrived safely on shore, the little boy cried, "Thank you, sir! Thank you for saving my life!"

"You're welcome, son," he said. Then he added, with a grin, "See to it that you're worth saving!"

God loves you. Jesus gave himself to save you from your sins. You're grateful, aren't you? Then demonstrate your gratitude by responding in loving service to God and others. As the man said, "See to it that you're worth saving!"

### THE SPIRIT OF SELF-DISCIPLINE

A ship was caught in a storm, and the crew was distressed by the crashing sounds below. Hurrying down, they found a cannon had broken loose, and was tearing holes in the side. Knowing the cannon was more dangerous than the typhoon, two sailors, risking their lives, secured the cannon again.

Like the ship, it's not the storms on the outside that destroy, but self on the inside. We need the Holy Spirit to conquer self and sin. Mastered by God, we'll master self – and the storms.

The Apostle Paul tells us, "God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, and of self-discipline" (2 Timothy 1:7).

### SIX YEARS OF ANGER

An eighty-one-year-old watchmaker decided to find out how he had spent his time. He discovered that he had spent twenty-six years sleeping, twenty-one years working, and six years eating.

But he also learned that he had spent six years being angry. He reasoned that, for every year he was angry, he had lost a year of happiness. Isn't it foolish to be angry?

No wonder the Bible says, "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you" (Ephesians 4:31-32).

### JUMP! I'LL CATCH YOU!

Rounding a corner in New York City, George Rivera saw a burning building, and two little girls stuck helplessly on the fourth floor.

"Jump," he cried. "I'll catch you!" And he prayed silently, "Lord, don't let me miss them."

One jumped, and then the other – safely into his arms. Do you find yourself on the top floor of a burning experience, with absolutely no way of escape?

God's there, and Jesus cares for you. You can't see him, but he can see you. He says, "Jump! I'll catch you!" Trust yourself to Christ. Jump, for the Bible says, "Underneath are the everlasting arms" (Deuteronomy 33:27).

### SON OF ENCOURAGEMENT

"What's in a name?" asked Shakespeare's Juliet. "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet." But there's something interesting in a name.

The Bible tells about a man whose name was Joseph. That means "one more." He was just one more child, one more citizen, one more church member.

But Joseph turned his life over to Jesus, offering Christ all that he was and all that he had. He went about helping others bear their burdens, meet their needs, and solve their problems. Then they nicknamed him "Barnabas," which means "son of encouragement."

Dear friend, are you just "one more" or one who encourages? Don't be content to be ordinary – be an extraordinary Christian!

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See you in church on Sunday...  
 or wherever else our paths may cross.  
 Remember that God loves you, and so do I!

**SEPTEMBER ATTENDANCE**

September 4      169  
September 11     197  
September 18     181  
September 25     168

**ACOLYTE SCHEDULE**

October 2        Cooper Weatherly, Madeline Gadway  
October 9        William Schodek, Grant Arrington  
October 16       Justin Winkelman, Julie Arrington  
October 23       Landon Schultz-Zwahr, Mark Bosse  
October 30       Tucker Novosad, Tyler Anderson

**LAY READERS and GREETERS NEEDED!!!**

If you are interested in being a Lay Reader or a Greeter and assisting the morning worship services, please see Yvonne Lingnau, or a member of the Worship committee.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR YEAR**

**SEPT. 2010—MAY 2011**

Lita Meyer  
Suzanne Mikeska  
Keeli Teykl  
Ryan Fredrickson  
Kyler Teykl  
Reese Fredrickson  
Mikayla Mikeska  
Colton Mikeska  
Chase Miller  
Makenzie Raesner  
Becky Oberhoff  
Delbert Wendt

Average attendance for year — 45

**BIRTHS**

**Addison Elizabeth Fletcher**

Born August 30, 2011

Parents: Jason & Shelley (Oberrender) Fletcher

**Ava Marie Casassa**

Born September 6, 2011

Parents: Matt & Laura Casassa

**MOMENT FOR THE YOUNG**

October 2        Karen Wagner  
October 9        Carol Gerken  
October 16       Leslie Kolkmeier  
October 23       Pastor Tom  
October 30       Marla Sebesta

**ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?**

Through the generous initial contribution of a church member, a new fund has been established to assist members and attenders of Immanuel United Church of Christ with any financial needs that they might experience. Virtually any and every kind of financial need is eligible for assistance.

