



The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST
SOUTH YUKON

What are those things that keep those who claim the name of Christ from being the fruitful in the Kingdom? There are several answers to that question. One thing is unbelief. Does it surprise you to talk of disciples and yet of unbelief? Well, remember the father of the demon possessed child who in Mark 9 cried out to Jesus, "Lord, I believe. Help me overcome my unbelief!"

"To many Christians, Christ is little more than an idea, or at best an ideal – He is not a fact. Millions of professed believers talk as if He were real and act as if He were not. Our actual position is always to be discovered by the way we act, not by the way we talk." (A. W. Tozer in "This World: Playground or Battleground," *Christianity Today* - Volume 35, #2).

There may be some who assert that they believe, yet have what is really "borrowed belief." Some live the way they live, say the things they say, and do the things they do because of the influence of parents, grandparents, or other significant believing individuals. I'm all for influence, and more importantly, God is, too. But borrowed faith has no permanent power. If the faith you have is borrowed, tougher times than you will want to handle will come your way. At some point, you have to give your faith a solid foundation.

When Paul wrote his second letter to Timothy encouraging him in his work as a preacher, he spoke of the sincere faith that his grandmother and mother had possessed and that which was a part of Timothy (2 Tim.1:5) Lois' faith was not sufficient for Timothy. Eunices' faith couldn't motivate Timothy to "Preach the word." For Timothy to do

what he was called to do, Timothy had to have his own faith.

"The main distinction between real Christianity and the system of the bulk of nominal Christians chiefly consists in the differing place given to the gospel. To the latter, the truths of the gospel are like distant stars that twinkle with a vain and idle luster. But to the real Christian these distinctive doctrines constitute the center in which he gravitates like the sun of his system and the source of his light, warmth, and life" (William Wilberforce in "Real Christianity," *Christianity Today* Vol. 30, #10).

The first commercial flight service in jets (Boeing 707s) began in 1958. A month after they began flying, two men were conversing about jet service while they boarded the propeller driven DC-6 plane on which they were flying that day. One of the passengers was a Boeing engineer. His new acquaintance asked about the new jet aircraft; and the engineer, with apparent enthusiasm, began speaking about the extensive testing and Boeing's incredible experience with engines, from the B 17 to the B 52. Excitedly, the traveler asked the engineer if he had gotten to fly on the new 707 yet. The engineer sheepishly responded, "No. I think I'll wait until it's been in service awhile."

There is good reason to trust in Jesus and to make your faith known – with your mouth and with your life. That's Life at Work!

Richard

Calendar

Today

Areawide at Seminole

Song Leader Meeting

Monday

Men's Bible Study

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Thursday

Youth Bible Study

Funtimers Meeting

Next Week

Sunday (21)

Ladies Unity Team Meeting

Goodman/Norwood
Wedding Shower

LTC Practice

Monday (22)

Men's Bible Study

Wednesday (24)

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Thursday (25)

Youth Bible Study

Senior Citizen's Birthday Party
at Dale Robertson Center

Funtimers Meeting

Saturday (27)

KFC Food Drive

Prayer Requests

Dr. Tony Alley, a professor at Oklahoma Christian has cancer.

Chuck Bledsoe had surgery last week to repair his shunt. He is home doing well.

Buck Buchanan, a former elder at Memorial Road, is at Gran Gran's, room 5. He would appreciate cards and visits.

Virginia Cox, the mother of Terrie Wooldridge, is waiting on test results. She is having seizures.

David Goff, the brother-in-law of Jon and Linda Perry, had a light stroke.

Tony Hall (son of Bruce and Betty) latest MRI showed no signs of cancer or tumor. Praise the Lord!

Tommy Schultz, the brother-in-law of Alan and Linda Bratcher, has colon cancer.

Shelly Stevenson, the daughter of Laura Ethridge is in Mercy hospital room 439 with a severe sinus infection.

Mel Warden had total knee replacement surgery and it went well. He is now at home.

Jack Womack had out-patient surgery last Friday.

Dora Wood i was transferred, for acute care, to Kindred Hospital room 215 on the second floor inside of St. Anthony South (2129 SW 59th St.)

