



Common Ground March 2008

“Pointing People to Jesus through Reaching, Teaching, Celebrating, and Serving.”

Celebrating . . .

We continue celebrating the season of Easter with the Drama Ministry’s presentation of the original Easter Drama “Morning of Mornings” written by our own, Todd Bacon and directed by Jeannie Bagley. This drama in three acts explores some of the possible thoughts and emotions of those who could have been closest to Him at the time of the resurrection.

If you would like to contribute plastic eggs, or the treats and prizes to fill them; there is a box for collecting these items in the parlor. Our annual tradition of an egg hunt on the grounds after service on Easter Sunday is a cherished event for the whole church family! Please have your donations in the parlor by Good Friday, March 21st so we have time to prepare. (Candy, seasonal stickers and trinkets and lots of plastic eggs of all sizes will be helpful.)

**Quarterly Congregational Meeting
March 30—after worship.**



Prayer Ministry
Please remember our
Committee groups for
March’s prayer focus:
Personnel, Nominating,
policies and Procedures.



HOLY WEEK Schedule

March 16 10:45 am Palm Sunday

Morning Worship with Coptic Cross
Processional & Liturgical Dance

March 20 7 pm Maundy Thursday

Middle Eastern Love Feast and Foot Washing
activity center

March 21 7 pm Good Friday Observance

Spoken and Sung Mediations & Reflections on
the Cross, in the chapel

March 23 Easter Sunday 10:45 am

Pastor Walker preaches
“May all know the Lord is God”
I Kings 8:56-61
With ministry of the Sanctuary Choir

Traditional Egg Hunt on the lawn
for the children following service
Join us for punch and cookies in the parlor.

Please note:

Due to the activities of Holy Week, there will be
no Sunday Night Live gathering in March.

A Message from Pastor.....



Screaming God’s Word

The Lord has really been blessing our people through the E100 Challenge program. Over 145 of our people are continuing in their commitment to read and study the Scriptures and are being blessed for it. We received this e-mail last week:

“I just want to scream God's word from every roof top! The reading of the 100 has been such a great, fulfilling, heart and mind opening thing for me. I was raised in the Catholic Church for many, many years, and yes we read from the Bible, but we were taught in the unspoken word that the message relayed to us from our priest was God's word, it was about the messaged told to us, it was delivered in a way that there were no interpretation, there were no discussion groups. So you can see how reading the E100 with my White Rock family and discussing God's word, interpreting God's word and sharing the views and understanding my fellow church members can be such an enlightening and uplifting experience, I almost feel as if I am reading God's word for the first time and creating a new covenant with him. This has been the best thing I have done for myself in a long time.”

Praise the Lord for such a wonderful testimony of the power of God’s word! I know that the Lord will continue to do wonderful things in the lives of our people as we are found faithful in the reading and study of His word.

<p>March 2, 2008 Exodus 32:1-7, 15-18 “The Law and the Land: The Golden Calf” Dr. James P. Walker</p>	<p>March 9, 2008 Judges 4:1-10 “The Judges: Deborah Leads Israel” Dr. James P. Walker</p>	<p>March 16, 2008 II Samuel 7:1-17 Palm Sunday “The Rise of Israel: King David” Dr. James P. Walker</p>	<p>March 23, 2008 I Kings 8:56-61 Easter Sunday “May all know the Lord is God” Dr. James P. Walker</p>	<p>March 30, 2008 Proverbs 1:17, 20-33 “Psalms and Proverbs: Godly Wisdom” Dr. James P. Walker</p>
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March Dates and Information

- Mar. 1 Facilities Meeting
- Mar. 1 Worship Committee Meeting
- Mar. 1 Outreach Committee Meeting
- Mar. 2 Pasta with the Pastors
- Mar. 2 Education Committee Meeting
- Mar. 5 Choir Council Meeting
- Mar. 5 Policies & Procedures Committee Meeting
- Mar. 9 Nominating Committee Meeting
- Mar. 9 Women’s Ministries Meeting
- Mar. 9 Couples Meeting
- Mar. 15 Friends Board
- Mar. 16 Prayer Committee Meeting
- Mar. 17 Finance Committee Meeting
- Mar. 19 Church Council Meeting
- Mar. 20 Communications Meeting
- Mar. 26 Deacon’s Meeting
- Mar. 26 Personnel Meeting
- Mar. 30 Quarterly Congregational Meeting
- Feb. 27 Deacon’s Meeting

March Birthdays

- Mar. 1 Rita W
- Mar. 3 Jo G
- Mar. 3 Sarah K
- Mar. 4 Jason F
- Mar. 6 Sandra G
- Mar. 7 Linda S
- Mar. 9 Mark David R
- Mar. 11 Shelly P
- Mar. 14 Keith L
- Mar. 15 Andy P
- Mar. 16 Tammy M
- Mar. 17 Ron D
- Mar. 19 Rick C
- Mar. 20 Gerry O
- Mar. 23 Norma Jean F
- Mar. 26 Maria S
- Mar. 27 James P
- Mar. 29 Thomas B

How Big is God's Shovel?

R. G. LeTourneau was a prolific inventor in the earthmoving industry. His machines represented nearly 70% of the earthmoving equipment used during World War II , plus he was responsible for nearly 300 patents during his career. He founded a private Christian college in 1946 which today is the LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas. He was well known as a devoted Christian and generous philanthropist to Christian causes.

In talking about giving to God, he looked at his own industry—one that had made many large shovels over the years—to explain his giving. He said, “I shovel money out, and God shovels it back...but God has a bigger shovel!” Isn't that so true, no matter how much we give to God, He always returns more to us.

I pray you will cheerfully “shovel” your support to our church and its ministries knowing that God will return untold blessings to you for your commitment to His work. Never forget Mr. LeTourneau's understanding that God always has a bigger shovel than we do.

If you would like to know more about how you can help support White Rock Community Church and its ministries or if you have questions about how our funds are used to point people to Jesus, please let me know. I'd be happy to visit with you.

David Gibbons
Church Treasurer

Reaching and Serving

Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped work the DIFFA Dallas annual jacket collection on February 23rd. Thanks also to the outreach volunteers who wore their WRCC t-shirts and served dinner to the models, make-up people, technicians and volunteers at the event---over 400 in total. We had over 30 people at this major community event representing, WRCC, Friends, and Jesus Christ. Praise God for you faithful service.

On the same day, 20 of our church family joined the facilities & grounds committee to beautify our flower beds and help get things ready for spring.

Anyone available on Thursday April 20th during the day and evening who can assist Pastor Walker in the preparation, service or clean-up of the Middle eastern “Love Feast” as a part of our Maundy Thursday observance, please contact him at Pastor@whiterockchurch.org



Baptism by immersion

March 16
Contact Pastor Walker
if you are interested.