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December 14, 2014

Order of Worship

Song Leader
Jon Ewing

#876 #989

Opening Prayer Aaron Morrison

> #289 #516

The Lord's Supper

Contribution

#438

Lesson Bill McFarland

#125

Announcements Jerry Young

#71

Closing Prayer Aaron Alexander

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. (Matt. 5:14)

Welcome Visitors

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.

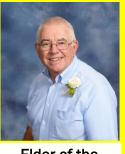
"Before They Call, I will answer" (Isa. 65:24)

By Dennis R. Smith

Have you ever wondered why Isaiah has often been called "The Messianic Prophet?" If so, it is because of the many prophetic statements which he makes in regard to the coming of the Messiah and what needs we have even in advance of our asking for them. (See 1st Pet. 3:12). Albert Barnes in his commentary on Isaiah 65:24 has this to say: "Before they call, I will answer - That is, their desires shall be anticipated, God will see their needs, and he will impart to them the blessings which they need. He will not wait to be applied to for the blessing. How many such blessings do all his people receive at the hand of God! How ready is he to anticipate our needs! How watchful is he of our necessities; and how rich his benevolence in providing for us! Even the most faithful and prayerful of his people receive numerous favors and comforts at his hand for which they have not directly asked him. The prayer for the supply of our daily food, 'Give us this day our daily bread,' God had anticipated, and had prepared the means of answering it, long before, in the abundant harvest. Had he waited until the prayer was offered, it could not have been answered without a miracle." The Apostle Paul echoes these thoughts: "Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities; for we know not what we should pray for as we ought; but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groaning which cannot be uttered" (Rom. 8:34). "Thank you Lord- How Great Thou Art!"

For The Record December 7

Bible Study: 255
Morning: 346
Evening: 176
Wed. (12/10): 216
Contribution: \$11,113



Elder of the Month



Birthdays

23 Gabby Gellan 24 Greg Donoho Linda Tracy 27 Josiah Downing



- Quilters will meet December 16 at 10 a.m., weather permitting.
- Soup and Salad Luncheon on January 4. Watch for more information.
 - Book Club Meeting on January 12 Christian Fiction Christmas books

Wednesday night, December 24th, there will be a combined devotional in the auditorium. Wednesday night, December 31st, there will be regularly scheduled classes.

December 30 Ugly Sweater Holiday Party/Lockin **January 16-18** —Y.O.U. youth rally in Conway, AR January 25 -Middle School AWYN at Jackson St. in Willard

Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Glenda Thurlkill whose aunt passed away this week in Eldorado, AR.





- ♦ <u>Rachel Lilly</u> is showing slow improvement after brain surgery. She is in room 10577 at Barnes Hospital; here is the Raucis link for e-cards: http://www.barnesjewish.org/egreeting/? id=530&sid=1.
- ♦ Shawna Stockdale will have back surgery in January.
- ♦ Tom Norrell also has serious back issues; has appointment with Springfield Neurological and Spine Institute on the 15th.
- ♦ Tim Timmons is recovering from surgery Mercy room 4254D.
- ♦ Seldon Essex has very serious back issues; will have MRI the 18th.
- ♦ Bob Snider will have knee surgery January 13th.

Friends & Family

- Tom Meeks has continuing health issues.
- David and Debbie Kern's little grandson Josiah will have his tonsils out the end of December.
- Cecil Lines' brother Hubert has cancer.
- Mary Charlotte Lines' sister, Carol Paige, has reoccurring breast cancer.
- Carolyn Young's sister, Nita, is now in a skilled nursing facility in Joplin and Nita's husband is now in the hospital.
- Angela Asher's uncle, **Dean Asher**, is suffering from cancer; also a friend of Angela, Joan Gerdes, has a mass on her lungs.
- Nadean Green's nephew, Tyler Crabtree; Mary Jo Rookstool's neighbor, Julie Dibben, and her mother, Joy Shelburn; Bonnie Cole's nephew, Scott Golden; Jon Ewing's brother, Mike Ewing; Joyce Harmon, Gaitha Downing's mother-in-law; Coyeatte Ewing's mom, Beverly Hammond; Sandra Pengenot's friend Pat Dyer; Jerry Milligan's aunt Wilma.

Congratulations to *Mary Jo Rookstool* on the safe arrival of her great grandbaby #10, Charlotte Cait, born to Matthew & Nicole Patterson in Alaska on December 6th.



Service Rosters

THIS MORNING

Jerry & Pat Milligan **Greeters:**

Van Driver: Jerry Stockdale 693-7505

KYB Phone: James & Emily Simons

Aaron Schwartz, Adam Stipp, Serve

Communion: Ron Stokes, Luis Tovar,

> John Mahon, James Simons, Jerry Stockdale, Tyler Thornton,

Adam Eilenstein, Jerry Milligan

NEXT WEEK, December 21

MORNING **EVENING**

Kerry Cole/J. Ewing Larry Baggett Song Leader: **Opening Prayer:** Randy Blackburn John Dutton

Brendan Carroll **Communion:** A. Barton/W. Downing

Closing Prayer: Dale Gregory Paul Lines

Nursery AM Jill Morrison/Meredith Reaves

Nursery PM Lee Ann Donoho

Kevin & Connie Westerman **Greeters:**

Van Driver: Adam Stipp 844-6564

THIS EVENING

Larry Baggett **Song Leader: Opening Prayer:** Tom Davis Bill McFarland Lesson: **Closing Prayer:** Fred Lorenz

Communion: A. Barton/W. Downing

MONTH OF December

ΑV Scott Barton Bruce Tindall Room:

Open Tim Timmons

Building

Secure Tim Buckner

Building:

Wednesday, Dec. 17

Devotional:

Song Leader: Travis Morrison

Prayer: Jason Luna Van Driver: **Charles Crum**