



iv. Land. I will give this land to thy seed after thee for an everlasting possession."

*Things Jacob omitted from Abraham's covenant.*

i. Bless these who bless you.

ii. Curse your enemies.

iii. Make name great.

**d. Shared about their grandmother .**

Jacob told them about their grandmother (verse 7).

i. Your grandmother died in travel.

ii. I was there when she died.

iii. We were almost home.

iv. She was buried by the road.

**2. Four things Jacob did .**

**a. He adopted them.**

Jacob adopted them (verse 5). The boys were half Hebrew and half Egyptian.

**b. He kissed and hugged them.**

Jacob kissed and hugged them. Jacob showed his affection (verse 10).

**c. He laid hands on them.**

Jacob laid his hands on them (verse 14). The word wittingly means Jacob knew what he was doing.

**d. He blessed them.**

Jacob blessed his grandchildren (Hebrews 11:21).

*How to bless children*

Step 1: A meaningful touch.

Step 2: Blessing with a spoken word.

Step 3: Attach high value to the one being blessed.

Step 4: Picture a special future for the one being blessed.

Step 5: An active commitment to fulfilling the blessing.

**3. Four things Jacob gave .**

**a. His name .**

Jacob gave them his name. Jacob adopted the two boys (verses 5, 16).

**b. God's future .**

Jacob gave God's future to them (verses 16, 20).

**c. His love .**

Jacob gave them his love.

**d. An example .**

Jacob gave them an example of worship.

i. The position of worship (verse 12).

ii. The attitude of worship (Hebrews 11:21).

**4. Four Lessons to take away.**

**a. Be concerned .**

Grandparents should be concerned about the spiritual condition of their grandchildren.

**b. Be examples .**

Grandparents shall be a spiritual example.

**c. Share their testimony .**

Grandparents should give their testimony.

**d. Be a blessing .**

Grandparents should bless (naturally and spiritually).

**Conclusion:**

If you have never really accepted Jesus as your personal Savior, would you do it right now? Do not delay or put it off. Receive Christ by faith to take the first step in passing along the best to your grandchildren, children and all you may have the opportunity to lead to faith in Christ.

Today is the day to commit to share your story as Jacob did with the sons of Joseph. Plan what you will share with your family. Pass along the best.

### ***Pass Along the Best!***

## **God Is Not Finished with Us**

In the old days, the month of May was traditionally considered Christian Family Month in Southern Baptist Life. But today, anything goes. There isn't really a set calendar that churches follow beyond the universally observed occasions. For instance, the first Sunday in May honored Senior Adults, but after Ronald Reagan declared August 21 as National Senior Citizens Day, Southern Baptists have dropped their emphasis. Guess I'm just old fashioned or set in my ways. I still dedicate this day to you (and now me), the Senior Adults of our church and society. Here are some insights into your (our) lives.

There seems to be some confusion as to when someone is really a senior. Here are some ways to tell. You decide if these apply to you or not. *You might be a senior if:*

- . You sing along with elevator music.
- . You remember when gasoline was 26 cents per gallon.
- . You're proud of your lawnmower.
- . When you are with your friends, all you talk about are your doctor's visits.
- . You stop holding your stomach in no matter who comes into the room.
- . You have more hair in your ears than on your head.

One Senior said: "There are four advantages to getting old and forgetful: One, you meet new friends every day; two, every joke you hear is new; three, you can hide your own Easter eggs; and ... I forget the fourth thing."

Once a reporter asked an elderly gentleman, "Why, you probably remember the first girl you ever kissed." The man replied, "Sonny, I can't even remember the last girl I kissed."

Through the years, seniors have said to me that they have spent their life in service to God and now they want to retire. They want to sit back and take it easy and let the younger folks take on what needs to be done to further Gods Kingdom. The Bible tells us that we can't do that. You can't retire from God. You can't quit God. In 2 Corinthians 4 the apostle Paul shares why he preaches and why he continues even as he is getting older and is being persecuted more and more. In verses 16-18 he writes that he will never give up. He will never quit preaching and teaching and sharing the gospel with the world. He says he does this because it is so vitally important for people to know the love of Jesus Christ.

To our seniors, let me say from the bottom of my heart, I love and appreciate you. Yes, we are getting older. But your spirit is not old. God will renew and refresh our spirits daily if we will allow Him to do so.

God Bless You!

