"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance"

GALATIANS 5:22-23



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A warm welcome to each of you today as we come together to worship the Lord! If you are visiting we hope you have felt welcomed and hope we see you again soon. If you are visiting us today we would also ask if you would remain after services so we might get the chance of meeting you in person. If anyone has a question of us, looking for a church home, wanting to set up a bible study or are in need of assistance please visit with us we would love the opportunity of serving you.

They call it the "Hustle and Bustle" of the season. It sure feels like it, running here and doing that. Invitations seem to take us everywhere these next two weeks. Take time to enjoy this time of year with family and friends.

It has been my desire to help strengthen and build you up as we continue our walk with Him. Because having a relationship with Jesus Christ is the single most important relationship one can have and it's the one thing God has wanted since the beginning "Relationship" But its not forced upon us, He wants us to desire that for ourselves. How is your Relationship with Him? Has it become stale? Is it vibrant and growing? It's a simple question and our answers will differ. Lets see where we go from here and how we can further build upon the greatest relationship ever!

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 MONTHBrad McKinz
ANNOUNCEMENTS:Glen Wample
RECORDS OF THE WEEK
Bible School: 5 Morning Worship: 8 Evening Worship: 3 Mid-Week: 3 Ladies Class: 5 Contribution: \$3,788.0 Weekly Budget: \$4,084.0
THOSE WHO SERVE:
Sunday Morning:
Opening Prayer:
Scripture: Bryan Cai
Sunday Evening:
Opening Prayer:
Wednesday Evening:
Opening Prayer: James Brenna Closing Prayer: Joshua Sharun
If you would like to see a past sermon you can ge to our web site and click on the weekly sermon
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tab.

PRAYERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOW-

ING: Weldon Flanagan will be having surgery on December 17th. Sue Peddy's daughter, Beckie, will be having foot surgery this month. David Kelsey's mother fell and has been in the hospital. Jennie Montague has asked for prayers.

BAPTIZED: Jesse Balderas was baptized last Tuesday after he was released from prison and before he left to go to Dallas Texas. Eric has been visiting with Jessie the last few months.

THANK YOU NOTE: Dearest Brothers & Sisters, Thank you for the pretty plant. But most of all, thank you for your love, prayers, cards & many other acts of kindness & encouragement shown to my family and to me during my illness. You all have no idea how much you've been a part of my healing process. I love each of you! Karla & family

THANK YOU NOTE: Dear Church family, Thank you so much for the beautiful peace lily and the cards, prayers and thoughtfulness. In Christian love, The Sue Peddy family

THANK YOU NOTE: Dear church, Thank you for the pretty house plant that you sent when I came home from the hospital. Thank you most of all for praying for me and loving us through the years. Love, Levada Wampler

THANK YOU NOTE: Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ, Thank you for all of your prayers for the safe delivery of our precious Marli. She is an answer to so many prayers. Thank you for remembering to keep her lifted up in prayers and for all the prayers for Nicole and her pregnancy. We are so blessed to have you as a part of our family. Love, Gilley, Courtney & Ally

FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY: Everyone is invited to the Family Christmas Party this Saturday, December 13th, at 6:00 p.m. at the Student Learning Center. Bring your favorite holiday or pot luck dish and an inexpensive gift to exchange. Everyone make plans to attend.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 13 Eric Sharum
- 16 Tony Salas
- 20 Dolores Flanagan
- 26 Jimi Holliday
- 26 Dana Parrish
- 27 Kathy Cain
- 27 Glen Wampler
- 31 Jerry Doughty

CONTINUED PRAYER LIST: Roy Bennett, Debbie Bowden, Joslyn Burch, Kenneth Gregory, Kaiden Higgins, Leroy & Pat Horn, Brad & La-Donna McKinzie, Karla McLaury, Bobbie Mullins, Letha Owens, Jean Parrish, Sue Peddy, Kenny Richardson, Marie Sexton, Velma Shook, Beckie Wiseman, Dwaine Zacharias, Kim Warren, Eric's sister Nikki & uncle Al, and Nicole Hall during her pregnancy.

JESUS ESSENTIAL FOR ETERNAL LIFE

A person can go to heaven without health, wealth, fame, learning, culture, or beauty. But he can't go to heaven without Christ. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6)

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In Case You Missed It

Colossians 1:15-18

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. 18 And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

Just about every Hebrew prayer begins by saying, Blessed are you O Lord our God, King of the Universe. Now think about it, King of the Universe! The dictionary defines "universe" as, "the composition of all the planets, stars, galaxies, the contents of intergalactic space, and all matter and energy". That's a lot to be King over! So He's the King over hundreds of billions and billions of stars, and hundreds of millions more of galaxies — the King of everything! Now considering this it might make this King seem somewhat "out of reach" for you and me. But He's not. Because this King decided to walk into His universe as a human being so that He could relate to us better. He's big. Bigger than you can imagine. But He's also accessible because He made Himself small too and scripture points out a little less than the angels. So, don't worry. The distance and size of God are not a problem for Him or for you. He knows and understands all your thoughts, worries, your fears, your anxieties and your troubles! And "if God is for us, who can be against us?" So have this peace of mine because He truly is — the King of the Universe, but He's also as close as your best and closest friend.