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REMINDERS

With a title like that, I should probably clarify that this is not going to be an article about reminders of upcoming church events or important dates. You can find those on the following pages. We're actually going to talk about reminders. Whether you are old school and use post-it notes or more current and use an app (or someone like my wife who uses both), we can all use reminders from time to time. The people who Paul writes to in the New Testament are no different.

In his letter to Titus, Paul begins the third chapter by telling Titus to "Remind them" then lists several things that the Christians Titus is ministering to need to remember. We do too.

- "Be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient." (Titus 3:1) - Christians should be good citizens who respect authority. This had to be an especially challenging teaching when considering the Roman government's animosity toward the church.
- "Be ready for every good work." (Titus 3:1) - Paul understood that goodness in the lives of God's people would help prepare the soil for the spread of God's message.
- "Speak evil of no one." (Titus 3:2) - Words matter, and we should choose kind and positive ones when speaking about others.
- "Avoid quarreling." (Titus 3:2) - Many of our arguments are trivial and avoidable. When we find ourselves involved in a quarrel, we can choose to deescalate the situation and seek a peaceful resolution.
- "Be gentle." (Titus 3:2) - In our culture, gentleness is most often used to describe animals and children. Scripture speaks frequently of gentleness among adults. It is a character trait (and fruit of the Spirit) that we should embrace daily.
- "Show perfect courtesy toward all people." (Titus 3:2) - The Greek word interpreted "courtesy" in the ESV connotes gentleness, humility and meekness. This is how Jesus lived in His interactions with others.

The Expositor's Bible Commentary concludes that these verses are a reminder of how we should interact with others. "In this way, believers will make sure that the only offense is that of the gospel; carelessness of speech, argumentativeness, and arrogance must not stand in the way." Our conversations and interactions with others could influence their desire to learn more about the good news of Jesus. Let's make the most of every opportunity to share the love of Jesus.

- Brian

November 30, 2025



Elders

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

Ministers

Brian Lewis
Thorin Turner
Kyle Wilson

Secretary

Dana Chilcoat

Family Matters

Congratulations goes out to Mark and McKenna Morgenthaler on the birth of their new baby daughter, Lyra Mae Morgenthaler, who was born Tuesday morning. She weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. and was 18¾ inches long. Proud big brother is Hudson Morgenthaler.

We will have a Congregational Fellowship Meal on Sunday, **November 30th**, in the fellowship building following our morning services. Please bring soups, chili, and desserts. The bread will be provided. After our meal we will have an afternoon service at 12:30pm in the auditorium. We will NOT have a 5:00pm service.

There will be a Singing Night on Wednesday, **December 3rd**. No Bible classes, everyone will meet in the auditorium.

Happenings

Church Events & Announcements

There will be a breakfast for the widower's and single men on Tuesday, **December 2nd**, in the fellowship building. Coffee will be ready at 7:30am and breakfast is served at 8:00am.

Meals on Wheels week is **December 8th - 12th**. Helpers are Bill Young, Kim Simpson, Don Kite, Wendell Voto, and Chuck Love.

There will be a Golden Doers Lunch on Sunday, **December 14th**, in the fellowship building following our morning services. If you are 60 years or older, please come join us! If you would like to participate in the "Dirty Santa" gift exchange, then the women need to bring a woman's gift and the men need to bring a man's gift. The gift limit is \$10.

The Ladies Prayer Group will meet next on Sunday, **December 14th**, at 4pm in room 111.

The last class of 2025 for the Tuesday morning ladies Bible class will be **December 16th**. The class will resume on **January 6th**.

We will pass out Christmas Baskets on Tuesday, **December 16th**, from 4pm - 7pm at the Yellow House for some families from a couple of our community's schools. *If you know of a family or shut-in in need of a basket, please let Mark Clark or Hunter Nickell know by Friday, **December 5th**.* The deadline for those that would like to donate monetarily for the food is also **December 5th**. If you would like to help pass out the baskets, please sign up at the welcome desk.

The Fifth Sunday Night Singing at the Little Church of Christ that was scheduled for **November 30th, will be postponed until March 29th**. This postponement is due to the holidays.

There will be no adult class in room 111 until **January 11th**.

Brothers and Sisters, Words are inadequate to express my gratitude to all of you upon the kindness and love you shared during our loss of Joshua. Thank you for the use of your facilities. Every kind and comforting word were and are still medicine for our souls. In Christan Love, Danny Stewart & Theresa Smith

1 Thessalonians 5:17

"Pray without ceasing."

Continue to pray for list...

Mary Lee, Barbara Cannon, Lea Crain, Susan Pickle, Glenda King, Jana & Stacey Stewart, Ken & Wanda Roper, Myrtie Clarke, Nash Gilliam, Betty Gerth, Barbara Hataway, Sherry Price, Barbara Lewis, Randy Hall, Ronald Trent, Sue Silkey, Katie Meaders, Johnnie Sing, Cherry Bennett, Shirley Perry, Pattie Mitchell, Debbie Harber, Warner Fleck, Randy Wilson and Thayne Consequellos.



