

Have you gotten past the discipline stage of reading the Bible (gutting it out because you know you should) to the delighted stage (actually wanting to read it, even craving it)? The more we fill our minds with God's Word, the more our faith can grow. When we fill our minds with other things and entertainment what happens to our faith? When we fill our minds with everything but God's Word, our faith will falter or even wither. According to Romans 12:2, your transformation comes "by the renewal of your mind." What are you putting into your mind? Human words don't build faith; God's do then *Practice genuine prayer*. Faith comes through genuine prayer, heartfelt prayer, laying hold of God by faith. "Prayer has incredible power to build your faith. When you are filled with anxiety, concerns, or burdens, pray. Get by yourself and in the simplest language you know, talk to your Father about it. Through genuine, heartfelt prayer, you can exchange your anxiety for faith. So for all those who want their faith to keep growing—believe that your faith can increase, expose your mind to God's Word, and genuinely pray. You might begin by asking the Lord, as the apostles did to have him help "Increase our faith."



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We want to take the time to thank you for being here today to worship our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. If you are visiting us we are so glad you are here and invite you back the next time you are able. If you are visiting please remain after services a brief moment so we might get the chance of meeting you in person and if you are able please stay and be our guest at our monthly luncheon following services over at the SLC building behind the parking lot. Again WELCOME

If you have a question of us, want to set up a personal or group bible study, looking for a church home or are in need of assistance please meet with us on how we may help you. Also everyone please stay for our monthly fellowship luncheon it's a great time to meet up with one another with such a occasion. We also want to welcome Jim Corner and his wife who will give a mission presentation with his work during bible class today. Feel free to ask him any questions you might have after services.

As our campaign went out these last weeks we sent out our invitation post-cards to the sum of 5,000 households in the area we have been inviting those along with many of us to Discover Faith and finding out truly what faith is and how its used this fall as our focus. Today we will see how faith is ACTION. James in his writing pointed that out. We are also told in Ephesians 6 to "Take Up" the shield of faith. Faith is action and not just a feeling we get or have as defined in society today. Today our reference will come from Ephesians chapter 6.

Worship And Study Opportunities

Sunday:
Bible School.....9:30 A.M
Worship.....10:30 A.M
Evening Worship....6:00 P.M

Wednesday:
Ladies Bible Class.....10:30 A.M.
Mid-Week Bible Class....7:00 P.M.

ELDER OF THE MONTH:.....Eric Sharum

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.....Eric Sharum

RECORDS OF THE WEEK

Bible School:56
Morning Worship:89
Evening Worship:37
Mid-Week:41
Ladies Class:15
Contribution:\$3,382.00
Weekly Budget:\$3,908.00

THOSE WHO SERVE:

Sunday Morning:

Opening Prayer:.....Bryan Cain
Closing Prayer:Jerry Golson

Scripture:Eric Sharum

Sunday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Weldon Flanagan
Closing Prayer:Ed Valdez

Wednesday Evening:

Opening Prayer:Eric Sharum
Closing Prayer:Joshua Sharum

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If you would like to see a past sermon you can go to our
web site and click on the weekly sermons tab.

PRAYERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOW-

ING: Jean Leverett had tests run and found out on Wednesday it is cancerous and will have a procedure next week. Claudine Bolton, Leroy & Pat Horn, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie & Sue Peddy and Jerrie Williams the niece of Roy Don & Letha who is in Southwestern Hospital.

LUNCHEON this Sunday, September 20th after the morning service at the Student Learning Center. Everyone make plans to attend.

THANK YOU NOTE: Thank you for your patience and never ending prayers for me this past year. They were greatly appreciated. Also thanks for the flowers the many cards, food and visits. Hope to be back soon. In Christian love Claudine & J.L. Bolton and James and Barbara Bolton.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 18 - Denice Ross
- 22 - Danny Shook
- 23 - Debbie Brandon
- 25 - James Bolton

GOSPEL MEETING: Joe Wells will be at the Sullivan Village Church of Christ September 20-23. His topic will be the “Ones” of Ephesians 4:4-6, Monday-Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

FALL FOCUS 2015 - Camp Lu-Jo KISMIF - October 16-18th - Cost \$50 - For 7-12th Grades: The flyer is posted on the bulletin board in the back hall.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS - Saturday, October 24, 2015 - 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. - Northwest Church Of Christ Ladies Day - Speaker: Stephani Minor from Kingfisher, Oklahoma - Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. - lunch provided - Please RSVP with number attending by 10/17/15. We hope you can join us!

LITTLE THINGS

Did I forget to thank Thee, Lord?
For things that may seem small:
A flower by the wayside,
A wild bird’s lonely call;
For all the daily happenings
That we call commonplace;
For autumn and for sunsets,
And a neighbor’s smiling face?

For life is made of little things
So let me not forget
To count my smallest blessings,
And before the sun is set,
To thank Thee, Lord, for every one
That add a note of cheer,
And our blessings will be multiplied
Before another year.

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, J.L. & Claudine Bolton, Kenneth Gregory, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy & Pat Horn, Brad & LaDonna McKinzie, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Velma Shook, Lesley Wirt, Dwaine Zacharias, Randy Hill, Glenda Kinney, James Marcum & Nathan McBride.

EXTENDED CARE:

Kenneth Gregory is in Willow Park in room 14 B

Joyce Ray is in Cedar Crest in room 115.

In Case You Missed It

The apostles said to the Lord, “Increase our faith” (Luke 17:5, ESV) Have you ever felt like your faith is small? Perhaps you wish you could do more or be more. Maybe when you look around you, its everyone else that has BIG FAITH, while yours isn’t. If you feel that way then consider some things you can do that will immediately begin to grow your faith. 1. Believe that your faith can increase. Every Christian has been given “a measure of faith” (Romans 12:3). While each of us has been given a certain capacity to believe, it can increase. Isn’t that great news? Consider Peter. Remember what Peter was like in the Gospels? He tried hard but failed, said the wrong thing at the wrong time, and kept messing up at critical moments. Peter was the one who swore loyalty to Jesus then denied even knowing Him (Mark 14:26-31, 66-72). Peter was the one who followed Jesus after His arrest but only from a safe distance (Mark 14:54). When Peter tried walking on the water, he sank, and Jesus called him, “O you of little faith” (Matthew 14:31). Yes, Peter had little faith and a lot of growing to do, but he made one good decision: He followed Jesus’ instructions, went to that upper room and waited for the Holy Spirit to come and fill him. When the Spirit of God filled Peter in response to his faith, he was transformed. He preached boldly, and three thousand people were saved. Peter became such a powerful, faith-filled man that Acts 5:15 reports that people “even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them.” Peter was a changed man, transformed by the power of the Spirit through faith. Do you want Peter-size faith? Believe that your faith can increase, and then Expose your mind to God’s Word. “So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ” (Romans 10:17). Faith can’t grow without the soil of God’s Word. Have you learned yet to love the Word of God? “Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts” (Jeremiah 15:16). Is your mind in God’s Word?

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