

Dellview Baptist Church News & Views



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Seeking a New Vision

I Am Blessed

I consider myself blessed by God. How can I say that? Well, first, I am seventy three years old. I never thought I would live to be this old.

As I write this, I have never spent one day in a hospital, never had a broken bone, never had or been in an automobile accident, and I have all my teeth and most of my hair.

As you read this, I am recovering from knee replacement surgery, but I still consider myself blessed.

I tell you all of this because I think it is important to know that God blesses those who love Him.

Also I think it is important to look at your blessings instead of your failures or disappointments. I could have started this article like this: My mother died of cancer when I was five and my

father was an alcoholic. I was raised by my grandparents until my grandfather died when I was seven. I was an only child and had a lonely childhood. By the time I was thirty, I had no living relatives. Oh, poor me.

Being blessed by God does not mean your life is all roses and apple pie. Being blessed by God means you have a life that means something. Being blessed by God means He loves you and cares about you. You may not live in a mansion or drive a Cadillac or have a large bank account, but you are blessed by God if you are loved and love.

As Jesus was teaching one day on a mountainside, He began his teachings talking about how God blesses people.

We call this the "Sermon on the Mount" or the Beatitudes. He taught that God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him.

He blesses those who mourn, who are humble and those who seek justice. He blesses those who show mercy and whose hearts are pure and those who work for peace.

Jesus says God blesses those who are persecuted for doing the right thing. He also says we should be glad when we are persecuted because we have a great reward and that reward is that we have a place in heaven.

Are you blessed today? Have you asked Jesus to be a part of your life? I pray you will invite Him into your heart today and begin to receive His blessings.

Pastor Phil



CHILDREN AND YOUTH ... FROM CYNDI SANCHEZ

Happy Spring Everyone -- We will start off the month with an Easter Egg Hunt at 10:45, Sunday April 1.

We will also have our second fundraiser beginning the second Sunday of April.

This month, Mom's Day Out kids will be studying pets and Fiesta. Our kids will continue studying how to talk to God and the youth will continue studying the literature "Freedom Ride." Thank you all for all your support.

This month's verse is from Psalm 51:10--"Create in me a pure heart, O God and renew a steadfast spirit within me."

Attention All Youth - Come and meet Kendall and Kyle Davis on April 22 at 9:30 a.m. Kendall and Kyle will be joining us for the summer months with special youth activities.



Spurs Caps For Camp

Raffle Date: April 8 - 29 (Drawing on April 29)
\$1.00 donation per ticket (per cap)
Every cap will be raffled separately.
Be sure to place your money & ticket in the jar beneath the cap that you are trying to win!
Donate for one cap, two caps, three caps or four caps!
More tickets, more chances to win.
Caps were donated last year by Kelly & Edith Sartain.



DELLVIEW STAFF

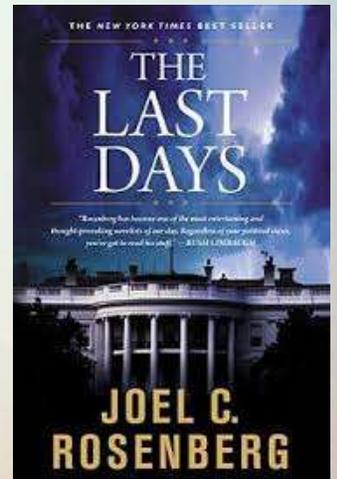
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Betty Blanchard, Office Assistant
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Bill Schneider, Deacon Chairman

SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Be sure to check out all the announcements for the month on our new TV in the foyer. Take a minute before or after church to find out what's going on at DBC.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY
APRIL 4 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**NEW BOOK
ON THE LIBRARY
CART - "THE
LAST DAYS"**



Those who look to HIM are radiant... Psalm 34:5

**SHINE VBS
JUNE 11-15
WHAT CAN YOU DO?
VOLUNTEER!
1st MEETING APRIL 8
AFTER CHURCH
SEE CYNDI SANCHEZ!**

**CHECK ME OUT
TODAY!**

NOTES TO SING BY ... Billie Schneider



When my daughter was only 4 years old, she fell into a 12 foot deep pit being dug for a septic tank. We heard her scream and saw her flying through the air followed by her large metal wagon. With no one else around to help, her Father and I had to move a tall ladder from where we were working on building our house to the hole to get to her. She was totally unhurt and not even crying. Later when we were talking about how frightened we had been, she calmly stated, "It's okay, Mommy; the big man caught me."

Recently, Stephanie Cain posted this statement on Facebook about her experience in the hospital in December. "God works in crazy ways; as most of y'all know I got hospitalized in December with DKA but what most of y'all don't know is I had a level 3 acid which most people don't survive (14 emergency IV bags and 22 total). God took away the pain from putting the IV 's in as well as the pain in my chest. The first night of being in ICU, I woke up to a feeling of me being watched and I looked to my left and no one was there. I came home 3 days later to find out my Grandma and my great-grandma were ICU nurses. God is good."

