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THINKING ABOUT HEAVEN

July has been a difficult month for our church family. It has been hot outside. Several have experienced COVID or the effects of quarantine. And in the last couple weeks especially, we have seen too much loss. Even though we rejoice because of lives well lived, we still feel the loss. One of the most comforting thoughts at times like these is heaven. Consider the thoughts below from Tom Keener, of the Mart Church of Christ in Mart, Texas, about our need to think about heaven. - Brian

We need to think about heaven often.

The son of the novelist John Steinbeck tells of an experience where he encountered a family at a roadside coffee shop. The family arrived in a convoy of three pick-up trucks loaded with household goods. All three of the trucks had Oklahoma license plates. He was convinced they were a family in transition. He said to one boy in the family, "Your group looks like you're from Oklahoma. Where are you bound?" The boy answered, "Oh, we're not from Oklahoma any more. We're from someplace up ahead."

Heaven is home—someplace up ahead.

Mark Ralls, a minister in North Carolina wrote: "The desire for heaven is a kind of homesickness, a restlessness of soul that will remain unfulfilled until we are united with the One who created us..."

William Sloane Coffin – "If death is no threat to our relationship to God, it should be no threat to anything. If we don't know what is beyond the grave, we do know who is beyond the grave." In an interview with Bill Moyers, Coffin was asked, "Do you ever think about what happens when we die?" His response was marvelous: "Not very much. It's who's there, not what's there, that counts for me."

Tommy South – "Heaven is where God and Jesus are, and that is why we want to go there."

The most important truth about heaven is that God is there.

"But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body." - Philippians 3:20-21

July 24th, 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

Please keep these people in your prayers:

Dona Phippen is home from the hospital, but is still struggling with some health issues.

Tom Saiz went forward Sunday morning asking for prayers for some struggles that he is having at this time.

Our sympathy goes out to Chuck Love, Sheri Wilkerson, and Danny Love on the passing of their Reba Hazday. She is also the grandmother of Brandi Cadenhead and Ashley Dansby. Reba passed away Saturday, July 16th. Her services were held Thursday.

Our sympathy goes out to Eugene Cannon on the passing of his wife, Verna Cannon, who passed away on Friday, July 15th. Her services were held Tuesday.



The Yellow House will hand out food this month on Monday, July 25th, from 8am to 10am. Workers this month are: Butch & Denise Platt, Don & Pam Kite, Bill Young, James Bryant, Mary Conley, and Glenn Ogle.

1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for...

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

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

We would like to invite you to come and go birthday celebration for our mother, Alyene Sims, on Saturday, July 30th, from 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm in the fellowship building. We welcome cards and well wishes, but no gifts please. Hope you can join us.

Seth Pearman, one of our students that we support at Bear Valley, will be our guest speaker on Sunday night, July 31st.

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 August 7th.

Pew Packers, for our Southwest boys, meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:15 pm in the main auditorium. The next time they will meet is August 10th.



Tigers for Christ

The annual college float trip with Southeastern at Broken Bow is August 5th-7th.

Howdy Week is coming up quickly! There will be a sign-up sheet in the foyer shortly for this and meals on Thursday nights.

Wedding Shower

All ladies are invited to a wedding shower for **Thorin Turner & Carli Etheridge** on Sunday, August 7th, in the fellowship building at 3:30 pm.

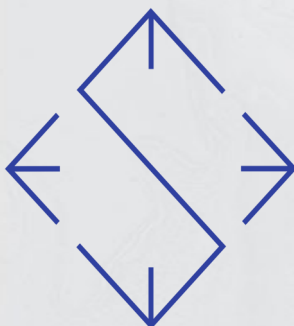


We will be hosting God's Girls for 5th - 12th grade girls on August 20th. ***If you would like a t-shirt please register online or sign-up by August 3rd.*** There is a website link for registration and a sign-up sheet on the youth bulletin board in the foyer. Please see Briana Lane with any questions.



