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# NEWS

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## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!**

for the

## **VCB ANNUAL MEETING**

**OCTOBER 14 & 15, 2011**

**at Pineywoods Baptist Encampment**

### *Meeting Highlights*

Our vice-president, Don Stanton; secretary, Joan Allen; and four of our directors' terms expire at the Annual Meeting when their successors are elected just prior to the Saturday morning Board of Directors' Meeting. Both Don and Joan have agreed to allow their names to be placed in nomination for a second term. The four directors whose current terms will be completed are Jim Burger, Woody Carter, Greg Kohler, and Wayne Schickedanz. Saturday morning will begin with a prayer service led by our Chaplin, Gene Caskey, followed by breakfast, then elections and business meeting. Your attendance and input are important and needed.

Complete the form below (print this page if you got it by email) and cut along the dotted line. Then mail your completed form, along with your deposit, to the address at the bottom of the form so that the secretary will receive it before September 17.

### **VCB Annual Meeting Registration Form**

**(A DEPOSIT IS NECESSARY)**

#### RATES

**DAY PEOPLE:** \$5 PER PERSON PER DAY + MEALS @ \$7 EACH PER PERSON PER MEAL

Number of persons \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Meals: Fri. PM \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. AM \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. Noon \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPOSIT IS \$5 PER PERSON**

**MOTEL:** \$70 SINGLE OR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY + MEALS @ \$7 EACH PER PERSON PER MEAL

Number of persons \_\_\_\_\_ Number of meals: Fri. PM \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. AM \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. Noon \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPOSIT IS \$50 PER PERSON**

**R.V.:** \$10 PER R.V. + \$5 PER PERSON + MEALS @ \$7 EACH PERSON PER MEAL

Number of people \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Nights in RV Park \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Meals Fri. PM \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. AM \_\_\_\_\_ Sat. Noon \_\_\_\_\_

**DEPOSIT IS \$20 PER RV**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011**

Register by mailing your deposit and this completed form to:

Volunteer Christian Builders  
4619 Bellefontaine Ct.  
Arlington, Texas, 76017

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Deposit Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information call 817-600-5553 or e-mail: [t-royandjoan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:t-royandjoan@sbcglobal.net)

## Projects Completed or In Progress

1. Roy Hood..... at..... Hickory Grove Baptist Church..... Kilgore, TX
2. Wayne Schickedanz..... at..... River Bend Baptist Encampment ..... Glenn Rose, TX
3. David Fowler ..... at..... First Baptist Church..... Normangee, TX
4. Don Jacobs..... at..... Lake Tomahawk Baptist Encampment..... Livingston, TX
5. Jimmy Waters ..... at..... Red River Cowboy Church..... Coushatta, LA
6. Don Jacobs..... at..... FBC Plum Grove ..... Cleveland, TX
7. Ragan Edmiston..... at..... Hickory Grove Baptist Church..... Kilgore, TX
8. Richard Crosby ..... at..... Pineywoods Baptist Camp..... Woodlake, TX
9. Wayne Schickedanz..... at..... Riverbend Retreat Center ..... Glen Rose, TX
10. Ragan Edmiston..... at..... Lakeview Baptist Church ..... Cave Springs, AR
11. Jimmy Waters ..... at..... Hilltop Calvary Church ..... Glencoe, AR
12. Ken Kemp/FBC Allen ... at..... Falls Creek Bapt Conference Center ..... Davis, OK
13. Don Jacobs..... at..... Lake Tomahawk Baptist Encampment..... Livingston, TX
14. Jimmy Waters ..... at..... Immanuel Baptist Church..... Bethany, MO
15. Roy Hood..... at..... Lake Athens Baptist Church..... Athens, TX
16. Don Jacobs..... at..... Greater St John's Baptist Church ..... Laird Hill, TX
17. Richard Crosby ..... at..... First Baptist Church..... Burlington, KS
18. Vern Richardson ..... at..... Burlington Baptist Church..... Omaha, AR
19. Ragan Edmiston..... at..... Hispanic Mission of Genesis Baptist..... Silsbee, TX
20. Richard Crosby ..... at..... Wamsutter Baptist Church ..... Wamsutter, WY
21. Vern Richardson ..... at..... First Baptist Church..... Wortham, TX
22. Dave Kelley ..... at..... Cowboy Church of Orange County ..... Orange, TX
23. Richard Crosby ..... at..... Hill Top Baptist Church ..... Green River, TX
24. Ragan Edmiston..... at..... Burlington Baptist Church..... Omaha, AR
25. Cal Blackwell ..... at..... First Baptist Church..... Spiro, OK
26. Tommy Moore..... at..... East Side Baptist Church ..... Camden, TN
27. Jim Burger ..... at..... Rawhide Cowboy Church..... Ardmore, OK
28. Volley Tyler..... at..... Zion Hill Baptist Church ..... Doyline, LA
29. Roy Hood..... at..... God's Way Baptist Church..... Tyler, TX
30. Vern Richardson ..... at..... Burlington Baptist Church..... Omaha, AR
31. Richard Crosby ..... at..... East Side Baptist Church ..... Springfield, OR
32. Don Jacobs..... at..... Community Fellowship Church..... Kemah, TX
33. Wayne McClure..... at..... Aspendale Retreat Center ..... Cloudcroft, NM
34. Richard Crosby ..... at..... East Side Baptist Church ..... Springfield, OR
35. Ragan Edmiston..... at..... Greater St John's Baptist ..... Laird Hill, TX

