

## Friendship

Looking out for number one makes sense if life is lived under the sun.

- I. Solomon would argue that loneliness follows self-absorption.
  - a. Solomon would say, “Life with a friend is better in the end.”
  - b. Ec. 4:9-12.
  - c. Our culture values the image of the rugged individualist.
    - i. To Adam – this isn’t good, he is alone.
    - ii. The ultimate proof of this is Jesus.
    - iii. When it comes to anything meaningful – two is better than one.
- II. Why is two better than one?
  - a. A friend will show up when you fall down.
    - i. This life is full of people ready to bury you when it looks like you’ve blown it.
    - ii. Prov. 27:6.
    - iii. Gal. 6:1-2. John Mark, Barnabas, and Paul – Barnabas restored Mark.
  - b. A friend will help out when you face life.
    - i. Ec. 4:11.
    - ii. What a metaphor! Sometimes life is cold.
    - iii. Prov. 18:24.
    - iv. Phil. 2:4.
    - v. 1 Kings 19:1-5, 14-19.
  - c. A friend will join in when you fight back.
    - i. Ec. 4:12.
    - ii. Prov. 17:17.

Conclusion  
That’s exactly what Jesus did  
John 15:12-13.

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**Sunday Worship** (10:00 a.m.)

**Sunday Bible Study** (9:00 a.m.)

**Wednesday Bible Study** (6:30)

**Life Groups** (Various Locations)

**Minister:**

Doug Austin

**Elders:**

Tim Dunnahoo

Wayne Fenter - Lee Rogers

Kent Taylor - David West

**Elder Chairman of the Month:**

Kent Taylor

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# The Encourager

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**Song Leader:** Kent Taylor

**Song:** 2 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah! (vs. 1)

**Welcome:** Doug Austin

**Songs:** 596 – I Love You with the Love of the Lord

1 – To God Be the Glory (vs. 1 & 3)

33 – We Praise Thee, O God (vs. 1, 4 & 5)

792 – When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder

**Communion Song:** 296 – The Old Rugged Cross (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

**Communion Offering:** Denny Gumfory

**Song:** 598 – A Common Love (all, repeat vs. 1)

**Sermon:** Doug Austin – “Friendship”

**Invitation Song:** 871 – Jesus Is Tenderly Calling (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

**Closing Song:** 807 – I’ll Fly Away (vs. 1 & 3)

**Closing Prayer:** Oscar Hernandez

**Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)**

**Christian Principles** – Tim Dunnahoo (Rm. 27)

**Young Parents** – Doug Austin (Rm. 25)

**Foundations** – Jesse McCarty & Oscar Hernandez (Sm. Fellowship)

**Revelation (Spanish Class)** – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 22)

**Jr. High/High School** – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

**JL 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade** – various classrooms, look for blue flag

**JL 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade** – various classrooms, look for red flag

**4’s, 5’s & Kinder** – Amy Joy (Rm. 12)

**2’s & 3’s** – Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)

**Nursery up through age 2** – Various teachers (Rm. 1)

**Life Group meeting times & locations:**

**Warboys Life Group meets @ 4 in Room 25**

**Morrow Life Group meets @ 4 in the couch room**

**Austin Life Group meets @ 5 at 3313 Highland**



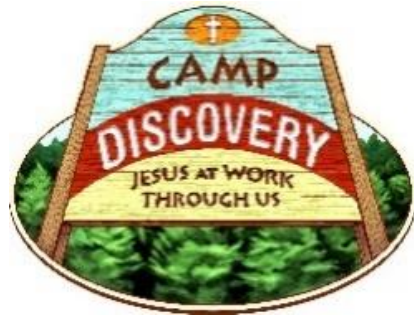
Visitors, please scan the QR code to let us know you’re worshipping with us today.  
We pray our time together is a blessing to you!

**Prayer Requests**

o Barry Carter will have melanoma surgery in Houston on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Continue in Prayer**

Anita Zuniga, Clara O’Neil, Sam & Pat Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Chris & Glenna Bertola, Mary Ann Baeza, George & Betty Vinson, Janice Bennett, Doris Rodriguez, Sharon Christian, Beverly Merritt, Arcelia Sanchez, Gale Wright



***A Note about VBS...***

To all those who have had a hand in helping to make another year of VBS a success, we thank you! We are so very grateful you chose to donate your time and talents! Your support of Vacation Bible School means so much—we were actually able to purchase 164 hardback adventure Bibles to give away! There were many thrilled kids proudly carrying their Bibles home. As we prepare for exciting plans with Vison 2030, we hope to see you at more volunteer events in the future.

**For the Record**

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class.....101/320  
Sunday AM.....224  
Weekly Contribution.....\$8,612

# Life@CCR

- Look forward to a singing devo, taking place at 6:30 p.m. next Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.
- **Doug will be out on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> (on vacation).** Brandon Reynolds will be filling in for him in the pulpit. Make plans now to join us for that Father’s Day Sunday!
- **We plan to have several open gym nights for the kids in the coming months!** For our first open gym, plan on pizza for everyone in the Small Fellowship @ 6 p.m. followed by a devo for adults and games in the gym for the kids! This will take place on June 26<sup>th</sup>.
- **We are still in need of teachers to help in our pre-Journey Land & Journey Land programs through the summer.** If you’d be willing to help on either a Sunday or Wednesday, please see Melissa Ramirez or Amy Joy.

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Then let yourself be poured.  
3-4-2019...M.D. Joy

**Week @ a Glance**  
**Celebrations & Happenings**

9 <sup>th</sup>	Bible Class @ 9 a.m. A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM, Facebook Live & YouTube.
10 <sup>th</sup>	Silvia Pacheco’s b-day.
11 <sup>th</sup>	Judy Linton, Rylie Cole, Yasmine Magana & Kiana Bailey’s b-day.
12 <sup>th</sup>	Bible Class @ 6:30 p.m.
15 <sup>th</sup>	Beccave Pacheco, Benny Wilson & Adam Ramirez’s b-day.

**Life Groups Study Guide**

Text: Ecclesiastes 4:8-12

1. What job have you tackled by yourself that you should have asked someone to help you do?
2. What is the man's status in the beginning of verse 8? What is he questioning?
3. What are the benefits of “two” in this passage?
4. How easy is it for you to allow someone to help you? Or, let someone know that you need help.
5. How is the proverb at the end of verse 12 a fitting conclusion?
6. Wrestle with the statement “a personal relationship with Jesus.” Why is this relationship important? Is it the only thing that matters? How does community fit into this relationship?

**Those Scheduled to Serve for June**

**Deacons on Duty:** Dan Montgomery, Jose Baeza, Brandon Cometti, Brian Houghtalin  
**Men on Duty:** Kevin McCormack, Thomas Beard