



The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST
SOUTH YUKON

This is Huge! - Teenagers

There's nothing wrong with wanting to fit in. We can put a negative slant on the idea of fitting, but ultimately, fitting in is synonymous with having friends. A teenager has to ask herself some serious questions if she is remaking herself in unChrist-like fashion in order to fit in. But a teen also has to ask himself some serious questions if he doesn't have any friends. Look in the lists of virtues in scripture. Loneliness is not in any of them. When a young person wants to fit in, he is sensing something from deep inside his DNA. He is sensing that he was created for relationships. She knows that much of who she is involves interaction with other people.

In teenagers, the drive to connect with others is especially strong. Even young people who are shy, still have a powerful force inside them to make friends – and it's incredible how shy people find each other. The drive is so strong, young people do boneheaded things, things out of character for them, in order to make the connection.

It's important for us, teens and not-so-teen people, to understand this drive and the impact it has on choices. Many of the poor decisions that young people make are not thoughtless. They are not "unencumbered by the thought process." The consideration of right or wrong and the reflection on potential consequence may have been short; but it was usually there. Teens don't mess things up because they are idiots; they aren't. Their drive to connect is just often stronger than their sensibilities.

For guys, Chris Cagle's song "Chicks Dig It" has a lot of meaning:

*Just throw caution to the wind my friend
And then sit back and watch your life begin, cause;
Scars heal... glory fades;
And all we're left with are the memories made.
Pain hurts, but only for a minute.
Yeah, life is short so go on and live it
Cause the chicks dig it.*

Connection is Huge for teenagers! Christian teens have to remember the command from Paul to refuse to conform to the world, experiencing instead a transformation to being like Christ through a renewing of the mind (Romans 12:1-2). Christian teens have to know about the real Jesus so that friendship and connection with him is priority #1! Christian teens also need to make strong connections with other teens of faith, for their own benefit and for the benefit of the other teens.

This is huge for teens, so it is huge for all of us!

That's Life at Work!

Richard May

Seniors and Parents

Its Graduation Time! Here is what we need from you:
Please have all items to the office by Sunday, May 11th.

Office: A short bio and picture for the bulletin.

Senior Breakfast: 10 Pictures for video. (see DeeAnne Holt or Jana Broach)

Seniors: Pick up a display board in the office to decorate and display.

Parents: Contact Richard to give a charge to your senior.

Graduates: Natasha Atapin, Carijo Calderon, Ashley Carstarphen, Chris Clark, Danny Davis, Samantha Hinton, Danica Marcotte, Erick McCallay, Marian Moore, Austin Stephens.

VBS July 14-17



Sunday

Ladies Unity Team meeting

Sunday Night Live

Dynamic Marriage Class

Monday

Men's Bible Study

Elder's Meeting

Cancer Support Group

Tuesday

Funtimer Lunch

Autism Support Group

NAMI Support Groups

Wednesday

PEAK

Toastmasters

Bible Study

Thursday

Foster Care Support Group

Friday

Jr. Sr. Lunch

Saturday

Mirror Ministry

Special Class Speakers

Sunday, May 11th

Men/Auditorium/Kent Marcum
Women/Fellowship Hall/Sharla Marcum

Attention All First Time Guests!

We have a gift for you this morning to thank you for worshiping with us. Please go to the table in the "Guest Connections" area of the foyer following our worship service. Richard May, some of our elders, and members of our Guest Connections Team will be there to greet you.

Prayer Requests

Alan Battles, son of Leroy and Virginia, has a staph infection and is in Mercy #490.
Granton Bayless, the 6 month old nephew of Karen McKeever, is in extremely critical condition. He has SCIDS disease, double pneumonia and RSV and is in need of a bone marrow transplant. His family requests our prayers. (more info on back page)

Trinity Bratcher, Greg and Wendy's daughter, was diagnosed with Generalized Seizures and will be treated with new meds.

Emily McCoy, Dorine Watson's daughter, is in Baptist Hospital room 770 with complications with her liver. She is waiting on a liver transplant and needs 40 liter's of blood donated into the blood bank. If you can donate in her name, you will need the following information to take with you: 1) Go to any OBI Location, 2) Credit to patient Emily McCoy, 3) Liver Transplant, 4) Dr. Gurakar at Nazih Zuhdi/Baptist Hospital.

Debbie Warden is home from the hospital.

