



September 6, 2020

On the Horizon

Sunday Worship in September – We will continue to stream our services on Facebook, but also welcome you to join us in person while maintaining proper distance and wearing a mask while moving about the building.

Adult Bible Study – We will offer a class in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM starting September 6.

Children’s Church – We will offer a special program during the sermon for children who are not ready to participate in the entire service.

Scheduled Activities

Sunday, September 6

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

Wednesday, September 9

Prayer Meeting & Bible Study at 6:30 PM

Worship Preparation

This Sunday we celebrate the Lord’s Supper and begin a new series based on the 4 Freedoms from FDR’s State of the Union speech in 1941. What do we mean when we talk about “a freedom”? Is this a Biblical idea? Join us this Sunday!

Pastor’s Pondering

I am sure this has been a difficult summer for you. Many people have shared with me the loss they feel because we have not gathered together in our facilities for worship and other activities. I have felt that loss, too.

Another loss I have felt is being in the facilities without you. I walk into the kitchen and remember meals we have shared and the fellowship of serving in the kitchen. I walk through the building and see empty rooms and forgotten kids’ crafts. Throughout these last few months I have kept fellowship with the ghosts of our past and prayed about our future.

The absence has begun to change. We have hosted Bible Study on Wednesday nights in August, and it has been wonderful. This Sunday, we will once again open our doors and join together. I look forward to seeing you again. This building is ready!

- Blessings, David



Presents

COFFEE WITH JESUS

Distant From You



Jesus, please take away those things that I know cause me to be distant from you.



Problem is, Kevin, you love those things. You want me to just rip them from your life?



If that’s what it takes, Jesus, yes.



What if you first let them go? Be a whole lot easier for me to pick them up, right?



©Radio Free Babylon. All rights reserved. What are the things that you know keep you distant from God? Are they habits? Relationships? Attitudes? Prejudices? In any friendship, domineering behavior is going to create resentment. Do you want Jesus to be your friend, or your dictator? Trust me, he wants to be your friend. He wants you to recognize the things that hinder your walk. He will gladly take those things away, but he wants you to let them go first. And he will cast them far away.

Physical Needs:

- Louie Lapointe's friend, Richard, is on waiting list for liver and kidney donor
- Eura's son-in-law, David Rosen, is on dialysis, has a hernia, and leg muscle problems
- Louie Lapointe's co-worker, Mike Shehan, is receiving treatment for leukemia
- Joey Langy, Eura's cousin's granddaughter
- Audra Roberts' dad, Larry Neal, has severe back pain and various health struggles
- Hilda Lapointe's mom is recovering from hip surgery
- Charlotte Harris, Ruth Corley's daughter, is receiving chemotherapy for breast cancer
- Alton Bowen just finished chemo and radiation for non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma
- Nicholas Camacho, Felice Carreon's nephew, is on chemotherapy for cancer
- Pray for those with the Coronavirus
- Pamela Williams will have physical and speech therapy to recover from a stroke
- James Cole to see doctor about cellulitis
- Gordon Jones is having radiation therapy for a tumor in his leg
- Nancy Holly is going to have knee surgery
- Tammie Jetton is very sick, but does not have Covid-19
- Bruce Hudson is having prostate problems

In the Hospital:

- Jean Spradley is in ICU after a stroke

Praises:

- Pamela Williams' blood clot is gone

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

Personal Requests:

- Unbelieving family, friends, and acquaintances
- Loved ones struggling with broken relationships
- Unspoken prayers carried in our hearts
- Pray for those affected by business closures
- For those looking for work
- Students and teachers

Ministry Requests:

- Hailes Family in Nairobi, Kenya
- Meagan Clark - in India with CSJ
- Opportunities to strengthen relationships with people who don't know Jesus

In Nursing Care:

- Bonnie McFarland (Azle Manor)
- Charlene Bagby (Azle Manor)
- Roy Trotter (Azle Manor)
- Delmar Holly (Azle Manor)

Families who have recently lost loved ones:

- Joan Howard passed away Tuesday morning

Family members in the military:

- Matthew Beaman - Army
- Drake Bowers - Army
- Michael Britt - Navy
- Andrew Cecil - Army
- Stephen Cecil - Air Force
- Alexander Cole - Air Force
- Wesley Langley - Air Force

Special Days:

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Please send new prayers or updates to pastor@embcmail.com. Thank you for keeping us up-to-date with your updates!

Giving Report

Date	General Offering	Designated Offering	Total Offering	Offering to Date
• 8.30.2020	\$1,342.99	\$200.00	\$1,542.99	\$83,369.49