

# WESTMINSTER NEWS



October 25, 2011

## From the Pastor's Study:

Over the years I have had many people ask me how they could find happiness; what did they need to do to live a satisfying life. My answer has changed a little over the years but not very much. I have always felt that happiness is found more in who we are and what we do with what God gives us than it does with having things or gathering wealth. There are many studies that strongly agree.

What do you care about? What should you care about? How should you spend your money to derive the greatest happiness? The conclusions are in: it seems we can buy happiness. The key is this concept: positive life experiences contribute to happiness more than things do.

This point is well documented by Leaf Van Boven of the University of Colorado at Boulder and Thomas Gilovich at Cornell University in research reported in the Journal of Personality and Social Psychology, as well as by many other researchers. They found that people get more happiness from experiences than material goods. Further, they found that materialistic pursuits – bigger houses, faster cars and the latest electronics – actually erected a barrier to achieving life satisfaction.

Why is this so? Because of mental editing – experiences and good memories actually improve with time, like a fine wine. You tend to remember the great beach vacation, not the single day that it rained. Hitting a single long putt or a gloriously long drive keeps golfers coming back for another round. By contrast, material purchases mostly lose value as they age, both in monetary worth and how much we appreciate them. You likely will never be more thrilled with a material purchase than during the first few days you own it. It's downhill from there.

Memories of experiences, though, are durable and every bit as valuable as something you can touch. Put your money toward the things in life that you truly value and the people you truly care about. At the end of your life, you will have experienced far more true happiness by spending your time and money expressing your core values than by acquiring "stuff." Lastly, according to the research, including others is a fundamental component to a truly happy experience. Community and relationships are important components of our happiness. That is why sitting alone at home watching a broadcast of a church service is a far cry from experiencing worship with others in a sanctuary.

See you Sunday,

*Don*



# Presbyterian Women

Then Joshua said to the people, "Sanctify yourselves; for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you."  
Joshua 3:5

## October / November Presbyterian Women Events

- Saturday, October 30th:** Fall Festival, 4-7 PM
- Tuesday, November 1st:** PW Coordinating Team will meet in the Friendship Classroom @ WPC, 10 AM
- Tuesday, November 8th:** (Thank Offering will be collected at the Circle Meetings)  
PW Circle 1—Will meet at 10 AM, at the home of Connie Bosworth, 4221 Buttonwood Rd.  
PW Circle 2—Will meet at Westminster PC, 10 AM
- Monday, November 14th:**  
PW Circle 3—Will meet at 7 PM, at the home of Joanne McClendon, 4904 Courtside Drive.
- Tuesday, November 15th:** Hearts & Hands, 10 AM. (cover coffee cans)
- Saturday, November 19th:** Christmas Bazaar
- Tuesday, November 29th: (Dec.)** PW Coordinating Team will meet in the Friendship Classroom @ WPC, 10 AM

Next Newsletter deadline will be Thursday, November 3rd, 2011



### RECYCLE at WPC

What is acceptable:  
Mail, Newspapers, Magazines, School & Office Papers, Catalogs.



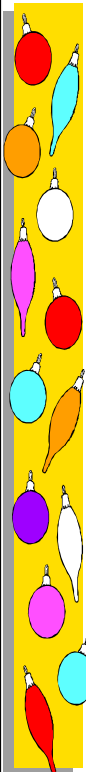
### Please keep these police officers

- T Jones
- JE Little
- MW Moore
- PF Morrison



Please remember to pick up a Bear from the Bear Basket in the Narthex and pray for a child at Cook Children's Medical Center.

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AT WESTMINSTER— A Bazaar for Missions



We are in the countdown to the bazaar! THANK YOU to all who have been busy as bees crafting, gathering, or planning for our second bazaar for missions. So far, 46 of you have indicated a desire to be a staffer on Saturday or Friday night, and others have signed up to assist during the week of preparation. We'll need every one of you to welcome our guests and help them find something special.

