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FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS

In the Sunday auditorium class, Jet has been leading us through a study of Solomon's request to God for wisdom. Although the wisdom he receives is vast, it might be summed up in Ecclesiastes 12:13. In his book, *The Need for Revival*, Jimmy Allen explains the impact of that verse.

"What is the reason for the short life we experience between life and death? Solomon answered that question when he wrote, 'Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.' Man's whole duty is to 'Fear God and keep His commandments.' The original language is stronger. It says serving the Lord is 'whole of man.' In other words, the one who does not fear God lacks wholeness. He misses abundance. The ingredient necessary for full development is absent. There is a void in his life. We have been given being to serve God, and that is our only reason for existence."

If you start to push back when you hear something is the only reason you exist, just consider how many meaningful things in our Christian walk might fall under the umbrella of "Fear God and keep His commandments." This is not just about the "Thou shalt not" commandments. This is the daily life of a Christian.

In the church: "Fear God and keep His commandments." Be present. Be involved. Be generous. Volunteer to serve. Be open. Be encouraging.

In the workplace: "Fear God and keep His commandments." Work with integrity. Be a team player. Go the second mile. Be an example. Treat employers or employees well.

At school: "Fear God and keep His commandments." Be honest. Be respectful. Work hard. Learn new things. Watch out for those who are overlooked. Use kind words.

In the home: "Fear God and keep His commandments." Love your wife. Respect your husband. Obey your parents. Discipline with love. Listen more. Spend time together.

In your Christian walk: "Fear God and keep His commandments." Take time alone. "Be still and know." Be in the word. "Pray without ceasing." Keep growing and maturing.

The beginning of a whole life and a holy life is this: "Fear God and keep His commandments."

- Brian

August 18, 2024



Elders

Jeff Butler

Greg Hatton

David Hendricks

Richard Howard

Brent Lowe

Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis

David Dirrim

Thorin Turner

Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

Family Matters

Shari Todd had a procedure done Monday in Norman. Please keep her in your prayers.

Will Lampkin will have double ACL replacement and bilateral meniscus repair on Monday. Please keep him in your prayers.

Glenda McGuire Britt, a friend of Pam Kite, has asked for prayers due to a delicate surgery that she had done this week.

Sue Ogle was taken to the ER Sunday after falling and hitting her head. She has a concussion and also broke her foot. Please keep her in your prayers.

Paula Sturdevant had surgery in Norman on Monday. The surgery went well. Please keep her in your prayers.

I want to thank everyone that helped me Sunday when I fell. I appreciate everyone's sincere concern and phone calls. In Christian Love, Sue Ogle

Southwest Family, We are so thankful for the love and support and acts of generosity and kindness that was shown to us during our loss. Thank you for the cards, calls, food, visits and hugs. Thank you to Brian and Jeff for their thoughtful words during Bruce's service. It is a blessing to be part of this family. Family of Bruce Huddleston



All ladies are invited: Join us in celebrating Taelin Paige Turner on Sunday, **August 25**, at 3pm at the fellowship building at Southwest Church of Christ.

The Golden Doers lunch will be starting up on Sunday, **September 8th**.

The Wednesday Night for the Master meal will begin on **September 11th**. There will be more information about both of them to come in future bulletins.

1 Thessalonians 5:17
"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for...

Lea Crain, Arles Wells, Mary Barrett, Jana & Stacey Stewart, Barbara Cannon, Paula Hatton, Ken & Wanda Roper, Leon Hughey, Myrtie Clarke, Nash Gilliam, Betty Gerth, Barbara Hataway, Sherry Price, Dona Phippen, Barbara Lewis, Randy Hall, Ronald Trent, Sue Silkey, Shirley Love, Gerald Joliff, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Perry, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson and Thayne Consequellos.

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

The Ladies Prayer Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 4pm. They will meet next on **August 25th**.



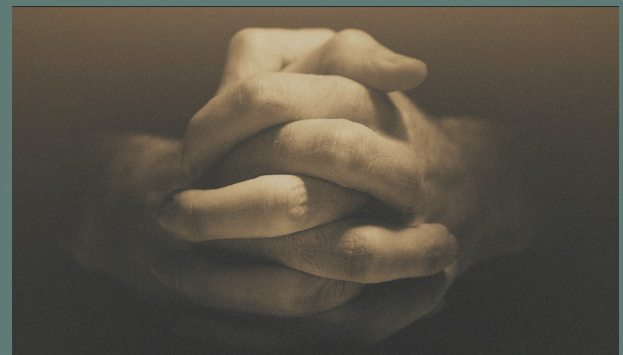
The Yellow House will hand out food on Monday, **August 26th**, from 8am - 10am. Helpers this month are: Chuck Love, Scott Estes, Mark & Cindy Coleman, Carolyn Pults, Janna Byrd, Donna Duncan, Tommy Myers, &

Glenn Ogle. **The food for the Yellow House will be picked up and sacked on the morning of Wednesday, August 21st.** If you are listed to help this month, but are unable to, please contact Chuck Love.

Tuesday morning ladies' Bible class will begin on **September 3rd**, at 10am in the fellowship building.

