

November 10, 2019

On Being Friendly

One of the comments I most enjoy hearing people make about the church here is, "This surely is a friendly bunch of people." Since our Lord was known as a friend, we want folks to feel that way about us.

But friendliness in the assembly does not happen by accident. It has to be developed and maintained by thoughtful people who care. Being a warm and friendly congregation requires constant attention to some basic details. Here are three things we can all do to help:

1. Take the initiative in welcoming visitors. Anyone w ho visits one of our services must be made to know that we really want him to be here and that we want him to come back. You and I can help him know that if we will make the first move in greeting him and making him feel welcome. When you see someone you don't know, go to him and introduce yourself. Don't wait for the visitor to come to you, or for someone else to go to him. Guard against the danger of leaving without speaking to anyone, or just talking to your close friends. Make a special effort to reach out to someone you don't know.

2. Put others at ease. How would you feel if you were the visitor? He may be a little uncertain in surroundings which are new to him. We can help by thoughtfully anticipating his needs and questions. Introduce him to others, show him where his class meets, help him find a seat. Little things like moving toward the center of the pew so the visitor can conveniently be seated make a big impression. Each one of us can look for ways to make visitors feel welcome, appreciated and wanted.

3. Show that you are glad to be present yourself. Our own attitudes toward each other and toward the worship service should create an atmosphere of love and concern and happiness. Our love for the Lord and dedication to His cause need to be apparent. You can help by entering into the worship service joyfully and enthusiastically. The visitor must see that worship is meaningful to us.

After studying what make visitors return, one man concluded: The doctrine may be Biblical, the singing inspirational, the sermon uplifting; but when a visitor finds nobody who cares whether he's there, he is not likely to come back." Thanks to all of you who help show that we care.

- Bill McFarland

Order of Worship Greeting Announcements Barney Crawford

> *Song Leader* Jon Ewing

#400 #190 (1,3)

Opening Prayer Tom Davis

> #530 #867

The Lord's Supper Todd Kraus

Our Contribution Todd Kraus

#481 "Faithful Love"

Message Bill McFarland

#7**1**4

#404

Closing Prayer John Hulett

Serve Communion Eddie Sanders Aaron Schwartz Brock Snitker John Stayton Tim Stockstill Patrick Springer Jonathan Pendergraft David Grimm Mike Ussery Brian Carroll

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 vou 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.

WORKS WE SUPPORT

Joey & Tammy Treat, **Northern Mariana Islands**

Steven Ashcraft. West Africa Mission

Voice of Truth International

Charles Renfro, Latin American Missions

> **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

For The Record November 3

Bible Study:	228
Morning:	329
Evening:	148
Wednesday (11/6):	188
Contribution:	\$11,893

FAMILY MATTERS

FAMILY CONCERNS

- Pat Culley is doing well after hip replacement surgery.
- Carolyn Young as she recovers from a fall recently that cracked a bone behind her knee.
- David Kern as he recovers from prostate cancer surgery.
- Debbie Crawford continues her recovery from heart surgery.
- Ann Fahr is recovering well from hip replacement surgery.
- Marsha Bower is at home with hospice care.
- Barbara Barnes is now at home.
- Sherry Sherman is at Quail Creek and doing well.
- ♦ Continue to remember Ann Nichols. Her address is 19200 Space Center Blvd., Apt. 1517, Houston, TX 77058; Oran Green, Clarence & Ola Jean Feeney, Connie Thompson, Dennis Smith, Sandra Pingenot, Lynette Schreiwes. Friends & Family
- Patricia Andrews' mom, Margaret Veach, is recovering from stent surgery.
- Nancy Snider's sister Paula.
- Mary Jo Rookstool's daughter, **Sandy Wall**, is recovering from back surgery. It went well.
- Michelle Hulett's mom, Sandra Larson, as she recovers from injuries received in a car accident recently.
- Vickie Baker's sister, Renee Purcell, has breast cancer.
- Sandra Long, Shirlane's mom, will have surgery on her nose for skin cancer on December 5th.
- Lucile's daughter-in-law, Barbara High; Kathy Stephens is at home; Lucile's grandson-in-law Jeff Markowski is recovering from heart surgery; Constance Jackson's step-brother, John Barnes: Susan Green; Chris Andrews' dad, James: Neal & Vickie Rosenburg, Debra Davis' daughter-in-law's father and mother; Debbi Ratterree's friends, Scott & Kathleen, dealing with cancer; Christine Davis