**NOTE: CRAFTS** will be received in the **NARTHEX** on **WEDNESDAY**, Nov. 16 between **7 AM and 7 PM** and on Thursday, Nov. 17, from **8 AM – Noon**.

**BAKED GOODS** will be received in **FELLOWSHIP HALL** on **FRIDAY**, Nov 18, from **8 AM until Noon**. Please honor these times.

**Any craft delivered after these hours will be stored for the next bazaar or, in the case of baked goods, eaten by the staffers on Bazaar day.**

Please contact Linda Wynne or Ellen White if you need to deliver you items **before** Wednesday due to a conflict.

Friday night's Preview Party and Auctions is the perfect place to bring friends. There will be entertainment, auctions of selected items from the bazaar, and very special party food (for as long as it lasts). **AND** you'll get to preview all the crafts for sale on Saturday! Remember 6:30 PM – 9 PM, Friday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. Then come back on Saturday to shop!!

### Westminster Presbyterian Church Mission Statement:



Because of God's grace and the transforming gift of God's Son, Jesus Christ, the vision of Westminster Presbyterian Church is: *to worship the Lord; to serve the needs of our congregation, community, and world; and to experience and share the power of God's love.*

### PRAYER REQUEST FOR OUR CHURCH



"Session challenges all to continue to join us in daily prayer at noon (or as close as possible) as we lift collective prayer for God's will for our church."

### November - Chancel Flowers

- 20th: In Loving Memory of my Husband, Bob Hall—Kathy Hall
- 27th: In Honor of Kathy and Robert Nance's 47th Wedding Anniversary



Fathers, Brothers and Friends....  
Join us on Saturday, October 29th  
8:00 AM  
Men's Breakfast  
@ Rise and Shine Restaurant  
on Alta Mesa.





Dear Westminster Family,  
We can't thank you enough for the loving care our family has received. The wonderful meals, cards, calls, and prayers have helped us stay strong physically, emotionally and spiritually.

You have given us the strength to continue fighting this battle.

We love you all, Belinda, Randy and Family



YOUR 3RD QUARTER  
FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION  
STATEMENTS ARE AVAILABLE  
FOR YOU TO PICK UP IN THE  
NARTHEX.



**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

The men of Westminster are invited to attend each Wednesday Evening to study several aspects of our faith:  
The Gospel of John,  
Presbyterian Theology, Christian disciplines and a look at some of the characters from the Old Testament. All of this will be based on scripture and will cover the next two study years.

We start at 7:00 pm each Wednesday and welcome all with Y chromosomes.

Larry Atkinson



**Operation Christmas Child**  
It's Shoe Box time!  
Collection at WPC  
**Sunday, November 6th**  
Shoe boxes available  
in the Narthex



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PRESBYTERIAN  
**CHURCH LIBRARY**  
IS AVAILABLE FOR YOU

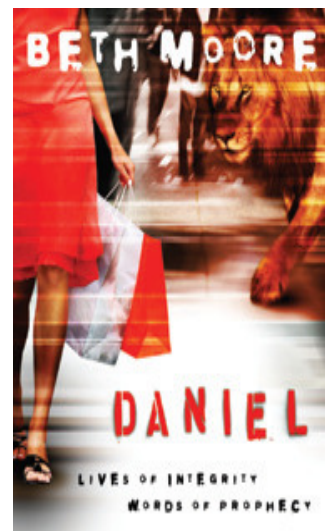


**WPC Youth Ministry  
NOVEMBER Calendar**

2nd	5-8 PM Open Youth
4th	6 PM meet at WPC Youth Campout and Paint ball @ DFW Adventure Park
5th	2 PM Pick up @ WPC Youth Campout and Paint ball @ DFW Adventure Park
6th	8:45 AM—2:30 PM Youth Programming
9th	5-8 PM Open Youth
13th	8:45 AM—2:30 PM Youth Programming
16th	5-8 PM Open Youth
19th	Christmas Craft Bazaar
20th	Fall Worship Celebration Information TBA
23rd	No Youth
24th	Happy Thanksgiving
27th	No Youth
30th	5-8 PM Open Youth

