

Gathering Thursday, September 9, 2010
Spring Creek Fellowship – College Park Center

Hello Community!

It's so good to be back in Texas, but I must say it is quite hot here compared to Wyoming. I'll admit I did feel I was being torn away from a dear friend when we drove past the Tetons for the last time. Thank you all for excusing us from our duties here for a little R & R. The magnificence of God's creation is so huge there. Though there is still nothing quite like a West Texas sunrise or sunset to set a fire in your bones.

I have been told by many that August's Community was well attended and a wonderful time of worship and fellowship. Thanks to the music team from MW #55 for leading praise and worship. Thank you Tim Blackshear for a moving Fourth Day Talk. Thank you Rodger and Kathryn Burch for Set up and Clean up for supper and huge thanks to Mark Hyatt for covering for me (like a blanket). It's so comforting to know that the Signal Mountain Emmaus Community is so much more than an organization, but a family that takes care of its own. Words can not express how proud I am of you or how much I love you all.

I also heard that the 2006 Reunion was very good. Glad to hear of the good turn out for WW #41 LD Joanne Sayles, MW #42 LD Robert Moore, and WW #43 LD Janice Bonds. What a wonderful way to remember these special Walks and pay tribute our dear friend Janice.

Next month we will honor the 2007 Walks. WW #44 LD Phyllis Franks, MW #45 LD Kevin Freeman, WW #46 LD Mindy Whittenburg, and MW #47 LD Carl Johansen. I personally can't wait! J

I am truly looking forward to seeing you all September 9th.

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Mindy Whittenburg

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Community Gatherings
 Spring Creek Fellowship
 2nd Thursday; supper at 6:00

Board Meetings will follow
 community meetings each month

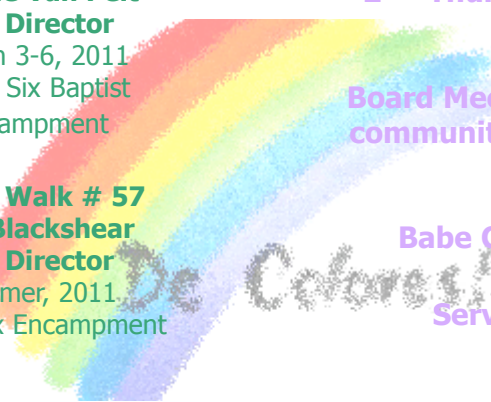
Babe Chick Meeting
 6:30
 Service at 7:00

Walk Dates

2011

Women's Walk #56
Debbie Van Pelt
 Lay Director
 March 3-6, 2011
 Circle Six Baptist
 Encampment

Men's Walk # 57
Tim Blackshear
 Lay Director
 Summer, 2011
 Circle Six Encampment



Offering Opportunity

If you would like to make an offering to SMEC, please send your check to Post Office Box 2997, Big Spring, Texas 79720, or designate your check as special offering at community.

Nametags

Scott Jimenez has graciously agreed to take orders for SMEC Name Tags. The cost is \$7. If you would like to order Name Tags please see Scott at the January meeting, please also plan to pay for the Name Tags in advance.

Covered Dish Suppers

Bring a dish to share and come to Spring Creek Fellowship in the College Park Shopping Center. This will be a great time of fellowship. Supper begins at 6:00.

Remember child care is available for all meetings at Spring Creek.

Book Table

We are accepting books for the walk book table at every community meeting. Please bring books in good condition or new books to replenish our book our Growth through Study Book Table. Books can be brought to Community Gatherings. We appreciate all the books that have been shared in the last few years. It has been a huge success.

What an awesome and orderly God we have!

For example:

- * the eggs of the potato bug hatch in 7 days;
- * those of the canary in 14 days;
- * those of the barnyard hen in 21 days;
- * the eggs of ducks and geese hatch in 28 days;
- * those of the mallard in 35 days;
- * the eggs of the parrot and the ostrich hatch in 42 days



(Notice, they are all divisible by seven, the number of days in a week!)

God's wisdom is seen in the making of an elephant. The four legs of this great beast all bend forward in the same direction. No other quadruped is so made. God planned that this animal would have a huge body, too large to live on two legs. For this reason He gave it four fulcrums so that it can rise from the ground easily.

The horse rises from the ground on its two front legs first. A cow rises from the ground with its two hind legs first. How wise the Lord is in all His works of creation!

God's wisdom is revealed in His arrangement of sections and segments, as well as in the number of grains.

*Each watermelon has an even number of stripes on the rind.

- *Each orange has an even number of segments.
- *Each ear of corn has an even number of rows.
- *Each stalk of wheat has an even number of grains.
- *Every bunch of bananas has on its lowest row an even number of bananas, and each row decreases by one, so that one row has an even number and the next row an odd number.

*The waves of the sea roll in on shore twenty-six to the minute in all

Kinds of weather.

All grains are found in even numbers on the stalks, and the Lord Specified thirty fold, sixty fold, and a hundredfold - all even numbers.

God has caused the flowers to blossom at certain specified times during the day, so that Linnaeus, the great botanist, once said that if he had a conservatory containing the right kind of soil, moisture and temperature, he could tell the time of day or night by the flowers that were open and those that were closed!

Thus the Lord in His wonderful grace can arrange the life that is Entrusted to His care in such a way that it will carry out His purposes and plans, and will be fragrant with His presence.

The lives of each of you may be ordered by the Lord in a beautiful way for His glory, if you will only entrust Him with your life. If you try to regulate your own life, it will only be a mess and a failure. Only the One Who made the brain and the heart can successfully guide them to a profitable end.

Only the God-planned safe life is successful. Only the life given over to the care of the Lord is fulfilled.

I HOPE YOU FIND THIS AS FASCINATING AS I DID. WOW!!!