Please continue to pray for: Virginia Battles, Gary Brawner (Patrick's dad), Jeff Brazell (Troy and Brenda's son), George Bryan (Joy Wallace's dad), Jennifer Clark (Rosie Hinkle's granddaughter in law), Ron Clemmens (Brian's dad), Virginia Cox (Terrie Wooldridge's mother), Sharron Davidson, Bobbie Day (Nina Moates sister), Larry Duff (Patty Clement's brother), Laura Ethridge, Larry Fiscus (friend of Killian's), Donna Fitzgerald, Wanelda Folks, Benjamin Gatewood (baby of friends of Louis and Mary Daugherity), Stefanie Grantello (sbsyukon@sbcglobal.net), Tony Hall, Alicia Hanes, Dean Hill, Brad Hudson (bhudson16@cox.net), Tim Mize (108 Snowmass, Yukon OK 73099), Virginia Nicolas (GayLyn Byrd's mother), Roy Nusbaum, Tonni Payne (Emma Logsdon's niece), Jon Perry, Dan Reiter (David's dad), Mike Ritchie, Sandra Schoolcraft, Earline Shriver (Gary's mom), Gene and Neta Swinney, Coy Wallace (Joe's mother, 418 N. Otis, Elk City, OK 73644), Debbie Warden, Pansy Wilson, Dora Wood, Obed Wooldridge (Tom's dad).

Our Shut-ins: Loree Sturgess, Audrey Gray.

On Hospice Care: Don and Veda Morris, Tom Heldreth, Jayne Hardy.

Expectant Mothers: Tammy Beshears, Becky Schrock, Teri Lanier and Amy Kantsperger

Activated Military Personnel: Jeff Hanes (Warden's son in law), Larry Wyatt, II (father of a patient of Stuart Stephens), Stanley Sharp (grandson of Bette Sharp)

Attention Funtimers

It is time for our annual election of officers. We will meet on Thursday, January 18th @ 6:30 in the fellowship hall for a pot luck dinner and business meeting. Please make plans to attend.

Wedding Shower

There will be a Wedding Shower for Autumn Goodman and Philip Norwood on Sunday, January 21st at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Dillards.



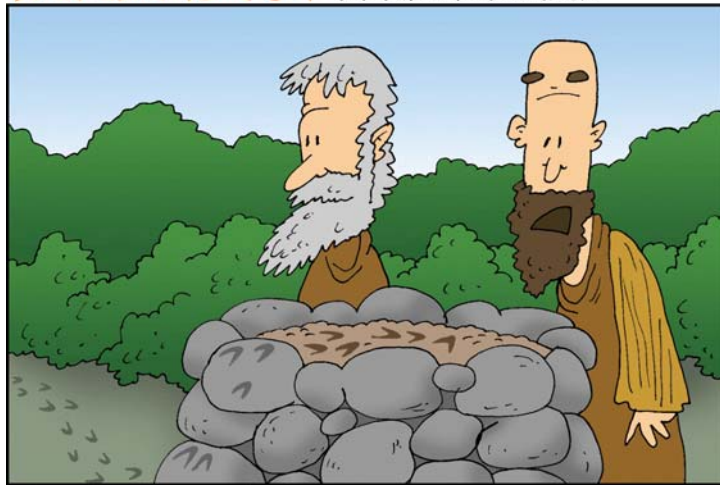
“In a covenant marriage, husbands and wives are both winners. In all the early years of our marriage, we were both losers. I shot her and she shot me. We both went away wounded, and came back for the next fight. When I truly became a follower of Jesus and she reciprocated, our marriage became a mutual aid society. I genuinely believe that my wife has accomplished much more in life because I have been there as her chief cheerleader and encourager. I know for certain that I would never have accomplished what I have accomplished with my life had she not been there to encourage and support me in my efforts. This, I believe, is God's plan for marriage: Two people giving their lives away to each other, understanding that the ultimate goal in life is not simply to have a good marriage, but that if married, God intends us to be his encourager to each other so that together each of us will accomplish more for the kingdom than we would ever have accomplished alone.” (*Covenant Marriage* by Gary Chapman)

“A mutual aid society.” That's good, isn't it? When you decide to have a covenant marriage, living by the command “*What God Has Joined...*” (Matthew 19:6), you will grow beyond peaceful coexistence that seems to be the goal of so many marriages. You will use your talents more effectively. You will use your opportunities wisely. Your influence on your children and others around you will grow more powerful. Don't you want to be the great citizen of the kingdom that Jesus called you to be? Then become the chief encourager and cheerleader for your spouse, and tell your spouse you really want that from him or her! That is God's plan and purpose for you!