**Women's Bible Study**

Begins: Wednesday,  
September 14  
at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room.  
Twelve-week study of the  
Book of Daniel:  
Lives of Integrity:  
September 14 through October 19  
Word of Prophecy:  
Video - Oct. 19 through Nov. 30  
Cost: \$15 for Study Book  
Questions?  
Patricia Klint, 817-292-9386





Join WPC Membership Committee gear up for the Annual Fall Festival. Saturday, October 29th; 4-7 PM

Volunteers are needed for booth design, carnival games, Trunk-R -Treating, costume judges, sign makers, promoters, prize donations & Youngsters of all ages.

All wrapped candy donations are accepted in the bins set up in the Narthex.

Please sign up in the Narthex or contact Robi McAllister 817.905.2293; robi@alexanderchandler.com



Christian Community Assistance  
**FOOD SUNDAY— November 6, 2011**

**Needs:**  
sugar, flour, oil, canned meat, toilet paper, macaroni & cheese, bar soap, canned vegetables.

# DISCIPLE

Invitation to the New Testament  
Sundays 5:45 – 7:45 p.m.  
September 11<sup>th</sup> – November 13<sup>th</sup>  
In the Youth Room

## November Mariners

“Let’s do BRUNCH”  
Saturday, November 12th  
9:30 AM



Mimi’s Restaurant  
5858 Southwest Loop 820  
Please RSVP to  
Donna & Richard Poe by Nov. 10



Sunday, November 13th  
All Church Pot Luck Lunch

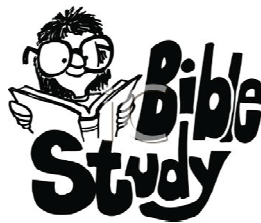
Hosted by:  
Building and Grounds Committee  
Please bring your favorite dish to share.

# Friends and Neighbors

Wednesday, November 23rd

11:45 AM—Early Learning Place  
Preschool Choir  
Noon: Pot Luck Luncheon  
Followed by a Special Program  
and short business meeting.

Whoever you are...  
Whatever your interests...  
Whenever you’re available...  
**We’ve got you covered.**



Check out one of our adult education opportunities:

- Pathfinder Class:** Sundays 9:45 – 10:45  
Studying “Devotional Classics”
- Friendship Class:** Sundays 9:45 – 10:45  
Studying “Christian History”
- Motley Crew :** Sundays 9:45 – 10:45  
Studying “Book of Ecclesiastes”
- Men’s Bible Study:** Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:00  
Studying The Gospel of John, OT Characters, and more
- Women’s Bible Study:** Wednesdays 7:00 – 9:00  
Studying The Book of Daniel
- Disciple Class:** Sundays 5:45 – 7:45  
Studying “An Introduction to the New Testament”

## Chapel Singers Music for Christmas Season Sunday, December 11, 2011

Introit – Special Music Cantata;  
The World of Christmas

Choir - Benediction –from the cantata

Rehearsals Dates:

- Tuesday, October 11, 2011, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 18, 2011, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 1, 2011, 7p.m.
- Tuesday, November 8, 2011, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 29, 2011, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 6, 2011, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, December 10, 2011, 9 a.m.
- Performance, Sunday, December 11, 2011, 8 am

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
**For the nine Months ended September 30, 2011**

**OPERATING FUND**

Actual Contributions		9 Month Budget	
Pledges	\$231,849	Pledges	\$ 236,003
Open Plate & Other	\$ 32,023	Open Plate	\$ 26,250
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$263,872</b>		<b>\$ 262,253</b>
Operating Expense	\$264,906		\$ 269,017
NET decrease to Operating Fund	(1,034)		(6,765)

Pledge receipts are less than expected for the nine months while open plate receipts have exceeded budget. Expenses are less than budgeted which has resulted in a net reduction in Westminster's operating fund. There is three months left for all those who are behind on their pledges to catch up by the end of the year. The gas lease proceeds were distributed as follows: attorney's fees \$1,954; title to Presbytery \$4,504; and increase in reserve for the mortgage \$40,532.