We extend our sympathy to Tim Buckner and his family in the loss of his mother, Dorothy, who passed away last Sunday. Funeral services were this past Friday.

We also extend our sympathy to Amanda Eilenstein (former member) and her family in the loss of her grandmother, Marilyn Dalton, who passed away last Saturday. She was a

long-time member of the Kansas Expressway Church of Christ.



With Most of you are aware that Tim and Becky Marsolf lost their home last Sunday night to a fire. This was Becky's message to us on Monday: "We appreciate your calls and messages and pravers verv

much. We are most thankful and humbled by the outpouring of love. he full impact of this has probably not hit me yet, but right now I am feeling thankful this did not happen during the night before, when we had precious kids and grandkids staying with us. I am also thankful for the lesson that "stuff" does not make a home. There were memories that aren't going to be lost, and that's what is going to be with us, and the rest of the family. If we have a need, we know we can come to our church family for help. We love you. Thank you for continued prayers." As they move forward, we will let you know if there are ways we can help.

Love One Another 1 John 4:11

Ron Bower **Mary Bratcher** Don Essex **Clarence Feeney Ola Jean Feeney** Cecil Frost Wanda Frost **Doris lorg Jim Reaves Ruth Reaves Doris Tobler** Nursing Homes Ella Mae Findlay Ann Freeze Jerry Gillespie Frances Grann Wayne Harmon Virginia Morgan Sandra Pingenot Nancy Snider

Shut-Ins

Expectant Mom

Kylie Dutton Galindo March 2020/Boy





TODAY is Bonnie's last day with us before moving to Wisconsin. Be sure to give her a hug and wish her well. We're going to miss you Bonnie!

What a wonderful sendoff all of you gave me. Thank you so much to Kerry & Sandy and thank you to all of you. I'm going to miss you. My love to all. Bonnie Cole

Welcome We are happy to welcome Russell and Helen Harber to the Water Mill Family as they have made known their desire to work and worship under the leadership here. Their address is 5146 S. Old Wire Road, Battlefield, MO 65619. Phone: 417-887-3672 (h)/417-773-7404 (cell). Please help them feel welcome!!

Thank You I would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone for all the prayers, calls, visits and to Carolyn for the delicious cookies. It made the stay so much nicer. With all the prayers, everything went so smoothly. The Christian love shown by this congregation is amazing. Thanks again. In Christian love, Ann Fahr

Thanks to my Christian friends for the visits, cards, phone calls and prayers. This all was very encouraging during my hospital stay and recuperation at home. Fred Lorenz There will be an important meeting today after AM services at the front of the auditorium for all LTC Bible Bowl and Bible Quiz participants.

- Book Club meeting tomorrow evening.
- Elders meet Tuesday at 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, 11/27: Combined Devotional in the Auditorium



 Areawide Youth Night at East Grand 11/17

THURSDAY LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The ladies Bible class will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. They will study the last lesson on "The Culmination: The Fullness of Time." Ruth Essex will be the teacher.

Quilters will meet at 9 a.m. Card makers will meet at 9:30 in Room 118.

November Anniversaries

16 Aubrey/Anita Cobb 51 yrs. 16 Sam/Julie Gillham 51 yrs. 24 Verl/Karen Duncan 58 yrs. 26 Lance/Teresa Griter 25 yrs. 27 Randy/Orvella Blackburn 15 yrs.



