

Weekly Newsletter

October 18,2009

VATER MILL HURCH OF CHRIST

Order of Worship

Welcome Eddie Sanders

Song Leader Kerry Cole

> #833 #446

Opening Prayer Van Barnes

#350 (v. 1,3) #345 (v. 1,2,4)

Communion Contribution Verl Duncan

> #515 #52

Lesson Bill McFarland

#492 (v. 1,2,4)

Announcements Bob Snider

#855 (v. 1,2)

Closing Prayer Scott Barton

<u>About Our Work</u>

Bill McFarland

A big welcome to all our guests this Lord's Day! We always look forward to being together as brothers and sisters in the family of God, but having friends with us when we meet is an added joy. It will be our privilege to host the young people from several area congregations this evening. It will be a blessing you won't want to miss!

This past week a couple of things happened that reminded me how much the people who touch our lives influence what our lives turn out to be. While I was doing the meeting at Berryville, a number of our old friends from the Green Forest community came to encourage us. It has been just a few months short of twenty-five years since my family moved from there but they are still blessing us. Then one morning this week when I got to the office I found that I had an e-mail message from the daughter of a man my father worked for more than forty-five years ago. I hadn't heard from there since then, but somehow she had found me. She sent pictures of my dad and my grandparents—pictures that I had never seen. What a kind and thoughtful thing to do!

We've been reading Isaiah for the last several days. Have you noticed how much he has to say about **peace**—and how beautiful or memorable the phrases are? The great prophet lived in turbulent and uncertain times, as we do. His words seem so relevant.

"Oh that you had paid attention to my commandments! Then your peace would have been like a river, and your righteousness like the waves of the sea" (Isa. 48:18). To have "peace like a river" would be quite a blessing! But that comes as a result of paying attention to the guidance of our wise and loving Father. And, the problem is that so many have not, and will not, do that.

"There is no peace, says the LORD, for the wicked" (Isa. 48:22; 57:21). This is simply how life works. There is no peace of mind, no peace with other people, and certainly no peace with God, in a way of life which is wrong. There never will be.

"But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed" (Isa. 53:5). The suffering Servant gave himself to bring back to us what was lost through our rebellion against the guidance of the One who loves us most. He restores broken relationships.

"The way of peace they do not know, and there is no justice in their paths; they have made their roads crooked; no one who treads on them knows peace" (Isa. 59:8). Despite what the Lord has done, the multitudes are not aware of the way of peace.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns'" (Isa. 52:7). We have the glad news of peace to tell, and there are people who will rejoice to hear it. Let us become an army of peace!



Today's Sermons:Morning:How To Get Something Out of ChurchEvening:The Power Of Christ In Me

Prayer Lists and Announcements

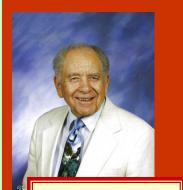
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We are honored that you joined us. We hope you will be blessed by your time with us. We have an attended nursery, a cry/training room and a nursing mother's room for your convenience if you have small children. Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the pew so that we may thank you for your visit.

For The Record October 11

Bible Study:	250	
Morning:	376	
Evening:	219	
Wednesday:	218	
Contribution:	\$10,039	



Elder of the Month Bob Snider

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Dramer	<u>Hannah Stayton</u> has the flu and will be in for a few more days	Long-Term Prayer List:		
Geen	Lucille Ford is in Cox South	Joy & Alice Allen		
		Paul Bratcher		
and the second second	<u>Sondra Lorenz</u> as she deals with cancer Seldon Essex has continuing back	Thelma Fain		
problems and	d will have surgery soon	Lucille/Milton Ford		
•	continues to have severe headaches	Gerald Jean		
associated with his neck pain.		Clay Joseph		
David & Debbie Ratterree as they continue to have		Sondra Lorenz		
health problems		Carol Mahon		
Friends and Family:		Jarita Nimmo		
Former member Sue Edwards is now at home		David/Debbi Ratterree		
	om heart surgery.	Sherry Sherman		
	r's grandson, <mark>Kaleb Bratcher</mark>	Judy Todd		
Joe Chaney, father of the Young's daughter-in-law,		Pat Woods		
has been diagnosed with a rare form of cancer; they		Phil Baker,		
worship at Sunset <mark>Colleen Sundlie</mark> , Jackie & Virginia Buck's daughter, has		former member		
been in the hospital		Karen Scheel, Cathryn		
Special Pra	yer Requests	Warren's daughter		
-	en and Debbie Crawford responded Sunday	<u>Military</u>		
asking for prayers.		<u>Cody Newman</u> , Lora		
3,1	,	Luna's nephew, left for		
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Γoday's ε	events:			

LTC Scrapbooking meeting after morning service

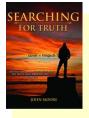
- FPU class at 2:30
- MALAWI meeting at 4 p.m.
- Pew Packers meet at 4:45
- **AREAWIDE YOUTH NIGHT (Youth**
- families be here at 4 p.m.with potatoes and to set up for meal)



LTC Puppets/Drama There will be an organizational meeting on *November* 1 after evening service.



