



# WATER MILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Weekly Newsletter

September 27, 2015

## Order of Worship

*Song Leader*  
**Kerry Cole**

*Opening Prayer*  
**Matt Keener**

*The Lord's Supper*  
**Gene Lund**

*Contribution*  
**Gene Lund**

*Lesson*  
**Adam Blaney**

*Announcements*  
**Jerry Young**

*Closing Prayer*  
**David Kern**

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



## Equipping the Saints (Including the Kids) for Ministry

*“He gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ” (Ephesians 4:11,12).*

One of the unfortunate consequences of designating church staff members as “ministers” is the impression often left that “ministry” is something that is done by those whom a church chooses to employ. The word of Paul cited above belies that assumption, as for Paul, the body of believers was to be edified through ministry performed by the saints. And that preparation for ministry was to be supplied through the equipping of those in the leadership roles listed previously. Ministry is something all can and *should* be doing!

The LTC (Leadership Training for Christ) program, in which we participate each year, is part of our effort to “equip the saints,” at least as I see it. Our goal in what we do is to attempt to provide to the young participants the opportunity and skill to be functioning, productive citizens of the Kingdom of God. Through a plethora of various events, we can help our kids see that “Leadership” does not always mean being an elder, deacon or preacher, or the wife of one of those men. Rather, leadership in the kingdom has many faces, none of which is more important than the others.

Today is the day that we begin the journey preparing for LTC conference 2016. I hope that if you are a parent of 3-12 graders, you will encourage your kiddos to look through the packet and find something that interests him/her, then help them learn about that particular avenue of service and how it can be of benefit to the kingdom. We would love to help and coach them along the way!

I also hope that, if you are not a parent of kids this age, that you will encourage those who are, and encourage those kids who participate. I hope you will see the value in teaching these young people these skills, even those which may not be as obvious to you to be leadership, and help them to see the place they have in the kingdom.

I mentioned in the title that equipping the saints should include equipping the children, and that part of our role as a body of believers is preparing our children to find their place in the body, to see their lives as meaningful and useful for ministry, and to see that they are important in the life of our congregation. LTC helps us do these things, and it is our prayer that you will partner with us in our work for these young kids. - Adam

**LTC Event Packets are available in the Foyer!!!**  
**Please pick one up!!!**

# Prayer List & Notes

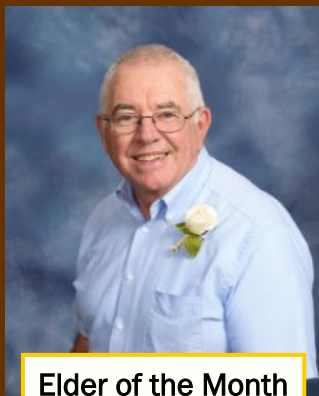
## Welcome Visitors

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.

### For The Record

September 20

Bible Study:	228
Morning:	350
Evening:	190
Wednesday (9/23):	200
Contribution:	\$ 7,135



Elder of the Month  
Jerry Young

- ◆ Continue to remember Eula Compton, Rachel Lilly, Shirlane Horton, Brian Horton, Jackie Buck, Jerry Gillespie
- ◆ Thelma Pendergrass has been in and out of the hospital this past week and is not doing well.
- ◆ Tim Timmons is in Mercy Hospital
- ◆ Carolyn Young continues her recovery from surgery.
- ◆ Marsha Bower as she continues to recover from strokes
- ◆ Dale Harp with his ongoing serious health issues
- ◆ Judy Todd is in Mercy Hospital
- ◆ Bill Culley remains in Barnes Hospital PCU following surgery; he has been up and down this past week but hopefully is now on the road to recovery
- ◆ Brian Horton has had another injury—nerve damage to his elbow.