**BUILDING FUND (Second Campaign)**

Contributions to 01/01/2009-09/30/2011	\$341,515	3-Year Pledges	371,935
Per Cent of Total	91.82%	Mortgage Balance	746,37

In thirty-three months we have already collected 92% of the total building fund pledged for three years. As you can see from the mortgage balance, we have quite a challenge in front of us. Larry Atkinson, WPC Treasurer



**October Mariners Event**

Sunday, October 30th,  
after the 11 o'clock worship  
service.

Join us for lunch at  
Fiesta Mexican Restaurant  
3233 Hemphill Street

We will gather in their backroom, we will be ordering from the menu & have separate checks.

Please let the McClendon's know if you plan to attend, so we can save you a seat.  
817-292-5181 or [rip.joanne@att.net](mailto:rip.joanne@att.net)  
See you there.



**2011 Advent Devotional Book**

**Theme: Prophecy and Fulfillment**

The scriptures are available for you to pick up at the sign-up board in the Narthex. Please return your written inspirational Advent Devotion by October 31st to Vandee via email or drop off at the church office. [wpcfws@swbell.net](mailto:wpcfws@swbell.net)

The Advent Devotional books will be available for all on the First Sunday of Advent.



**Kirkin O' The Tartan**  
**Reformation Sunday, October 30th**

Tartans will be available to carry during the recessional, if you would like to carry a Tartan, contact a Worship Committee Member.



**Big Thank You!**

To WPC, Building and Grounds Committee:

Thank you for the new walkways and handrails to the Fellowship Hall.

These guys have given their, time, blood, sweat and tears for this project to make sure we have a safe pathway for all to make their way to the Fellowship Hall.



# Early Learning Place

November 2011

Westminster Presbyterian Church

TAX EIN NUMBER 75-094-5945

## November Events



- November 6 Daylight Savings
- November 1 & 2 State Trooper Visits
- November 3 Book Orders Due
- November 16 & 17 Classroom Feasts
- November 21 - 25 **No School – Thanksgiving**



## Cooler Weather Reminders

The weather is becoming cooler so don't forget to bring jackets or sweaters to preschool.

Please let us know when your child is on medication for allergies. Please keep children home that are running a fever or otherwise are not well enough to participate in daily preschool activities. *Donations of boxes of Kleenex are always appreciated with our seasonal changes.*



## Happy Thanksgiving

We will be celebrating Thanksgiving this month. Some of our classes will be having Thanksgiving Feasts. Please look for sign up sheets posted on classroom doors.

We give thanks each day for all You Do at ELP. Have a Wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday!



## State Trooper Officer Lonnie Haschel Visits ELP

Officer Lonnie Haschel has developed a special "Child Safety" program for preschoolers. This program is designed and loved by everyone. Make sure and ask your child about what they learned about wearing being safe, playing safe and staying safe.



## Pennies for a Playhouse

ELP will now begin collecting Pennies for a new Playhouse! Our fund-raising pennies will contribute to eventually replacing the older structure in the play area. We do not discriminate and will accept pennies, quarters, dimes and dollars too!! A commercial grade Little Tykes Playhouse is what we are working towards!! ELP will place collections containers in and around the preschool. Please feel free to contribute what you can when you can...and thank you for your support!!
