## Scheduled Projects(7):

### **Genesis Baptist Church**

Buna, TX  
 Pastor: Huck Carter 409- 658-9447  
 Contact: Bill Sterling 409-720-7809  
 Crew Leader: **Jimmy Waters** 903-243-1181

Schedule: **September 5—16, 2011**

Project Scope: Typical wood frame on slab 46 X 70 addition, 8 classrooms and 2 restrooms, trusses and a metal roof on 4/12 pitch.

### **Peter's Chapel**

Karnack, TX  
 Pastor: Paul Taylor 903-935-3312  
 Crew Leader: **Roy Hood** 903-566-2157

Schedule: **September 26—October 7, 2011**

Project Scope: Typical wood frame out with trusses on a 7,200 sq ft slab.

### **Pineywoods Encampment**

Woodlake, TX  
 Director: Eric Small 936-676-3155  
 Crew Leader: **Richard Crosby** 214-457-1137

Schedule: **October 3—14, 2011**

Project Scope: A staff house for Banjo, approximately 2,400 sq ft single story, 3 bedroom.

### **Emmanuel Baptist Church**

Pittsburg, TX  
 Pastor: Kyle Smith 903-856-3411  
 Contact: Oscar Malcolm-VCBer 903-855-9151  
 Crew Leader: **Don Jacobs** 469-585-8137

Schedule: **December 5—16, 2011**

Project Scope: A multipurpose gym/worship center with two educational wings (22,732 sq ft). Wood frame, with trusses, 3/12 and 6/12 pitch metal roof.

### **Salt Creek Baptist Church**

Early, TX  
 Pastor: Jimmie Mize 325-643-5853  
 Contact: Jack Smith 325-641-2124  
 Crew Leader: **Richard Crosby** 214-457-1137

Schedule: **October or November, 2011**

Project Scope: 12,100 sq ft metal building with metal interior framing.

### **Chisum Trails Cowboy Church**

Powderly, TX  
 Pastor: James McCloud 903-737-8730  
 Crew Leader: **Jimmy Waters** 903-243-1181

Schedule: **November 7—18, 2011**

Project Scope: Wood framing inside a 3,200 sq ft metal building. Fellowship hall, classrooms, RR.

