

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday AM Service CANCELLED This Week:
There will be an online service available on our Facebook or YouTube page.

Wednesday PM Service CANCELLED This Week:
There will be an online service available on our Facebook or YouTube page.

For the Month of November:
Contribution Counters:
Alan Eck - John Eck
Elder: Richard Howard



ORDER OF WORSHIP

- Welcome
- Song
- Prayer
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- Song
- Communion
- Contribution
- Song
- A.M. Lesson: Who Knows?
- Song
- Announcements
- Song
- Prayer

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Scheduled Services

Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.
Masks-Required Service In the Fellowship Building

Wednesday

Bible Class Auditorium 7:00 p.m.
6th-12th Graders (Youth Room)

Worship & Classes Online

facebook.com/swcocada
youtube.com/swcocada

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Don't Give Up

As we find ourselves being temporarily unable to meet at the building, I believe our study of the prayers of Jesus is especially timely. Even those of us who have not tested positive for COVID-19 are likely suffering from COVID fatigue. The article below by Ken Stegall from the Woodland Oaks Church of Christ is a good reminder to keep praying through our struggles.
- Brian

When you were a kid and there was something you wanted your parents to get for you, did you approach them one time and ask for it? Or did you keep asking until they either got it for you or convinced you that if you asked one more time there would be one less child in your family?

Most of Jesus' parables are fairly easy to interpret and understand the application. But one of the challenging ones is his story about the persistent widow and the unconcerned judge (Luke 18:1-8). The intended message is not difficult to understand but it is quickly obvious that we need to be careful about trying to assign meaning to every detail in the parable – i.e. the judge "did not care about men." That's not a characteristic of God.

But Luke tells us the message of Jesus' story right at the beginning – it was “. . . to show them that they should always pray and not give up.” So, the message is about persistence in prayer.

Persistence in prayer demonstrates two things:

- It is evidence of how much our request means to us. If we desperately want/need something, we will refuse to be dissuaded or discouraged. If we ask once or twice and no more, it isn't that important to us. Or . . .
- We're not convinced that the one we're asking can actually deliver what we're requesting.

It seems to me that this is what Jesus is addressing. We can reach a point that we pray simply out of habit. We don't really expect God to actually DO SOMETHING!

I think that's Jesus' focus in this story because of the way he ends it. Listen – “When the son of man comes, will he find faith on the earth?”

Where you find faith, you find people praying!

November 22, 2020



Elders

Jeff Butler
Scott Estes
Greg Hatton
David Hendricks
Richard Howard
Brent Lowe
Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis
David Dirrim
Thorin Turner
Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

Family Matters

A Note From The Elders:
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We would like to update the last message that you received about services at Southwest with some new information.

As you know, coronavirus cases and quarantines have been on the rise in recent weeks. Recently a fair number of our own Southwest members have tested positive or are in quarantine from potential exposure. In view of this the elders have decided it would be in the best

interest of our members to **cancel our Wednesday evening services on November 18th and 25th, and this coming Sunday's classes and worship at the building.** We will have our Wednesday class and Sunday worship service available to view on the Southwest YouTube and Facebook pages, as well as Jeff Butler's and David Dirrim's Bible classes. There will also be a couple of suggestions from previous kid's classes available, or parents can look through

past classes and pick one for their kids to watch if they would like.

COMMUNION SUPPLIES will be available for pick up at the church office on Friday morning. If you can not come then please call the office and we will make alternative arrangements for you.

Thank you for your patience as we strive to maximize our spiritual feeding while minimizing our risk of illness.

In Christ,
The Southwest Elders

1 Thessalonians 5:17
"Pray without ceasing."

Please Continue to Pray For
Joe Don Harrison, Jessica Lee,
Connie McKinney, Joe Medlock,
Katie Meaders, Patsy Hill, Verna Cannon, Johnnie Sing, Alyene Sims, Jim Begin, Jeannie Wingard, Mildred West, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Gatewood, Shirley Perry, Sherry Price, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Donna Love, Thayne Consequellos, Lewis & Lea Crain, Warner Fleck, Jessie Glover, Randy Wilson, Paul & Shirley Love, Steve, Jana & Stacey Stewart, & Bill Scott.

