



Birthdays

Ryan Patterson 5/3
Audrey Light 5/3
Luke Smith 5/5
Jeff Bice 5/6

Anniversaries

April Assignments

Welcome/Prayer: David Davenport

Song Leader: Mitchell Netterville

Scripture Reading: George Light
1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Lord’s Supper Devotional – Scott Sides

Lord’s Table and Communion

Bread Prayer – Bob Reed
Fruit of the Vine Prayer – Gene Hampton
Offering Prayer – Dak Jones
Assisting with Communion: Preston
Patterson, Drew Brown, Rich Luckie

Attendance Cards: Bryce Thompson
Brant Thompson

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¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:18-20

Be sure to tune in to “**Let the Bible Speak**” Sundays 6:30 am on KTEN NBC 10 and 9:30 am KTEN ABC 9.

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TIME OF SERVICES

Bible Class: 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am
Evening 6:00 pm
Wednesday 7:00 pm

IS A CHRISTIAN’S INFLUENCE IMPORTANT?

By Dr. Scott D. Sides

How strong is the Christian influence and how much difference do Christians make in the world that we live in? In the past we have all seen short news clip on multiple news channels about terrorist bombings in Iraq, Paris, London, Iran and other countries where crowds are seen running for their lives. We have seen armed engagements on American streets and in Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq and other places where military intervention is necessary because of kidnapping and murder and genocide of various groups of humanity. All of these show the tremendous influence that Satan has in our world. It is obvious that Satan carries a powerful stick and inflicts much pain with his sinful weapons. As we look at the unchecked evil that runs rampant in our country and other countries also, it makes us wonder if we, Christ’s church, can make a difference. The answer to that question is important.

Paul said, “For we do not wrestle with flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places” (Ephesians 6:12). The reason that Satan does not have more control than he does is because Christians put themselves in harms way and fight the good fight. Christians battle the forces of evil and stem the tide of Satan’s army at all points of the globe. Christians are fighting against evil all over the world. Christians are the only thing that stands between Satan and God. Obviously, God is in control and Satan cannot stand up to God, but he wants to destroy everything that is precious to God. Revelations 12 speaks of the battle between God and Satan. These verses, through vivid symbolism, show us that Satan lost the battle with God and “became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus” (12:17). This verse refers to God children which is the church that Jesus died for and saved by his blood. We are at war with Satan and sin and many times we become discouraged because it seems that evil is winning. The Bible says different. As long as God is in control Satan will never win the war. He will win some of the battles but not the war.

We are at war with sin and Satan and the only way to stop the hate and cruelty mentioned in the first paragraph is to fight this war. In doing this, we can bring about the peace that passes all human understanding. What the world needs is not more guns, bombs and military intervention, but more influence by God’s people. What the world needs is the gospel of Jesus Christ. We need more compassion and love of our fellowman. We need to “set our mind on things above, not on earthly things” (Colossians 3:2). If we always focus on one another’s shortcomings, then we never see the good. Our struggle is not with each other but with the rulers, authorities and forces of evil in the heavenly realms. We are not at war with each other but with Satan. Christian influence is the only hope this world has. I would say that is pretty important and I hope that you would agree. If you do, then lets stand up for Jesus and do all the good we can!

Galatians 6:10 says, “Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.”

Keep in your prayers.

Please keep **Terry & Ann Butler** in your prayers as they battle several health issues.
Adell Thomson is struggling with her arthritis.
Larry Jones is now in Beacon Hill Nursing Home in Denison, Room 208.
Charles and Juvean Snell need our prayers as both of them are struggling with health issues.
Please keep **Susan Carney** in your prayers. Funeral services for **Bobby** were held on March 28th.
Jerry Cannon's brother, Eddie lost his wife Mary Joyce on April 14th. **Mary Nan Cannon** has asked for prayers for their 11-year-old granddaughter, **Kaedance**. She is having heart issues.
Braden Rubey, Betty Graham's grandson, had his first treatment for stage 3 melanoma cancer last week.
Jennifer Sides Grandmother, **Barbara Cloer** passed away on April 12th.
Michael Smothermon, brother of Johnny Smothermon, had a bad fall into some equipment last week. He is recovering at home after being released from TMC.
Courtney Garrison has an appointment with her cardiologist soon and hopefully find out the cause of her health problems.
Dortha Reed, mother of Jeff Reed, is suffering from a blood clot in her leg. Once this is resolved, she will have heart surgery in Plano.
Larry Bice is having health issues. Please remember him and his family.
Scott White, nephew of Pat Jones needs our prayers.