## **Available Projects (15)**

- Martinsville Baptist** Nacogdoches, TX  
 Pastor: Dee Daniel 936-332-0387  
 Contact: Robert Cousin 936-715-0075  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Typical wood frame out of 75 X 80 metal building.
- FBC Seadrift** Seadrift, TX  
 Contact: Buddy Cross 361-785-3411  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Re-mud sheetrock, hang 4 doors, and install suspended ceiling in a 50X60 upstairs area
- Jasper County Cowboy Church** Jasper, TX  
 Pastor: Brandy Barnett 409-382-2740  
 Contact: Jordan Wilson 409-698-8242  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Typical Cowboy Church wood frame out of a 17,500 sq ft metal building.
- Ethiopian Baptist Church** Irving, TX  
 Contact: Abera Mengestu 972-762-7982  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Remodel an old YWCA building, converting 3 rooms into a worship center with a stage and baptistry. Partition other large rooms for classrooms.
- Morning Star Ranch** Milano, TX  
 Director: Andy Isaacs 979-218-6163  
 Contact: Rita Kay Isaacs 512-455-2552  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Enclose a porch on the dining hall to increase capacity. Various other projects.
- Petersburg Baptist Church** Kerens, TX  
 Pastor: Jackie Coleman 903-477-4008  
 Contact:  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Thinking of a 6,500-7,000 sq ft building with seating for 300-350 and classrooms.
- First Baptist Church** Burlington, KS  
 Pastor: Jay Hale  
 Contact: Ken Oliver 620-364-2815  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: 7,440 sq ft metal building some framing and sheet rock, and suspended ceilings.
- Denman Avenue Baptist Church** Lufkin, TX  
 Pastor: Charles Roberts 936-634-6691  
 Contact: Billy Ray 936-635-6898  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Remodel 3<sup>rd</sup> floor educational area, remove non-loadbearing walls and suspended ceiling; enlarge rooms and replace walls 7 suspended ceiling. Metal studs & sheetrock.
- Latham Springs Encampment** Aquilla, TX  
 Director: Phil Colquitt 254-694-3689  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Fall 2011, several projects planned including a new staff home and dorm renovations.
- New Birth Baptist Church** Cleburne, TX  
 Pastor: Donald Earl 817-791-0969  
 Crew Leader:  
 Project Scope: Planning stages of a fellowship hall, free standing building with wood frame on slab. Building will include restrooms and office. Size undetermined at this time.
- Zion Hill Baptist Church** Doyline, LA  
 Pastor: Richard Jefferson 318-458-1417  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Two buildings, a sanctuary of 8,400 sq ft, metal building to be framed out in wood, and a 9,600 sq ft activities building with four 15x15 classrooms upstairs. Volley Tyler & the crew from Cy Fair have begun the job, still needs framing, electrical and sheet rock.
- Somerset Baptist Church** Somerset, TX  
 Pastor: David Taylor 830-429-3683  
 Contact: Sam Parks 210-317-9550  
 Crew Leader:  
 Project Scope: Sheet rock in an A/C metal building Wood framing and electrical stub out already done by TBM.
- First Baptist Church** Linden, TX  
 Pastor: Jackie Sanfield 903-756-5517  
 Contact: Larry Wells 903-756-5283  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Wood framing on remodeling of Fellowship hall
- Saddle Creek Cowboy Church** Forestburg, TX  
 Pastor: Jason Danielson 972-658-1043  
 Contact: Dwayne Bigby 972-742-6065  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Construct coverings over 3 porches, add a false front on their building and the build out of a kitchen with cabinets.
- Immanuel Baptist Church** Bethany, MO  
 Pastor: Kyle Beverlin 660-425-3894  
 Contact: Gary Hatten 660-868-2229  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Remove and replace siding on their old building using new vinyl siding.
- DELAYED Projects (4):** These projects have completed their paperwork, but the church has delayed the project for some reason.
- Iglesia Bautista Santa Fe,** Santa Fe, TX  
 Contact: Joe Brantley 409-771-3476  
 Crew Leader: Schedule: **DELAYED**  
 Project Scope: 80x80 metal bldg. Will be dried in. Needs internal framing & sheetrock. Wood with drop ceilings.
- Trinity Baptist Church** Sweetwater, TX  
 Pastor: Ward Hayes 325-235-2991  
 Crew Leader: Schedule: **DELAYED**  
 Project Scope: New 5000sqft bldg FH, FLC & offices. Existing 2-story education bldg needs 2nd floor gutted and rebuilt.

