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THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

If you are following along with our Bible reading plan, we are about to finish the book of Jeremiah. I'm glad that many of you let me know that you're keeping up or trying to catch up. If you never started or fell far behind, don't let that stop you from reading scripture frequently. The plan we are doing is only one of many ways you can engage with scripture.

In his book, *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life*, Donald Whitney emphasizes the important, essential nature of reading scripture to our walk with God.

"No Spiritual Discipline is more important than the intake of God's Word. Nothing can substitute for it. There simply is no healthy Christian life apart from a diet of the milk and meat of Scripture. The reasons for this are obvious. In the Bible God tells us about Himself, and especially about Jesus Christ, the incarnation of God. The Bible unfolds the Law of God to us and shows us how we've all broken it. There we learn how Christ died as a sinless, willing Substitute for breakers of God's Law. In the Bible we learn the ways and will of the Lord. We find in Scripture how God wants us to live, and what brings the most joy and satisfaction in life. None of this eternally essential information can be found anywhere else except the Bible. Therefore if we would know God and be godly, we must know the Word of God—intimately. **Regardless of how busy we become with all things Christian, we must remember that the most transforming practice available to us is the disciplined intake of Scripture."**

A 2019 Lifeway Research study found that only 32% of Christians read the Bible daily. More than two thirds of us are missing out on that connection with God's word. Even if it is not our reading plan of the entire Bible in 2025, we need to spend time in scripture. We can do better. We can start with a few verses. We can listen to His word in our cars or earbuds. We can meditate on His truth. We can start today. There is no substitute.

- Brian

June 29, 2025



Elders

Jeff Butler

Greg Hatton

David Hendricks

Richard Howard

Brent Lowe

Butch Platt

Ministers

Brian Lewis

Thorin Turner

Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." - Psalm 119:104

Family Matters

Erin Hubbard's father, Stanley Jenkins, is having some blood pressure and heart issues at this time. Please keep him in your prayers.

Dear Southwest Family, Thank you for all of your heartfelt prayers for my 10 year old grandson, Jaylon, while he was in the hospital following his surgery. We ask for your continued prayers for complete healing as he has some further testing in the coming weeks. In Christian Love, Kelley Hughey

Please keep our country, the leaders of our nation, and all of those serving in our military in your prayers during this time of uncertainty.

If you need a Special Contribution envelope for a special donation that you are giving, the envelopes are now located in a rack on the welcome desk.

The new *Power for Today* study booklets for July through September are here. They are in the racks at both double door entries and there are some at the welcome desk.

For those that have asked Alan Eck for a copy of his outline on his class of the "Plan of Salvation," there are some copies at the welcome desk for anyone who would like one.

1 Thessalonians 5:17

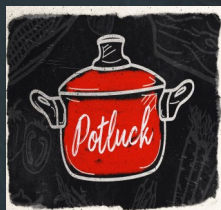
"Pray without ceasing."

Please continue to pray for...

Lea Crain, Lynnette Bryant, Dona Phippen, Barbara Cannon, Susan Pickle, Glenda King, Pat Morgan, Jana & Stacey Stewart, Ken & Wanda Roper, Myrtie Clarke, Nash Gilliam, Betty Gerth, Barbara Hataway, Sherry Price, 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.

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements



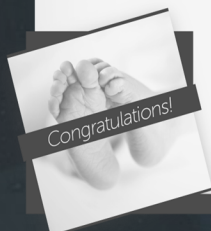
We will have a congregational fellowship meal on Sunday, **June 29th**, in the fellowship building following our morning services. Please bring side dishes and desserts as the meat is already provided. We will have our evening service at 12:30pm in the auditorium following the meal. There will not be a 5:00pm service.



The breakfast for our widowers and single men will be Tuesday, **July 1st**, in the fellowship building. Coffee will be ready at 7:30am and breakfast will be served at 8:00am.

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

All are invited to a baby shower for Kerry & Jessica White on Sunday, July 13th, at 3pm in the fellowship building. They are registered at Amazon & Walmart.