Meals On Wheels week will be **September 9th - 13th**. Those helping this time are: Tommy Myers, Bill Young, Don Kite, Dub Borders, & Chuck Love.

Ladies' Night at Little is **September 6th** and **Men's Day at Northside church of Christ** in Bonham, TX is **September 28th**. More information is on the board by the welcome desk.



WHEN JESUS
PRAYS

2024 SOUTHWEST SUMMER SERIES



AUGUST 21

JESS FLORENCE

BLANCHARD, OK

MARK 1:35 & LUKE 5:16

18 UPCOMING EVENTS

August at a Glance

- 01-02 Eagle's Camp
- 03 School Supply Drive
- 04 Elders/Deacons/Ministers Meet,
Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 05 AWTG (Eastside)
- 06 Widower's Breakfast
- 09-11 College Group Float Trip
- 11 Ladies Pr. Grp, Youth Meal/Fell.
- 18 Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 19 College Howdy Week
- 21 Yellow House Food Pick Up
- 25 Turner Baby Shower, Ladies
Pr. Grp, Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 26 Yellow House
- 28 Summer Series Ends
- 29 Youth Hm. Bible Study Begins



TEENS AND YOUTH

August 18th

Youth Group Meal
& Fellowship

Sign up sheets

are at the welcome desk for those who would like to host a Thursday night home Bible study for the youth group.

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Heaven Allen Hunter Wilson
Michale Perry Clay Wilson Jr.
Josh Higginbottom
Frank Holsapple Jr.

Birthdays of the Month

- 08/19 Elizabeth Adams
- 08/21 Greg Chilcoat
- 08/22 Fisher Fulton,
Amy Graham
- 08/24 Shelby Andrews,
Donna Duncan

Happy Anniversary

- 08/18 Butch & Denise Platt
- 08/21 Jack & Jill Frye



Howdy Week Meal Schedule

- 8/19 (Taco Bar)
Stacey Lewis & Deb Provence
- 8/20 (Pizza)
Jena Nickell & Diana Hatton
- 8/22 (Italian Night)
Dee Hensley

Sign up sheets

are at the welcome desk for those who would like to help with the Thursday night college meals & devos.

Bible Classes

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Adults

Jet McCoy
Auditorium
Jeff Butler
1 Timothy
Room 100

David Dirrim

Adult Bible Class
Fellowship Building

Drew Adams & Brad Trezell
God Didn't Say That
Room 111

College Group

Kyle Wilson
Room 107

Youth Group

Thorin Turner
Room 101

Elementary

5th - 6th grades: Room 104
2nd - 4th Grades: Room 102
K - 1st Grade: Room 105

Preschool

3's & 4's: Room 112
Toddlers: Room 114
Babies: Room 113

For the Record: 08/11/2024

Bible Study	156
AM Assembly	193
PM Assembly	119
Wednesday PM	190
Contributions	\$13,733
Budget	\$13,777

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday Morning:

Song Leader: Kyle Wilson
Opening Prayer: Jeff Butler
Closing Prayer: John Eck
Scripture Reading: Trenton Hensley
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Dusty Dennis
Communion: Matt Bryant, Brett Butler,
Dusty Dennis, Joe Dirrim, Casey Farrar,
Drew Graham, Todd Martin, Keith Nail
Alternate Communion: Drew Adams & Jared Hudson
Balcony Communion: James Bryant & Chuck Love
Nursing Home Communion: Mark Coleman
Attendance Counter: Hunter Nickell
Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: Kevin Graham
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Caleb Estes
Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Cody Frye & Trevin Vass
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Toker Dennis & Garrett Hatton
Welcome Desk (August): Greg & Diana Hatton
Greeters (August): Quaid & Amy C. & Kellie H. & Juanita S.

Sunday Evening:

Song Leader: Beau Griffin
Opening Prayer: Kerry White
Closing Prayer: Greg Hatton
Attendance Counter: Jared Griffin
Communion: Trent Barrett & Justin Lane

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: David Dirrim
Announcements/Opening Prayer: David Dirrim
Closing Prayer: Will Lampkin
Summer Series Speaker: Jess Florence
Attendance Counting: Keith Nail
Safety Team Walk: Brad Butler
Safety Team Camera: Nathan Lewis

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome
Bind Us Together
Scripture Reading: James 5:16
Prayer
You Are the Words and the Music
Sanctuary
In Christ Alone
Thoughts From the Cross: Dusty Dennis
Tell Me the Story of Jesus
Lord's Supper
Seek Ye First
Contribution
Glory Land Way
A.M. Lesson: Confession & Guidance
There's a Fountain Free
Announcements
Lord, Reign in Me
Prayer

P.M. Lesson: Pride

An elder and his wife are available in the classroom of the middle hallway of the building during each invitation.
Shepherd for August: David Hendricks
Supporting Shepherd & Wife: Richard & Camille Howard

August Contribution Counters:
Tommy Vass, Caleb Estes, Brad Butler

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ONLINE GIVING



Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

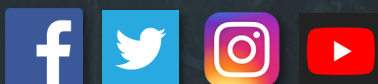
Ladies Bible Class - 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Classes - 6:30 p.m.

Worship & Classes Online

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