Your confidentiality is assured. Here's how it works: Speak personally to Pastor Tom about your need. He will then submit the details of your need (but not your name or any other identifying information) to the members of the Mission and Outreach Committee: Leslie Kolkmeier, Bruce Oberhoff, and Debby Wendt. They will review this information and make a determination as to whether or not to provide assistance, and in what amount.

Pastor Tom will then make arrangements to have a check written on this account directly to the provider of the good or service. Again, no personal identifying information will be revealed. Pastor Tom will then personally deliver the check to you, and you may submit it to the good or service provider.

The Mission and Outreach Committee is very excited about this new opportunity to ministers to the needs of members and attenders of Immanuel. If you have any kind of need, please contact Pastor Tom, who will initiate the process to provide assistance.

**2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES**

Offering Envelopes will again be mailed direct from our supplier to each member's home. Envelopes will continue to be mailed on quarterly basis. The 2012 address list is being updated and we need all changes immediately. Offering envelopes are preferred IRS documentation of your gifts. However, if you do not wish to use them, it is your option. Please inform the church office of your intentions. New members will be sent envelopes unless you declare your intentions otherwise with the church office. All address changes, as they occur should be reported to the church office to avoid costly postal expense of returns.

If you wish to make any changes from what was done in 2011, we need to know **immediately**. If you didn't get envelopes or desire to have them discontinued, please return the form below to the office by no later than **November 6**. Email response: [immanuel@consolidated.net](mailto:immanuel@consolidated.net). THANK YOU!

**2012 ENVELOPES**

\_\_\_\_\_ **I do not want** offering envelopes mailed to my address.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Add** my address for envelopes

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT: Return by November 6, 2011**

Monthly Consistory Minutes and Financial Reports are no longer being included in the monthly newsletters.

A notification will be listed in the Sunday bulletin when they are available to be picked up in the church office.

# Houston Association

## FALL MEETING 2011

**Date:** Saturday – October 29  
**Place:** IMMANUEL UCC  
 9018 Church Street Needville, Texas 77461  
 Host Pastor: Rev. Dr. Thomas Schwartz

### Meeting Schedule

**9:00 AM** Registration – Coffee – Fellowship  
**9:30 AM** Worship  
**10:15 AM** INVITATIONAL EVANGELISM  
 How to invite Folks to church led by  
 Rev. Ronald “Ron” Trimmer  
*(Pastor of Hope United Church in Georgetown Texas. One of our conference new church start)*  
**11:45 AM** LUNCH—Business—Announcements  
**12:35 AM** Ecclesiastical Council *(Pending COM approval)*  
 I. Joshua Lawrence  
 II. Tim McCullough

**Offering:** *Hope United Church*  
*Checks payable to: Houston Association*  
*Memo: Hope United Church*

**RSVP:** Lunch Cost \$7.00 the House Church Cookers of Immanuel UCC Needville will prepare lunch. Please Call the church office to RSVP from 8:30 to 12:30 PM Monday through Friday. Phone Number: (979) 793-6125. Deadline: October 21, 2011 (Friday)

Questions please call Association Moderator  
 Rev. Bill Royster at (281) 386-6411  
 or via email: [bgroyster@consolidated.net](mailto:bgroyster@consolidated.net)