Please continue to pray for: **Edith Adams** (Betty Hall's mother), **Larry Bledsoe** (biopsy in May), **Malcolm Booker**, **Linda Bratcher**, **Alan Bouda**, **Louise Brown** (AJ Clement's sister), **George Bryan** (Joy Wallace's dad), **Orpha Dean** (Andy's mom), **Sharon Emmert** (cousin of B&K Wallace), **Wanelda Folks**, **Hannah Fowler** (grandbaby of the Dates), **Buddy Glass** (V. Bonny's dad), **Brad Hudson** (bhudson16@cox.net), **Don Kilmer**, **Wayne Mashburn** (Ellen Reece's father), **JeannaLynn & Richard May**, **Emily McCoy** (Dorine Watson's daughter/Liver transplant list), **Tim Mize** (108 Snowmass), **Tim Newby** (Burk's son~Heritage Manor Nursing Center, 3804 N. Barr Avenue, OKC, OK 73122), **Roy Nusbaum**, **Jerry Orr** (father of Staci Bond/Pat Orr), **Jon Perry**, **Wade Readnour**, **Steve Scarborough** (Scroggins nephew), **Sandra Schoolcraft**, **TC Seitz**, **Linda Seitz**, **Lylia Seitz**, **Ben Sharp** (Bette's Grandson~Coma, SW Medical Ctr #619), **Kathy Shufford** (S. Easter's friend), **Donna Sterling**, **Neta Swinney**, **Julian and Coy Wallace** (Joe's parents), **Mel and Debbie Warden** and, **Nicholas Woods** (B&B Woods grandson), **Bode Zerbe**.

Cancer: **Arthur Anthony** (brother of Evelyn Hughes), **Ken Bennett**, **Bill Berry** (Susan Engle's dad), **John Broach** and **Virginia Broach** (Fred's parents), **Gary Brawner** (Patrick's dad), **Ron Clemmens** (Brian's dad), **Neil Cosgrove**, **Wilbur Cravey** (Cheryl Mayhan's father), **Mark Dixon** (Schaefer's friend), **Stefanie Grantello**, **Bill Harris**, **Norman High** (Cathy Montgomery's dad), **Dean Hill**, **Judy Hurt** (Vonda Stephen's sister), **Bea Johnson**, **Tara Johnson** (friend of C&J Beck), **Carol Karuth** (Vonda Stephens mother), **Sandra Leist** (Pat McIntyre's sister), **Jim Linam**, **Carol Marcum**, **Marvin McCathern** (Floyd's brother), **Yvonne McGaugh** (going through treatments), **Jeannette Oclaray**, **Vonda McPherson** (Norma Heldreth's cousin), **Mark Rice** (Bartodej's friend), **Tommy Schultz** (b-i-l of Alan/ Linda Bratcher), **AJ Smith** (friend of Deason's), **Frances Stinnett** (Lara Davis' mother), **Paul Taylor** (Onleys b-i-l), **Shelli Vang**.

Our Shut-ins: **Evelyn Cannon**, **Marie Cox**, **Audrey Gray**, **Liz Knight**, **Don and Veda Morris**, **Buck Buchanan**, **Alice Ralls**, **Marlene Wadkins** (Lakes Health Care Ctr #515, 5701 W. Britton Rd, OKC 73132, 834-1511), **Neta Swinney** (Gran Gran's #19A)

On Hospice Care: **Isabel Allen** (mother of Marilyn Dean), **Donna Fitzgerald**, **Don Morris**, **Glenna** (Teresa Harris' friend)

Expectant Mothers: **Amber Smith** (Sept)

Activated Military Personnel: **Josh Sisson**, (nephew of Emma Logsdon), **Mick Dustin**, **Brian Carroll** (friend of Easter's), **Bethann Carpenter** (niece of Nina Moates), **Alex Gibson** (Jeanna Lynn Mays' nephew) **Chris Lister** (Nina Moates niece's fiance), **Jeremy Lassiter** (Josh Mayhan's friend), **Shane Sheaffer** (son of Rod and Ardith), **Ken Walker** (son of Bill/Paula Walker, brother to Shelly Hudson), **Chan Aaron** (Micah Hughes' brother), **Alex Wagner** (friend of the Shrivvers), **Stanley Victor** (Bette Sharp's grandson)



When a husband and wife are focused on each other, and together they are focused on God, they have incredible potential for reaching new heights of passion, intimacy, and ministry. A key is to put to death any "What if..." thoughts that take the focus of your heart and mind off of your marriage. Often our thoughts about "what could be" really couldn't be anyway. It is even more obvious, then, that giving 100% of your energy and attention to the spouse to whom you promised your love is the only good decision.

The customer asked the butcher how much the ground chuck cost. "Two thirty-nine per pound," the butcher replied.

"Two thirty-nine! I can get it down the road for two nineteen!" the customer cried.

"Then why don't you buy your meat from them," the butcher asked.

"Because their out."

The butcher smiled as he said, "Oh. Well, when I'm out, I'll sale mine for a dollar ninety-nine!"

Keep your focus on your relationship with your spouse and what you can do to promote growth at home. Focus on the "what ifs and "could be" that lead you and your spouse to bigger dreams, greater growth, closer hearts, unmatched passion, and incredible closeness together!

"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things" (Phil 4:8).

Richard and JeannaLynn



Greeters

We are in need of people to fill this important role. Please sign the list on the bulletin board, if you can help.

