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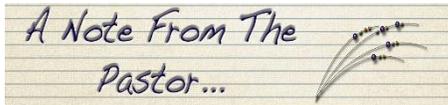
White Steeple Banner

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There's a story told long ago during the time of great sailing ships. The captain and the first mate had a falling out with one another. One day when the first mate was standing watch, the captain took the opportunity during his time off to enjoy a little too much rum.

The first mate saw an opportunity to denigrate the captain and wrote in the official ship's log, "The Captain was drunk today."

Seeing the entry the next day, the captain was angry and embarrassed. He told the first mate to correct the entry lest his career be ruined. The first mate told the captain what he wrote was the truth and the entry needed to stand.

The captain fumed even more and then thought of a way to get back at the first mate. In the next day's log entry, the captain wrote, "The First Mate was sober today."

The first mate was furious because the entry would lead someone to believe the first mate was drunk

every other day. He pleaded with the captain to change the entry.

The captain told the first mate what he wrote was the truth and the entry needed to stand.

That little story reminds me that the truth can often be shaped to present a certain view of events. We see that in our politics. We see that in our news media reporting. We see that in articles that flood our Facebook or Twitter feeds. Even our closest relationships are affected.

Just last year in May 2017, Professor Julian Birkinshaw of the London Business School wrote an article appearing in Forbes.com that declared, "We are living in a post-truth world."

More and more people are wanting to shape the way others see the world. The result is that two people can view the same set of facts and come away with different understandings of the reality behind the facts. Often great deception is used by omitting other important information that could help give clarity to the facts presented.

The Bible tells us that the devil is a deceiver and a liar. Jesus said the devil, "does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies" (John 8:44).

Even when the devil speaks the truth, it is a truth out of context like reporting the first mate sober. It is truth meant to deceive.

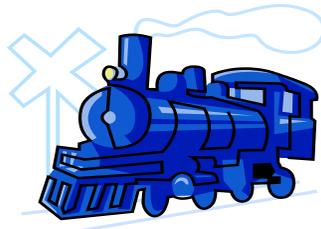
As followers of Jesus, we must be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. We must be wise about this age and not allow the lies and half truths of the devil to influence how we see God at work in the world around us.

Our God is truth. His Word is truth. His people must abide in the truth. We must shine the light of God's truth on the lie and call it for what it is. Only the truth can set us free from the effects of a deceitful, scheming enemy who desires to destroy God's work of salvation in the world.

The shepherd loves the sheep!
 Pastor Brian

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Erin Lemoine	1st
Charles Anderson	2nd
Doug Elston	2nd
Pam Higdon	2nd
Emma Phipps	8th
Lindsey Henderson	9th
Jordan Humphrey	11th
Donnie Harrell	11th
Glen Barnes	13th
Kerri Ponder	13th
Keegan Ratliff	23rd
Jessica Humphrey	24th
Marie Gilligan	28th



Charlie's Chats

The Family Fall Festival is on Saturday, October 27 – we will be needing candy and trinkets to give to the children. Let's make this the BEST Fall Festival yet!!



WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday

Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:45 a.m.

Wednesday

Children's Worship	6:30 p.m.
Youth Worship	6:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Praise Choir	6:30 p.m.

*Northwest Louisiana Baptist Association
48th Annual Meeting*

Monday,
October 8, 2018

**Calvary Baptist Church
Shreveport, Louisiana**

Supper 5:30 to 6:45 p.m.
Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.



Now is the time to pack shoeboxes that will bring good news and joy to boys and girls around the world!



Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 3
5:15 p.m.

Business Meeting

Sunday, October 21
After Morning Worship

SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY

FELLOWSHIP

**Saturday, October 13
From 12 to 2 p.m.**



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OCTOBER 27TH

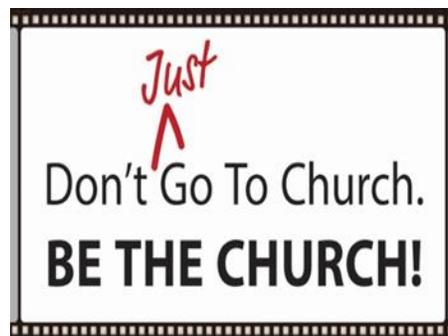
12 TO 2 P.M.

Join us for

FUN + FOOD + FELLOWSHIP

Needed: Candy, Trinkets & Volunteer Workers

DON'T MISS OUT!



*Thank you
Bro. Brian,*

**WE APPRECIATE
ALL YOU DO!**