### Friends & Family

- ◆ Gail White's 25 year-old great nephew, Hunter Ellard, is still fighting pneumonia but things are looking better for him
- ◆ Betty Grabber's niece, Linda Holley, has cancer
- ◆ Leah Freeze's mom, Glynda Gardner, as she deals with cancer
- ◆ Pauline Redmon, Bill's mom, is now at home
- ◆ Bonnie Cole's sister, Linda Ward; Ruth Reaves' brother, Jimmie Hocker; and Joyce Harmon, Gaitha's mother-in-law, as they all deal with cancer
- ◆ Lance Griter's Aunt DeeAnn has been moved to Select Hospital, room 303, for rehab; Lance's grandpa is in the hospital with a number of health issues.

Please remember Bill and Kay as they are in a meeting at the Gospel Hills congregation in West Plains today through Wednesday.

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### Sympathy

*We extend our sympathy to Teresa Mahon and her family in the loss of her mom, Thelma Fain, who passed away last Saturday evening. Services were held Saturday.*



We will have a memorial service for Clay Joseph TODAY after evening services. We hope you will all plan to stay as we honor Clay for his many years of service to the Lord and to this congregation.

### Prayers for the Treat Family:

Elaine Treat responded last Sunday with the following note: After much thought, prayers and 12 years of being house parents at Fair Haven, Jeff and I have decided to retire our position there. As some of you already know, we also have some other issues in our lives that we are dealing with. We come to you today asking for continued prayers for not only us but all the children and staff at Fair Haven, as well as Jeff's health and our lives in general. We appreciate our family here and all that you do and have done for us through the years. Thank you. Elaina Treat

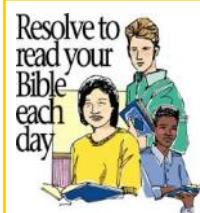
### Long Term/ Shut-ins

Kay Adams  
Shirley Bartlett  
Doris Burch  
Eula Compton  
Fern Davis  
Ella Mae Findlay  
Ann Freeze  
Chloe Gaddis  
Doris Iorg  
Thelma Pendergrass  
Sandra Pengenot  
Nancy Snider  
Doris Tobler  
Judy Todd



### Expectant Mom

Danielle Horton/  
Nov./Boy



*Daily Bible Reading Schedule for the 4th Quarter is available on the Information Desk.*



Thank you for your prayers and visits. Clarence is doing good. God answered our prayers. We truly appreciate all your concerns. God bless everyone. The Larimores (Greg's mom and dad)

# News & Activities



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

Next Saturday, October 3 @  
8 a.m. here at the building.  
Sign up TODAY.  
Sign up sheet is on the  
Information Desk!



Water Mill Family  
Camping Trip  
October 9-11

CAMP "TOKNOWHIM"  
Alley Spring, MO  
Deadline to sign up is this  
Wednesday. Meeting soon  
to share details about  
food, plans, expense, etc.



## GRIEF SHARE

*The FIRST meeting  
for the Grief Share  
Group was last  
Monday night but  
feel free to join us  
Monday night at 6:30  
p.m. if you are  
interested in trying  
out the Group.*



## LADIES FALL RETREAT

God Made YOU  
(Psalm 139:14)  
November 13-14  
at the church building  
(details to follow)  
Sign-up sheet is on the  
Information Desk!



## Family Bible Time Fun Day (VBS)

Superheros of Faith  
Sunday, October 18, 2015  
3:00-5:00 pm

\*Classes available for age 2-6th grade

\*We are requesting volunteers from grades 7-12 to help with the VBS Fun Day.

There will also be a hot dog and hamburger cookout immediately after church services. **EVERYONE** is welcome to stay and enjoy a time of fun and fellowship!

PLEASE SEE THE INFORMATION  
DESK FOR SIGN-UP SHEETS  
FOR ATTENDANCE AND  
VOLUNTEERS!!!

