



# The Southwesterner

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## KEEPING YOUR HEAD

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Recently I have been rereading one of my favorite recent books, *The Gift of Ministry* by Mike Ireland. It's a unique experience to read a book about ministry that is written by someone I did ministry with for almost a decade. The chapter I read today begins with 1 Timothy 4:5 in the NIV where Paul encourages Timothy to "keep your head in all situations." Sometimes that can be easier said than done, but Mike gives some great ideas to help us to keep our heads. Although he is writing with ministers in minds, I believe these are truths that can benefit any Christian.



**"First, spend time with good people.** Surround yourself with those who seem able to navigate through life's tempestuous moments while, at the same time, encouraging others. Observe them, question them, and learn from them. Find out what enables them to remain calm, but alert, and sensible and controlled when the situation changes and others seem to be heating up. Learn as much as you can from those who have made the journey before you.

**Second, fill yourself up with God's Word.** If you want His way and words to be in evidence no matter the situations of life, then you must be full of Him. "Living Beyond Your Feelings," "Stop Overreacting," and "Managing Your Emotions" are just a few of the hundreds of titles you will find in local bookshops. All claim to possess the answer to how to bring your life under control. But the best book for learning how to think straight and live right is the Bible!

**Third, keep your eyes fixed on Jesus.** Remember that the goal of ministry is not winning the arguments or driving off the opposition and it is not avoiding the problems or being free of any adversity. The goal of ministry is to glorify the Lord by serving His people and that is impossible if you look away from Jesus. No matter the situation in which you find yourself, the aim is to honor the Lord. Do not lose sight of him!"

### Elders

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

### Ministers

Brian Lewis  
David Dirrim  
Thorin Turner  
Kyle Wilson

### Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

Good companions, God's word and the best Teacher and Example are all keys to keeping our heads in any situation. - Brian



# Family Matters

**Shari Todd** had tests run on her neck Wednesday at the Oklahoma Heart Hospital South. Please keep her in your prayers and pray that her test results will come back good.

**Shaun Crain**, daughter-in-law of Lea Crain, had leg surgery and it went well. Thank you for all of your prayers.

**Carla Hasley's** mother, Mary Lee, will begin chemo soon and the doctor said her lymphoma is at a stage 4 now. Please keep her and Carla in your prayers.

**Southwest family**, I was recently diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma and will begin having chemo treatments every other week very soon. Thank you to those who have checked in on me and have been praying for me so far, it has all been so appreciated. I ask that you keep me and my family in your prayers as we start this difficult journey. We know that God has a plan for us and that with Him, and our church family, we can make it through this. Raygn Tinsley

## Happenings

### Church Events & Announcements

**Congratulations** goes out to Thorin and Carli Turner on the birth of their new baby daughter, Taelin Paige Turner, who was born last Saturday. She weighed 7 lbs 12 ozs and was 20¾ inches long. Proud grandparents are Tim and Peggy Turner.

**We would like** to welcome Tim and Peggy Turner to our family here at Southwest! They placed their membership with us last Sunday. They are the parents of Thorin Turner.

**The Ladies Prayer Group** meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 4pm. They will meet next on **October 13th**.

**Alan Eck is turning 80!** Come celebrate with us! Come and Go Reception on **October 19th** from 2pm - 4pm in the fellowship building. No gifts please

The Yellow House will hand out food on Monday, **October 21st**, from 8am - 10am. Those helping this month are: Scott Estes, Bill Young, Barbara Houston, Debra Provence, Janna Byrd, Don & Pam Kite, & Tommy Myers. **The food for the Yellow House will be picked up and sacked on the morning of Wednesday, October 16th.** If you are unable to help, please contact Chuck Love.

**Trunk or Treat** will be Thursday, **October 31st**, from 6pm - 8pm in the south parking lot. If you would like to donate candy, please bring it to Thorin. Otherwise, supply your own candy for those that are helping pass out candy that evening.

**Jeannie Wingard** came home from the hospital on Thursday. Also, while out of state, **Jeremy Wingard**, after becoming ill, was taken to the ER, but was released. Please keep both Jeannie and Jeremy in your prayers.

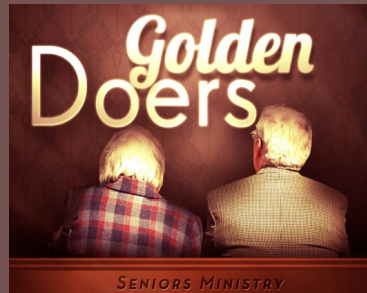
**Our sympathy** goes out to Glendel Hatton, Greg Hatton, and Kelli Simpson and the whole Hatton family on the passing of Paula Hatton, who passed away last Saturday. Her services were held Tuesday. Please keep this family in your prayers.

1 Thessalonians 5:17

*"Pray without ceasing."*

Please continue to pray for...

Pat Morgan, Lea Crain, Arles Wells, Jana & Stacey Stewart, Barbara Cannon, Ken & Wanda Roper, Leon Hughey, Myrtie Clarke, Nash Gilliam, Betty Gerth, Barbara Hataway, Sherry Price, Dona Pippen, Barbara Lewis, Randy Hall, Ronald Trent, Sue Silkey, Shirley Love, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Perry, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson and Thayne Consequellos.