July at a Glance

- 03 Ladies Prayer Group,
Youth Meal & Devo
- 04 Office Closed (4th - Holiday)
- 07-09 VBS
- 10 Youth Meal & Devo
- 11 AWTG (Britton Road)
- 13 Pew Packers
- 14 Youth Home Bible Study
- 17 Congregational Potluck,
Ladies Prayer Group
- 17-22 PTC & EWES Camps
- 24 Youth Meal & Devo
- 25 Yellow House,
AWTG (Southern Ridge)
- 28 Youth Home Bible Study
- 31 Youth Meal & Devo



SWAY

July 24th
Youth Meal & Devo

July 25th
AWTG at Southern Ridge

July 28th
Youth Home Bible Study



- 07/25 Chris Kaiser,
Kallaway Martin
- 07/26 Bailey Trezell
- 07/27 Glendel Hatton
- 07/29 Brent Lowe



- 07/26 Jared & Kellie Hudson
- 07/27 Vernon & Pat Morgan

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

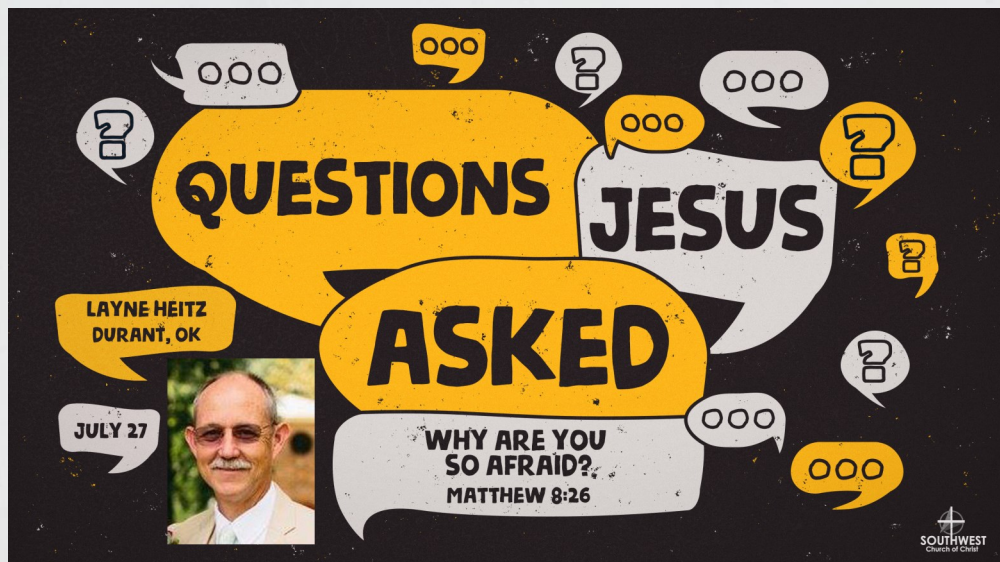
Preschool (2 Years Old & 3-4 Years Old)

South Hall Classrooms

Baby Class (Under 2 Years Old)

For the Record: 07/17/2022

Bible Study	129
AM Assembly	220
PM Assembly	116
Wednesday PM	121
Contributions	\$12,676
Budget	\$13,500



SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday AM:

Song Leader: Thorin Turner
Opening Prayer: Trever Manuel
Closing Prayer: Drew Adams
Scripture Reading: Jag Frye
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Brad Trekell
Communion Servers: Joe Dirrim, Toker Dennis, Tim Hensley, Jet Frye, Jared Hudson, Steve Iorga, Trever Manuel, Tommy Vass
Balcony Servers: Jared Griffin & Trenton Henlsey
Attendance Counter: Drew Graham
Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: Kevin Graham
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: John Eck
Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Bart Conley & Russell Neill
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Ried Duncan & John Eck

Sunday PM:

Song Leader: David Lewis
Opening Prayer: Butch Platt
Closing Prayer: Brad Trekell
Attendance Counter: Chuck Love
Communion: Casey Farrar & Trevin Vass

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: David Dirrim
Announcements/Opening Prayer: David Dirrim
Closing Prayer: Alan Simpson
Attendance Counting: TBA
Safety Team Walk: John Eck
Safety Team Camera: Brad Butler

July Contribution Counters:

Ronnie Osborn, Will Lampkin, Cody Frye, Alan Eck

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Our God He Is Alive

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 2:14

Prayer

Faithful Love

I Will Call Upon the Lord

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Thoughts From the Cross: Brad Trekell

Before the Throne (Verses 1 & 2)

Communion

Before the Throne (Verse 3)

Contribution

Days of Elijah

A.M. Lesson: Looking for the Spirit

Seek Ye First

Announcements

Still

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: Missions Report

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

Shepherd for July: David Hendricks

Supporting Shepherd & Wife: Greg & Diana Hatton

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Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class Auditorium 7:00 p.m.

Youth Group Class - College Group Class

K-5th Grade Classes

Babies - Pre-K Classes

Worship & Classes Online

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