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Informer

In the Teton National forest there is a Bridger Wilderness Area where hikers and campers are allowed to freely roam the wilderness and experience nature first hand. There is a suggestion box at the trail's end where visitors can voice their opinion on how the wilderness experience can be made more enjoyable. Here are some of their actual suggestions.

1. Trails need to be reconstructed. Please avoid building trails that go uphill.
2. There are too many bugs, leeches, spiders and spider webs. Please spray the wilderness to rid the areas of these pests.
3. Please pave the trails to make them easier to walk on and some places need to have Chair lifts so that we can get to wonderful views without having to hike to them.
4. The coyotes made too much noise last night and kept me awake. Please eradicate these annoying animals.
5. Escalators would help on steep uphill sections.
6. A MacDonald's restaurant would be nice at the trail-head and at regular intervals along the way.
7. There are just too many rocks in the mountains making the trails hard to negotiate. Please remove the rocks.

I think it would be safe to say that most of these individuals did not count the cost of living in the wilderness before they began their journey? They may have thought roughing would be neat but by their response you could see they weren't interested in this rough of a trip.

Sunday we looked at Jesus' teaching on discipleship and the principle of counting the cost. We serve a Lord that makes it clear that to follow him is not an easy road. It is a narrow way that takes great commitment. He will not take away every obstacle in our way, but He will be with us through them all. Let's make sure we are committed to following His path where ever it may lead us.

John

Right Judgments

John 7:24 Stop judging by mere appearances, and make a right judgment.

Jesus was declared evil and demon possessed because he healed a man on the Sabbath day. Without putting any thought into what they were saying, they placed a judgment of condemnation of the Lord. He let them know that if they had thought at all about Moses and the law concerning circumcision then they never would have made this accusation. How often do we make judgments without knowing the circumstances? How often do we make judgments based upon how a person looks or the type of clothes they wear? Lawyers instruct their clients to wear very nice clothes when they sit before a jury. Why? Appearance does create judgments within peoples mind. Do we really know the facts before we make a judgment?

I'll share a recent story that I have told a few of you. Last December I took Jack and Dean with me to the Rock Show in Franklin. I always make one trip around the building looking and on the second trip buy a few things I want. On the first trip around a man saw these two boys and said they were the first children to come to his booth and he gave each of them a crystal. They were thrilled and hung on to their treasure. At the conclusion of the first trip I saw a man watching me very closely but I didn't think much about it. About five minutes later a man came up to me and identified himself as an undercover deputy for the show and stated that one of his security guards saw Dean steal the rock that was in his hand. I assured him that was not the case but he did not believe me since he had an eyewitness. We went to the original booth and verified that what I said was true. His eyewitness made a wrong judgment. While Dean didn't fully comprehend what was going on, it rather dampened my enthusiasm. Wrong judgments bring hurtful consequences. As Christians, let's be very careful that we have all the facts before we make a judgment. Failing to do so is detrimental.

Joe

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

OUR MEMBERS

- Iris Anderson - radiation today
- Mike Andrews
- Ann Brady
- Alice Bolton - recovering f/surgery
- Roberta Bolton - (no phone calls, can't talk)
- Bernice Bratton
- Joy Brown & Fred Brown
- Bill Carroll - 2502 Shangrila Trail
- Ruth Childress - NHC Hillview, Rm. 217
- Mary Chumbley
- John Churchwell
- Athaleen Cox
- Margaret Johnson
- Maetta King - Poplar Estates 215
- Allison Love - discharged from hospital
- Linda Luna
- Frances Petty - NHC Columbia, Rm. 111-A, 375-4887
- James Ed Pollard - NHC Hillview, Rm. 227-A
- Ned Pollard - home
- Jimmy Quirk - undergoing chemo
- Barney Roland - NHC Hillview, Rm. 101-B
- Ethel Spears - NHC Hillview, Rm. 111
- Melissa Stutts - surgery Monday
- John Thomas - surgery Feb. 2
- Elaine Whitehead

Congratulations to Sadie Gray, who was baptized on Sunday morning by her dad. We commend her for her desire to serve the Lord in her youth.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Alex Rector - cancer, Wanda Nix - sister of Debbie Massey - Parkinsons & to have knee replacement Feb. 2, Norma Boyette - sister of Bill Jones & Elaine Whitehead, Roiki Phillips, Juanita Boyd - stepmom of Gary, Billie Andrews, Kathy Reed - friend of Linda Mabry, Sherry Pritchett - mother of Jody, Dora Bolton - mother of James, JoAnn Anderson - mother of Katherine Nicholson, Ginger Chesnut - cancer, Jay Morgan - father-in-law of Kim, Elvis Frierson - friend of John Mayberry, Glenda Collins - sister of John Mayberry, Katherine Jones - mother of Alice Bolton, Mike Primm, Nick Tank - student at Baker - leukemia, Clara Harvey, aunt of Ray Rummage, Clarence Weaver - Poplar Estates, Rm. 219, Joan Hermsdorfer - aunt of Robin Weaver, Stacey Brown - cystic fibrosis, Billy Oliver (Poplar Estates, Rm. 201) - brother of Corrine Goetz, Dorothy Rea - sister/Elmer Lusk, Evelyn Felker, sister/Benny Bolton, Ann Graham - Morning Pointe, Rm. 113, Beverly Dawson, Jack & Daisy White, Jane Davis - sister of Nell Hood, Allen Brown, Ronnie Springer-leukemia, friend of John & Debbie Massey, Stormy Lyle - 1305 Old Mill Road, Moore, OK 73160, David Luther, Jacqueline Potts, Mary Blocker, NHC Hillview Rm. 106.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Liz Bermudez and her family in the death of her step father, Jerry Payne. A memorial service will be held at 7 pm at Heritage Funeral Home on Friday, January 29. Visitation is from 5 to 7.

Sympathy is also extended to Elizabeth Hargrove in the death of her sister Lou Miller. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.

WORSHIP LEADERS JANUARY 31, 2016

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Welcome.....Richard Farris
Song Leader.....Greg Lusk
Prayer.....John Thomas
Lord's Supper: Presiding.....Chris Mobley
DeWayne Hickman Danny Lasater
John Massey Jonathan Macer
Bobby Daniels David White
Bill Fuller David Gray
Read: Matt. 25:14,15.....Jerry Wilson
Sermon: Jesus' Call to Involvement.....John Thomas
Announcements/Closing Prayer.....Richard Farris

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

YOUNG MEN TO CONDUCT SERVICE

**5th Sunday
Contribution
January 31
Goal - \$24,000**

Ushers: Dave Coleman, J.W. Gilliam, Corey Massey

Greeters: Jimmy, Anna & Sam Quirk, Robin Weaver

Audio/Visual: Jimmy Quirk

Security Team: A.M. Jason Kelley, Benny Bolton P.M. Cheyenne McNeese, Chris Mobley

If you are unable to keep your appointment to serve, please call Ray Rummage (446-0668) or Joe Williams (388-9183)
Or go to our website and follow the "Unable to Serve" link and submit the information.

NURSERY CARE

A.M.....Linda Weaver, Robin Weaver
P.M.....Linda Kuykendall, Diane White

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2016 - 6:30 P.M.

Song LeaderBlair Keeling
Prayer.....Jerry Ballard
Announcements/Speaker.....Greg Lusk