**KNOWING
GOD**
SOUTHWEST SUMMER SERIES

JULY 2
GARRETT MARSHALL
DEL CITY
THE WISDOM OF GOD



June at a Glance

- 01 Weston Baby Shower,
Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 02 AWTG at North MacArthur
- 03 Widower's Breakfast
- 04 Summer Series Starts
- 08 Ladies Prayer Group,
Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 09-12 Vacation Bible School
- 15 Father's Day
- 15-21 Reach Week at Pettijohn
- 18 Food Pick-Up for Yellow House
- 22 Ladies Prayer Group,
Youth Meal/Fellowship
- 23 Yellow House, Meals on Wheels
- 29 Congregational Fellowship Meal
with Evening Service at 12:30pm,
Youth Meal/Fellowship



TEENS AND YOUTH

July 7th

AWTG at Newalla

July 13th - 18th

Preacher's Training Camp
(Youth Group Boys)
at Lewisville, TX

July 21st

AWTG at South Walker (OKC)

July 28th

AWTG at Northridge (OKC)

July 29th - August 1st

Eagles Camp
(Youth Group Boys)
at Blanchard

July 28th

AWTG at Eastside (Midwest City)

Birthdays of the Month

- 06/29 David Dirrim,
Debbie Willis
- 07/03 Titus Nickell,
Jennifer Wingard
- 07/04 Debbie Hataway
- 07/05 Brett Butler, Cale Hudson,
Malinda Patterson



- 07/01 Richard & Camille Howard
- 07/04 Stefan & Daniela Iorga

PRAY FOR OUR

SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

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



2025 Daily Bible Readings

- 6/29 - Jeremiah 49-50, Psalm 26
- 6/30 - Jeremiah 51-52, Psalm 27
- 7/1 - Lamentations 1-2, Psalm 28
- 7/2 - Lamentations 3, Psalm 29
- 7/3 - Lamentations 4-5, Psalm 30
- 7/4 - Ezekiel 1-4, Psalm 31
- 7/5 - Ezekiel 5-8, Psalm 32
- 7/6 - Ezekiel 9-12, Psalm 33

Bible Classes

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Adults

David McMillin

The Gospel of John

Jeff Butler

The Gospel of John

Room 100

David Dirrim

Adult Bible Class

Fellowship Building

Drew Adams

Characters of the Cross

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: 06/22/2025

Bible Study

AM Assembly

PM Assembly

Wednesday PM

Contributions

Budget

183

\$14,692

\$15,738

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday Morning:

Song Leader: Kyle Wilson
Opening Prayer: Ried Duncan
Closing Prayer: Dusty Dennis
Scripture Reading: David Lewis
Lord's Supper Thoughts: Cody Frye
Communion: Sam Austin, Trent Barrett,
Tucker Dennis, Joe Dirrim, Drew Graham,
Cale Hudson, Jared Hudson, Cody Reynolds
Alternate Communion: James Bryant & Stefan Iorga
Balcony Communion: Don Kite & Tommy Myers
Nursing Home Communion: TBA
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Trever Manuel
Attendance Recorder: Sam & Sarah Austin
Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Mark Clark
Service Coordinator: Beau Griffin & Jared Griffin
Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: Jag Frye & Justin Lane
Welcome Desk (June): Amy Graham & Kenzie Qualls
Greeters (June): Glinda B. & Ashlee G. / Kelley H. & Chuck L.

Sunday Evening:

Song Leader: Tyler Jones
Opening Prayer: Hunter Nickell
Closing Prayer: Brad Trekell
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Trever Manuel
Communion: TBA & Mark Tinsley
Service Coordinator: Beau Griffin & Jared Griffin

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Jared Hudson
Announcements/Opening Prayer: David Hendricks
Closing Prayer: Ronnie Osborn
Summer Series Lesson
Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: John Eck
Safety Team Camera: Tanner Weston

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome
Song
Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 3:16-17
Prayer
Song
Song
Song
Thoughts From the Cross: Cody Frye
Song
Communion
Song
Contribution
Song
A.M. Lesson: Back to the Word
Song
Announcements
Song
Prayer

P.M. Lesson: God Knows

An elder and his wife are available in room 107 during each invitation.

Shepherd for June: Jeff Butler

Supporting Shepherd & Wife: Richard & Camille Howard

June Contribution Counters:

Ronnie Osborn, Will Lampkin, Beau Griffin, Jared Griffin

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ONLINE GIVING



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.
(Class does not meet during summer)

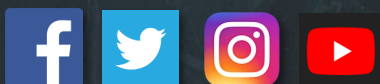
Wednesday

Bible Classes - 6:30 p.m.

Worship & Classes Online

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