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| 1 Madeline Gadway   | 17 Kathy Peters   |
| 2 Mikayla Mikeska<br>Raymond Freund   | 18 Josh Evans<br>Larry Miller<br>Pam Griffis<br>Shirley Hlavaty   |
| 3 Kamryn Fenske<br>Rachel Altimore<br>Randy Halbert                                     | 19 Byron Miller<br>Christopher Maresh<br>Denise Ramey<br>Dylan Fuchs<br>Jake Eversole<br>Kyle Griffith<br>Payton Schroeder<br>Susan Merecka |
| 4 Amy Dietrich<br>Kim Blazier March<br>Tommy Gerken                                     | 20 Lillie Richter   |
| 5 Angela Klawitter<br>Jacob Bosse<br>Thomas Balcerowicz                                 | 21 Chris Legendre<br>Ryan Hedt<br>Ryan Fredrickson  |
| 6 Kirby Kunkel<br>Ron Crosby<br>Shae Blazier<br>Susan Teykl<br>Ryan Thielemann          | 22 Chance Legendre<br>Dorothy Farmer<br>Rich Stack<br>Richard Zwahr   |
| 7 Irvin Meyer<br>Shawn Thielemann   | 23 Dustin Hartfiel<br>Ludy Novak<br>W.C. Todd   |
| 8 Braden Pawlak<br>Kellen Miller<br>Wyatt Bosse   | 24 Adel Leung<br>Julie Paweleck<br>Michael Poe  |
| 9 Justin Gorka<br>Vickie Maresh   | 25 Evelyn Weidemann<br>Jaxson Urbanek<br>Karen Todd<br>Robert Gorka   |
| 10 Cortney Paweleck<br>Greg Raesner<br>Tristan Novosad                                  | 26 Rev. Lisa Gaul   |
| 11 Daniel McConnell<br>Rockie Thielemann  | 27 Brianna Raesner<br>Debbie Stern<br>Hunter Bean<br>Kyle Thumann   |
| 12 Janice Pryor<br>Jed Walzel<br>Ronald Kramer  | 28 Julius Balcerowicz<br>Pam Gutowsky   |
| 13 Cullen Raska   | 29 Rusty Conrad<br>Addison Paige Holik  |
| 14 Clarence Fuchs<br>Corbie Chapman<br>Cyndi Teykl<br>Lenora Oberhoff<br>Tayah Legendre | 30 Cheyenne Prihoda<br>Evelyn Oberhoff<br>Justin Holt<br>Zachary Eiteman  |
| 15 Chad Arlitt<br>Craig Roberson<br>Jennifer Basta<br>Kaitlyn Lara                      | 31 Dale Warncke   |
| 16 Barbara Schroeder<br>Linda Griffith  |   |

### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES



- 2 Ron & Irene Otto
- 5 Mike & Cindy Nulisch  
Ronny & Keli Smith
- 6 David & Kathy Luedeke
- 7 Calvin & Rita Hedt  
Gilbert & Ruth Vallet  
Ron & Tammy Crosby
- 8 Chris & Debbie Legendre  
Elwood & Etta Oberhoff
- 9 Coleman & Casey Todd  
Mike & Kalynn Raska
- 12 Randall & Kelly Miller
- 13 Jeff & Casey Chapman
- 14 Waymond & Cindy Schulze
- 15 Delbert & Shirley Wendt
- 17 Scott & Sandy Schmidt
- 19 Raymond & Evelyn Schmidt
- 23 Glenn & Barbara Schroeder  
Harold & Peggy Heidemann
- 24 Elton & Olivia Tiemann  
Tom & Kelly Dunk
- 25 Ray & Patty Bean
- 27 Kerry & Karen Wagner  
Wyatt & Amy Bosse
- 31 Dana & Sherrie Schultz



## PRAYER LIST

**P.U.S.H. = Pray Until Something Happens!**



Justin Barcak  
 Steve Beck  
 Dottie Bennett  
 David Brice  
 Tanya Castaneda  
 Casey Chapman  
 Inez Cowling  
 Cindy Davila  
 Don & Marilyn Dillard  
 Bernadette Dodge  
 Sue Garver  
 Herald Gaddy  
 Evelyn Gorka  
 Kathy Holub  
 Kellye Hyde  
 Hazel Jurek  
 Jeanne Otto Keeney  
 George Kuebler  
 Nancy Kuebler

David Lamensky  
 Frances Landers  
 Donna Kay Langton  
 Raquel (Condel) Levy  
 Frank Macik  
 Rina Mendoza  
 Helen Moses  
 Alice Nestor  
 Kenneth "KB" Otto  
 Donette Paige  
 Mark Pawlecek  
 Martin and Charlie Pesak  
 Melissa Ramos  
 Herbert Richter  
 Judy Ross  
 Raeleigh Schlitzkus  
 Annette Schmidt  
 Jack Schneider  
 Patrick Schwartz

Jim Sims  
 Jane Slaughter  
 Alberta Steffen  
 Roy and Barbara Steffen  
 Becky Taber  
 Mary Ann Talley  
 Cayden Thomas  
 Tim Timmons  
 James Vogelsang  
 Maudie Walenta  
 Willie Wallick  
 Benita Walzel  
 Gilbert Walzel  
 Brendan Warncke  
 Courtney Warncke  
 Dee Wright  
 Cheryl Zwahr  
 Those affected by the  
 wildfires

*Rejoice always, pray continually,  
 give thanks in all circumstances;  
 for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.  
 Thessalonians 5: 16-17*

Please notify the Pastor, or the Church Office with any updates to this list.  
 Let us share in your Joys or Concerns!