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

The Yellow House will hand out food on Monday, November 23rd from 8am-10am. Helpers this month are: Chuck & Donna Love, Donna Duncan, Val Osborn, & Don & Pam Kite.

Meals On Wheels week is November 23rd-27th.

The office will be closed on November 26th and 27th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Dear Southwest Church, We are so thankful and humbled by your outpouring of love and support during this difficult time. Your encouragement,

prayers, food and presence have meant so much to us. Words cannot express our gratitude for your kindness and thoughtfulness. We are so blessed to be part of such a wonderful church family. Love, The Hensley family

And **MY GOD** will supply **ALL YOUR NEEDS** ACCORDING to **HIS RICHES** in **GLORY** in **CHRIST JESUS.**
PHILIPPIANS 4:19

You're invited to take part in a

SHOWER WITH LOVE

Honoring
Macy Dennis and Ryan Smith

Since we cannot gather in any way
Let's shower the couple from far away
Gifts and cards will show them we care
Even though we wish we could all be there

They are registered online at ZOLA and are accepting gift cards to the following: Target, Amazon, Walmart & Hobby Lobby.

Please send gifts to 15269 CR 3610, Ada, OK 74820.
There is also be a table set up in the foyer at church.



November at a Glance

01 Sunday Bible classes start,
Youth devo at fellowship building,
Dennis/Smith & Eck/Sargent drop-off
wedding showers starts Sunday
05 College devo at SBC
08 AWTG at Moore
10 Ada lunch (Youth)
12 College devo at SBC
15 Youth devo at Hensley's
19 College devo at SBC
22 Youth Devo CANCELLED
23 Yellow House
23-27 Meals On Wheels week
26-27 Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
29 Youth devo at fellowship building



Youth Devo
Sunday, November 22nd
CANCELLED

Sunday, November 29th at 6pm
at the fellowship building -
(Bring your own dinner)



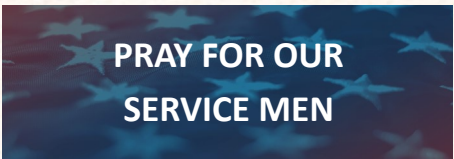
TIGERS FOR CHRIST
Meal & Devo -Thursday evening
at the SBC



11/22 Michael Holloway
11/23 Owen Hensley,
11/24 Shirley Perry,
11/25 Charlie Price
11/26 Jerry Miller
11/27 Lathan Ballard
11/28 Charles Cannon, D'Esta Hoover



11/22 Jeremy & Marjorie Russell
11/24 Glenn & Sue Ogle
11/26 Clint & Paula Sturdevant



Chanse Alexander, Daniel Hataway,
Dawson Hendricks, Frank Holsapple Jr., Clay Patterson, Michale Perry, & Jonathon Wingard.

If you have a family member or know of someone you would like to add to our prayer list let the office know.

Sunday Bible Classes

Adult Classes

Jeff Butler
Hebrews

ONLINE

David Dirrim

FACEBOOK LIVE

facebook.com/swcocada
youtube.com/swcocada

Youth Group (6th-12th Grades)

Thorin Turner

ONLINE

Kids (K-5th Grade)

Journey Land

ONLINE

Preschool (2 - 4 Year Olds)

ONLINE

Baby Class (Under 2 Years Old)

ONLINE

Facebook Live

Broadcasts For Children's Classes

Contact David Dirrim for info

For the Record

Bible Study	84
AM Assembly	166
Wednesday PM	*No Service
Contributions	\$8,889
Budget	\$12,821

In Celebration!

Ethan Eck and Haley Sargent were married this month and will be on the mission field by early December.

If you would like to "shower" them with love, there is a table in the foyer where you can place a gift or card.

The table will be left up throughout the month of November.

The couple is registered at Walmart.com and at Amazon.com.

(If you are ordering from Amazon, you can find their registry under Ethan Eck's name. The gift will automatically be sent to Michigan to make their move easier.)

They want to thank you for your love and support and wish they could celebrate in person with each of you.