

REMINDER

MEN DIE IN STRANGE WAYS



People have died in peculiar, almost unbelievable ways.

Harold Lee Duncan was mowing his lawn. His wife and two children were watching. Suddenly, Duncan grabbed his left side, walked a few steps, staggered, collapsed, and then died. A half-inch long piece of wire, no bigger than a pencil lead, had been hurled into his heart by the power mower he was using. His death was sudden.

A twenty-four-year-old newspaper reporter, **Jost Lemann**, put a bottle on top of his head and asked another man to shoot it off.

J. Poetschke took aim with a .38 calibre pistol, pulled the trigger and missed. The bullet penetrated the head of Jost Lemann. He died on the spot, and the "William Tell" episode ended in a tragedy.

A little girl, **Theresa Conn**, was playing hide and seek with her dog. She hid a ball on the table and waited for her dog to find it. The large collie dog jumped up on the table to get the ball. In doing so, the steel table was upset and crashed down on Theresa's head. She was pronounced dead on arrival at the hospital; the dog unwittingly had killed her.

Carlos Umbos was fishing in Pampanga, in the Philippines. Police

reported that he opened his mouth to yawn. A fish jumped in and became stuck in his throat. He choked to death before the fish could be pulled out.

Mario Cianca entered a funeral parlor and saw a man rise with a satisfied smile from a coffin. He died of shock. Pedro Fernandez, owner of the parlor, had been measuring the coffin for a client about his own size. The shock of what he thought he saw was too much for Mario Cianca.

People have died in different, amazing ways, but the most important thing to consider is, "*Were they ready?*" How they died is not so important, but they should have been ready.

Death - with one's boots on or off-is final. To be ready is all important.

Goliath died, being hit by a stone; he was not ready for death. He had defied the God of Israel.

“. . . the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth” (I Samuel 17:49).

Stones also caused the death of **Stephen**, but he was ready. He had glorified the name of Jesus by his outstanding witness. When the stone crashed against his body, his face shone as the face of an angel. "*And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit” (Acts 7:59).*

King Saul of the Old Testament was not ready. He had disobeyed the Word of God.

Samuel told him, “. . . *to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. . . Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, he hath rejected thee. . .” (I Sam. 15:22-23).*

“. . . Saul took a sword, and fell upon it” (I Samuel 31:4).

Saul of Tarsus died by the sword, too, but he was ready when he bent his head at the command of the executioner. His testimony was, “. . . *I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith” (II Timothy 4:6,7).*

When death comes your way, friend, what matters how you die

Wire, bullet, fish, shock, stone or sword will make no difference. The big question is: *Where will you spend eternity?*

God's solemn Word is, “. . . *it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment” (Hebrews 9:27).*

He further says, "*Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord; though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool” (Isaiah 1:18).*

“. . . Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. . .” (Acts 16:31).

NURSERY MINISTRY WORKERS FOR THIS WEEK

10:50 a.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Caryn Quinnelly
Cradle Roll 2: Derek Quinnelly
6:90 p.m. Service ----- Cradle Roll 1: Kristi Hooper
Cradle Roll 2: Kelsey Moreno
Wed. Eve. Service ----- Volunteers Needed!!!

AND THE PEOPLE CAME...

Week of May 30, 2010

Sunday School ----- 24
Sunday Morning Service ----- 37
Sunday Evening Service ----- 30
Wed. Eve. Service, 06/02/10 ----- 16

AND THE PEOPLE GAVE...

Week of May 30, 2009

Undesignated Tithes & Offerings ----- \$ 763.00
Insurance Fund ----- \$ 28.00
Total Received for Week of 05/30/10: \$ 791.00

Average amount of Undesignated Offerings needed to operate the church EACH WEEK, as a minimum = \$ 1,400.00



ATTENTION LADIES!

Plan now to attend the wedding shower for

Piper Martin

Sunday, June 27, 2010

South Heights Baptist Church

Fellowship Hall

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE SAVED

1. Admit that you are a sinner.
2. Admit that God says all sins must be paid for.
3. Accept the fact that Christ took upon Himself the suffering necessary to pay for all your sins.
4. You must change your mind about sin and sinning (God calls this repentance).
5. By an act of your will, accept by faith the Lord Jesus Christ, who can save you from the penalty of sin. Then, tell God about this in a simple prayer. Believe that God keeps His promise to save you, and thank Him for His salvation.



Please Remember To Be Faithful to Give!

As with everything else, the costs of keeping a church going never go down - they always go *up*. Bills wait for no one, and churches are no exception to this. An extra, sacrificial gift today by everyone present would go a long way...

We encourage all of our membership to practice obedience to God by being faithful every payday to give back to Him His tithe (10%). *If every family in our church would practice this one simple discipline, we would never have weeks where we have to put off paying some bills until the following week!*

Everything is expensive, especially for a small church like ours, but ours is a BIG God, and He LOVES to bless His children when they are obedient to Him!

If you are already a tither, we thank you, and encourage you to also give offerings as well. If you're currently not tithing, won't you please start *today* - OK? Thank you.

Church Directory

Todd W. White ----- Pastor
Mickie Shatwell ----- Pianist
Dickie Eberle ----- Greeter, Custodian
Larry Mathews, Caryn Quinnelly, Todd W. White ----- S.S. Teachers
Larry & Mary Byars, Brian & Charity Crawford, Dwayne English ----- Outreach
Flowers ----- Hannah and Shirley White