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As I See It...

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Dr. Charles Allen was a prominent United Methodist minister who served as pastor of First United Methodist Church in Houston, Texas from 1960 to 1983. By 1995 he had written or edited more than fifty books. In one of his books he tells a very interesting story. He was counseling a nervous, tense man. This confused executive confessed that he had tried every prescription ordered by a score of physicians with no relief. After listening to the man's problems, Dr. Allen wrote another prescription: Read the twenty-third Psalm five times a day for several days. The businessman was to read the Psalm carefully, meditatively, and prayerfully the first thing in the morning, immediately after breakfast, following lunch, after dinner, and finally, before he went to bed. The amazing fact concerning the prescription was, it produced results! Why would reading the twenty-third Psalm produce results when the prescriptions of scores of physicians failed. The Psalm is God's word to us. Does that mean people should not consult a professional? Of course not! It does mean there is power in the Word of God. Hebrews 4:12 states... *"The word of God is living and active and sharper than any two edged sword and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart."*

Since God is our Creator and knows all about us, it is wise to partner with Him in all that concerns us. We are like sheep, we **must** have a shepherd. He knows the way, we do not!

God Is In It

We are going to have a great celebration—Senior Adult Marriage Celebration Banquet in Faith Hall September 23rd, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Tickets go on sale August 7th. Read more about it elsewhere in this newsletter. All senior adult couples will want to attend this historical event. The first Senior Adult Marriage Celebration at First Baptist Church in the history of the church. A historical event!

Say a Prayer

Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away.

'Johnny! Please wait until we say our prayer,' said his mother.

'I don't need to,' the boy replied.

'Of course, you do,' his mother insisted. 'We always say a prayer before eating at our house.'

'That's at our house,' Johnny explained, 'but this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook!'



WITH
Sympathy

To the family of
Charles
McBroom



Marriage Celebration Banquet

Sunday, September 18, 5:30 p.m.

Faith Hall, First Baptist Church

Cost—\$25 per couple by Sept. 7

After Sept. 7, \$35

Guest Speaker—Rev. Wert Campbell,
Minister of Pastoral Care and Senior
Adults of First Baptist Church Gallatin

Music by

Pastor David & LeAnn Simmerman

Food by Sherri Stacy

This event is the first of its kind here at our church. We'd like to have you bring one of your framed wedding pictures to display that night. Let's make this a coat and tie event!



Luncheon
Monday, August 8
Faith Hall
11:15 a.m.

Special Secret—a little surprise party for Bro.

Billy's 75th birthday.

Ssshhh!

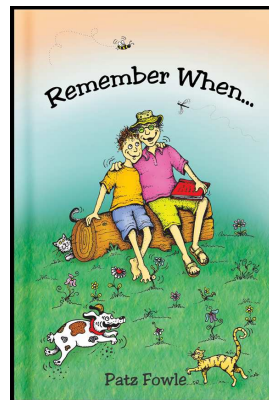
Bring your favorite salads to share with



Local Mission Week October 3-7

Beginning at 8:00 each morning

As in years past we are working around our area to help seniors in need with home repairs, yard work, washing windows, etc. If you are interested in helping please sign up in the activity book with your availability. If you are one of the ones in need of some work around your house PLEASE call Karen in the church office and she will help get it lined up, 388-2655.



Do You Remember When...?

All the girls had ugly gym uniforms?

It took five minutes for the TV to warm up?

You'd reach into a muddy gutter for a penny?

Laundry detergent had free glasses, dishes, or dish towels hidden inside the box?

When being sent to the principal's office was nothing compared to the fate that awaited the student at home?

Seniors for Christ Purpose Statement:

To *magnify* the Lord Jesus Christ through a Senior Adult Ministry that *ministers* to their physical, social, and spiritual needs and *encourages* Senior Adults to be positive role models and *mentors* to younger adults, youth, and children.