- First Southern Baptist** New Edinburg, AR **West of the Pecos Cowboy Church** Pecos, TX  
 Pastor: Dr. Joel Lisemby 870-348- Pastor: Rick Derrick 432-445-0060  
 5429  
 Crew Leader: Schedule: **DELAYED**  
 Project Scope: Small church just beginning planning for additional space.
- Trinity Baptist Church,** Missouri City, TX  
 Pastor: Chad Bertrand 281-980-8822  
 Crew Leader: Schedule: **DELAYED**  
**Project has been delayed twice.**  
 Project Scope: Wood bldg has been framed by TBM. Work needed is sheetrock and drop ceiling. Electricity & Plumbing is in.
- Larue Baptist Church** Larue, TX  
 Pastor: Josh Wilkens 903-675-4151  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Unknown
- First Southern Baptist Church** Pratt, KS  
 Pastor: Bob Fleener 620-672-7591  
 Contact: Brock Davidson 620- 450-8026  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Build a fellowship hall with a few classrooms, possibly a metal building.
- East Texas Baptist Encampment** Newton, TX  
 Assistant Director: James Levings 409-383-4806  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Spring 2011, Dorm rooms that been gutted and need framing, electrical, plumbing, etc.
- Camp Tejas** Giddings, TX  
 Facilities Director: Mike Newton 281-682-6229  
 Crew Leader: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Dinning Hall extension
- Old St George Bapt Church** St George, SC  
 Contact: Tommy Rickborn 843-563-7758  
 Crew Leader: Schedule: **DELAYED**  
 Project Scope: Planning renovation or replacement of their fellowship hall.
- Iglesia Bautista** Lufkin, TX  
 Pastor: Alex Montilla 936-639-2028  
 Crew Leader:  
 Project Scope: Repair parsonage
- Brazosport Baptist Temple** Angleton, TX  
 Pastor: 979-849-3602  
 Contact: C.E. Shipman 979-265-2670  
 Crew Leader: Schedule: **DELAYED**  
 Project Scope: A metal building of undetermined size with wood framing. A vaulted ceiling sanctuary, restrooms, nursery, etc.
- Lakeview Baptist Assembly** Lone Star, TX  
 Director: Szyd Szydloski 903-656-3871  
 Crew Leader:  
 Project Scope: 20,000 square foot dining hall
- Emmanuel Baptist Church** Rock Springs, WY  
 Contact: Abe Ogea 307-382-7551  
 or H 382-5911  
 Crew Leader: Schedule: **DELAYED**  
 Project Scope: A 2600 s/f first project to expand education facility for children & preschoolers.
- Rafter J Cowboy Church** Hope, AR  
 Pastor: Terry Evens 870-703-6781  
 Contact: Schedule:  
 Project Scope: Wood frame-out of a 80X110 metal building on 51 acres.

## *WITH LOVE AND SYMPATHY*

Jimmy Cry, son of Jim and Betty Cry, passed away unexpectedly of heart related problems, May 28, 2011.

Charles Cole, VCB's President Emeritus, passed away June 20, 2011, after a long struggle with Parkinson's.

Celia Collier passed away on July 11, 2011.

Gwen Maxwell, Glenna Fowler's sister, died August 15, 2011, after having a massive heart attack.

As we lift these families up in prayer, let us not forget to offer our sincere, heartfelt sympathy as they adjust to life without their loved ones. Let us also remember the many others who are making this same adjustment.

## *Direct from the President*

God continues to bless Volunteer Christian Builders with dedicated Christian people who want to serve Him. I have seen our members working in all types of weather: rain, freezing rain, sleet, snow, wind, and extreme heat which shows a real commitment to serving our Lord and Savior.

Not only are we serving our Lord as we work on church building projects, we are being an extremely positive witness to those in the communities where we have been privileged to work. That is why we should always practice and uphold high Christian principals. God bless each of you who are serving our Lord in this manner.