Bro. Allan

## **Opportunities For Service**

**Living out Your Spiritual Commitment... and Fulfilling Christ's Divine Plan**

**Sunday, May 7, 2017**

Choir Rehearsal..... 9:00 am

Sunday School ..... 9:15 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Nursery: Volunteers as needed  
Ushers: John Lewis, Gary Yarbrough, Joseph Coats, Isaac Waters  
Alternate: Larry McKahan

Mission Trip Meeting..... 4 pm

Evening Worship..... 6:30 pm

**Wednesday, May 10**

Prayer Warriors.....10:00 am  
Youth Study..... 6:30 pm  
Prayer / Bible Study ....6:30 pm  
Adult Choir ..... 7:30 pm

**Thursday, May 11**

R Team.....6:30 pm

**Sunday, May 14, 2017**

Choir Rehearsal.....9:00 am  
Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Nursery: Volunteers as needed  
Ushers: Larry McKahan, Bill Schottel, Isaac Waters, Ken Kirkpatirck,  
Alternate: Ken Nice

Evening Worship.....6:30 pm

**Wednesday, May 17**

Youth Bible Study.....6:30 pm  
Bible Study.....6:30 pm  
Adult Choir.....7:30 pm

**Thursday, May 18**

O Team.....6:30 pm

**Up-Coming Events.....**

**May 7 — Mission Trip Meeting 4:00 pm**

**May 10 — Prayer Warriors 10:00 am**

**May 14 — Mother's Day**

**May 21 — Food Pantry Collection Day**

— Lunch and Business Meeting at Noon

**May 22 — Worker's Meeting 6:30 pm**

— Youth Camp Forms are due

**May 29 — Memorial Day**

## **GROW Team**

Commit to **GROW!** **Everyone make a contact!** Invite someone to Bible Study and Worship this week. ☺

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**Sunday Nights**

Tonight we'll continue *Why I Believe* featuring Chip Ingram as he discusses **Life After Death** part 2.

### **Wednesday Night Prayer and Bible Study**

This week we begin a new study, *Out Live Your Life* by Max Lucado and discover how you can make a difference. Hope to see you here at 6:30 pm!

## **Mother's Day is next Sunday, May 14, 2017**

*We will honor all our ladies during the morning worship time.*

### **Mission Trip 2017**

The next meeting will be  
Today, May 7th, 4 pm at  
Calvary Baptist Church.  
Pass the word along to all  
who might be interested .

### **Prayer Warriors**

**10:00 am**

### **Wednesday, May 10 Youth Camp ...**

forms are due on  
May 22, 2017.

**Youth Camp is June 19-23.**

Campers must have completed the 7th—12th grades.

### **Children's Camp ...**

...forms will be out soon.

**Children's Camp is  
July 17-21.**

Campers must have completed the 4th—6th grades.

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER AND BUSINESS MEETING**  
Sunday, May 21,  
Immediately following the Morning Worship Service.

**Food Pantry Collection Day!**  
**May 21, 2017**

You may place your non-perishable items in the basket in the hallway at any time.

Thank You!

***For the Record-***

**Attendance: April 30, 2017**

Sunday School.....	36
Visitors.....	1
Total.....	37
Contacts Made.....	5
Morning Worship.....	45
Children's Worship.....	N/A
Wednesday Night .....	13

**Financial Record:**

Weekly Budget .....	\$ 2,040.52
Offering Received ...	\$ 1,423.28

**Offering Received by Mail:**

Eric and Shelly Thompson

**May Counting Team:**

Bill Schottel and John Lewis

**May Van Driver:**

George Burgess  
Remember to call 232-3747  
before 8 am if you need a  
ride.

**May Member Birthdays:**

03... Vicki Long  
11... Hannah Schottel  
12... Rev. A. B. Brown  
17... Arlette Duty

20... Pam Eldredge  
20... Erin Molloy  
20... Mike Green  
26... Isaac Waters

### **May Anniversaries**

Russ and Nancy McCamy  
May 22, 1982

### ***Prayer Requests ...***

Gina Harr—recovery  
Rosella Davis—Flo Conard's sister  
Pat Means—Mary Sharp's Sister  
Bill Clinton—Don and Mae's son  
Stephanie and Jason Terpack  
Mary Sharp's brother-in-law Jim  
Don and Marcia —Don's Health  
Troy Griswold—surgery recovery  
Rev. A. B. Brown  
Tracy Maisel and Tim Ford  
Juanita and Bill Haskins—adjustments  
Gary & Peggy Fewins and family  
George Ferbert—strength  
Nellie Reynolds  
Larry Danner—cancer treatment  
Cynthia Burdick—cancer recovery  
Jim Winans  
Karissa and Matt Long and family  
Betty Campbell  
Lisa Bowers—Jack and Flo's daughter  
LoLeta Middleton—strength  
Ellen Blanton and Lois Ulmer—  
Elvera's daughter & daughter-in-law  
Stella Davis and Linda Rails—Doris  
Richardson's sisters  
Madeline Swink      Ann Riddle  
Kathryn Beavers      Keon McKahan  
Louanne Laurence      Leona Reynolds  
Jozy Winans      Kenny Duty  
Kevin Duty      Buddy Means  
Bill Haskins      Debbie Sands  
Pat Puckett      Judy Anderson  
Brenda Burgess      Roscoe Lane  
Carolyn Houts      Tim Izer  
Missionaries Don and Diane Combs  
Nickolay Nazaruk, Peski 2 Church  
David and Deborah Grace  
Jeanette Swackhamer—Beja People  
Our Nation and Leaders  
Our Military Service people  
**Today's Prayer Requests ...**

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**Our Nation and our Leaders ...**

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**Five More New Families...**

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