10 Cindy Hannah Kasey Sekulic 11 Betty Holden Linda Currier Debbie Kern **Debbi Ratterree** 12 Judy Johnson 14 Reid Hollingsworth **15 Carol Tovar Richmond Griter** 16 Ann Fahr **17 Kay McFarland** David Chenault 18 Van Barnes Kelli Kirk **19 Carol Jackson** 20 David Kern 21 Doris Tobler

<u>Birthdays</u>

SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASSES Cradle Row thru 6th Grade

<u>Class</u>	<u>Room</u>	Subject
Cradle Roll	100	See & Know; God Is; God Made; God Loves; Intro. to Creation; Jesus; Family
Toddlers	102 (Red)	More advanced study of See & Know; God Is; God Made; God Loves; Intro. to Creation; Jesus; Family
2 Yr Old	103 (Yellow)	Thank You God, For Making Everything; Thank You God, For Taking Care of Noah; Thank You God, For Baby Jesus; Thank you God, For Families; Thank You God, For Making Me; New Testament Books
3 Yr Old	104 (Green)	Survey of the Entire Bible; Introduction to Old Testament Books; Introduction to Memory Verses
4 Yr Old	105 (Blue) (Old Testament Overview; Memory Work
Kindergarten	107	New Testament Overview; Memory Work
1st Grade	106	Old Testament Survey
2nd Grade	108	The Life of Christ; Early Church; Paul
3rd Grade	110	Book of Acts/The Church Kids Bible Classes
4th Grade	112	Old Testament Book by Book
5, 6th Grades	114	New Testament Survey

THIS MORNING

Greeters:	Eddie & Rosemary Sanders
Van Driver:	Tucker Jobes/894-0826
Nursery:	Wanita Duncan/Donna Jordan

THIS EVENING

Our Young Men will lead the service. Josh Luna will be speaking. Nursery: Alice Buckner

Wednesday, November 13

Song Leader:	Jackie Buck
Prayer:	Eddie Currier
Van Driver:	Jason Luna/417-840-2632

NEXT WEEK, November 17

	AM	PM
Song Leader:	Kerry Cole/Jon Ewi	ng Travis Morrison
Opening Prayer:	Barry Hannah	Jerry Milligan
Communion:	Paul Lines	Josh Luna/B. Keener
Closing Prayer:	Brian Carroll	Aaron Morrison
Greeters:	John & Lisa Staytor	n l
Van Driver:	Team Thurlkill/615-971-1320	
Nursery:	AM: Coyeatte Ewing	g
	PM: Teresa Mahon	

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES

Youth—Adult		
Adult:	Auditorium/Byron Nichols	
"Church History—the Restoration Movement in		
America including the Major State of Missouri"		
Adult:	Room 130/Paul Lines	
"A Chronological Study of the Bible"		
Adult	Room 126/Bill McFarland	
"Awful Cross, Empty Tomb, Right Hand of God"		
Ages 18-29	Room 119/Travis Morrison	
"The Life of Jesus in My Everyday Life"		
Grades 7-12 Girls:	Loren Brumfield, Wanita Duncan,	
	Coyeatte Ewing/Room 129	
Grades 7-12 Boys:	Josh Brumfield, Jon Davis,	
	Jon Ewing/Teen Room	
"Let No One Despise You for Your Youth"		

WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASSES

Adult	Scott Barton & Barney C	Crawford/Auditorium	
"The Cross-Shaped Life - I Peter"			
Women	Ruth Lund/Room 129	"Philippians"	
Adults	Jon Ewing/Room 126		
"Rivers of Living Water - the Gift of the Holy Spirit"			
Grades 7-12	Bill McFarland/Teen Ro	om	
"God According to God"			



JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY!



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Johnnie Elliff Tim Bowling

Schedule of Services

Sunday Morning Bible Study9:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship.......10:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship.......5:00 PM Wednesday Night Bible Class...6:30 PM

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