*Place your spare change here....*

*Looking Ahead:  
Christmas Break  
December 19-January 2  
ELP opens on January 3, Tuesday  
Tuition is past due January 4!!*



# NOVEMBER



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1 Synod Assembly @ Tulsa, OK ELP—State Trooper 10 AM PW Coord. Team Meeting 7 PM Chapel Singers 7 PM Boy Scout Troop #499	2 Synod Assembly @ Tulsa, OK 5-8 PM Open Youth 7 PM Ensemble 7 PM Men's Bible Study 7 PM Women's Bible Study	3 Synod Assembly @ Tulsa, OK 9-10 AM Exercise Class (FH) 	4 5 PM Youth Campout @ DFW Adventure Park	5 2:30 PM Pick-up @ WPC: Youth Campout @ DFW Adventure Park	
6 Food Sun.—CCA Operation Christmas Child—shoebox collection. 8:45 AM—2:30 PM Youth Programming 12 PM Lay Committee 12 PM Chime Choir 3 PM Bell Choir 4 PM Chancel Choir 5:45-7:47 PM Disciple	7 9-10 AM Exercise Class (FH) 6:30 PM Committee Chairman Meeting 7:15 PM Committee Meeting	8 Election Day  10 AM PW Circle 1 @ Connie Bosworth home 10 AM PW Circle 2—@ WPC 2 PM Newsletter Mail-out 7 PM Chapel Singers 7 PM Boy Scout Troop #499	9 5-8 PM Open Youth 7 PM Ensemble 7 PM Men's Bible Study 7 PM Women's Bible Study 	10 9-10 AM Exercise Class (FH) 6:30-8:30 PM Cub Scouts (FH)	11 	12 Presbytery Meeting @ Waxahachie PC	
13 Veteran's Sun. 2012 Pledge Dedication  8:45 AM—2:30 PM Youth Programming 12 PM B & G All Church Pot Luck Lunch 12 PM Chime Choir 3 PM Bell Choir 4 PM Chancel Choir 5:45-7:47 PM Disciple	14 9-10 AM Exercise Class (FH) 7 PM Finance Mtg. 7 PM PW—Circle 3 @ Joanne McClendon's home	15 Bazaar set-up—Chapel 10 AM Hearts & Hands (FH) 7 PM Chapel Singers 7 PM Boy Scout Troop #499	16 Bazaar set-up—Narthex, Chapel, FH 5-8 PM Open Youth 7 PM Ensemble 7 PM Men's Bible Study 7 PM Women's Bible Study	17 Bazaar set-up—Narthex, Chapel, FH 9 AM-3 PM Bring Bazaar items. No Exercise Class 12 PM Staff Meeting	18 Bazaar set-up—Narthex, Chapel, FH 6:30—9 PM Bazaar Preview Party 7-8:30 PM Bazaar—Live Auction 	19 9 AM—4 PM Christmas Craft Bazaar 	
20 8:45 AM—2:30 PM Youth Programming 12 PM Chime Choir 12 :15 PM Reception Michael Preciado (FH) 3 PM Bell Choir 4 PM Chancel Choir 5:45-7:47 PM Disciple	21 ELP—Thanksgiving Break No Exercise Class 7 Session Meeting	22 ELP—Thanksgiving Break 7 PM Boy Scout Troop #499 	23 ELP—Thanksgiving Break No Open Youth 7 PM Ensemble No Men's Bible Study No Women's Bible Study 	24 ELP—Thanksgiving Break Church Staff holiday 	25 Church Staff holiday	26 8 AM  10 AM 	
27 Communion  No Youth 3 PM Bell Choir 4 PM Chancel Choir 5:45-7:47 PM Disciple 	28 9-10 AM Exercise Class (FH) 7 PM Marketing & Evangelism	29 10 AM PW Coordinating Team Meeting 2 PM Newsletter Mail-out 7 PM Chapel Singers 7 PM Boy Scout Troop #499	30 5-8 PM Open Youth 7 PM Ensemble 7 PM Men's Bible Study 7 PM Women's Bible Study (Final)	* Dr. Hogg will be on Continuing Education leave, Nov. 6-12			



