



May 11, 2025

On the Horizon

Game Night – Join us at Bonnie Jones’ house on Friday, May 16, from 6:30–8:30 PM, for wholesome fun and fellowship around board and card games.

Ladies’ Night Out – Join us at Fuzzy’s Tacos in Lake Worth, on Tuesday, June 10, at 6:30 PM.

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

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, May 11

Happy Mother’s Day!

Bible Study at 9:45 AM

Morning Worship at 10:45 AM

Wednesday, May 14

Prayer & Bible Study at 6:30 PM

Friday, May 16

Game Night at 6:30 PM

Pastor’s Pondering

What does it mean to be a Christian? Is it a heritage, like being “Irish” or “Italian” even though your family is American? Is it just another word for being a deist, acknowledging Jesus to some extent but not believing in His intervention in your life?

Acts 11:26 tells us that it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called Christians. Prior to chapter 11, the church is referred to as a gathering, disciples, brethren, and even those belonging to “the Way.” All of these are true descriptors, but Christian uniquely ties us to Jesus.

The suffix “-ian” indicates that the one being described is related to or characteristic of a specific noun—in this case, Jesus Christ. When we say we are a Christian, we are claiming an identity in Jesus and that we live according to His characteristics. More than a cultural descriptor, being a Christian means living as He would.

- Blessings, David

Worship Preparation

We conclude the thoughts we began last Sunday with 2 Timothy 1:13-2:1. There are 3 specific things Paul tells Timothy to do in this passage.

May Memory Verse

Hebrews 10:23–25

²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; ²⁴and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging *one another*, and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

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)
- 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 stopped all medical care (MH)
- Kelly Bickett has a blood clot in her leg (GL)
- Ben Price's broken jaw is wired shut (CR)
- Michelle is recovering from surgery (DC)
- Carolyn Rains will have hip replacement surgery on May 22 (DC)
- Doug Cecil is receiving treatment for prostate cancer (DC)
- Beverly Tidwell's upcoming 6-month cancer scan (BT)

Personal Requests:

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- 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)
- Julie & Juan have legal and familial issues (LL)
- James and Sharon Rollins as he cares for her
- John Bickett is taking care of his sister (GL)

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
- Remaining hostages in Gaza

Ministry Requests:

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

In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Anita Boynton (Springtown Park) (KH)

In the Hospital:

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Families who have recently lost loved ones:

- The family of Jayden (BW)

Family members in the military:

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

Praises:

- Wilson Roberts reached a favorable settlement to his lawsuit (DC)

Special Days:

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

Giving Report for 5.4.2025

<u>Offering</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>World Missions Giving</u>	
General Offering Needs:	\$ 2,073.35	\$ 37,320.30	2025 Goal	\$6,000.00
General Offering Actual:	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 43,170.80	May Goal	\$2,500.00
Designated Offering:	\$ 200.00	\$ 3,905.00	Last Week	\$ 200.00
Total Offering:	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 47,075.80	Year To Date	\$2,105.00