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## How the Book of Genesis Speaks to Us

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I've been thinking about what I mean when I use the word 'inspiration'. One of the most powerful and unanswerable pieces of evidence for the truth of inspiration is to see the divine pattern that runs through the Bible. How can this pattern be explained apart from God -- that a book as diverse in its authorship, written under equally diverse conditions, should have such a remarkable pattern of truth unless it comes from one divine author?

Genesis is the book of beginnings. Genesis is the foundation for the Bible and bears much information. It takes us back into the very dawn of human history, and yet as we read it, it's as up-to-date as tomorrow morning's newspaper. That, again, is a mark of the divine inspiration behind this book. It is the in-breathing of God.

When we open the pages of Genesis we discover that the people come alive. For instance, Abraham is probably better known than some of our more distant relatives. Isaac and Joseph, along with others, are familiar household names to us. We feel that they're people we used to know back where we came from.

Genesis is a history book, but it's a lot more than a history book. Some Christians try to reduce Genesis to make it only a history book. They search for science and historical facts instead of recognizing the awesome act of God speaking to His people. The book has a tremendous message: Genesis is the first account of God reaching out to His people and establishing an ongoing relationship. But the book also reveals to us the inadequacy of our relationship with God. The book reveals that we can never be complete without God, that we can never discover or fulfill the true meaning of our life without a genuine personal relationship with an indwelling God.

If we look at the whole book of Genesis we see the inadequacy revealed to us in three realms, realms in which each of us live.

**First it is revealed in the realm of natural relationships**, through what we call the natural sciences: cosmology, the study of the universe, it's origin and make-up; geology, things about the earth, all the manifold aspects of it that we think we know so much about today; and biology, the study of life itself in all its manifestations.

**The second area is the realm of human relationships.** This takes in what we call sociology, psychology, psychiatry, along with all the other "psychs" that are around today.

And then finally, **the realm of spiritual relationships** -- theology, soteriology and philosophy. In all three of these vital areas, the book of Genesis reveals that we, apart from God, are totally inadequate. This one message echoes through the book of Genesis like the sound of a bell.

(Fr. Stan cont. on pg.2)

**Our Mission Is: We Will Know, Love, Serve, and Obey Christ and Will Make Him Known to Others!**

**Our Core Values:**

**Growing and Discipling the Family of God**

**Reflecting the Love of God Through Hospitality, Friendship and Fellowship**

**Encountering the Living God Through Traditional and Contemporary Worship**

**Raising and Nurturing Children through the Grace of God**

**Sharing God's Love By Reaching Out to the Needy, Broken, and Oppressed.**



### BIRTHDAYS

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|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 07/01 Rory Fennell      | 07/20 Sue Kalb       |
| Darcy Fennell           | 07/21 Dick Ainsworth |
| Kelsey Fennell          | Sam Rowland          |
| 07/02 Gwen Nix          | 07/22 Steve Zapp     |
| Bryttne Swan            | 07/23 Anne Sundquist |
| 07/03 Debbie Winkler    | 07/24 Steve Benoit   |
| 07/06 Merrill Stanley   | 07/26 Dexter Aringo  |
| 07/10 Keith Coe         | Dillon Fly           |
| 07/11 Fred Goslin       | 07/28 Brenda DiSano  |
| Tripp Palmer            | Charlie Hartland     |
| Ed Scheig               | Bill Strong          |
| 07/12 Roy Senaji        | 07/29 Norma Abrams   |
| Jackie Smith            | Aiden Kenney         |
| 07/14 Mary Jodzio       | Jim Medford          |
| 07/15 Christie Moritz   | 07/30 Lloyd Miles    |
| 07/16 Maggie Miracle    | 07/31 Peggy DePue    |
| 07/18 Leonard Duckworth | Crizta Goslin        |
| Meagan Patton           |                      |

**Happy Birthday!**

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**Outreach at St. Timothy's**

I'd like to give you a heads up about all of the different outreach ministries we have here at St. Timothy's. In just the recent past we have been reaching out to the community in several ways. Not only do we give 10% (\$76,000) of our pledged income to the Anglican Mission to assist in church planting, but we also give 10% (\$10,000) of our loose plate offerings to be divided between The Anglican School of Ministry and The Anglican Church in North America (ACNA).

