

# February 2, 2025

### On the Horizon

Ladies' Night Out – Join us on Tuesday, February 11, at Rosa's in Lake Worth, from 6:00–8:00 PM.

Game Night – Our next game night will be at Bonnie Jones' house, on Friday, February 28, at 6:30 PM. Please plan to join us for fun and fellowship!

Community Caring Center – We have need for Ramen Noodles, canned meats, mac & cheese, soups, peanut butter, and jelly.

### **Scheduled Activities**

Sunday, February 2

Bible Study at 9:45 AM Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Wednesday, February 5

Prayer & Bible Study at 6:30 PM

## Pastor's Pondering

As I was working in my sermon history file, I noticed the name of a student who once filled the pulpit back in 2017. On a whim, I googled him to see what he was up to, then went down the list of supply preachers - googling those who were students when they filled in for me. While some of them are still in school or serving in other capacities, many of them are now serving as pastors.

In my search, I discovered that I am about even in students vs. seasoned ministers supply preaching for me. This was a surprise, as I make an effort to give students the opportunity. I hope to increase my overall number of student supply preachers with a few Sundays this year. Giving students a chance to preach is a priority to me, and I do so in the hope it is a blessing for them and their future ministry to the Lord.

- Blessings, David

### **Worship Preparation**

We observe the Lord's Supper this Sunday, and take in Jesus' feeding of the 5,000 in John 6:1-15.

### **February Memory Verse**

Proverbs 11:24

There is one who scatters, and yet increases all the more, And there is one who withholds what is justly due, and yet it results only in want.

#### **Physical Needs:**

- Cindy Pratt's treatment for lung cancer (AC)
- Kathy Smith has stage 4 cancer (LH)
- Sheila Pierce has cancer spreading (TB)
- Dean has a terminal cancer diagnosis (MH)
- Stacey has breast cancer (BT)
- Robert is being treated for cancer (DC)
- Leah Iglesias received a difficult diagnosis (TB)
- Steven Wells' stage 4 prostate cancer is getting worse (LL)
- Louis Lapointe has artery blockage (LL)
- Kelly Spear's sister, Beth, has cancer (AC)
- Mark Alexander has Parkinson's Disease (LL)
- Lillie DeRossett is on chemo (MH)
- Marilyn Stevens has a terminal cancer diagnosis of three months (MS)
- Tom Cann has a new cancer lesion found by MRI (TC)

#### **Personal Requests:**

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- People suffering from addictions
- Jane Sutton struggles with Dementia (MM)
- David C. suffers from PTSD and alcoholism (LL)
- Pat has poor mental health and alcoholism (TC)
- Hilda Lapointe's extended family (HL)
- Tiffany's mom is off her bipolar meds (GL)
- Amanda Shi needs a job (AC)

Please send new prayers or updates to office@embcmail.com. Thank you for keeping us accurate with your updates!

#### **World Events:**

- War in Ukraine, for Christians to be faithful, specifically those believers in Chernivtsi
- Peace and justice for Israel & neighbors
- Hurricanes Helene and Milton victims
- Hostages in Gaza
- People dealing with fires in Los Angeles

#### Ministry Requests:

 Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

#### In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Charlene Bagby (Azle Manor)
- Anita Boynton (Springtown Park) (KH)
- JL Coleman is recovering from hip surgery (NC)

#### In the Hospital:

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#### Families who have recently lost loved ones:

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#### Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman Army
- Andrew Cecil Army
- Alex Grant Army

#### **Praises:**

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### **Special Days:**

• Sharon Rollins' Birthday is on 2/6

Thank you for your prayers. We know that many of our praises are due to the prayers of our fellowship.

#### Giving Report for 1.26.2025 **Last Week** Year to Date **World Missions Giving Offering** General Offering Needs: \$ 2,073.35 8,293.40 2025 Goal \$6,000.00 General Offering Actual: 3,645.00 8,871.00 Jan. Goal 500.00 Designated Offering: 2,005.00 30.00 30.00 Last Week \$ 3,675.00 **Total Offering:** \$ 10,876.00 Year To Date 205.00