

THINK OF YOURSELF INSTEAD OF OTHERS

That title probably got your attention, because on the surface it sounds like the opposite of what we usually think about the teachings of Jesus. However, it is an idea that has been on my mind during Jet's Wednesday night class about serving. It is easy for us to let our critical thoughts about others change our attitudes about serving them. Jet has been challenging us (most recently from 2 Corinthians 10) to consider how we think about serving. Maybe our thoughts about others actually begin with us.

The book, *Leadership and Self-Deception: Getting Out of the Box*, mentions several ways that it is important to think about ourselves rather than others. I want to share two of those with you. Both are built on principles from scripture.

- "Don't focus on what others are doing wrong. Do focus on what you can do right to help." Whether it is the teachings of Jesus about specks and beams or Paul's description of Jesus emptying Himself and becoming a servant, this is how we should interact with those around us. There is enough negativity in the world without us adding to it. It is easy to find reasons to not serve others or why they might be undeserving, but we are called to something higher than that. We have to set aside our cynicism to see others as God's loved creation.
- "Don't worry whether others are helping you. Do worry whether you are helping others." Where the first quote describes wrongdoing, this one deals with lack of action. It is not our responsibility to decide whether someone is acting in the way we think they should. In fact, the problem might even be that we are frustrated that they are not acting in the way that we think we should be acting ourselves. Instead, we should be both servant and example by following the lead of Jesus.

- Brian

"So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets." - Matthew 7:12

October 10, 2021



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

Shari Todd will have a procedure done Wednesday, <u>October 13th</u> at the Oklahoma Heart Hospital in Oklahoma City. Please keep her in your prayers.

Martha Begin fell and broke her hip last week and had to have surgery on it. She came through the surgery fine. Please keep her in your prayers.

Charles and Barbara Cannon would like to thank everyone for all the cards and prayers. Barbara has been moved to Ada Care Center. Visitors are limited at this time. Please continue to keep Charles and Barbara in your prayers.

Our sympathy goes out to Carolyn Pults and her family on the passing of her husband, Daryl Pults. Daryl passed away Tuesday. His funeral will be 10am Saturday, October 16th at Southwest. Please keep Caroyln and her family in your prayers.

Mark and Robyn Legg placed their membership with us here at Southwest last Sunday morning. We welcome them and rejoice that they have decided to be a part of our Southwest family.

1 Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for ...

Jesse Nickell, Paula Hatton, Barbara Cannon, Barbara Hataway, Verna Cannon, Jeannie Wingard, Price, Lea Crain, Patsy Hill, Sue Silkey, Shirley Love, Gerald Joliff, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Alyene Sims, West, Mildred Cherry Bennett, Shirley Perry, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Thayne Consequellos, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson, & Steve, Jana & Stacey Stewart.

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

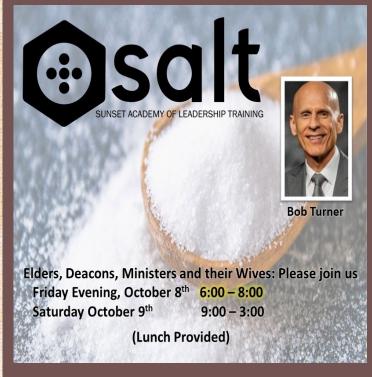
Ladies Prayer Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month at 4 pm in the old kitchen. The next time they will meet is October 17th.

The Yellow House will hand out food on Monday, October 25th from 8am – 10am. Workers this month are: Tommy & Becky Myers, Alan Eck, Glenn Ogle, Chuck Love, Butch Platt, & Carolyn Preble.

Trunk or Treat will be Saturday, October 30th from 5pm to 7pm or until we run out of candy. Thorin will provide candy to hand out but you are welcome to bring your own.

Second Sunday Singing at Lindsay church of Christ on <u>October 10th</u> at 2:30pm. More info on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Area Wide Singing at Little church of Christ on October 16th at 6:30pm. More info on the bulletin board in the foyer.



Bob Turner with Sunset Academy of Leadership Training will be teaching a combined auditorium class and preaching for us Sunday morning.