On top of that we are giving \$34,000 to Savior Anglican Church to assist them in their first year as a separate entity. Also included in the budget is \$10,000 to be divided between Tomagwa and TEAM and other general outreach. So, within the budget we are spending at least \$130,000 in Mission and Outreach.

Not to mention the budgeted items for Tomagwa and TEAM,

- our Confirmation Class spent time and money helping to paint a church in one of the wards near downtown Houston, only then to supply boxes of Bibles for this church to distribute.
- Our recent Operation Military Embrace raised around \$3500 to help wounded veterans and their families.
- Our cell phone collection for abused women shelters ended up with several hundred phones.
- Our Lenten Gift Market raised close to \$6000 strictly for Outreach.
- The rector's discretionary account has written checks for several thousand dollars to help those who are hurting financially both within and outside of the parish.
- Our Soul in the City Youth Program spends hours and hours assisting those in the community as well as lots of money from both budget and donations.
- Even our Vacation Bible School is a form of Outreach in that many children come from within the community through these doors at a very minimal price. And the volunteerism for both VBS and Soul in the City is tremendous.

- Many in our church are writing checks regularly to help our kids and others do mission and outreach in various countries, i.e. China, Uganda, Honduras, Kenya.
- And as I've written before, we open our doors regularly throughout the year, and especially in the summer, at no charge, allowing Klein ISD to hold their seminars, or for a certain Christian Counseling Center to have workshops, or to allow a vaccination clinic to give shots to students, or for The Reformed Episcopal Church (part of our Communion) to have their seminary classes here every other weekend, or to allow Fr. Oscar and St. Alban's to worship here every week (which of course is a true blessing to us).

So as you can see, all of us together do tremendous outreach in this place, and are always looking for ways to do more.

**Finally, a Second Round of Harvest Unlimited**

Beginning the week of September 18, under the very capable leadership of Gail Cahill, we will once again be offering Harvest Unlimited. This is one opportunity among many where we are enabled to work together as a parish to invite people in our community to St. Timothy's. The primary objective of a Harvest Outreach is to identify un-churched individuals and families living within just a few miles of the church and inviting them to church. In addition, through the invitation process, hundreds of prayer requests are shared along with opportunities for outreach in the homes and lives of our neighbors. It has been proven time and time again across a diversity of church sizes, denominations, and geographies that the un-churched will respond positively to a personal invitation to church. A majority of them will actually attend church – with the proper follow-up and if the people of the church create an inviting environment, which we do very well. Harvest provides the structure and measurement to apply discipline and accountability to the process. We will be looking for lots of involvement from the parish for prayer, calling, administration, etc... We will finish with Harvest Sunday on October 23 with a reception in the parish hall.

*Fr. Stan*

# A Letter from ACNA

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During this past week, the Provincial Council of the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA) met for the third time, marking two years of growth. Although nearly all of the leadership of the ACNA has come out of the American Episcopal Church (TEC) and the Anglican Church of Canada, dating from the theological realignment of the last ten years, there is a desire to keep what was good from the former times, and discard what was erroneous or heretical. This is easier on a theological level and more difficult when it comes to things like canon law.

Based on canon law models from selected Global South provinces, an ACNA canon law structure is now in place, and it is influenced by the solid and thoughtful portions of North American canon law experience as well. It's quite interesting and actually exciting to look at the differences in organization and tradition between those who come out of the Canadian experience and those who come from the American Episcopal experience. Given that historically and culturally there are some significant differences and rivalries between the two nations represented, it is a real blessing to have an Anglican Province that spans the border and to be in a meaningful relationship with fellow believers. I do think that the delegates from the United States now know all of the words to all of the verses of "O Canada" and sing it as enthusiastically as we "Americans" might sing "The Star Spangled Banner." I put "American" in quotation marks since our brothers and sisters in other nations in both North and South America can also claim the word "American."