### MISSION TRIP NEWS!

**It isn't too late to sign up for the upcoming Mission Trip!**

**We will be traveling to the Southwest Good Samaritan Center in Bayview, Tx  
 October 8th thru 13th.**

**\$75.00/person—loding**

**ALL PROJECTS ARE IN THE U.S.**

If you are interested in participating, please contact the church office, or see Cris Meyer.



### NEWS FROM THE LILY PAD

October is a big month for us here at the Lily Pad, lots and lots of fun things going on! We will be visiting the Fire Station, taking a trip to the Pumpkin Patch and of course, we'll have our Fall Festival! We can't wait to see the kiddos dressed up for all the fun and games and some trick-or-treating!

We have been learning a lot about The Bible with our new "Read and Share Bible" curriculum. Last month we learned how God created the Earth, about Adam and Eve, about Noah's Big Boat, and much, much more! There's even a puppet show and the kids really love it all! We have also been watching the hummingbirds outside of our windows and patiently waiting for nice, cool, fall weather. We are ready for it...Happy Fall Y'all!

### FUN FOR KIDS!

#### How to Make Colored Sand!

##### Ingredients:

- Sand Paper
- Box of Assorted Colored Chalk (sidewalk chalk works great!)
- 1/2 Cup of Salt or Sugar (salt works best...)
- Bowls (1 for each color of sand)
- Clear plastic containers (empty water bottles work great!)
- Small-tipped funnel

Put the salt or sugar in a bowl. Rub the colored chalk on the sandpaper (make sure to do this OVER the bowl!!!!) Layer the sand in the clear plastic containers using the funnel. When the jar is 3/4 full, LIGHTLY tap the jar on hard surface to settle.



**SPECIAL SPEAKER ON HEBREW ORIGINS  
AT IMMANUEL ON OCTOBER 19**

The Rev. Jim Way, pastor of Remnant Church in Lake Jackson, will speak on the subject, "Introduction to Hebrew Roots," at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 19. The program will be held in the sanctuary at Immanuel. All members of the congregation are invited and encouraged to attend.

Pastor Way received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene and his Master of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. He later completed the course of study and graduated from the Institute of Hebraic Christian Studies in Houston.

"Unfortunately, most Christians today see very little connection between their Christianity and Biblical Judaism," he commented. "Romans 11 is a much-needed study for the church. In it, the Apostle Paul clearly warns Gentile believers not to be arrogant, thinking we are more important or valuable than the Jews. He reminds us that we have the very same root as the Jews: God's revelation of himself and his plan of salvation that spanned thousands of years of history."

Joining Gentile believers around the world in discovering the Hebrew roots of our faith is a profitable and exciting adventure, Pastor Way noted.

"I look forward to sharing with your congregation on October 19<sup>th</sup> as we progress on that journey," he said. "We will do a quick overview of why it is important to study our Hebrew roots, and why we Gentile believers owe a great debt of gratitude to the Jewish people."

This special program will take place during the celebration of the Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot), Pastor Way pointed out.

"Thousands of Gentile believers will be gathering in Jerusalem to celebrate while many thousands more will be celebrating at home," he said. "This is a season of rest and rejoicing. It is a time to thank the Lord for his faithfulness to us in times past and to anticipate his faithfulness in the future."

Pastor Way is married to Gay Lynn Way. The couple have four sons and ten grandchildren. "I look forward to a great time with the Immanuel congregation," he concluded.

A love offering will be taken for Pastor Way following the service.

**Y o u t h P o s t i n g s !  
( K i n d e r g a r t e n - 1 2 <sup>t h</sup> )  
October 2011**

Youth Wednesday Line – Up:

Kinder-1<sup>st</sup>: Your class is being taught by **Mrs. Kim Fredrickson**.