November at a Glance

03 Million Dollar Sunday Giving, AWTG at SW, Ladies Prayer Group

04-08 Meals on Wheels Week

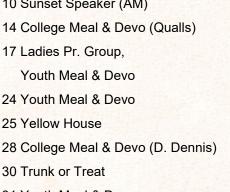
05 Tues, Mrn. Ladies Bible Class Starts

08-10 Move Youth Conference, S.A.L.T.

10 Sunset Speaker (AM)

17 Ladies Pr. Group,

31 Youth Meal & Devo





10/11 Stefan lorga, Jeremy Russell, Autumn Tamayo 10/12 Bobbye Darbison, Drew Graham 10/14 Glenda King 10/15 Diana Lowe, Jan Manuel



10/12 Jon & Angel Jackson



October 14th College Meal & Devo with the Qualls'

Tigers for Christ

October 8th-10th

Move Youth Conference

October 17th Youth Meal & Devo



For Grades 7th-12th

October 8-10 **Embassy Suites Hotel and**

Conference Center Norman, OK

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN Josh Higginbottom Frank Holsapple Jr. Clay Patterson Michale Perry Jonathan Wingard



Sunday Bible Classes

Adult Classes

David Hendricks John's Letters

Auditorium

David Dirrim

Old Kitchen Classroom

Jeff Butler

Romans

Fellowship Building

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College Group

Kyle Wilson

Southwest Corner Classroom

Youth Group (6th-12th Grades)

Thorin Turner

Youth Classroom

Kids

Elementary (K-2nd & 3rd-6th)

North Hall Classrooms

Preschool (2 Years Old & 3 & 4 Years Old)

South Hall Classrooms

Baby Class (Under 2 Years Old)

Baby Classroom

For the Record - 10/03/2021

Bible Study	178
AM Assembly	262
PM Assembly	207
Wednesday PM	158
Contributions	\$15,598
Budget	\$12,612

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday AM:

Song Leader: Tyler Jones Opening Prayer: David Dirrim Closing Prayer: Kyle Wilson Scripture Reading: Nathan Lewis Lord's Supper Thoughts: David Lewis

Communion Servers: Trent Barrett, Jet Frye, Stefan lorga, David Lewis,

Ronnie Osborn, Trevin Vass, Bill Young

Balcony Servers: Gary & Cooper Hamilton

Attendance Counter: Jag Frye

Safety Team Walk AM/PM: Jared Hudson & Will Lampkin

Safety Team Camera AM/PM: Cody Frye

Coordinator AM/PM/Wed: Bart Conley & Jake Williams Sound Booth AM/PM/Wed: Drew Adams & Joe Dirrim

Sunday PM:

Song Leader: Tyler Jones

Opening Prayer: Jack Cadenhead Closing Prayer: Russell Neill Attendance Counter: Chuck Love Communion: Odie Heck & Tim Hensley

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Justin Lane

Announcements/Opening Prayer: Dusty Dennis

8 Minute Devotional: Butch Platt Closing Prayer: Chelton Andrews Attendance Counting: Jared Hudson

Safety Team Walk: Tommy Garrett & Hunter Nickell

Safety Team Camera: Lane Garrett

October Contribution Counters:

Bill Young, Chuck Love, & James Byers

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah - 3

Scripture: TBA

Prayer

Take Time to Be Holy - 731

Instruments of Your Peace - 828

Purer in Heart, O God – 671

Thoughts From the Cross: David Lewis

When I Survey the Wondrous - 315

Communion

Be With Me, Lord – 778

Contribution

When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder – 852

A.M. Lesson: Bob Turner (S.A.L.T.)

Just As I Am - 924

Announcements

Take the Name of Jesus With You - 738

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: A Little Faith

An elder and wife are available in the classroom on the middle hallway of the building during each invitation.

Elder for October: Jeff Butler

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Worship & Classes Online facebook.com/swcocada

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

Bible Class Auditorium 7:00 p.m. Youth Group - College Group

Sunday

Wednesday

K-5th Grades

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