The ACNA is showing all of the signs of healthy growth; growth in new dioceses, new churches and people, ordinations of deacons, priests and bishops, and the development of systems of accountability from bottom to top, and at the top, accountability of the Archbishop and Primate to the ACNA College of Bishops and to the

GAFCON Primates Council. Everyone should be under authority, and those in authority especially need to be under authority themselves.

Although some may say that new ACNA growth comes from hurt and disappointed Episcopalians seeking orthodox Anglican realignment, the baptismal information reveals that adult baptisms are as high or higher than infant baptisms, showing that, rather than just trading church members around, the Gospel is penetrating into non-Christian lives, bringing light and life and incorporation into the life of the Church. May the Lord bless and keep all the newly baptized in his gracious love, and may the Holy Spirit guide them and all Christians into a fruitful life, being "preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass." (1 Thess. 5:23b-24 NASB)

Blessings and Peace in Jesus,

The Rt. Rev. David C. Anderson, Sr.  
President and CEO, American Anglican Council

## Cross Wall

We are still working on our wall(s) of crosses. If your family has not contributed a cross yet, we would like to encourage you to bring one. Please make sure you put your family name on the back and give it to Mary Hargis or turn it into the front office.



## Vintage Flock

A fun time was had by all who went to Schulenburg to visit the painted churches. Many of us had been before, but they are worth seeing again. We had a guide who told us of the history of each church. We had lunch at Frank's and everyone enjoyed that. Thanks to Mary Lee for planning a great trip.

Our next trip will be on Tuesday, July 19th to The Museum of Printing History. Photographs taken by Marvin Zindler are on display. That trip will be on August 16th. Please call Mary Lee Turk, (281 256-1772), if you wish to go.

July meetings are on the 12th and 26th. We would love to have you bring a dish and join us. Social time is from 11:30-12:00, followed by lunch and games. Remember prayers, hugs, card and calls for all who need them.

God's blessings,  
Sue



On the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:30PM we offer the Rosary for those who are interested.



The July Rosary will be offered on July 20.



### Incense Sundays

11:00 am service -  
the second Sunday of the month  
July 10  
August 14  
8:45 am service -  
the third Sunday of the month  
July 17  
August 21





# Women's and Men's Ministries

## Ladies Night Out

Watch the bulletin for news on the next WMT get together.

## Daughters of Honor

The Daughters of Honor will meet Saturday, July 16, at 9 a.m. for Holy Eucharist followed by a meeting and program.

Our new officers are President Gail Cahill, Vice President Martha Ann Matkin, Secretary Judith Jordan and Treasurer Kris Heeter. New members to be installed are Susan LaCoste, Mary Lee Turk, and Sandra Vick.

All women of the parish are invited to attend our meetings and enjoy fellowship and spiritually enriching programs.

## Women Who Read

First Monday of the month  
10:30 at the Tomball Retirement Center Library.  
See Ruth Gray for more information

July - *Captive Queen: A Novel of Eleanor of Aquitaine*  
Alison Weir

Aug. - *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*  
Stig Larsson and Reg Keeland

Sept.- *Shanghai Girls: A Novel*  
Lisa See



## 611 - Men's Ministry

***But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. 1Timothy 6:11***

The 611 men's group will be meeting on Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30 PM on Sunday evenings to study the book of Ephesians.

Any man 18 and older is welcome to join us in fellowship, fun, and prayer. We will be serving in some capacity during the youth mission week Soul In the City, July 17 - 23. Any man is welcome to join us. We will have more details closer to the week.

For more information on the bible study, or Soul in the City, please talk to Nicholas Gerber or Martin Bayang.