If we can help in your pursuit for a godly marriage please let us, because we care.....

Richard and Jeanna Lynn

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THAT'S THE TROUBLE WITH LIVING SACRIFICES

That is the trouble with living sacrifices, but it's also the good part of it. You have a choice. "Therefore, I urge you, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship" (Romans 12.1). Did you see that little word in there that starts with a 'u'? Urge is not a command word, it's an encouragement word. You have to make the choice to live out of your self and live the way our instruction manual suggests. Sometimes the immediate reactions to our sacrificial actions are negative but the ultimate reward is so very sweet. So my encouragement to you this week is to be that living sacrifice. Empty yourself and live for a bigger, better cause. Go for that ultimate

reward, besides you might even learn something along the way.

Josh

Announcements

Area Wide in Seminole tonight! We'll leave at 4:43pm. Bring a Bible. Bring a friend.

Sun. January 28 – SNL at the Community Center 6:30pm

Feb. 4 – AW in Norman. We'll leave at 11:55pm after we stuff our gut with pizza

Perry's Scope

Wouldn't You Like to Be a "PAKR," Too?

Parents And Kids Reading – Together for Christ is a new attempt at helping our families develop some good spiritual habits. Beginning this Sunday we will distribute a monthly Bible Reading calendar for families with preschool to 6th grade children.

The idea is simple. Read the scriptures for each day. Next, answer the appropriate questions on the back of the calendar. Parents, when possible, allow your children to read and reflect on God's word. You be their coach and guide along the way.

Obviously we are getting a late start in January. You may wish to double up and cover the verses we have missed this month; OR, you may simply start today and work forward throughout the year. We will have the February calendar for you soon.


There are some advantages to being a "PAKR."

- Families get to spend some time together reading God's word.
- Parents will have a larger role in bringing up their children in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord."
- This will add some help to being a Daily Bible Reader.

We are talking about having a "PAKR Pizza Party" in a few weeks. Be sure to stay current with the readings and watch for upcoming "PAKR Points."

Wouldn't you really like to be a "PAKR"?

Perry Greene



Ministry Spotlight

Annual Programs for Youth

This week we spotlight our Annual Programs for Youth. This Ministry includes two valuable activities directed at our young people. The first is Vacation Bible School (VBS). The primary function of VBS is to reach out to the children in our community.

The second activity is Leadership Training for Christ. LTC is focused on the spiritual formation of our youth. It is intended to develop their skills and Bible knowledge.

Rick Marcotte is the Deacon who leads this Ministry. Walt McGaugh is the supporting Shepherd.



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Al & Donna Horne

St. Louis, MO

Matt & Melanie Chandler

New Zealand

Leon & Jennifer O'Flynn

Thailand

Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul

Germany

Clint & April Everhart

Ecuador

Julio Perez, Marco Poma and Luis

Andrango

Statistics

Attendance

Bible Classes: 397

A.M. Worship: 574

P.M. Worship: 290

Wednesday: 298

Daily Bible Readers: 84

Present Membership: 606

Contribution

Last Week: \$17,024

Budget Requires: \$15,000

Over Budget: \$2,024

Family Matters



Thank You

Dear Church Family, It is good to be home. Thanks for the prayers for my granddaughter and her baby. They are doing fine.

Love, Janie Eades

Dear Church Family, Thank you for all the ways you have encouraged me and helped me the past year and also thank you for the "goodie bag" that you delivered to me during the holidays. God Bless you all for your kindness.