I encourage each of you, old and new members alike, to pray about becoming more active in serving our Lord through VCB. Recently I have been studying in Sunday School about the freedoms that have been provided for us to serve. We can serve ourselves, which is selfishness, or we can and should focus on serving our God. He allows us to make the choice: Be a self-server or be a full-time server of God and His Kingdom. Remember, it's your choice. As for me and my family, I want to focus on serving our Lord and Savior. I ask that you be very prayerful about your willingness to serve. God will bless you in so many ways. I encourage each of you to become more active; if it means only taking one more job per year, or five more. Let us each demonstrate our love for God as we commit to serving Him.

In closing, I want us to lift those VCBers who have recently lost their spouses. Let us keep them in our prayers, and pray God's very best for each of them as we let them know we love and support them. I have a burden for those who have lost their best friend and pray that you will join me in assisting them in any way possible.

Please Bless God,

Bob

## *Project Coordinator's Report*

God has continued to bless VCB with opportunities to serve Him. The contacts with the American Fellowship of Cowboy Churches and the Kansas/Nebraska Baptist Association yielded additional projects this past year. The Native American Partnership Missions Project of the North American Missions Board did not come to fruition, but it is still a work in progress, so maybe it will lead to some projects during the coming year.

This past year's number of completed projects proved to be slightly short of last year's number. We will have only completed 38 official projects in the VCB 2010-2011 fiscal year, whereas in the VCB 2009-2010 fiscal year we completed 41 projects. This was primarily due to the fact that two of our retiree crew chiefs, Jimmy Waters and David Fowler, had major surgery in the early part of 2011; therefore they both worked fewer projects than usual.

If you have been following our project listings on the members only section of the website, you have probably noticed a reclassification of projects. What was previously called "Assigned Projects" has been renamed "Scheduled Projects," what was "Unassigned Projects" has changed to "Available Projects," and what had been "Initial Contact Only" has become "Projects NOT Ready for Scheduling." This was done in order to clear up some of the confusion that often developed as I was trying to get additional information from churches. As I write this article, we have 7 Scheduled Projects, 16 Available Projects, 4 Delayed Projects, and 16 Projects NOT Ready for Scheduling (some of these are due to the churches having to delay the projects after they made initial contact with us.) With the number of Available Projects and the number of Projects NOT Ready for Scheduling both being greater than they were this time last year, hopefully VCB will set a new record for completed projects during the coming year.

Last year Bob reported VCB had 22 new members work their first job; this year our VCB Secretary, Joan Allen, has reported 33 new members. This is just another evidence of God's blessings on VCB.

Our president, Bob Hawes, continues to emphasize accountability by means of crew chief inventory and job reports. Look for things to come as Joel and I work on a new section of the website to make these two things easier for the crew chiefs to do and in less time.

Jesse

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

If any currently active VCBER feels the Lord may be leading them to serve VCB in the capacity of a retiree crew chief, I encourage you to seek and follow the Lords will. If you are sincere about your decision to serve in this capacity, I ask that you contact Mr. Bill Self, Chairman of the Crew Chief Selection Committee, prior to October 1, 2011. This committee will meet with you individually on Friday, October 14, 2011. God Bless each one of you for your willingness to serve in this important role.

Thanks,

Bob

### *RONALD McDONALD HOUSE*

#### *MISSION OUTREACH*

At the Board of Directors' Meeting in February, a proposal was presented for some changes to the way the Annual Meeting is conducted. This year we are still doing the door prize drawings for those who wish to participate in that, but there will also be the opportunity to contribute to a Mission Fund for the Ronald McDonald House in Houston; both of these are totally optional. The Ronald McDonald House program provides a "home-away-from-home" for families so they can stay close by their hospitalized child at little or no cost. In the past we have collected can tabs to donate to them, and we will continue to do that. The new part is that we plan to collect money from those who wish to participate in this program, put it in a designated fund that shows in our bookkeeping, and have someone buy the items needed in the Houston area and deliver them. Can you imagine trying to transport all these things to Houston from Annual Meeting? This will be done three or four times a year depending on the amount of money collected. Each time this is done, the person(s) purchasing and delivering the items will be reimbursed from this designated fund for the amount of those purchases.

At the Houston Ronald McDonald House facility there are 50 rooms to accommodate families 365 days a year. These families come when a room is available for them, and sometimes they come with very little notice.