### July Calendar:

Sunday, July 3 – No Meeting  
Sunday, July 10 – Chapters 2 & 3 of Ephesians  
Week of July 17-23 – Soul In the City  
Sunday, July 24 – Chapter 4 & 5 of Ephesians  
Sunday, July 31 – Chapter 6 of Ephesians



### Enrich Your Christian Experience!

You may have heard the term Paseo but have no idea what "it" is. Paseo (Puh-SAY-o) begins with a weekend, but that is only the beginning. Paseo lasts for the rest of your life.

Our next Paseo weekend is scheduled for September 8-11 at Camp Cho-Yeh in Livingston. The team, headed by Cathy Pennington, is already meeting and planning for a special weekend to give your walk with Christ a deeper meaning. We invite you to ask Fr. Stan, Cathy, Anne Sundquist or anyone associated with the movement questions you might have about attending the weekend.

The word Paseo means a journey, and that is exactly what you will begin on that September weekend. Paseo developed from the Cursillo movement, and many of us at St. Tim's attended a Cursillo weekend. The Walk to Emmaus, primarily in the Methodist church, is a part of the same movement. When we formed St. Tim's, we wanted to continue this special experience so that others could be a part of growing with Christ.

So what is this movement? It's a leadership movement of the church--not a retreat, not a healing, not a Bible study. Paseo takes leaders and potential leaders and brings them through a process to develop a plan. That plan helps the Paseo Pilgrims find their special work with Christ, a plan to take action. Though your plan is developed over the weekend, it is to continue the rest of your life--with modifications, of course, as life happens.

Go to [www.texaspaseo.org](http://www.texaspaseo.org) to download an application. There is also a link on St. Tim's home page, [www.sttimothysanglican.org](http://www.sttimothysanglican.org). Copies of the application will be available between services each Sunday. Feel free to email Anne, [annesundquist@sbcglobal.net](mailto:annesundquist@sbcglobal.net) or call 281-615-5697.

### Hey! Paseo Pilgrims and Cursillistas!

We need you! We need you to look in the pews, see those painting or constructing or working with kids or helping with the nursing home residents or providing snacks for coffee hour or singing in the choir. Look for those you know who would be enriched by a Paseo weekend. Pray about it. Talk to them about attending the weekend.

I'm working with Fr. Stan now to get an Ultreya set up, and I encourage you to attend once we have that scheduled. The Paseo team is already at work planning for the weekend, but we need YOU to sponsor someone. Serving as a sponsor is probably the most important part of the church movement, because YOU as the sponsor are the one to encourage the person to attend, to inform the candidate, to support the participant through prayer, and to continue that support throughout the Fourth Day. Sponsoring doesn't mean financial support. Sponsoring means spiritual support, serving as an "informer", and making certain everything is followed for the weekend.

Applications will be available between services. You can also go to the website, [www.texaspaseo.org](http://www.texaspaseo.org), or the church home page, [www.sttimothysanglican.org](http://www.sttimothysanglican.org) for a link. Our Facebook page is Texas Paseo 3. Feel free to email me, [annesundquist@sbcglobal.net](mailto:annesundquist@sbcglobal.net), or call 281-615-5697.

Let's bring others into a closer relationship with Christ! Look for those in other churches as well.

### De Colores!

### The Season after Pentecost: "Ordinary Time" By Chaplain Mike

For those who follow the Christian Calendar, we are now in the season after Pentecost. This season is also known as, "Ordinary Time." From Advent to Pentecost, we celebrate what God has done to inaugurate the new creation through Christ's finished work. In the season after Pentecost, we celebrate what God does to empower us to live out the Gospel day to day and week to week in the context of our ordinary lives.

#### Ordinary Time = Counted Time

Many sources point to the connection between the word "ordinary" and the "ordinal" (counted) numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.). Ordinary time is "counted" time:

- Rather than moving from season to season, in Ordinary Time we move simply from Sunday to Sunday. Each Sunday stands on its own, and is counted as the Xth Sunday after Pentecost.
- During this season it is also proper to emphasize that we are called to live out the Gospel day by day, one day at a time, not only in the notable experiences of life, but also in the mundane.