2nd – 3rd Grade: Your team of teachers are **Mrs. Dena Dick** and **Mrs. Jacey Hedt**.

4th – 5th Grade: Your class is being taught by **Mrs. Kim Grimmitt**

6th/7th Grade: Your class is being taught by **Mrs. Leslie Kolkmeier**

Confirmation: Your class is being taught by **Pastor Tom**

High School: Your team of teachers are **Mr. Cris Meyer** and **Mrs. Shay Meyer**

Help Needed:

We could still use some assistance with youth Wednesdays. Adults helping with transitions from classrooms to bells and singing would be most appreciated as well as help with the high school class. "Floater" is probably the term I would use to best describe what we need although time in an individual class may be needed as well, mostly as an assistant to the leader in that particular class or station. Any time you can donate between 4:00pm and 8:00pm on Wednesdays will be greatly appreciated.

Youth OVER/UNDER Report:

As of the writing of this newsletter, data is still being collected for September so I am not able to run a full report for the curriculum and food money thus far, but as I have been entering all of that it seems we are off to a great start. Having the parent meeting a week ahead of when everything kicked off did help, but not nearly as many attended as I had hoped for. Lots more of you signed up and paid on our first day. That is still a great thing! Thanks go to all of you for doing your part and helping defray some of the cost for curriculum and food.

High School Leadership:

Are you interested in seeing certain things happen this new year in youth? Well you're in luck! Lots of new things ARE happening, but please send me your ideas and thoughts so we can do what YOU want to do. A committee is being formed of high school students that will help and eventually lead and make decisions concerning YOUR youth group. Are you one of them? If you are, get in touch with me and let me know. Our first meeting will be in October and I will be contacting those of you that have shown interest or who I think would do a great job with that responsibility.

TTSKCE:

Trick or Treat So Kids Can Eat is a wonderful way to get out in the community and collect canned goods for the Needville Ministerial Alliance (NMA) Food Pantry. These non-perishable goods are given out to those in our church neighborhood and surrounding area that have a need for food in their homes for themselves and immediate family members. 6<sup>th</sup> grade and up will be going out on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> collecting these items and we ask you to join us for this 'Love in Action' activity. Costumes are allowed as long as they are not scary, gory or revealing. More details will be given out the week before our outing so be sure to keep your ears peeled on how you will be needed & the exact plans for that.

Notes:

~I hope teachers and students are all enjoying the new curriculum for both Sunday school and youth club. I have heard great things about both and I'm so glad all is going smoothly. If you are a teacher, please thank the kids for coming and if you are a young person, please thank a teacher for giving of their time and effort. We wouldn't be able to do this without either one of you doing your part!

~OMP is just around the corner...November 6th! Be thinking about where you want to help out. Some of what will be available is soda booth, hairspray, plinko, ring toss, toy walk, lollipop tree, duck pond and great crafts.

~Many thanks to **Carol Bosse** and **Brandi Oberrender** for filling in the October slots we needed to cover for Nursery Sunday school.

Back in the groove,  
Shay-Shay. Questions, comments, concerns? [shay@meyerranch.net](mailto:shay@meyerranch.net) (832) 595-4028 cell. Feedback always welcome.

# October 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 Sunday School 9am Worship/Communion 10:15am	3 Worship/ Evangelism 7p	4 MDO 8:30-2:30 Scouts 7-9pm	5	6 MDO 8:30-2:30	7 Scouts 6-9pm	8 Otto Hall Rental 1pm  Leave for MISSION TRIP
9 Blood Drive 8am-12pm Sunday School 9am Worship/SS Perf Attend. 10:15am  <b>MISSION TRIP</b> →	10 Scouts 6-9pm Consistory 7pm	11 MDO 8:30-2:30 MDO Board 7p OPM Mtg. 7p	12	13 MDO 8:30-2:30 Scouts 6-9p	14	15
<b>16 HOMECOMING</b>  Sunday School 9am Worship/ABCeleb. 10:15am  Homecoming Luncheon	17	18 MDO 8:30-2:30 Brotherhood 6:30pm	19 Senior Social @ IUCC  DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES!!!	20 MDO 8:30-2:30 Woodmen 6:30p	21 Guild 2pm Scouts 6-9pm  Deadline for Registration Fall Assoc. Mtg. 12:00pm	22 Oberhoff Hall Rental
23  Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am	24 Mission/ Outreach 7p  Scouts 6-9p	25 MDO 8:30-2:30	26	27 MDO 8:30-2:30  Scouts 6-9p	28 Scout Party 6-9pm	29 Houston Assoc Fall Mtg.
30 Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am  Todd—Hall Rental 11:30-3:30p	31					