**Golden Doers** lunch will be Sunday, October 13th, in the fellowship building after our morning services. If you are 60 years or older, please come join us!

## HOPE 2024

### GOAL: 970,000 BIBLES

The Hope campaign funds the publishing, printing, and distribution of Bibles and Bible-based materials in Eastern Europe and beyond. From September 1 to December 31, we invite you to donate to our God-led vision of providing 970,000 Bibles for 970,000 people in 2024.

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### EEM Hope Project

(formerly Million Dollar Sunday)

October 27th: Lanny Tucker from EEM will speak in the evening service followed by a meal in the fellowship building

November 3rd: Annual EEM Contribution





### October at a Glance

- 03 College Meal/Devo (Hatton)
- 06 Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 10 College Meal/Devo (Nickell)
- 13 Golden Doers Lunch,  
Ladies Prayer Group  
Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 16 Yel. House Food Pick Up/Sack
- 19 Alan Eck Birthday Celebration
- 20 Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 21 Yellow House
- 24 Col. Meal/Devo (Hendricks -SBC)
- 27 Ladies Pr. Group, EEM Speaker  
(PM) & Congregational Meal,  
Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 31 Trunk or Treat,  
College Meal/Devo (Hensley)



### TEENS AND YOUTH

#### October 13th

Youth Group Meal  
and Fellowship

#### October 17th

Youth Group Home  
Bible Study



#### October 24th

College Meal & Devo  
at SBC (Hendricks)

#### October 31st

College Meal & Devo  
(Hensley)



- 10/14 Glenda King
- 10/15 Diana Lowe, Jan Manuel
- 10/16 Carli Turner
- 10/17 Loretta Borders,  
Barbara Hataway,  
Christina Long
- 10/18 Ima Jean Blankenship,  
Brodie Denson
- 10/19 Adely Bryant,  
Wade Sumpter



10/19 Mark & Raygn Tinsley



### PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Heaven Allen Hunter Wilson  
Michale Perry Clay Wilson Jr.  
Josh Higginbottom  
Frank Holsapple Jr.



### Adults

David Hendricks

Auditorium

Jeff Butler

2 Timothy

Room 100

David Dirrim

Adult Bible Class

Fellowship Building

Brad Trekell

Sermon on the Mount

Room 111

### College Group

Kyle Wilson

Room 107

### Youth Group

Thorin Turner

Room 101

### Elementary

5th - 6th grades: Room 104

2nd - 4th Grades: Room 102

K - 1st Grade: Room 105

### Preschool

3's & 4's: Room 112

Toddlers, 2's & 3's: Room 114

Babies: Room 113

For the Record: 10/06/2024

Bible Study	182
AM Assembly	299
PM Assembly	102
Wednesday PM	138
Contributions	\$14,894
Budget	\$13,777



## SERVING THIS WEEK

### Sunday Morning:

Song Leader: Jared Hudson  
Opening Prayer: Joe Dirrim  
Closing Prayer: Drew Adams  
Scripture Reading: Jag Frye  
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Raymond Johnson  
Communion: Trent Barrett, Steve Black,  
Matt Bryant, James Bryant, Joe Dirrim,  
Raymond Johnson, Ronnie Osborn, Mark Tinsley  
Alternate Communion: Toker Dennis & Casey Farrar  
Balcony Communion: Don Kite & Tommy Myers  
Nursing Home Communion: Quaid Clark  
Attendance Counter: Trevor Manuel  
Safety Team Walk **AM/PM**: Kyle Wilson  
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Josh Nail  
Coordinator **AM/PM/Wed**: Beau Griffin & Jared Griffin  
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Ried Duncan & John Eck  
Welcome Desk (Oct.): Lillie Cadenhead & Kenzie Qualls  
Greeters (Oct.): Cody/Tiffany Frye; Kerry/Jessica White

### Sunday Evening:

Song Leader: Brad Trekell  
Opening Prayer: Hunter Nickell  
Closing Prayer: Thorin Turner  
Attendance Counter: Keith Nail  
Communion: Justin Lane & Chuck Love

### Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Justin Lane  
Announcements/Opening Prayer: Will Lampkin  
Closing Prayer: Drew Adams  
8 Minute Devotional: David Dirrim  
Attendance Counting: Drew Graham  
Safety Team Walk: Kevin Graham  
Safety Team Camera: Caleb Estes

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

The Steadfast Love of the Lord - 123

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:10-11

Prayer

Living By Faith - 560

Faith Is the Victory - 469

My Faith Looks Up to Thee - 586

Thoughts From the Cross: Raymond Johnson

Ten Thousand Angels - 349

Communion

Servant Song - 694

Contribution

Standing on the Promises - 452

A.M. Lesson: Grow in Grace

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus - 679

Announcements

To Christ Be True - 736

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: Amazing Grace

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

**Shepherd for October:** Brent Lowe

**Supporting Shepherd & Wife:** David & Darla Hendricks

### **October Contribution Counters:**

Ronnie Osborn, Will Lampkin, Beau Griffin, Jared Griffin

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### Sunday

Bible Classes - 9:00 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:00 a.m.

Evening Worship - 5:00 p.m.

### Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class - 10:00 a.m.

### Wednesday

Bible Classes - 6:30 p.m.



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