Ordinary time provides a perfect canvas on which to portray how God works through us in daily life—in our families, our work, our relationships with our neighbors, in our communities and in the world, in our care for creation, in our recreation and leisure activities.

The first part of the Christian Year (extraordinary time) corresponds to the Gospel story. This second part of the year (ordinary time) celebrates the continuing story of Jesus as seen in Acts, and as we continue to experience it today.

The season after Pentecost is by no means "ordinary" in the sense of being unremarkable or unimportant. This season celebrates the ongoing work of Jesus in and through his people. With the Gospel, empowered by the Spirit, we walk day by day and week by week in his salvation. The church, through God's ongoing presence, continues to plant seeds that will bring forth a harvest in the new creation.

Excerpted from: <http://www.internetmonk.com/archive/the-season-after-pentecost-ordinary-time>

## Eventfully Speaking

Save The Date!!

**ST. TIMOTHY'S 4th of July Celebration (on the 3rd)  
POT LUCK LUNCH AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

**Sunday, July 3  
12:30pm - 2:30pm**



Bring your favorite POT LUCK DISH and your favorite ICE CREAM to share along with any favorite games.



To help with the planning and setup, call Caye at 281-320-2920 or email [eclank@hotmail.com](mailto:eclank@hotmail.com).

# Evangelism

A few weeks ago I attended the TELNET Evangelism training hosted by Savior. It is a seminar that has been put together by the Diocese of Fort Worth and combines their material along with parts of the video study Becoming a Contagious Christian that comes from leaders of Willow Creek Church and Saddleback.

First let me say that there was no earth shattering, great new idea that made this whole “go out and make disciples” thing a slam-dunk. What it did offer was good advice, solid examples and some new items to add to my evangelism toolkit.

Every evangelism seminar, course, weekend I have ever been a part of talks about the same key things. Number one is the importance of establishing a trusting relationship with a person. There are 4 basic levels – superficial, semi-personal, personal and deeply personal. Generally it is at the personal level that spiritual matters are addressed. Trust in the relationship is what allows movement from one level to the next and there is no set time frame for how fast you might move through these levels with another person. We have probably all had relationships with people where you “hit it off” with someone and felt like you have known them all your life. Most likely you have also had relationships that took a long time to develop but eventually became as close as those you got to know quickly. I know that I have had both types. How each relationship grows is as unique as the two people involved, how you make friends and how I make friends might be very different. It is important that for a relationship to become established that you both are comfortable in the process.

The other thing you hear is the importance of being able to tell your story. This is not your personal biography from the day of your birth. It is not even your spiritual biography. It is a brief, concise story about how your life has changed since you have come to know Christ. The importance of having a story is that while someone might argue against your theology, they cannot deny your experiences. The TELNET seminar offered some great in-depth information about how to write this story. We were then given time to write it out and practice it on others.

We were given a 3 part outline to begin with where we wrote about what our life was like before we came to know Christ, then how did that relationship come about and last how does knowing Christ benefit us now. This was presented in a worksheet style that made it easier to come up with thoughts and ideas before we wrote out our story. Then we actually wrote out our story, working to keep it in a 3 minute time frame. The worksheet made it much easier to actually accomplish this. One of the things the presenters stressed was the importance of remembering that you are talking to non-Christians. This was probably the hardest thing to grasp for me when writing my story. Things that are important to me because I am a Christian won't be as

important to a non-believer. We also, especially as Anglicans, have a whole “church language” that we need to watch out for. It is easy for us to start talking about the Eucharist or Holy Communion or confession and absolution but to unchurched person this may just be like a foreign language. KISS – keep it simple stupid – really does apply here.

So, I wrote my presentation, delivered it to my partners who said they thought it was good, it was with in the 3 minute time frame and yet something just didn't feel right about it. I talked to one of the presenters and the bottom line was I didn't write it for a non-Christian. It is not only difficult to write in that way but it is also difficult to critique as a non-Christian when you are a Christian. Bottom line, it takes practice. So I went back and before the afternoon was over I had pretty much rewritten the entire thing. This is why they stress writing out your story, so that you can examine it for the kind of problems that I fell into. My next step is practicing and learning my talk so that I can share it comfortably with others. Then I will need to share it. The opportunity has not arose for that but the idea is to be prepared when it does.

