

Our Church Family

At Home

Kevin Avery Alice Barrett Dorris Doyle
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Margaret VanHorn

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In the Hospital

Billy Shafer **St John Medical Center**

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Happy Birthday!

April 27 Dorris Doyle (95 Years)

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New Sermon Series Begins—He Taught in Parables

The Sunday morning messages over the next few weeks will center on a thematic look at the parables of Jesus. A parable is often defined as an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. The parables deal with matters of family, business relations, money, spiritual priorities, moral commitments. How do the parables speak to us today?

FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 1,736.00
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Reflections

Teachers are a whole lot like people. One day I saw my first-grade teacher, Mrs. Thompson, at the grocery store. I thought it was strange. Why would she be at the store? In the ninth grade I was shocked one night at church when my science teacher, Mr. Mashburn, turned out to be one of the guest soloists at the Christmas Cantata. Right then I had this incredible insight—schoolteachers must be people too. Some of us take a little longer to discover the obvious. My favorite teacher was Mrs. Evans. She taught fourth grade.

Do you remember the rule about not chewing gum at school? Mrs. Evans explained it this way: “Do as I say, not as I do.” She always chewed bubblegum after lunch. Sometimes she forgot to throw it away before class. She told us that the real reason we could not chew gum at school was because some children did not throw away their gum properly. She made us look under our desks. Petrified gum and freshly chewed gum can be easily distinguished. Her solution was Lifesaver mints every day after lunch for everyone. Mrs. Evans also taught us how to read with understanding. It was one thing to read the words, she said, it was quite something else to understand the “intent and content” of a book or story. She opened my world. Also, she could blow the biggest bubbles with her gum.

I liked some of my teachers more than others. I preferred the explainers, challengers and encouragers, but I have been shaped by each of my teachers. I have worked with public school teachers and principals now all my adult life, from homeroom parent to community board member. The teachers I know live for those moments of insight and understanding. They rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. Teachers prepare, plan and provide, over-and-above all that they can, so their students will catch the joy of life and discover their own dreams for tomorrow. As the school year rapidly comes to its conclusion next month, be mindful of the teachers who sacrifice so much in order to make our world a better place.

Keep healthy. Pray mightily. Enjoy your life today. Thank the teachers you know. And let’s experience the love and power of God together.

Bro. Darryl

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SUNDAY, APRIL 19
10:00 a.m. He Taught in Parables
Matthew 7:28-29

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at his teaching ... as one
who had authority.”

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning	
Continental Breakfast	9:20 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Bible Study & Conversation	11:15 a.m.
Wednesday Evening	5:00 p.m.
The Clothes Closet Ministry	
Community Dinner	
Prayer Service	6:30 p.m.

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