Thinking of these two events and many others I've heard over the years, I was reminded of the song *Angels Among Us* recorded by the group Alabama in 1993. The chorus says: *Oh I believe there are, angels among us Sent down to us, from somewhere up above. They come to you and me, in our darkest hours. To show us how to live, to teach us how to give. To guide us with the light of love.*

Sometimes it's encouraging to remember that God loves us enough to guard us with angels all around us, protecting us in numerous ways that we don't even realize. If you think about it, I bet you can remember times when you just felt a peaceful presence helping you either mentally or physically. Even greater is the presence of God inside those who believe in Him – what we call the Holy Spirit. Essentially we are never alone even in the worst of circumstances. Paul told us in his letter to the Hebrews, "Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it." (Hebrews 13:2 NIV)

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Kids Sunday-kids stay in church with parents 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM WITeam Practice 10:45 AM EASTER SERVICE 10:45 AM The Lord's Supper 10:45 AM Worship			4 7:00 PM First Wednesday Bible Study			7 9:00 AM Deacon's Meeting
Kids Easter Egg Hunt						
8 Spurs Caps For Camp 9:00 AM Finance Team 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM WITeam Practice 10:45 AM Worship 12:00 VBS Mtg			11 7:00 PM Choir Practice			14
15 Spurs Caps For Camp 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM WITeam Practice 10:45 AM Worship 12:00 PM Pastor's Lunch Bunch at Luby's (tentative)			18 7:00 PM Choir Practice			21 9:00 AM Men's Breakfast
22 Spurs Caps For Camp 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM WITeam Practice 10:45 AM Worship 9:30 a.m.	Youth Meet Kendall & Kyle					
29 Spurs Caps For Camp 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM WITeam Practice 10:45 AM Special Message By Jimmy Sanchez 10:45 AM Worship			2 7:00 PM First Wednesday Bible Study			5 9:00 AM Deacon's Meeting

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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Mary Onion
- 4 Cindy Neal
- 8 Addy Rios
- 12 Lupe Perea
- 13 Barbara Rittiman
- 14 Andrew Herrera
- 15 Cory Lundschen
- 18 Clea Gordon
- 18 Sandra Sutton
- 19 Isabel Onion
- 19 Jessica Rios
- 22 Domeinic Jimenez
- 23 Angelica Ortega
- 24 Jay Lundschen
- 25 Angela Ortega
- 28 Alice Wagner



Meet the Members (and Friends) **Rose Rangel & Gloria Green**

When Carlos Rodriguez Sr. and his young bride, Sarah, married and started a family, they knew they wanted to raise their children with a strong sense of family, a strong work ethic, a faith and dedication to God and a commitment to goodwill and charity. The parent's charity work extended to the Red Cross, helping the parish nuns, working with the homeless and providing internships at their shop for local boys. The saying "the apple doesn't fall far from the tree" can be seen in Carlos and Sarah's children in a positive way! Rose and Gloria have spent all their adult lives adhering to their parent's principles and are now teaching the next generation these truths.

Since Rose is 11 years older than Gloria, she took on the role of "little mother" when her sister was born. They have always been close and never showed sibling rivalry . . . although Gloria admits she would tattle on Rose every now and then! Gloria's two daughters, Sarah and Kimberly, have had the advantage of not just one mother... but two . . . because Rose says with beaming pride "the girls are mine, too!"



Rose and Gloria

Their parents opened an antique restoration and upholstery shop downtown and did many of the restorations in the King William homes and in some of the local museums. After their father died, Rose found a letter from the United States Government expressing appreciation to her father (and his company) for the great work he did on one of the first Space Shuttles!



Rose, their mom, Sarah, and Gloria

Rose met her husband Celestino (Dino) when she was working in the City of SA Offices. He worked at the SA Water Board in the same building and once their paths crossed, Dino was smitten. He proposed to Rose 3 times before she said yes and they were

married in 1968. Rose has had multiple jobs at the Mayor's Office, City Manager's Office, the City Planning Department and Generations Credit Union. Although "retired," she serves on five different boards and is the Chairman of the National Association of Credit Unions. She is one of only two women ever elected to this position. She has a passion for volunteer work and recruiting more professional women and minorities to serve as board members.

Gloria's first job was at Joske's, but eventually she got a job at the City Attorney's Office. She had just broken off an engagement when her car had mechanical problems and she took it to Firestone. Once the car was ready, she headed back home but the car died not too far from the shop. Her first thought was "that sure was a dumb mechanic." She took the car back to Firestone and the mechanic, Robert, fixed the car again. When she asked for her keys, he said, "I'll give you the keys on one condition. You go out with me." She wanted her keys back and he didn't seem so "dumb" after all, so the first date was set! A year later they were married. Robert became very ill in 2017, and Gloria retired from her job as a paralegal, to help care for him. They had been married for 31 years when he died.

Robert was the son of Joe and Betty Green and while some of our newbies might not know those names, Joe and Betty were faithful committed members for many years before their deaths. Robert shared his faith with his new bride and in 1986 she was baptized at Dellview. Rose attended with Gloria and then began bringing her father-in-law, Celestino Sr., to Dellview and he also attended for years before his death.

Rose says "the most important thing in life is to know that you can accomplish anything . . . especially with God in your life." Her favorite passage of scripture is The Lord's Prayer and the comfort it brings when things go wrong. Gloria loves the passage from Matthew 19 - "with God all things are possible."



Do you know Rose and Gloria? Introduce yourself and then wait for a big smile and hug! It will make your day!