Of course the most important thing in all of this is to make sure that God is involved. Remember, we plant the seeds, He does the growing. It may be that a seed you plant will grow somewhere else, that you may never see the results. We might just be one of the first link in a chain of people God has in mind to bring someone closer to Him. You also might be the fortunate one to bring someone to Christ who was started down that road by someone unknown to you. Just because we might not know the outcome doesn't get us off the hook. Prayers for bringing people who need to know God into your life, the words to use, and their acceptance are crucial.

Now does this mean that you shouldn't invite someone you have just met to church because you aren't at level 3 on the relationship scale? Not at all, getting them through the doors ups that trust level so that you can help them move into a personal relationship with Christ.

Fr. Craig mentioned to me that this seminar may be presented again later this year at HopePointe. If it is I would encourage you to attend. I found the information useful and the time and support to develop my story very fruitful. We will keep you informed.

Peace,  
Tracy

## CHILDREN - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday Mornings at 10:15am

We will continue our “mini-camp” Sunday School. All kids from PreK through 6th grade are invited to join us in the STAY room for some fun praise and worship time! On Sunday July 17, we will have a special craft activity in the Conference room to support STAY during Soul in the City. Summer Sunday School will conclude on July 31st.

### Wednesday Evenings at 7:00pm

We will not have programs on Wednesday evenings during the summer. See you in the fall.

**Teachers wanted:** If you would like to serve as a teacher for the children's Sunday school or Wednesday evening programs, please let Michele Gavin know via the Connection Cards.



## STAY - 7th - 12th Grade St. Timothy's Anglican Youth

Sun. July 3: STAY Ice Cream Social after church (No STAY that night)  
Wed. July 6: STAY Growth Group 6:30 – 8:15pm in the youth room – Missions discussion  
Sun. July 10: STAY Encounter 5 – 7pm  
Tues. July 12: Kemah Concert 1:30pm – 10:30pm  
July 17 – 23: Soul in the City  
Sun. July 24: No STAY  
Wed. July 27: STAY Growth Group Testimonies 6:30 – 8:15pm in the youth room  
Sun. July 31: STAY Encounter 5 – 7pm



*Invite your friends!*

### Soul in the City: July 17 – 23 Volunteers Needed!

For any adults who are interested in supporting Soul in the City, we need prayer volunteers, food helpers, money donations, etc. If you interested in helping please email Kristin at [kdepue@gmail.com](mailto:kdepue@gmail.com). There are many things to do, so let us know when you're available and we'll find you a spot.

Look for Soul in the City prayer packets at the church this month.



**Attention All Cookie Bakers!**

We need lots of homemade cookies to treat our hard working Soul in the City kids each night. If you are interested in helping to support this year's mission event with your baking skills please contact [kdepue@gmail.com](mailto:kdepue@gmail.com).



# Christian Formation



The following is an excerpt from In God We Still Trust: A 365-Day Devotional by Dr. Richard Lee (pg. 3):

## Patriotism Defined

The men of Judah ... remained loyal to their king. 2 Samuel; 20:2

*Noah Webster's An American Dictionary of the English Language, 1828:*

*patriotism, n. Love of one's country; the passion which aims to serve one's country, either in defending it from invasion, or protecting its rights and maintaining its laws and institutions in vigor and purity, Patriotism is the characteristic of a good citizen, the noblest passion that animates man in the character of a citizen.*

*Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, Eleventh Edition copyright © 2004:*

*patriotism, n. Love or devotion to one's country.*

Note how the definitions have changed. With its objective actions, Noah Webster's patriotism is very different from the vague, subjective patriotism of one who only feels love for his country. True patriotism is not just an emotional feeling; it is action.