Please sign up at the Welcome Desk to attend or volunteer.



Christmas Paint Party!

Join me December 13th @4pm in the fellowship building.
Sign up by December 3rd!

Sign up to attend at the Welcome Desk and list which picture you like the best, A or B.

Please bring finger foods to share. See Carli for questions.



- 11/30 Congregational Fel. Meal
- 12/02 Widower's Breakfast
- 12/03 Singing Night
- 12/04 Col. Christmas Party (Hatton)
- 12/06 Pancakes with Santa
- 12/07 AWTG (Chickasha)
- 12/13 Christmas Paint Party
- 12/14 Golden Doers Lunch,
Ladies Pr. Grp, Yo. Grp. Meal/Fel.
- 12/16 Last Ladies Bible Class f/2025,
Christmas Baskets Passed Out
- 12/17 Pick Up/Sack Yellow House Food
- 12/19 Yellow House
- 12/21 Youth Grp. Meal/Fellowship



TEENS AND YOUTH

December 7th

AWTG
(Chickasha)

December 14th

Youth Group
Meal & Fellowship



December 4th

College Group Christmas Party
(Hatton)

December 12th - January 20th

College Students on
Christmas Break



- 11/30 Dewey Dirrim,
Shelley Meaders
- 12/01 Laura Gould, Butch Platt
- 12/04 Glenda Lillard, Taran Williams
Paula Sturdevant,
Saylor Sullivan
- 12/05 Dee Hensley
- 12/06 Tiffany Frye, Elizabeth Lane



- 12/03 Allen & Karen Stonecipher
- 12/04 Mark & Sonya Clark
- 12/05 David & Glenda Cross

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

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



2025 Daily Bible Readings

- 11/30 - Hebrews 1-2, Psalm 25
- 12/1 - Hebrews 3-4, Psalm 26
- 12/2 - Hebrews 5-6, Psalm 27
- 12/3 - Hebrews 7-8, Psalm 28
- 12/4 - Hebrews 9-10, Psalm 29
- 12/5 - Hebrews 11-13, Psalm 30
- 12/6 - James 1-3, Psalm 31
- 12/7 - James 4-5, Psalm 32



Adults

David Hendricks
Covenants

Jeff Butler

The Gospel of John
Room 100

David Dirrim

Adult Bible Class
Fellowship Building

Drew Adams

Class will resume on January 11th
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: 11/23/2025

Bible Study	—
AM Assembly	—
PM Assembly	—
Wednesday PM	—
Contributions	\$12,000
Budget	\$15,738

SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday Morning:

Song Leader: Tyler Jones

Opening Prayer: Trevor Manuel

Closing Prayer: Dusty Dennis

Scripture Reading: Adam Hensley

Lord's Supper Thoughts: David Hendricks

Communion: Trent Barrett, David Hendricks,

Jacob Hubbard, Cale Hudson, Cody Reynolds,

Tommy Vass, Trevin Vass, Kerry White

Alternate Communion: Raymond Johnson & Alan Simpson

Balcony Communion: Mark Clark & Hunter Nickell

Nursing Home Communion: Quaid Clark

Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Jared Hudson

Attendance Recorder (**Nov**): Sam & Sarah Austin

Safety Team Camera **AM/PM**: Keith Nail

Service Coordinator: Matt Bryant & Cody Frye

Sound Booth **AM/PM/Wed**: KerVon James & Justin Lane

Welcome Desk (**Nov**): Clarie Dennis & Kim Simpson

Greeters (**Nov**): Sam A. & Cindy G. / Greg & Diana H.

Sunday Evening:

Song Leader: Caleb Estes

Opening Prayer: Jared Griffin

Closing Prayer: Ronnie Osborn

Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: Jared Hudson

Communion: Joe Dirrim & Drew Graham

Service Coordinators: Matt Bryant & Cody Frye

Wednesday PM:

Song Leader: Nathan Lewis

Announcements/Opening Prayer: Jared Hudson

Closing Prayer: Drew Adams

Devotional (8 Minutes): Jeff Butler

Attendance Counter/Safety Team Walk: John Eck

Safety Team Camera: Tanner Weston

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome

Prayer

Light the Fire

Ring Out the Message

Footprints of Jesus

Does He Still Feel the Nails

Thoughts From the Cross: David Hendricks

Tears I Spent in Vanity

Communion

To God Be the Glory

Contribution

When We All Get to Heaven

Scripture Reading: 1 Timothy 6:12

A.M. Lesson: Fight the Good Fight

Lord I'm Coming Home

Announcements

Anywhere with Jesus

Prayer

P.M. Lesson: For Love's Sake

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

Shepherd November: Butch Platt

Supporting Shepherd & Wife: Brent & Diana Lowe

November Contribution Counters:

Drew Adams, Kevin Graham, Drew Graham

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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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