



St. Andrew's UMC Singles Sentinel

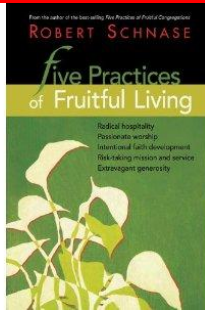
Mission Statement: "To be an instrument of God in service, guidance, comfort and friendship to singles of our congregation and community and to be a vital part of our church family by supporting it with our prayers, presence, gifts and service."

Sunday Worship: 9:00 or 11:25 2045 SE Green Oaks @ New York Ave., Arlington, TX

Click: www.sa-umc.org/singles.html for more SA-UMC & SAS News/Information

Sept. 5, 2010 Sunday School: 10:15 a.m., Room 209 Vol. 10, No. 33

Five Practices of Fruitful Living



Stephanie Ayala's lesson brought 20 to class today (including Caitlin Hobson & Kandi Stansell + it was GREAT to have both Ryan & Michael Ayala back!). Passionate Worship was the topic for today and everyone would agree, Stephanie's was passionate about our subject matter and it was quick to be embraced by all.

You will need to read the book to get the full benefit of all information included, but Stephanie told us that "worship means making time for God" and us aligning with Him by paying attention to His focus. Worship gives us new hope, heals wounded hearts, and inspires spiritual growth in our Christian lives. We give God our love during worship.

Stephanie defined "Justification" for us as, "becoming aware of our need for God." The primary scriptures read and discussed were: Luke 10:27, Luke 18: 9-14 and Psalm 84: 2.

Roger Key shared a quote he believes is from Dr. David Jeremiah, "GRACE is God giving you something you don't deserve. MERCY is God not giving you something you do deserve."

Next Sunday's chapter from Dr. Robert Schnase's "Five Practices of Fruitful Living" will be **INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT**. Plan now to attend and bring a friend!



With Deepest Sympathy
To Jolene Anglin

On the death of her father,
George Owings on Sept. 2, 2010

PRAYER REQUESTS

[Have you prayed for St. Andrew's today?](#)

[Have you prayed for SAS today?](#)

>George Owings (Jolene Anglin's and Brenda Hank's father) passed away about 9:20 pm Thursday. George's wishes were to be cremated and buried with his wife and Jolene's twins in Kansas. Please continue to pray for Jolene, Brenda and each member of their families.

> **Todd Allen** was scheduled to go home from the hospital this week, but because his stomach is still leaking, his hospitalization has been extended again. Please also continue to pray for comfort and recovery for him.

>**Sharon Carman** sends this prayer request from CA: "Please add my sister-in-law, Louise, to the prayer list. We found out today (Thursday) that her skin cancer is back and has spread to at least two new areas other than her face. She is scared this time. Not yet sure what her treatment will be."

>**Yvonne May** has had numerous "challenges" this week with her car, a rent car, dental problems, etc. She can certainly use our prayers.

PRAISES

>Major PRAISE for our **Ryan Ayala** who was in SAS today and was honored with a special "send off" by our youth after the last worship service. He leaves Wednesday to be a missionary in Kenya, Africa for the next 9 months! May God's protection and peace be with you the entire time!

>It is with PRAISE and sadness that I tell you the reason **Aaron Stanton** has been missing from SS...he has answered the call to be a SS teacher for our kindergarten class! We will miss you in class, but you are still part of our group!!!

>[LET US ALL GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS FOR SAS MEMBERS WHO DO SILENT DEEDS OF SERVICE FOR OTHERS.](#)

CONTINUED PRAYER NEEDS

>Please keep **Tina Plunkett** in your prayers as she awaits the ultrasound ...still not scheduled. We pray it will be done soon and will give us good news about the stomach problems she has been having.

>[Pray for our church family as we reach out to our neighbors.](#)

>Pray for folks who have lost their jobs and for folks looking for employment.

>Pray for the persons God has called us to touch.

This Week!!

Optional Opportunities:

Levitt Pavilion Fall Season

Sept. 2-Oct. 2

www.levittpavilionarlington.org

for schedule & details

Coming Soon:

Sept. 12 Sunday	Small Groups Sign Up (see bulletin for list, but do PLAN to sign up for 1 in addition to SAS)
Sept. 17 Friday	7:00 TAS Dinner www.ctcumc.org/pages/detail/970 for details

Planning Ahead:

Oct. 15 Friday	7:00 TAS Dinner www.ctcumc.org/pages/detail/970
Oct. 23 Sat	CTC 100th Year Centennial Celebration See p. 2 for details
Nov. 7	DST Ends
Nov. 13-14 Fri-Sat	SA-UMC FALL FESTIVAL
Nov. 14 Sunday	NO SAS Sunday School HELP w/Fall Festival
Nov. 19 Fri.	7:00 TAS Dinner www.ctcumc.org/pages/detail/970
Nov. 21 Sunday	Decorate Church After last worship service
Nov. 25 Thurs.	THANKSGIVING DAY
Nov. 28 Sunday	NO Sunday School ONE Worship Service w/1 st Sunday in Advent Tree Lighting
Date TBA	SAS Design Team Meeting ALL encouraged to attend to plan SAS next quarter lessons, social events, etc.