Webster's original definition starts with a love for country, but moves to specific actions: service to country, defense of country, protection of the rights of the country, maintenance of the laws and institutions of country, and preservation of religion and morality in public and private life. This kind of patriotism puts the needs of the country above personal or partisan desires, as well as above the favor of foreign nations.

**Patriot's Prayer:** I love my country, Lord, and I ask You to protect us from harm. Be with those men and women in each branch of service. Guard us all in Your Name.

**Patriot's Promise:** Hear God's Promise: "The Lord commanded us to observe all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as it is this day." Deuteronomy 6:24

## VBS THANK YOU

Words cannot express how grateful I am to all of the volunteers that made this year's VBS such a success! Although we faced some challenges, the goodness of God shined through you all. Thank you for all that you did to teach the children that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and FOREVER! (Hebrews 13:8)

Many of this year's wonderful volunteers!



## ADULTS – SUMMER GROWTH GROUPS

Groups have begun to meet! It's not too late to join and you can still sign-up until July 3rd. Groups will meet through the week of July 31st.



# Mission & Outreach

## T.E.A.M.

Happy Fourth of July!!!

Thank you for your many gifts to T.E.A.M. We are thankful for ALL donations! For a list of T.E.A.M.'s current needs, please see the list in the Narthex.

A short list of what we have done for our less fortunate families in 2011 (January through May) follows:

- Number of families served=1325.
- Number of individuals served=5216.
- Number of male heads of households=768.
- Number of female heads of households=557.
- Number of employed (part time or full time)=595.
- Number of unemployed=427.
- Number of retired/disabled=303.
- Number of new files/families=178.

We are hosting a blood drive on July 9th . The Donor Coach will be here from 7:30 to 10:30. Please sign up using the Connection Cards or call 281-251-7621.

### Facts about blood needs

- Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.
- More than 38,000 blood donations are needed every day.
- A total of 30 million blood components are transfused each year in the U.S. (2006).
- The average red blood cell transfusion is approximately 3 pints.
- More than 1 million new people are diagnosed with cancer each year. Many of them will need blood, sometimes daily, during their chemotherapy treatment.
- A single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood.

### Facts about the blood supply

- The number of blood donors in the U.S. in a year: 9.5 million (2006).
- The number of patients who receive blood in the U.S. in a year: 5 million (2006).
- Share of the U.S. population eligible to give blood: Less than 38 percent.
- Type O-negative blood (red cells) can be transfused to patients of all blood types. It is always in great demand and often in short supply.
- Type AB-positive plasma can be transfused to patients of all other blood types. AB plasma is also usually in short supply.



Both the Food Pantry and the Resale Shop are in desperate need of volunteers. Please search your hearts and see if there is any time you can volunteer. This summer, we are blessed to have mothers and daughters from the National Charity League volunteering, but when school begins, they will be unable to come.

You are welcome to visit us, whenever we are open (Food Pantry=Tues. & Fri. from 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. Resale Shop=Tues. through Sat. from 10:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M.).

Our next T.E.A.M. Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at the Food Pantry (corner of Cherry St. and Main St.). You are always welcome to attend.

May God bless you.

Suzanne Arnold, Mary Ellen Harrington, Ernie Midgley, Nancy & Tim Caudill



**Don't forget to bring non-perishable food items on Sunday, July 3rd and Sunday, August 7th for the Tomball Emergency Assistance Ministries**



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### Facts about blood and its components

- There are four types of transfusable products that can be derived from blood: red cells, platelets, plasma and cryoprecipitate. Typically, two or three of these are produced from a pint of donated whole blood – hence each donation can help save up to three lives.
- Healthy bone marrow makes a constant supply of red cells, plasma and platelets. The body will replenish the elements given during a blood donation – some in a matter of hours and others in a matter of weeks.

Taken from: [www.redcrossblood.org/learn-about-blood/blood-facts-and-statistics](http://www.redcrossblood.org/learn-about-blood/blood-facts-and-statistics)



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