## IMMANUEL WOMEN'S GUILD

The Immanuel Women's Guild met on Friday, September 16, 2001 with 11 members present. Shirley Wendt gave the devotional. She opened with a prayer, following with the hymn, "This Is My Father's World". Her topic was "What Am I Here For?" There are 5 purposes (1) Love and Worship God, (2) Love One Another, (3) Bring God Glory for Trying to Be Like Christ, (4) Serving Others, (5) Telling Others about God. She ended with some Holy Humor.

Vice President, Hester Bain called the meeting to order. Minutes were read and approved. Correspondence was read. A Thank-You and love gift from Wilburn Kramer, a personal Thank-You to Ruby Poncik from SPJST Nursing Home, a Thank-You from Church World Service and Back Bay Mission. Erna Thielemann gave the Treasurer's Report. She said she was in need of more bags for the school supplies for Church World Service and they also requested \$4.00 a bag for shipping. This will be coming out of the treasury.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:** Cakes are needed for September 30th for SPJST Nursing Home. Barbara Sims, Ruby Gerken, and Jeanette Balcerowicz said they would each bake one.

Yvonne Heugel asked us to think about what would be the needs for Eden's Hill new Assisted Living and Nursing Home. October 19th will be the Guilds time to sponsor the Senior Citizen's Social. We are to think about the Thanksgiving Baskets for November.

Since Guild didn't meet in August because of the work on the floor, we honored August Birthdays and Anniversaries with the September ones. We sang, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" for people with birthdays and anniversaries in both months. Jim Bain celebrated his 92nd birthday September 8th.

Nelda Rosenbaum asked us to replace her as Chairperson of the Prayer Chain. She will carry on until we find a replacement.

Prayer Concerns were for Rev. George Kuebler, Jim Sims, Courtney Warncke, Viola and Clarence Fuchs, Don Dillard, Vicki Hackstedt, Roy and Barbara Steffen, Alberta Steffen, Herbert and Lillie Richter, Patrick Schwartz and for all the wildfire victims.

The meeting was closed by joining hands and signing, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds", and praying "The Lord's Prayer".

Refreshments were served by Hester Bain.

Jeanette Balcerowicz, Secretary

## OPEN MARKET PLACE NEWS

The open market place committee will be meeting on Tuesday, October 11th at 7:00.

Raffle & Meal tickets are now available. You may pick them up at the church office between the hours of 8:30 to 12:00 Monday – Friday. They will also be available on Sunday mornings prior to church and right after church. We are trying something new this year. Like in the past Brian Zwahr (meal) and Mark Wendt ( raffle) will be selling tickets outside in front of the church, however you may also pick up your tickets in front of the church office on Sunday mornings. Victoria Schultz (meal) and Sandra Ognoskie (raffle) will be available to assist you. Please see one of us to purchase meal and raffle tickets, or to pick up tickets to sell to your friends & family. We want to thank Victoria & Sandra for agreeing to help us this year. Yard signs are now available to pick up and place in your yard. Like in the past we ask that you put your name on the list when you pick up the signs and then return them after Market Place. This seems to work well. We clean the signs and store them until next year. The library is now open to drop off your various items, including auction items, country store items, silent auction items and lots of Soda Water for the children's games. For the games we need bottles of soda water. We also need some canned drinks (Coke, Dr Pepper, Sprite Etc) & bottled water that we sell during market place. We will have sheets available for you to put your name on your donation item and list if it is for the live or silent auction or country store. If you have baskets for the basket raffle please try to get them to the church early in October so that we can display them at Amegy Bank, where they will be selling tickets for us. Our meal will come with a dessert, so we will need plenty of desserts for the meal. We will also need plenty of cakes, cookies and pies for our bake shop. As you can see there will be lots of ways you can help in making our Open Market Place a success. We will soon be mailing a separate letter with additional information for Open Market Place.