

OUT OF BROKENNESS AND INTO UNITY

In Galatians 3:28, Paul tells the Galatian church that they are now "all one in Christ Jesus." For the Galatians who struggle with bringing together in one church people with very different backgrounds, that seems to be a challenge. In his book, *Participating in God's Life*, Leonard Allen describes what is happening in Galatia as part of God's greater work in the world to move people "out of brokenness and into unity." It is the direction that God has been leading people toward since early in the book of Genesis. Allen continues:

One episode in particular emphasizes a shift in direction or a new momentum in God's plan. From the story of the Tower of Babel we learn that when humans, acting out of pride, seek to unify themselves, they are scattered and their languages are confused. With this in mind, jump ahead several thousand years to Pentecost. Here we see the coming together of many nationalities to hear God's Word preached by Peter. But the results of Babel make this impossible—how can these diverse people understand the unifying message of Peter? Quite simply, God intervenes and allows the Apostles to speak in languages that everyone present can understand.

The structure is the exact opposite of Babel's: at Babel a unified humanity comes together to celebrate its own unity and is scattered by God; at Pentecost fragmented humanity comes together to hear from God and God makes that word available to everyone in their own language. The result is that unity, though not achieved, is given. The sign of this new unity is that many diverse people are baptized into one, unified name of Christ Jesus. Babel is reversed and continues to be reversed each time God remakes very different people into brothers and sisters.

Through the power of the Spirit on Pentecost, God overcomes the brokenness of the world. The unifying story of Jesus that was told then day still heals broken lives today!

June 5, 2022



Shepherds

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

Katy Myers is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on June 7th at Mercy Hospital Ada. Please keep her in your prayers.

Pam Brown, the daughter of Nancy Wilson and sister of Kyle, is scheduled for surgery on June 9th. Please keep her in your prayers.

Our sympathy goes out to Jack Frye and his family on the passing of his sister, Carolyn Anthony of Dallas. She passed away May 28th. Her services were held Saturday in Richardson, TX. Please keep Jack and his family in your prayers.

Isaac Hammons has decided to place his membership with us here at Southwest. We are glad to have you as part of our Southwest family!

1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for...

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

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

Ladies Prayer Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month at 4:00 pm in the old kitchen. The next time they will meet is **June 5th**.

Pew Packers will be starting back up <u>June 8th</u> at 6:15 pm and reoccur on the second Wednesday of each month. All boys are welcome to practice their song leading, scripture reading, and praying in the main auditorium. Anyone is welcome to come sing with us and encourage our boys.

Meals on Wheels week will be June 13th - 17th.

The Yellow House will hand out food this month on Monday, <u>June 20th</u> from 8am - 10am. Helpers this month are: James & Lynnette Bryant, James Myers, Chuck Love, Carolyn Preble, Donna Duncan, & Tommy Myers.

Jr. God's Girls for our Southwest families will be on June 25th from 11am - 1pm. This is for our girls from 3 years old to 4th grade. If your daughter or granddaughter has not received a postcard about it, please let Briana Lane know. Tshirt orders must be submitted to Briana by June 8th.

Wedding Shower

All ladies are invited to a wedding shower for *Jacob Bowman & Lexi Qualls* on Sunday, <u>June 12th</u>, in the fellowship building from 3:00pm - 4:30pm. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Amazon.

Southwest Directory Picture Make-Up

<u>Day!</u> Southwest directory picture makeup day, for those who have not had their directory pictures taken yet, will be Sunday, <u>June 12th</u>, directly following the morning services in the fellowship building. No scheduling or appointment needed! Just show up and get your picture taken.



June at a Glance

01-03 Beginner's Camp

01 Summer Series Begins

05 Ladies Prayer Group,

Youth Meal & Devo

06 AWTG at N. MacArthur (OKC)

08 Pew Packers

12 Directory Picture Make-Ups, Bowman/Qualls Wed. Shower, Youth Meal & Devo

13 AWTG at Newalla

13-17 Meals on Wheels Week

19 Father's Day, Ladies Pr. Grp.

19-25 Reach Week, Ladies

Prayers Grp, Father's Day

20 Yellow House

25 Jr. God's Girls

26 Youth Meal & Devo

27 AWTG at Northwest (Lawton)



June 5th Youth Meal & Devo

June 9th
Youth Home
Bible Study



06/08 Megan Martin 06/09 Dona Pippen 06/10 Betty Gerth, Tennyson Martin 06/11 Blake Reynolds



06/05 David & Sarah Dirrim 06/06 Stan & Marilyn Balch, Jake & Taran Williams 06/08 Gary & Teresa Strong 06/11 Bill & Jan Young

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN

Josh Higginbottom
Frank Holsapple Jr.
Clay Patterson
Michale Perry



Sunday Bible Classes

Adult Classes

Various Teachers

Various Topics

Auditorium

David Dirrim

Southwest Corner Classroom

Jeff Butler

Book of Acts

Old Kitchen Classroom

College Group

Kyle Wilson

Middle Hall 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)

For the Record: 05/29/2022

Bible Study	172
AM Assembly	219
PM Assembly	110
Wednesday PM	150
Contributions	\$10,952
Budget	\$13,500

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday AM:

Song Leader: Kyle Wilson Opening Prayer: David Dirrim Closing Prayer: Brent Lowe Scripture Reading: Jet Frye

Lord's Supper Thoughts: Greg Hatton

Communion Servers: Jacob Bowman, James Bryant, Joe Dirrim, Casey Farrar, Drew Graham, Cooper Hamilton,

KerVon James, Hunter Nickell

Balcony Servers: Don Kite & Tommy Myers

Attendance Counter: Kevin Graham Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: Jared Griffin Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Russell Neill

Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Bart Conley & Cody Frye Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Jag Frye & Jared Hudson

Sunday PM:

Song Leader: Ronnie Osborn Opening Prayer: Ried Duncan Closing Prayer: David Lewis Attendance Counter: Brad Butler

Communion: Chuck Love & Trevin Vass

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Brian Lewis

Announcements/Opening Prayer: Brian Lewis

Closing Prayer: Justin Lane

Attendance Counting: Tuker Dennis Safety Team Walk: Tommy Garrett Safety Team Camera: Lane Garrett

June Contribution Counters:

Tommy Vass, Caleb Estes, Drew Adams, Casey Farrar

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Here I Am to Worship

Scripture: Acts 1:8

Prayer

Step By Step

Sanctuary

How Deep the Father's Love

Thoughts From the Cross: Greg Hatton

Come Share the Lord

Communion

Pierce My Ear

Contribution

Sing and Be Happy

A.M. Lesson: The Spirit of Power

Nothing But the Blood

Announcements

Cornerstone

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: Persuasiveness

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

Shepherd for June: Greg Hatton Supporting Shepherd & Wife: Jeff & Pam Butler

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Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m. Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

<u>Wednesday</u>

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

K-5th Grades

Worship & Classes Online

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