**PLEASE CHECK THE  
GIVING TREE FOR  
SUPPLIES NEEDED!!**

## LADIES BIBLE STUDY

### KEEPING YOUR BALANCE

Each Thursday at 10:30  
Oct. 1 - "Rocks in Your Jar" -  
Leona Snider

**Family Bible Time  
Tonight at 5 p.m.**

- \* James River Nursing Home Devo next Saturday at 2 p.m.
- \* Quilters meet Tuesday, October 6 at 10 a.m.
- \* 10/18 Elders/Deacons/Preachers Meeting at 3 p.m.



## October Anniversaries

1 John & Tina Orum 21 yrs.  
5 Luis & Carol Tovar 24 yrs.  
21 Greg & Sheryl Larimore 4 yrs.  
22 Ron & Marsha Bower 53 yrs.  
23 Dale & Phyllis Gregory 54 yrs.  
25 Jon & Coyeatte Ewing 29 yrs.

**Happy Anniversary**



## Birthdays

1 Megan Glenn  
1 Tommy Grabber  
3 Collin Breckner  
4 Emma Winters  
5 Fred Lorenz  
6 Charles Crum  
7 JJ Blevins  
9 Dustin Stokes  
10 Randy Blackburn  
10 Aaron Schwartz

## AREA EVENTS

10/3 Ladies Day at Strafford  
10/4 "Keeping Your Family Safe From Pornography" - Dr. Lou Butterfield at the Sunset Congregation  
10/4-6 Oklahoma Christian Lectureship  
10/11-14 Gospel Meeting with Stephen Rook at Carthage Church of Christ  
Flyers are on the Bulletin Board!

### Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study ....9:00 AM  
 Sunday Morning Worship.....10:00 AM  
 Sunday Evening Worship... .....5:00 PM  
 Wednesday Night Bible Class....7:00 PM

### WORKS WE SUPPORT

CHINESE AGAPE Foundation  
 Joey & Tammy Treat, Northern Mariana Islands  
 Steven Ashcraft, West Africa Mission  
 Voice of Truth International  
 Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions  
 World Christian Broadcasting  
 Churches of Christ Disaster Relief  
 Fair Haven Children's Home

“In Search of the Lord's Way”  
 7 AM Sundays KOLR TV 10  
 ‘KNOW YOUR BIBLE’  
 10:30 AM Sundays/Springfield 33/KSPR



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Office Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 Tuesday - Friday



## Service Rosters

### THIS MORNING

**Greeters:** Tim & Alice Buckner  
**Van Driver:** Kevin Wuench/833-6134  
**KYB:** Eddie & Linda Currier  
**Serve** Tim Marsolf/Charles Crum  
**Communion:** Kyle Mahon/Brock Snitker  
 Adam Stipp/Jerry Stockdale  
 Ron Stokes/William Downing  
 Luis Tovar/Kevin Westerman

### THIS EVENING

**Song Leader:** Jon Davis  
**Opening Prayer:** Scott Nichols  
**Lesson:** Adam Blaney  
**Closing Prayer:** Steve Prewitt  
**Communion:** John Dutton/V. Barnes

### NEXT WEEK, October 4

	<b>AM</b>	<b>PM</b>
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewing	Larry Baggett
<b>Opening Prayer:</b>	Van Barnes	Matt Keener
<b>Communion:</b>	Aaron Morrison	John Dutton/V. Barnes
<b>Closing Prayer:</b>	Brian Carroll	John Dutton
<b>Greeters:</b>	Brock & Christina Snitker	
<b>Van Driver:</b>	AM/ James Simons—988-8873 PM: Tucker Jobes—894-0826	

### MONTH OF September

AV Scott Barton/  
 Room: Bruce Tindall  
 Open Tim Timmons  
 Building  
 Secure Tim Buckner  
 Building:

### Wednesday, September 30

**Song Leader** Travis Morrison  
**Devotional** Tim Stockstill  
**Prayer** John Stayton  
**Van Driver:** Jason Luna/  
 838-7152