**NOVEMBER**  
BIRTHDAY WISHES TO...

2 Amy Couch	6 Pearl Hawley	14 Amy Van Geem	22 Nyssa Fleury
2 David de Carion	8 Daisianne Younger	15 Kathy Hall	23 James Werner
2 Loriet Schrader	9 Linda Puckett	15 Joyce Elliott	24 Dory D'Amico
2 Katy Werner	9 Sharon Troutz	16 Maxine Peck	26 Catherine Eonne
3 Princeton Abaraoha	10 Alan Van Geem	17 Elaine Elliott	28 Jay Ewald
3 Linda Couch	11 Mary Van Geem	18 Larry Atkinson	28 John Kepnga
4 Alton Bostick Jr.	12 Roberta Wilcox	18 Annette Boyd	29 Debra Bostick
4 Tory Fontenet	13 Mickey Rigney	20 Roberta McAllister	29 Keith Miyatake
5 Roy Campbell	13 Betty Flanagan	20 Nancy Craig	

### Westminster Presbyterian Church

(817) 292-1155

Contemporary Worship Service: 8:45 AM, Sundays

Traditional Worship Service: 11:00 AM, Sundays

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### SESSION MEMBERS

Dionne Bagsby	Carl Ewald
Larry Bartlett (T)	Allison Hurd
Becky Bittle	Sandra Klovstad
Jon Carter	Harold Leeds
Peggy Claus	Kathleen Nance
Gordon Couch	Polly Pooler (T)
Bob Craig (T)	Maury Shiver (T)
Carol Edley (T)	Neil Van Geem (T)
	James Werner

### COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Building & Grounds:	<b>Carl Ewald</b>	Co-Chairman
	<b>Gordon Couch</b>	Co-Chairman
	Carol Edley	
Christian Education:	<b>Becky Bittle</b>	Chairwoman
	Polly Pooler	
Finance/Stewardship:	<b>Larry Bartlett</b>	Chairman
	Bob Craig	
Membership:	<b>Allison Hurd</b>	Chairwoman
	James Werner	
	Jon Carter	
Outreach & Mission:	<b>Harold Leeds</b>	Chairman
	Neil Van Geem	
Personnel:	<b>Maury Shiver</b>	Chairwoman
	Sandra Klovstad	
Worship:	<b>Kathleen Nance</b>	Chairwoman
	Dionne Bagsby	
	Peggy Claus	

### Serving the Church— Sunday, October 30th, 2011

**Sermon:** "Living The Faith We've Been Taught"  
**Scriptures:** I Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12  
**Pulpit:** Rev. Dr. Donald R. Hogg  
**Acolytes:** Matthew Bailey  
**Counters:** Linda Tallman, Tom Crouch  
**Doorstep Ministry:** Ann and Herman Wardlaw  
**Elder on Call:** Neil Van Geem  
**Greeters:** Herman and Ann Wardlaw  
**Liturgist:** Bob Craig  
**Sound Room:** Sarah Bernardez  
**Usher Team:** Vance Riedel, Tony DiNicola, Paul Zang,  
Lee Curl, Eva Riggs  
**Worship Team (8:45)** Bob and Layne Bruhn

### Serving the Church— Sunday, November 6th, 2011

**Sermon:** "Caught Up With Hope"  
**Scriptures:** Matthew 25:1-13; I Thessalonians 4:13-18  
**Pulpit:** Dale Montgomery, MIT  
**Acolytes:** Keith Miyatake, Jennifer Winn  
**Counters:** Greg Williams, Tony DiNicola  
**Doorstep Ministry:** Daisianne and Stephen Younger  
**Elder on Call:** James Werner  
**Greeters:** Pat Bellingham, Betty Kessler  
**Liturgist:** Carl Ewald  
**Sound Room:** Elaina Riedel  
**Usher Team:** Youth Usher Team  
**Worship Team (8:45)** Bob Bittle

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