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Quote of the Week

"Ability is what you're capable of doing. **Motivation** determines what you do. **Attitude** determines how well you do it." — Lou Holtz

Link of the Week

Don't Go Rafting with A Baptist

(Click on the web site below to view this hilarious video. It's funny and clean and by one of the funniest women you've ever heard + for those who have never heard Jeanne Robertson, Left Brain is her nickname for her husband):
<http://jeannerobertson.com/VideoBaptist.htm>

BRIEF Notes from Pastor Clifton's 9-5-10 Sermon

What does it mean for imperfect people to become perfect?
 --It doesn't mean "sinless" perfection
 --Becoming mature in our faith
 --Growing perfect in love of God & neighbor

God **expects** us to become better.
 Question: How can God expect us to be perfect?
 Answer: Sanctifying Grace

SAS Birthdays

Sept. 3	Roger Key
Sept. 4	Nellie Howard Jordan
Sept. 9	Jennifer Proctor
Sept. 17	Stan Rooker
Sept. 18	Debbie Stephens
Sept. 20	Dr. Clifton Howard
Sept. 23	Debbie Velasquez
Sept. 24	Tina Wood
Sept. 25	Judy Granger
Sept. 29	Dawnie Cockrell

Sunday School Lesson Schedule

Aug. 29-	Five Practices of Fruitful Living
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Sept. 26	by Robt. Schnase Facilitator: Stephanie Ayala
Oct. 3- Oct. 31	NEW Andy Stanley series Faith, Hope, and Luck Discover What You Can Expect From God Facilitator: Guy Sellers
Nov. 7	Topic: TBA Facilitator: Nellie Jordan
Nov. 14	NO SS-Fall Festival
Nov. 21	Topic: TBA Facilitator: Shirley Willis
Nov. 28	NO Sunday School ONE Worship Service w/1 st Sunday in Advent Tree Lighting
TBA	Nooma, "She" Facilitator: Tonya Moore



Tickets are on sale now for the CTC Centennial Celebration. Event tickets for the October 23 Centennial Celebration at Will Rogers Memorial Center in Ft. Worth will cover the entire day's activities including a Risky's barbecue lunch for adults and students and a hotdog lunch (including a drink & dessert) for children ages 7 and under. Numerous talent groups will perform on three stages in the Exhibit Hall. There will be special fun events for children and adults; wandering circuit riders, musicians, clowns, face painting, etc. and viewing the historical displays. This is a "CAN'T MISS" celebration for the entire family. Go to www.ctcumc.org for more information!



SAS Council

Teachers: **Various SAS Members**

Coordinator: **Tina Plunkett**
 Secretary: Lee Love
 Treasurer: Lori Doskocil
 Newsletter: Chuck Willett
 Members at Large: Open
 Founder: Judy Granger

On-Going Mission Projects:

1. Tithe \$'s to SA-UMC from SAS offerings.
2. SAS Food Pantry Project
3. SAS Participation SA-UMC Fall Festival
4. Fall School Supplies Project
5. Support SA-UMC Service Opportunities (as per our SAS Mission Statement)

For TAS event details (**NEW link**):
<http://www.ctcumc.org/pages/detail/970>
UMC Singles-Tarrant Area "Singles with Spirit"
 Click link **WEEKLY** for Webpage & Calendar

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 Please contact **Chuck Willett**

Have A Blessed Day...and Remember To Be A Blessing.

The Devil and The Duck

There was a little boy visiting his grandparents on their farm. He was given a slingshot to play with out in the woods. He practiced in the woods; but he could never hit the target. Getting a little discouraged, he headed back for dinner. As he was walking back he saw Grandma's pet duck.

Just out of impulse, he let the slingshot fly, hit the duck square in the head and killed it. He was shocked and grieved! In a panic, he hid the dead duck in the wood pile; only to see his Sister watching! Sally had seen it all, but she said nothing.

After lunch the next day Grandma said, 'Sally, let's wash the dishes.' But Sally said, 'Grandma, Johnny told me he wanted to help in the kitchen.' Then she whispered to him, 'Remember the duck?' So Johnny did the dishes. Later that day, Grandpa asked if the children wanted to go fishing and Grandma said, 'I'm sorry but I need Sally to help make supper.' Sally just smiled and said, 'well that's all right because Johnny told me he wanted to help?' She whispered again, 'Remember the duck?' So Sally went fishing and Johnny stayed to help.

After several days of Johnny doing both his chores and Sally 's; he finally couldn't stand it any longer. He came to Grandma and confessed that he had killed the duck. Grandma knelt down, gave him a hug and said, 'Sweetheart, I know... You see, I was standing at the window and I saw the whole thing, but because I love you, I forgave you. I was just wondering how long you would let Sally make a slave of you.'

Thought for the day and every day thereafter:

Whatever is in your past, whatever you have done... And the devil keeps throwing it up in your face (lying, cheating, debt, fear, bad habits, hatred, anger, bitterness, etc.)...

Whatever it is... You need to know that: God was standing at the window and He saw the whole thing.

He has seen your whole life... He wants you to know that He loves you and that you are forgiven. He's just wondering how long you will let the devil make a slave of you.

The great thing about God is that when you ask for forgiveness; He not only forgives you, but He forgets. It is by God's grace and mercy that we are saved. Go ahead and make the difference in someone's life today. Share this with a friend and always remember: **God is at the window! When Jesus died on the cross; he was thinking of you!**