

**ANNOUNCEMENTS****OCT 19, 2014****SICK LIST:****HEALTHCARE CENTERS:**

Ruby Harrison

**HOSPITAL:** Sandy Richardson (WBMC, ICU)**HOME:** Freddie Alexander, Fred & Romaine Elliott, Bessie & Michael Files, Henry McDonald, Lizzie Banks, Kristee McDonald, Karen Griggs, Gail Windham, Bruce Windham**PRAYER LIST:** April Lazenby, Sue Hinds, Harold Walton, Louise Alexander, Donnie Bryant, Joshua Jackson, Elmer Williams, Debra Webb, Patsy Tucker, Rhonda Poe, Debbie Odom, Michael Pope, Robert Turner, Wonda Ivie, Bobby Holloway, Ricky McDonald, David Brown, Kim Elliott, James Felton, Tommy Pope, J.D. Dailey, James Horsley, Brenda Holloway, Kathy Pate, Jake & Diane Chambers, Donna Laratta, Kathy Windham, Lane Clark, Arthur Mason, Kelly Tittle, John Pruitt, Madison Banks, Charles Crump, Martha Ann, Debbie Jackson, Diane Townley, Ralph Moon, Elesia Wright

AM - CHRIS ROBBINS - "FOUNDATIONS"

PM - SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

**REMEMBER OUR GOSPEL MEETING NOV 2-5****WE WILL HOST THE 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY WALKER COUNTY SINGING NOV 2 AT 2 PM****THE ANNUAL HALLOWEEN GET TOGETHER AT FRANK AND WILMA'S WILL BE OCT 25****SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO THE FAMILY OF CYNTHIA MCMEANS. SERVICES WERE MONDAY****ANNIVERSARY:**

Oct 19: Willie &amp; Nelda Nelson

# THE WEST WALKER WELCOMER

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## TIMES OF SERVICES

### **SUNDAY MORNING**

Bible Class 9:30

Worship 10:20

### **SUNDAY EVENING 5:00**

### **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00**

#### **ELDERS:**

Gene McDonald 924-4827  
Carlton Myers 221-0637  
Neil Myers 924-9289  
Bruce Windham 221-2348

#### **DEACONS:**

Danny Busby 387-0213  
David Preston 300-1927  
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Vince Roden 924-4062

#### **MINISTER:**

Ben Wright 522-8004

**A Victim of Satire  
Shane Robinson**

Satire is a literary technique employed by writers to expose the foolishness of the readers. There have been numerous times in the past where I've noticed someone posting an article on Facebook or Twitter and they simply did not do their homework. They did not check sources or look for clues in the article "poking fun" at the characters or readers – a sure sign of satire. They presented information as truth, but in reality, they simply took the bait and presented false information.

It pains me to have to write this, but last week I was a victim of satire. I took the bait hook, line, and sinker. I presented an article on recently discovered ancient documents. I only checked half of the sources. The names matched up. It seemed legit. Yet, it was not true. There's nothing I can do now but learn from my mistakes and move on.

In the process of moving on, I want to share with you what I learned or at least have been reminded of through this experience. So, here are some things I learned:

- . Not everything you read on the Internet is true (imagine that).
- . Subtle error is just as wrong as blatant error.
- . Check your sources. Compile and examine the evidence.
- . If you're wrong, do what it takes to make things right.
- . Do not think you are above being tricked (Galatians 6:1-4).
- . Many will accept error as truth. Some will call you out. Some just don't know what to say or do.

It is important to double check what is presented as truth. Don't believe something just because of who said it or if it sounds interesting. Truth is the only thing that will set us free (John 8:32).

#### **WORDS I'VE HEARD IN THE FOYER**

**Ben Wright**

A lot of talk goes on in the foyer. We like to talk and that is a wonderful thing many times. Getting to stand in the foyer after each service allows a lot of talk to be heard and I have heard many words used. I hope and pray that we carefully consider the words we use in the foyer (and in all places) because we are going to be judged by our words one day (Mt. 12:36). Getting to stand in the foyer after every service has allowed me to hear a lot of words.

I have heard words of disillusionment. At times we can get so caught up in the problems and goings on of life that we get disillusioned with our brethren and sometimes even with God. Many times these words are said not thinking and not really being meant, but they are said nonetheless. At those times we need to remember that God is faithful to us (1 Co. 10:13). If our brethren

are not living or doing right, we need to remember they are human and that there have been times we have lived like them so we need to show patience and not give up on them.

I have heard words of division. Sadly, the times I have heard such type words, they were not being said because of false doctrine being taught. There is to be no division among us (1 Co. 1:10). We must be very careful when making accusations against brethren. We should never air out our grievances with an eldership, preacher or fellow Christian in the foyer. If we have a problem with someone or some group, we need to go to them in love and deal with the problem (Matthew 18:15ff). We never want to be guilty of dividing the Lord's church when it can be avoided.

I have heard words of direction. There have been times when a brother or sister has had an arm put around them and words spoken to direct them on the right path. I have had that arm put around me and those type words spoken. Solomon would call these words "fitly spoken" (Pr. 25:11). They truly are beautiful because they are spoken to help someone go to heaven.

I have heard words of determination. Numerous times I have heard words along the lines of "I am going to do better." We need to be people who are determined to do right. We need to seek to grow in Christ (2 Pe. 3:18). Every child of God needs to be determined to go to heaven.

What type of words do you speak in the foyer?