A Celebration of Life for **Ann Beavert** will be on Saturday, April 29th at 11:00 a.m. here at the church building.

Long Term/Rehab
Tyrena Jones is in the Cedar Ridge Rehab Center in the memory unit in Pilot Point.
Wanda Hackney is in Meadowbrook Care Center in Van Alstyne.
Wilma Tutt is in Eagle Ridge Alzheimer Care, 2505 Brinker Rd., Room 104, Denton, TX 76208
Dial Atkins is in Pecan Tree Rehab 1900 E. California St., Gainesville, TX 76240.

Bible Class Opportunities

9:30 am Sunday Adult
Auditorium / Harold Achimon
9:30 am Sunday Young Adults with children in school Fellowship Hall / David Davenport
9:30 am various Bible classes throughout the building for all ages.
10:30 am Worship in Auditorium and on Facebook
6:00 pm Worship in Auditorium and on Facebook
6:00 pm Worship in Fellowship Hall for 3rd through 12th grade students.
7:00 pm Wednesday Bible study for all ages.
Men's breakfast and Bible class will meet at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 2nd.
Ladies Bible Class meets on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Military		
J.R. Lance	Zack Turpen	Chad Lorenz
Matt Upton	Seth Rodriguez	
Brock Murray	Hunter Brewer	

Those to continue to remember in prayer.

Ronda Kendrick Oleta Jackson Susan Carney
Arian Ellis Bill Schindler Jill Cohagan Latimer
Dial Atkins Tony Ramirez Denny Anderson
Teresa Davenport Wendy Croney Angie Hart
Patty Fortson Adell Thomson Joe Chancellor
Curtis Fails Rodger Kile Betty Baker
Tammy Sides Carrol Enderby Matthew Little
Patty Fortson Zoretta Smith Beryl Mackey
Steve Butler Becky Beaty Scott Russell
Margie Grady Laurie Davenport Sandra Westfall
Tommy Blackburn Lone & Doris Sides
Joy Fowler Shirley Walker Wilma Tutt
Wanda Hackney J.D. Pruitt Cannon Family
Charles & Juvean Snell Billy Don Smith
Larry Jones Dorothy Jones Tyrena Jones
Lana Henderson Doug Davenport
Melba Welch Eddie Baker Stephanie McWilliams
Chase Reed Lila Beth Davis Sherry Stillson
Denny Andersen Pelcher Family

UPCOMING
Events

April 27th – Teachers Appreciation Day for our ladies to provide snacks for the Collinsville teachers. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the auditorium if you would like to help in this project.

May 2nd – 7:00 a.m. Men's breakfast and Bible class

May 3rd – Ladies Bible Class is invited to Ann Butler's home for tea. Bring your own tea cup along with a story about the cup. Please bring finger foods for her "Spring Tea" event!

May 7th – Our senior recognition night will be along with our evening service. Refreshments will be provided.

May 14th – Mother's Day

May 17th – 10:00 a.m. The last day of Ladies Bible class until the fall. A salad luncheon will be at Betty Graham's home. Bring a salad or a dessert.

May 20th – 6:00 p.m. Area Wide Singing at the MLK Church of Christ in Gainesville.

May 20th – 10:00 a.m. Our looming group will get together in the fellowship hall. Bring any completed hats so we can donate them to the kids at Christmas.

June 2-3rd – Ladies Symposium at the Howe Church of Christ. See insert. If you want to go let the office know and we can make reservations by May 15th.

June 17th – 6:00 p.m. We will be hosting the Area Wide Singing here in Collinsville.

June 18th – Father's Day

Vital Statistics

Sunday Morning Bible Class	88
Sunday Morning Assembly.....	197
Sunday Morning Online Viewership.....	111
Sunday Evening Assembly.....	52
Sunday Evening Online Viewership	97
1 st Tuesday Men's Bible Class	n/a
Ladies Bible Class	18
Wednesday Evening Assembly.....	52
Wednesday Evening Online Viewership	99
Weekly Budget.....	\$4,961
Contribution Last Sunday.....	\$5,899

Sunday Sermon Titles

Sunday AM: Walk of Faith Series

"Enoch: Faith & Obedience"

Hebrews 11:7

Sunday PM: "Where Is Your Treasure"

Matthew 6:19-24

~ Know Your Bible ~

Last week's question.... Finish the sentence: "The lines are fallen unto me... *"In pleasant places"*

Psalm 16:6

This week's question.... Where in the Bible are the fierce "bulls of Bashan" mentioned?



Please turn in your cans to the office for the New Mexico Christian Children's home by May 7th.