In Christian Love, Bettie Sharp

Dear "Kids for Christ", What a lovely thing to do for us "shut ins" and older folks! It meant so much to us to get such a beautiful gift of "goodies" of fruit breads, cookies, candies, nuts, and fruits. And to top it off with jelly and a sock warmer! We thank all of you who labored hard to put these together. Know that God will bless you as you have blessed us.

In Christian Love, Gene & Neta Swinney

Dear church family, I just can't tell you how much your prayers, cards, calls, plant and wonderful meal meant to me. I appreciate you all so much. God has blessed me with such a wonderful church family.

Your Sister in Christ, Verlane Cole

Dear church family, Thank you so much for the Christmas goodie bag. I have already used the consock and I love it.

In Christian Love, Loretta Zigler

Dear church family, Thank you so much for the Christmas goodie bag and the corn sock. Thanks too, for the cards, calls, prayers, food and visits while I was in the hospital. What a blessing to be part of the family of South Yukon.

In Christian Love, Evalena Ballard

Pies, Pies, Pies

The South Yukon ladies will be hosting the Dale Robertson's Senior Citizen Birthday Party, Thursday, January 25th @ 10:30am. We need 23 - 9" pies; 2 angel food cakes, and 5 servers. If you can help, please sign the list on the "Women's Bulletin Board" by Sunday, January 21st.

Sympathy

Our sympathy to Jesse Clemmons on the passing of his sister, Lorene Walker. Services were last Wednesday in Oklahoma City.

Song Leader Meeting

There will be a Song Leader Meeting today at 4:00 in the conference room. For questions, see Jonathan Wooldridge.

Young Married!

Marriage Seminar

February 24th, 2007

Southwest Church of Christ

5:30pm - 8:00pm

Speaker: Alan Martin, Ph.D.

More info on bulletin board.

LTC News

LTC Practice

Sundays, January 21st, 28th, February 11th, 25th, March 4th and 11th. We will perform for the congregation on April 1st and go to LTC on Saturday, April 6th.

No LTC Practice Today!

Pictures Needed

LTC Scrapbooking is in need of pictures from church events. The scrapbook represents the entire church, not just LTC. Therefore, we need pictures from everyone and every group. We are in special need of pictures from the Funtimer groups. Since the pictures are for scrapbooks, you will not get your pictures back. Therefore, please submit copies or a Disk or Negative so we can have prints made. We will return Disk and negatives if they are marked with the owner's name. You can give your pictures to Vicki and Jackie Bonny or Cindi Stump.

Kids for Christ Food Drive

Kids for Christ (KFC) Food Drive is scheduled for Saturday, January 27 at 9:00a.m. The kids will be driven to participant's homes to pick up food donations. This activity will count as a service project for LTC participants. Kids should sign up on the KFC bulletin board. We will need some adults to help drive as well. Contact David Reiter if you are able to help. **If you would like to have pantry items picked up, please note it on the back of your attendance card in the next few weeks or call the office.**

Welcome Guests!

We're glad you've joined us at the Church of Christ - South Yukon today. We are excited that you're here and hope your time with us will be meaningful as we worship God together.

For Your Children—

Training Rooms - If you need them, training rooms are available at the rear corners or the auditorium and are accessed by going through the exit door next to each room and making a U-turn into the training room. These rooms have full viewing glass and audio, pews and songbooks so you can participate in worship.

Nursery – A staffed nursery is provided for babies up to 18 months old in Room 10, located at the East hallway, North end. We also have a cradle roll class for 1 year old and under, as well as classes for each year age 2 through 5.

Youth Groups – We have youth groups for kids from Kindergarten up through High School. Our goal is to provide fellowship and activities that help our kids grow closer to each other, their parents, and God; activities that will create a desire in our youth to be involved with each other, this congregation, and our community.

Bible Classes -Numerous Sunday AM and Wednesday PM Bible classes for all ages!

- °Bible classes for ages 2 through adult.
- °College & Singles Sunday AM Class
- °Classes and groups for Young Married, Young Families, Empty Nesters and everyone in between!
- °Fun Timers Group (50 yrs and over)

We have lots of other exciting things going on here for the Lord.