Listed below are some of the items they can use.

|               |               |                  |                    |
|---------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Paper towels  | Toilet paper  | Kleenex          | Tooth paste        |
| Tooth brushes | Hand crème    | Clorox wipes     | Dish soap          |
| Hair brushes  | Small mirrors | Bath soap        | Shampoo            |
| Combs         | Aspirin       | Cheese/crackers  | Snacks             |
| Napkins       | Soup          | Granola Bars     | Small cans of tuna |
| Plastic cups  | Small plates  | Plastic flatware | Laundry bags       |

Currently the plan is that when you register at the Annual Meeting you will tell the folks handling the registration if you would like to participate in 1) the door prize drawings [*remember to bring a gift if you want to be included in the drawings*], 2) the Ronald McDonald Mission Project, 3) neither of these, or 4) both of these. Your participation in either one of these is voluntary, whatever the Lord leads you to do, both are totally optional.

**Joan Allen**

After Joan submitted her report, Barbara Hawes visited the Ronald McDonald house in Houston to deliver the tabs the VCB members had been collecting. Barbara said, "Keep those tabs coming. They appreciate your every effort."

They shared with her that in December they open a Christmas store, and each child can select a gift for their parent, and each parent can select a toy for their child. This involves up to 50 families. She also got an updated wish list from them, and the items most needed that are not listed in Joan's report above are listed below.

Participation in the Ronald McDonald Mission Project may or may not be something you want to do. Pray about it, and then you will know your best decision.

The plan is to purchase items from their wish list with the contributions received from VCB members. Your prayerful consideration about participating in the VCB Ronald McDonald House Mission Project will be greatly appreciated.

|                                       |             |  |                              |              |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--|------------------------------|--------------|
| Regular Coffee                        | Lysol spray | Paper plates   | Ziploc Bags (Quart & Gallon) | Clorox Green |
| Trash Bags (7-10, 13, & 45-55 gallon) |             | Breakfast items (individually packaged cereal, bars, etc.) |                              |              |

## WHY PRAY

I once knew a man who had lost his wife and teenage son to cancer. He told me, "Why pray, God's going to do what he wants to." I fear this is the attitude of many today.

The Bible teaches us to pray from Genesis to Revelation. Jesus prayed throughout his ministry. He prayed alone (John 6:15), with others present (Matthew 11:25), before making a major decision (Luke 6:12-13), and at the great crisis of his life (Matthew 26:39). If Jesus felt the need to pray, how much more do we need to pray?

In the Lord's Prayer Jesus taught us who we are praying to. Not an awesome, powerful God somewhere far off, but a God who lives in our heart who we can call Father; or as we learn in Romans 8:15. Abba Father which is a much closer and personal expression of Father.

I look back over my life and see how God has lead and blessed me. This motivates me to come to him and praise him and thank him, but it also helps me to realize how unworthy I am.

Prayer should be a time of praise, thanksgiving, confession, and petition.

As a child of God, I have received the Holy Spirit. It compels me to communicate with my Abba Father often. This is how I grow closer to him and understand to accept His will. One of the greatest blessings I have in my life is to pray for others. Each month we send out a prayer list of people who need us to pray for them. I fear for some this is more of an information letter. As children of God, I urge each of you to place the list in your prayer closet (Matthew 6:6) and pray for these dear people as you would pray for your own family.

God may not always answer our prayers as we would like, but He has the whole picture, and we should always accept His will as He gives us strength and hope.

### CURRENT PRAY LIST

Troy Allen --- Rotator Cuff Surgery  
Cindy Holland (Don & Ann Murphree's Daughter) --- Cancer  
William Serrato --- Heart Transplant pending  
Bud Wood --- Blood clot on brain not dissolving  
Warren Bozeman --- Brain cancer  
Joel Trevino --- Kidney Transplant  
H. Carroll Lee --- Cancer and sale of R.V.  
John L. Gill --- Recovering from surgery  
Pat Chelette --- Weird virus  
Sondra Grasshoff --- Recovery from surgery & upcoming surgery  
David & Glenna Fowler --- Death of her sister  
Jeanne Self --- Blood clots in lung

### PRAISES

Joel & Susan Fischer --- Good reports on both  
Tony & Carol Ann McGuire --- Their friend Jerry Wilson cancer free from Melanoma  
Phil Taylor --- Heart stable and goes back to doctor in 9 months

Ephesians 6:18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

Contact us with your prayer requests by email at [genewcaskey@yahoo.com](mailto:genewcaskey@yahoo.com), or on our home phone at 903-983-1083 or our cell phone at 903-981-3536.

