

Life in a Trash Can

David Wright

As a child I loved the "Sesame Street" character Oscar the Grouch. This green muppet, whose housing preference is a garbage can, always lives up to his name. He complains about everything and resents all social contact.

Oscar's role is amusing because he is a caricature of people we actually know. We all have a friend, relative, coworker, or neighbor whose well of misery never runs dry. This person is perpetually dissatisfied with the weather, angry with local officials and businesspeople, agitated by customer service, unhappy with family relationships, and offended by the least of slights. And health problems? We try to steer Oscar away from that subject altogether, but to no avail. The complainer won't be diverted from his favorite topic.

If I suspect that I myself have too much in common with the Grouch, I may need to change my attitude. Complaining constantly is wrong. It's wrong because it annoys others. Doesn't Jesus say to treat people as I want to be treated (Matt. 7:12)? Even a chronic complainer is offended when treated to a dose of his own bitter medicine. And habitual griping is wrong because it indicates self-centeredness. The grumbler acts as if he or she were the only person in the world with problems. This narrow view interferes with Christian responsibility. The Bible says to "do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count others better than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others" (Phil. 2:3-4). Finally, continual complaining is wrong because it offends the God who so richly blesses me (1 Cor. 10:10-11).

"Children and Our Priorities" (AM)

"Fighting With The Devil" (PM)



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Elders: Monty Lawley, Larry Mathis, Steve McClelen
Deacons: Jason Turner, Leslie Thomas, Rodney Yarbrough,
Hesikiah Williamson, Willie Coleman, Sr.

Pulpit Minister: David Wright Youth Minister: Leslie Thomas

Sunday Morning Bible Class 9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Wed Evening Bible Study 7:00 PM

First Prayer, AM- Howard Lisle	Scripture Reading, AM- Gary Jean
First Prayer, PM- Larry Mathis	Scripture Reading, PM- Chester Brown
Wed Night Devo- Domingo Dominiquez	Wed Night Prayer, Lindy Lawley
Song Leader, AM- Steve McClelen	Song Leader, PM-Paul Ayres

Visitors, we are glad you came and hope you will fill out the pink side of the visitor card on the back of the pew in front of you. We have an attended nursery for infants to 18 months. Please come back.

Our Sick

Billie Denman was released from the hospital on Friday afternoon after problems with her heart. Teresa Noble was scheduled for a heart cath. on Friday. Debbie Henderson had a skin cancer removed. Her doctor believes that he got it all. Shirley McClelen had bladder cancer surgery last Friday. She is improving slowly. Anthony Michael was in the hospital early last week with his diabetes. Cy Stafford's cancer is back. Please pray that the doctors will know what treatment is best for him. Joyce Coleman's hip surgery was last Friday. She did well and is home resting. Please continue to remember:

Johnny Davis
Heidi Landess
Linda Vineyard
Janis Morrow
Wayne Piland
Aaron McClelen
Aaron McClelen and those on the care sheet.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Sept	5	Patsy Jones
Sept	5	Monty Lawley
Sept	6	Wanda Hopkins
Sept	6	Jerry Perkins
Sept	6	Dorothy Beck
Sept	7	Max Fought
Sept	7	Lou Domingo
Sept	7	Barbara Williamson
Sept	11	Jennifer Hiser
Sept	11	Joyce Jones
Sept	12	Kayce Douthit
Sept	13	Stan Hopkins
Sept	14	Sammy Paul
Sept	14	Tayja Wells
Sept	16	Norman Shannon
Sept	16	Rodney Yarbrough
Sept	17	Rebecca Davis

Happy Anniversary

Sept.	18	Tabitha & Josh Harris
Sept.	18	Rodney & Barbra Yarbrough

REMODELING PROJECT

Goal: \$50,000.00
 Current: \$ 7,225.00

Next Special Contribution: Sunday,
 Sept.25, 2016

The Fall Bible Class quarter starts today. This is also promotion day for the lower classes. We are in need of a Wednesday night nursery class teacher. Please see Jason if you can teach this quarter. Also we are in need of nursery workers during morning and evening worship services. Please help if you can.

The Time Traveler's class will begin this Wednesday night, Sept. 7th for grades 3yrs to 3rd grade.

World Bible Class will meet this Wednesday, Sept. 7th. Please bring materials to mail.

WBS benefit dinner is this Tuesday evening at 6:30. It will be held at the Double Tree in Dallas

The Male Leadership Class will begin Sunday, Sept. ^{nth} at 5:00 in the auditorium for all school age boys.

Madilyn Mitchell is working with the 4th annual **SIS (sisters inspiring sisters)** conference held in Mesquite on Sat. Sept. the 17th at the Hampton Inn. The theme this year is "Glowing in the Dark". Please see Madilyn if you have any questions. More information on the welcome booth.



Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your time and patience during the transition to our new email server. I am hoping all corrections have been made. If you are still not getting the emails, please call the office or go to www.seagoville.org and on the homepage click (Join our mailing list). Follow the instructions provided.

Thank you and God bless.
 Blake Mayfield

Our love and prayers are with the Douthit family on the loss of James' Grandmother. Her service was August 28th in Canton.



Remember the family roundhouse tonight.