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“Serving others as we serve Jesus.”



Scott McFarland
Minister

Sunday

Bible Class.....9:00 a.m.

Worship.....10:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Bible Class....6:00 p.m.

Elders

Jeff Bettinger
Bob Burrow
Keith Jones
Duane Landefeld
Brian Rose



Keith Jones
Family Life Minister

Wednesday

Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.

Deacons

Ronnie Beardmore
Eric Carothers
Dan Christman
Ned Day
Mark Henthorn
Shawn Howell

Butch Lallathin
Brent McConnell
Jeff Seidler
Howard Spengler
Jesse Stalder
Dan Watkins

Prayer Requests

John Ackerman, upcoming heart procedure; Sue Fussell, eye surgery; Dan Fussell, recovery from a back procedure; Marilyn Martin; Marie Rose; Kelly Jones, recovery from pneumonia (Gary & Bev Jones niece); Sharon Workman, upcoming surgery; those battling COVID; the widows of the congregation.

Those battling cancer – Dan Watkins; Sue Thornberry (friend of Bev Jones); Tammy Carter (friend of John Ackerman); Misty Robinson (friend of Alice Keylor); Pam Jones, stage 4 pancreatic cancer (J.D. Wiley's sister-in-law); Dave Hamilton (friend of J.D. Wiley); Nina Christman.

Praise Report

Mark Henthorn received a good report from the biopsy, it is not cancer. He will have a follow up appointment in 6 months.

*** Please update the office of any changes to those on the prayer list.** We update the prayer list periodically, removing names if we have not received recent updates on that person.

Pregnancies

Kelci Harmon and Kirsten Rouse, for their health and the health of the children they are carrying.

Church of Christ Disaster Relief Update

Currently Church of Christ Disaster Relief efforts are sending supplies to the following areas and disasters: Virginia due to flooding; Kansas, Michigan, Oklahoma, Texas due to tornadoes; Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee (appliances and furniture) due to flooding and tornadoes. Recently they sent supplies to Colorado, New Mexico, and Texas due to forest fires. They are prepared to send more shipments of food, baby supplies, cleaning products, personal care items, water, appliances, bedding and other much needed supplies to victims of disasters as needed.

When Life Isn't Fair...

"Life's not fair." I remember my parents saying that growing up. Life is filled with disappointments and hardships. We often repeat that phrase to our children, sometimes jokingly, but also seriously because we are trying to prepare them for the inevitable disappointments in life. We might even quietly think or feel God's not fair. We wouldn't want to say that out loud, but the truth is that most people, at some point in life, feel that way. We feel we have the just or fair solution to a problem and when it doesn't happen, we feel as though God has failed us. We know God is just and fair, right? Or at least that's what we've been told our whole lives. So, why didn't He _____? We thought things were going _____ and they ended up _____. You can fill in the blanks with your own experiences.

I was thinking about this the other day. I have thought about it a lot in the last couple years after my dad's passing, and it comes up again whenever someone I know or love is going through a "not fair" moment in life. I don't pretend to have all the answers, but I wanted to share a thought that has helped me. We tend to view life as a finite existence—we have a birth date and a death date. Everything in between those dates is our "life." We judge our experiences in between those birth and death dates by a set of standards—our standards—of fairness and equity. If we avoid _____ and experience _____, then we've had a good life. If we have too many difficult experiences and disappointments—especially when not brought on by anything of our own doing—then we consider our life to have encountered unfairness and injustice. "Life's not fair" we say. And, we might even whisper quietly to ourselves, "God's not fair."

Except, that's not the way God views "life." Our lives were always created to be eternal. From the beginning, in the Garden of Eden God placed the Tree of Life, to be eaten from and enjoyed forever. There was a beginning, but no end. Then sin changed the Garden. Except, the eternity of life didn't change. Yes, we die, but only partially. Life is still eternal, and our "life" here is only one part of the eternal whole. It isn't exactly accurate to depict "life" as being fair or unfair based on one part of an eternal whole. The reality is that our lives will continue after this existence and—in Christ—we will eventually experience true life again, the way it was always intended to be. A wholistic view of life, not just one part of it between a birth and a death, helps me deal better with the unfair parts of this current existence. In Christ, those unfair things will eventually be reconciled and done away with. We will eventually experience fairness and justice; it may just take a little bit longer than we want. By the way, in John's vision at the end of Revelation of eternity, you know what shows up again? The Tree of Life.

August 7, 2022

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

July 31, 2022

Sunday Morning Bible Classes	81
Attendance at the building	144
Bible Hour Attendance	34
Sunday morning Live feed views	29
Post-Sunday sermon online views	49
Sunday night Bible Class	29
Wednesday Bible Class In Person	55
Wednesday Live online views	N/A
Post Wednesday online views	N/A
Budget	\$ 5,000
Contribution	\$ 4,421

J.O.Y. Bus Attendance

07/31/2022

5 Riders

1 Workers

BIBLE HOUR

PowerPoint Schedule

August 7

Whitney Rothacher

August 14

Kirsten Rouse

**Sunday Night Small
Group Attendance
(07/31)**

Bettinger	8
Burrows	0
McFarland	10
Seidler	0
Total	18



There is a baby shower for Kirsten Rouse today immediately after morning services. If you would like to give on a gift, please see Merna Bettinger, Patti Spengler, Leah Hickenbottom, or Debbie Day.

Teacher Appreciation/Bible Class Promotions Breakfast



There will be a breakfast fellowship at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, August 28th. This fellowship is to celebrate the Bible Class promotions and show our teachers appreciation for their dedication and hard work. Please bring a breakfast casserole. We will not have Bible classes that morning,



Birthday Calendar Addition

Please add Waylon Stalder to your August calendar. His birthday is August 20th, and he will be 1 year old.