The Nall Call

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Student Ministry Murder Mystery

On Wednesday, October 28th the Student Ministry gathered together for their annual Murder Mystery Party. This year the theme was Once Upon a Murder and had a fairy tale flare that took place at a "mask-erade" ball. Everyone's favorite fairy tale characters were in attendance, in some fantastic costumes. Smiles and joy could be seen all evening. This event allowed for great memories to be made and opportunities for community building among the students.



More Pictures can be viewed on our Nall Avenue Baptist Church Facebook page.

Redeem the Screen

The Student Ministry will be going through a special two week study called Redeem the Screen, that will begin November 11th. "Our screens have incredible power in our lives. With the click of a button, we can connect to anyone across the globe in an instant. With a simple search, we can discover everything from today's weather forecast, to tutoring for a difficult math problem, to the ins and outs of our favorite celebrity's life. Our screens can inspire us, but they can also distract us and make us mindlessly conform to what we see. Our phones, laptops, and TVs are some of the most powerful objects in our lives. Will we let them change our life or will we use them to change the world?"

Students will meet from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the NABC Youth Room. This video series for students will walk us through Romans 12, showing us how to be transformed by Jesus. When we let Jesus transform our lives, our screens will no longer be a distraction - they will become a tool to make Jesus known all over the world. After the video lesson from pastor Kyle Idleman (author of Not a Fan) we discuss how we apply these scriptural truths to our daily lives while being a disciple and making disciples of Jesus.





Believers Must Vote by Pastor Joe Funderburk

The national election is upon us and it is time to go to the polls and vote. Unfortunately, if past statistics hold up, only about 50% - 60% of evangelicals will bother to cast their ballot. This is unacceptable and it betrays spiritual immaturity within the church. Voting is not only a civic right given to us by the constitution, but it is also a spiritual duty that God expects us to fulfill. In Deuteronomy 16 Moses tells the Israelites: "You shall appoint judges and officials for each of your tribes . . . and they shall judge the people." The term judges and officials covered all government leaders. These leaders not only were responsible for hearing cases and rendering decisions, but they set public policy and even called military men to action. Given these heavy responsibilities, they were told to look for specific qualifications. They were to be men who feared God, who were committed to the truth, and who hated dishonest gain. And they were warned: "You shall not pervert justice; you shall not show partiality; and you shall not take a bribe, for a bribe . . . subverts the cause of the righteous." When Moses commanded the Israelites to appoint leaders, he wasn't just talking to a handful of citizens who felt like getting involved but it was directed toward all of Israel. And mod-

ern Christians are under the same obligation to

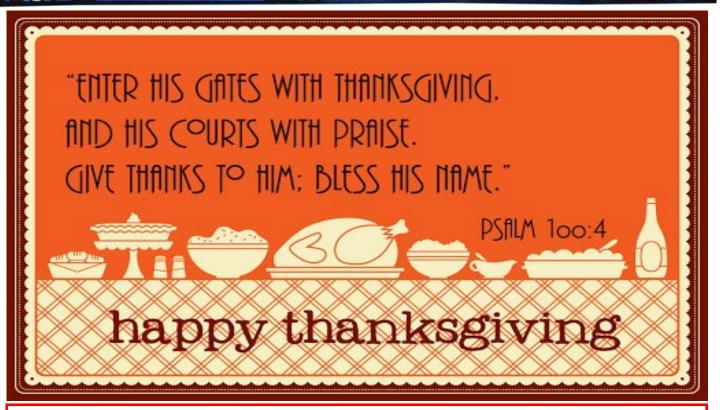
choose leaders.

The time of Moses and our own time is vastly different to be sure. But today we live in a modern republic and enjoy unparalleled freedoms, including the right as free agents to choose leaders who represent us. This responsibility is not easy and there are many things to think through in our current landscape. I believe that in matters concerning political parties, candidates, and in specific policies we are to practice Christian liberty. That means we acknowledge there are not always clear solutions. We should all value things like justice, prosperity, and equality. Defining exactly what those things



mean in our culture and then what policies will adequately address them is another matter. We will not all agree on these definitions and policies. Christian liberty demands that when there is not clear direction from God's Word that we practice humility toward one another and in our differences. There is no doubt that voting is as challenging today as it has ever been for a follower of Christ. Having said that, there simply is no excuse for those of us who refuse to take the opportunity to do our part in selecting leaders to represent us. Politics may turn you off, and I certainly understand your repulsion. You might be unsure of which candidate to vote for and find your options unappealing, and the truth is that you won't be alone in that thinking. You might not identify with either political party at the moment and have major disagreements over their policy platforms. But at the end of the day we are all responsible for doing our part. Selecting leaders offers us one of the best opportunities we have to help our country. So, take the time to pray. Take the time to learn about the party platforms, candidates, and the issues. Do your best to think on these things through the lens of Christ. Then, even if you have to hold your nose, you need to mail in your ballot or go to the ballot box and make your choices. Because choosing not to vote is a dereliction of our civic and spiritual responsibility.





Sad to say, because of COVID, this year we will not be having our Annual Thanksgiving Day Pancake Breakfast!

Deepest Sympathies

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families and friends:



Ruth Cantrell, longtime member

Church Office
Closed for
Thanksgiving!



Telephone Core Group

The Telephone Core Group Class is open and available for anyone to join. Toll Free Conference Number: 1-800-220-9875, Guest Access



Code: 31717954, dial in Sundays at 9:30 am.





Monday, November 2, 6:30
All men welcome!
Meet at Santa Fe Café
on 87th St.
No RSVP needed!



Third Monday of each month.

Our next prayer gathering will be:

Monday, November 16, 6:30 pm

All are welcome!



MOPS Cards for a Cause Fundraiser

Buy a boxed set of 30 beautiful embellished cards with matching envelopes to help MOPS at Nall Avenue Baptist Church reach their fundraising goals. \$30 for 30 cards. Buy now until 11/8. Estimated delivery date 11/15/2020. Buy online at www.nallave.org/mops or at the table in the lobby before and after services, Nov. 1 and Nov. 8.







