

**What's in your wallet?**

Sam Houston was one of the most colorful men in history. Born on March 3, 1793 in Timber Ridge Church, Virginia, his family moved to Tennessee when he was fourteen. He lived four years with the Cherokee Indians and was "adopted" by them. He served in the Army and was wounded in the War of 1812. He was a Congressman and Governor of Tennessee. He moved to Texas and led the revolt of Texas's independence from Mexico. He was President of the Texas Republic twice. Once Texas entered the Union, he served as its Governor and U.S. Senator.

He came to accept Christ as his Savior late in life. He went to a stream for baptism and there he was reminded to remove personal valuables before he went into the water. He took off his glasses, removed some papers from his pocket, and handed over his watch. The pastor asked him whether he didn't want to remove his billfold lest his money become wet and unfit for use. Houston replied, "In my observation, if there is any part of the church member that needs baptism more than any other, it would be the billfold." So he was baptized with his wallet.

## Finance news.

Our expenses are on target. At the end of October our projected expenses were approximately \$190,000 our actual expenses were approximately \$188,000.

Our pledged income is \$15,000 below budget at the end of October. Please catch up with your pledge if you are able.



## Angel Tree

There are angels on our tree waiting to bring children Christian love and hope. We have four little girls from the Salvation Army needing warm cloths and a little fun gift also. The gifts are due no later than December 13. The Salvation Army needs them by Monday, December 14. Bring your gift unwrapped with your angel attached. If we have boxes made, you can put them in each child's box.

We also have two little angel boys from the nearby community who want some fun gifts from Santa. These gifts will be wrapped with their angel attached and we need these no later than Sunday, December 20.

Thank you all for your generous and caring hearts.