



“Hey, about That.....”

Several years ago, late night television host Jimmy Fallon put on a segment where New York Yankees baseball fans were given an opportunity to talk trash and boo a cardboard cutout of Robinson Cano. The second-baseman had played for the Yankees, but later left for a rival team, the Seattle Mariners, who offered him a \$24 million per year contract. Cano was making his first return to New York’s Yankee Stadium as a member of the Mariners. Fallon set up a scenario whereby Yankee fans could express their feelings, talk trash, and boo the former local for having left them for a rival team.

One by one, Yankee fans expressed their feelings, booing with thumbs down, shouting to the cardboard Cano to leave New York, go back to Seattle: “Boo! You’re no longer welcome here! Bye!” “Come on Robinson! How many World Series rings does the Seattle Mariners team have? Boo! Ya’ betta’ than that!” “Boo Robinson. You should have stayed here. Winners are in New York! Not in Seattle.” Several used expletives unfitting for a church newsletter. The joke was on them, however.

After each boo-session, Fallon’s guy would have them to boo one more time, but Cano would have walked out from behind the cardboard cutout, startling the hecklers. One by one, each would instantly

change his tune, laugh, shake Cano’s hand, give him a hug, and welcome him back. “Listen. About that . . .!” “I won’t boo you. I’ll be rooting for you to, uh . . . play well, but not win.” “Hey Robinson, pleasure to meet ya’. Welcome back to New York.”

Last Sunday, I preached from Matthew 18, Jesus’ prescription for handling conflict between brothers and sisters in Christ. I noted that it is an excellent process even for families and organizations outside the Church. There are at least two ingenious dynamics about this process. First, it takes a long time – talking, listening, talking, listening, talking, and listening.

Second, it gets people talking with each other rather than about or at each other. We aren’t allowed to hide behind cardboard cutouts, social media slams, or Post-it note protests. Clearly, the Yankees fans were hurt. They felt betrayed – he loved us, but he loved money more. And yet, face to face, their “boos” became pats on the back; shaking of fists turned into shaking of hands; and “get out of New York” to “great to meet ya’.” Who is the one that has hurt you – or one you have hurt? Knock on their door. Give them a call. Start it this way: “Hey, about that . . .”

Happy Reconciliation!

Pastor Leonard

ADULTS

Wednesday Night September 20

Menu

Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Banana Pudding

Bible Study

Led by Greg Edwards

First Place 4 Health Tuesdays, 5:30 p.m. Church Conference Room

Communion Sunday, October 1 10:30 a.m.



Find Your Place Ministry Fair Sunday, October 8 9:15-10:15 and 11:30-12:30

The Ministry Fair is an opportunity for you to learn more about the many ministries here at BBC. There will be booths set up with information and visuals to help you “find your place” and get involved!

EXTENDED TEACHING CARE

With the beginning of a new school year, we have an urgent need for more adults and teens to serve on an ETC team as we now have four classes instead of three. Please call the church office to help with this important ministry.

Holy Grill September 18-22 11:30 a.m.

We have nobody signed up on Wednesday and Friday. Please call the church office if you can help.

A Missing Piece

Help for those dealing with grief and loss

The next meeting will be held at la Madeleine restaurant, 7615 Jefferson Highway, on Thursday, September 21 at 9:30 a.m. The group will continue to meet on the third Thursday of each month.

Save the Date! Newcomer Ministry Fall Fellowship Sunday, October 1

We will gather immediately following Worship in the Activities Hall.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

BRG Bluebonnet Sylvia Middlebrook

Ollie Steel Burden Juanita Matherne

OLOL Alice Thornhill

Home from the Hospital Wayne Purdom

In Loving Memory Mrs. Ruth Phelps *united with this church on October 10, 1971 and departed this life on September 8, 2017.*

Sympathy We extend our sincere sympathy to: Mrs. Noemi Goloyugo on the death of her husband.

Barbara and Jim Dasch on the death of his father.

Candy and Bob Epperson on the death of her brother-in-law.

In Appreciation Words of sincere appreciation have been received from **The Mitchell family.**

MEETINGS

Deacons Meeting Sunday, September 17 5:00 p.m., SDR

Education Committee Sunday, September 24 4:30 p.m. Conference Room

Trustees Meeting Monday, October 9 6 p.m.

Committee on Committees Wednesday, September 20 Conference Room

Newcomer Ministry Team Monday, September 25 6:00 p.m., SDR

CALENDAR

Thursday, September 14

10:00 A BBQilters

Friday, September 15

9:00 A Yoga

Saturday, September 16

5:30 P College Group Social

7:00 P Youth Bowling, Premier Lanes in Gonzales

Sunday, September 17

9:00 A Library Opens

9:15 A Sunday School

10:30 A Worship

Extended Teaching Care

Sarah Mullen, Sam Oakley, Nicole Patton, Ainsley & Jack Nunneley

5:00 P Youth Choir

Deacons Meeting, SDR

5:45 P Belles and Beaux

6:00 P Youth Bible Study

Monday, September 18

11:30 A Holy Grill

Tuesday, September 19

9:30 A Yoga

11:30 A Holy Grill

5:30 P First Place for Health

Wednesday, September 20

7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast

11:30 A Holy Grill

5:15 P Church Family Dinner

6:00 P Chapel Bells (1st-5th)

Youth Bible Study
Committee on Committees Meeting

6:15 P Adult Bible Study

7:00 P Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, September 21

9:30 A A Missing Piece

10:00 A BBQilters

11:30 A Holy Grill

Friday, September 22

9:00 A Yoga

11:30 A Holy Grill

LLL Potluck, CAH

Saturday, September 23

9:00 A First Place Nutrition Workshop, Upper Room

LLL

Friday, September 22

Potluck Luncheon

11:30 a.m., CAH

Fried chicken will be provided, please bring a side dish or desert to share. Monica Taylor with the Louisiana Attorney General's Office will speak on elder fraud.

Thursday, October 12

LIGO Livingston

Observatory

Lunch to be decided

Friday, November 17

Potluck Luncheon

11:30 a.m., CAH

Guest Musicians:

The Foto Sisters

December 2017

Christmas in the Oaks

New Orleans City Park

Date to be decided

January 26

Potluck Luncheon

11:30 a.m., CAH

Guest Musicians: Randy

Gurie & the Celebration

Gospel Quartet

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Holy Grill



September 18-22

11:30 a.m.

Please sign up in the church office.

Youth Bowling



Saturday, September 16

7-10 p.m.

Premier Lanes in Gonzales