Quilters meet Tuesday at 10 a.m. We have blocks to sew together or bring your own project!



Attention Ladies Beginning Thursday, November 5th, at 6:30 p.m. we will be viewing the DVD

Searching For Truth. If you are interested in this study, please contact Gaitha Downing.

Preschool Fall Potluck Luncheon Sunday, November 1 For all preschoolers and their families

News & Events



Dear Friends at Water Mill, We are so thankful for your care and concern, and for all the prayers on our behalf. We are both slowly improving but still have a lot of healing to do. The doctor has started Donna on medication for Lupus but it takes time to see improvement. Again, we both thank you for your love for us.

In Christ, Ava & Donna White

Daylight Savings Time Ends November 1 <u>Youth Activities</u>

11/7 Fall Fest at the Lines.11/7 Fall Leaf Raking 9-211/15 Youth Night at Sunset

<u>New Address</u> Tom & Janice Newell 1856 SE Barlow Ct. Bartlesville, OK 74006 918-439-6880

Fun, Food & Fellowship at the Golden Age Jamboree



Elders, Ministers, Deacons & Staff

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Bill McFarland

Golden Age Minister

Dennis Smith

Youth Minister

Andrew Morton

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Deacons

Scott Barton	Matt Keener
Tim Bowling	Russell Lilly
Tim Buckner	Paul Lines
Tom Davis	Jim Meinsen
George Downing	Travis Morrison
Jim Elliff	Eddie Sanders
Jon Ewing	James Simons
Shannon Haddock	Tim Stockstill

Staff

Johnnie Elliff Tim Bowling Secretary Custodian

WEAPONS OF OUR WARFARE

By Dennis Smith

"The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds" (2nd Cor. 10:4). That there is a war going on in the life of all Christians we cannot deny. The Apostle Paul said that he had *"fought a good fight" (2nd Tim. 4:7).* James, the Lord's brother, advised to *"resist the devil, and he will flee from you" (James 4:7).* In reading this article I want you to notice the first word in the title is *"WEAPONS," suggesting that we do have more than one.* What are they? Heading this list would have to be *"The sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" (Eph. 6:17).* I will remind you that it is powerful indeed since it is described as a *"two-edged sword" (Heb. 4:12),* meaning that it cuts both "coming and going." Since a sword is only as effective as the one who wields it, the next weapon of our warfare is the prayer we offer for those picking up and using this powerful tool. A third weapon of our warfare is the church itself. As the church, we become that mighty army *"marching as to war"* and holding high the fourth weapon before us - the Cross of Jesus. By using these spiritual weapons and blending our voices in a triumph-song, we can march on to victory, conquering *"principalities and powers"* and even the *"gates of hell"* as one old powerful hymn relates. Remember! <u>Our weapons must not be carnal ones</u>!

Schedule of Services
Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship5:00 PM
Wednesday Night Bible Class7:00 PM

OUR MISSION POINTS

Mark & Era Thiesen, Malawi, Africa

Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands

Jeremiah Akamah, Cameroon, Africa

Voice of Truth International

"The Living Word" 7:30 A.M. Sundays KOLR TV 10 "In Search Of The Lord's Way" 7:00 A.M. Sundays KOLR TV 10

"Know Your Bible" 10:30 A.M. Sundays **Springfield 33** KSPR-TV



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Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

Opening Prayer:

Closing Prayer:

Speaker:

Communion:

Nursery:

AM Nursery:	Robin Meeks/Jan Bowling		
Greeters:	Kerry & Sandy Cole		
Van Driver:	Russell Lilly/839-4048		
KYB Phone:	Randy & Orvella Blackburn		
Serve Communion:	Jerry Young/Bob Stockstill Justin Reaves/Dustin Stokes Eddie Sanders/Daniel Wilson James Simons/Mike Thurlkill John Stayton/Don Tracy		
THIS EVENING			
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing		

Daniel Meinsen

Bill McFarland

Aaron Tovar/Isaac Tovar

Lee A. Donoho/K. Duncan

Briley Ewing

NEXT WEEK, October 25

	MORNING	EVENING
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole	Tim Bowling
Opening Prayer:	ng Prayer: Randy Blackburn T	
Communion:	Tom Davis	A. Tovar/I. Tovar
Closing Prayer:	Tim Bowling	Jackie Buck
AM Nursery:	Linda Currier/Leona Snider	
PM Nursery:	Glenda Thurlkill/Jeremy Thurlkill	
Greeters:	Jackie & Virginia Buck	
Van Driver:	Travis Morrison/742-1970	

THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

	Ushers: Briley Ewing/		Wednesday, October 21	
	Kyle Buckner	Kyle Buckner Ron Stokes/	Devotional:	Bill McFarland
	AV Room:	Jeremy Thurlkill	Song Leader:	Tom Easterly
	Secure	Opening Prayer:	Oran Green	
	Building:	Paul Lines	Closing Prayer:	Dale Gregory