Gene & Betty Caskey – Chaplain

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# What's been going on in VCB?<sup>8</sup>



Cabinets built by Vern Richardson's crew at Carlisle Baptist Church, Price, TX



Jerry Homberg, Woody Carter, Bob Deweese and Charlie Walker putting on HardiPlank in Springfield, OR



Danny Atterberry and Doug Lacey, frying fish as they suffer for the Lord in Cloud Croft, NM



Woody Carter, Troy Spears, Jesse Hawthorne and Charlie Walker putting up 12 foot 5/8 sheet rock in Springfield, Or



Why was James Dolberry washing his shirt on the Oregon coast? What were Brenda Crosby, Woody Carter and Richard Crosby thinking?

Remember, you can submit pictures to share on this page of the Ladder Chatter by sending them to [vcbuilders@att.net](mailto:vcbuilders@att.net).

# Retiree Calendar



## September 2011

### Retiree Crews

| Sunday | Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|---|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 28     | 29  | 30      | 31        | 1        | 2      | 3        |
| 4      | Genesis Baptist Church, Buna, TX-- Jimmy Waters |         |           |          |        |          |
| 11     | Genesis Baptist Church, Buna, TX-- Jimmy Waters |         |           |          |        |          |
| 18     | 19  | 20      | 21        | 22       | 23     | 24       |
| 25     | Peter's Chapel, Karnack, TX -- Roy Hood         |         |           |          |        |          |



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| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 30  | 31     | 1       | 2         | 3        | 4      | 5        |
| River Bend Retreat Center, Glen Rose, TX - David Fowler |        |         |           |          |        |          |
| 6   | 7      | 8       | 9         | 10       | 11     | 12       |
| Chisum Trails Cowboy Church, Powderly, TX--Jimmy Waters |        |         |           |          |        |          |
| 13  | 14     | 15      | 16        | 17       | 18     | 19       |
| Chisum Trails Cowboy Church, Powderly, TX--Jimmy Waters |        |         |           |          |        |          |
| 20  | 21     | 22      | 23        | 24       | 25     | 26       |
| 27  | 28     | 29      | 30        | 1        | 2      | 3        |



## October 2011

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| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday   |
|---|---|---------|-----------|----------|--------|------------|
| 25  | 26  | 27      | 28        | 29       | 30     | 1          |
| Peter's Chapel, Karnack, TX - Roy Hood                  |   |         |           |          |        |            |
| 2   | 3   | 4       | 5         | 6        | 7      | 8          |
| Pineywoods Encampment, Woodlake, TX--Richard Crosby     |   |         |           |          |        |            |
| Peter's Chapel, Karnack, TX - Roy Hood                  |   |         |           |          |        |            |
| 9   | 10  | 11      | 12        | 13       | 14     | 15         |
| Pineywoods Encampment, Woodlake, TX--Richard            |   |         |           |          |        | VCB Annual |
| 16  | 17  | 18      | 19        | 20       | 21     | 22         |
| 23  | River Bend Retreat Center, Glen Rose, TX - David Fowler |         |           |          |        |            |
| 30  | 31  | 1       | 2         | 3        | 4      | 5          |
| River Bend Retreat Center, Glen Rose, TX - David Fowler |   |         |           |          |        |            |



## December 2011

### Retiree Crews

| Sunday                                       | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|
| 27   | 28     | 29      | 30        | 1        | 2      | 3        |
| 4  | 5      | 6       | 7         | 8        | 9      | 10       |
| Emmanuel Baptist, Pittsburg, TX - Don Jacobs |        |         |           |          |        |          |
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