Please take time to read through this bulletin; it'll help you get to know us. And let *us* get to know *you* and grow together to build a bright future!

Please check your cell phones and pagers to ensure they are turned off during the assembly.

Assembly for January 14, 2007

Song Leader - Cody Nichols

949 I Will Enter His Gates

Welcome and Call to Worship

Joel 2:28-29

788 Wonderful Words of Life

853 God Is So Good

Opening Prayer - Don Kilmer

542 Purer in Heart, O God

Communion Prayers - Stuart Stephens

The Lord's Supper

947 Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You

Contribution Prayer - Lance Lanier

663 There Is Sunshine in My Soul

Scripture - Barry Fisher

Acts 2:22-24

Sermon: The Greatest Gospel Sermon

Speaker: Richard May

653 The Way of the Cross

Shepherd's Prayer - Andy Dean

Announcements - David Reiter

908 Awesome God

Closing Prayer - Jim Linam

Sunday P.M.

Scripture - 1 Samuel 1:9-11

Sermon - Temple: The Place Where Prayers are Heard

Nursery Attendants

Communion to the Shut-ins

Don Taylor

Worship AM

Barbara Woods
Tiffany Woods
Lana Wooldridge

Visitation Group #3 will meet today.

Worship PM

Terrie Wooldridge
Loretta Zigler

**Peak of the Month
February 7**

**CHURCH OF CHRIST - SOUTH YUKON
CONTRIBUTIONS VS. EXPENDITURES
COMPARISON TO BUDGET
DECEMBER 31, 2006**

	<u>BUDGET YEAR-TO-DATE</u>	<u>CONTRIBUTIONS/ EXPENDITURES YEAR-TO-DATE</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>	<u>% DIFFERENCE</u>
<u>CONTRIBUTIONS:</u>				
Weekly Contributions	\$ 751,556.00	\$ 747,386.00	\$ (4,170.00)	-0.6%
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>				
Benevolence	\$ 97,200.00	\$ 98,868.10	\$ 1,668.10	1.7%
Building & Grounds	\$ 169,081.00	\$ 151,547.16	\$ (17,533.84)	-10.4%
Communications/PR	\$ 14,170.00	\$ 11,320.85	\$ (2,849.15)	-20.1%
Education	\$ 19,700.00	\$ 19,912.89	\$ 212.89	1.1%
Elders	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,749.91	\$ (2,250.09)	-45.0%
Fellowship	\$ 12,050.00	\$ 11,051.31	\$ (998.69)	-8.3%
General Expenses	\$ 16,015.00	\$ 19,254.90	\$ 3,239.90	20.2%
Involvement	\$ 850.00	\$ 54.50	\$ (795.50)	-93.6%
Missions	\$ 135,168.00	\$ 128,120.94	\$ (7,047.06)	-5.2%
Outreach/Evangelism	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 16,003.37	\$ (1,996.63)	-11.1%
Staff Compensation	\$ 219,317.00	\$ 194,543.12	\$ (24,773.88)	-11.3%
Technology	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,295.08	\$ 295.08	2.1%
Transportation	\$ 5,220.00	\$ 6,561.31	\$ 1,341.31	25.7%
Unity Teams	\$ 633.00	\$ 114.99	\$ (518.01)	-81.8%
World Bible School	\$ 12,200.00	\$ 15,416.50	\$ 3,216.50	26.4%
Worship	\$ 3,450.00	\$ 2,910.14	\$ (539.86)	-15.6%
Youth	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 7,494.73	\$ (2,005.27)	-21.1%
Total Expenditures	\$ 751,554.00	\$ 700,219.80	\$ (51,334.20)	-6.8%
Excess of Contributions Over Expenditures		\$ 47,166.20		
<u>ACCOUNT BALANCES:</u>				
Checking Account - Budgeted		\$ 122,262.47		
Checking Account - Non Budgeted		\$ 86,433.77		
Special Missions Account		\$ 73,800.11		
Emergency Fund		\$ (90,000.00)		
Total Funds on Hand and Unallocated		\$ 192,496.35		
BUILDING FUND		\$ 808,615.15		