**VBS and LTC
sign ups are in the
foyer!**



Self-Health

Growing up at home, whenever I came down with the flu or a nasty cold, my mom and dad

would always see to it that I was taken care of. Even if they were in the middle of eating, mowing the yard, or taking a nap they would put things on hold to take care of a need I was too sick to meet. Though I was sick, the family routine went on. Mom would make dinner and dad would clean the house or do the laundry and things stayed relatively normal. Occasionally mom or dad would get sick and the family routine drastically changed. If mom was sick, dad had to cook which meant a feeble attempt at one of mom's recipes usually resulting in an unrecognizably, burned-to-a-crisp, mystery meat, and then a run to a restaurant with a drive-thru. Mom would sometimes attempt to cook while she was sick which was always dangerous since in her weakened condition she might confuse salt for sugar in a brownie recipe. The point is that when she was healthy she could take care of family needs but if she wasn't healthy everyone suffered. It's the same for us in our spiritual walk. If we are spiritually weak, our care for others outside the church is diminished. We cannot neglect our own spiritual health and expect to outreach to others. First let's take care of our relationships with each other (grow closer together) and our relationships with God (grow closer to Christ) so that we are healthy and able to reach out to others.

Acts 2.46-47

You stay classy South Yukon, *Josh*

Teen News

Singing at Gran Gran's today at 1:30. Meet at Mazzio's for lunch and walk/caravan together to Gran Gran's for singing.

SNL tonight @ the Lockhart's. Bring \$3. Sign up on the teen board.

May 30-31 is Quest at OC. Sign up on the teen board.

Hosting a Foreign Exchange Student

If you would be interested in hosting a foreign exchange student for the 2008-2009 school year, please see Josh. There is one female student and one male student awaiting your adoption.

Missing Tables

Several of our old tables are missing from the Fellowship Hall. If you are using them could you please let Travis or the office know. Thank You

World Bible School April Report

Intro Lessons 646
Other Lessons 562

Perry's Scope



Reconciliation

In 1913 the Federal Government sponsored the fiftieth anniversary reunion of the Veterans of the battle of Gettysburg, both blue and gray. The event lasted three days in which the survivors of the War camped on the old battlefield and told stories of days gone by.

The climax of the gathering was a reenactment of Pickett's Charge. The Union Veterans took their place on Cemetery Ridge behind the stone wall, as they had done on July 3, 1863. The Confederate Veterans took their place in the woods on Seminary Ridge as they had done fifty years before.

Then the Confederate Veterans marched out onto the open field. Instead of sabers and bayonets, the spectators saw canes and crutches. More nimble Veterans assisted those of lesser ability as they kept their place in the ranks.

As the former Confederates neared the wall, they broke out into the old "Rebel yell.". The Union Veterans were hushed by the sound. Then suddenly, they could restrain themselves no longer. The former Union soldiers rushed over and around the wall to the Confederates. However, this time instead of anger and malice, there was warmth and brotherly love. The Veterans with tears in their eyes embraced on the old battlefield as reconciled Americans.

We were once enemies of God. Through our sins, we did battle with him. Through our neglect, we resisted him. Yet, when he could stand it no longer, he took the initiative and made the effort to bring us back to him. He sent us his Son to show us how to live. He sent his Son to show us the depth of his love for us and the ends to which he would go to reconcile us to himself (see 2 Corinthians 5.16-21).

Keep The Light Burning!

Perry Greene

Ministry Spotlight

Advertising and Publications

Deacon – Glen Davis
Elder – Marvin Keele

The intention of this Ministry is to promote the church in the community and keep the congregation informed. This simple statement plays out in a number of activities. In addition to advertising congregational events in the community, this Ministry is involved in the Weekly Bulletin; and the Daily Careline. It takes on the enormous task of providing us with Church Directories. The Ministry also publishes brochures and a New Member packet.

As you can see this is a busy Ministry. It is crucial in supporting both the "Outreach" and "In-reach" activities of the congregation.

Perry Greene

PEAK Wednesday Make A Friend ~ Meet A Friend

Bring a sack supper and join us in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday evening at 6pm followed by classes at 7pm.



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Ecuador

Julio Perez, Luis Andrango, Armando

Troya

Kent & Sharla Marcum

Guadalajara

Corey & Toni Burns

Statistics

Attendance

Bible Classes: 357

Worship A.M.: 439

Worship P.M.: 187

Home Group..... 87

Worship P.M.Total.....274

WednesdayNC

Daily Bible Readers: 72

Present Membership: 595

Contribution

Last Week:\$16,247

Budget Requires:\$15,922

Family Matters



Thank You

Dear Ladies, thank you so much for the goodies. It was very thoughtful and very much appreciated. Kyle Hudson

Dear Church family, thank you so much for my final survival kit. It meant so much to me to be remembered during this stressful time of finals. It put a smile on my face. Thank you again, you are too kind. In Christ, Erin Newberry

Dear Church Family, thank you so much for the final care package! I look forward to it every spring. The on-the-go snacks really help with the craziness of finals week. Thanks again! Caryn Leaman

Church family, thank you so very much for all the thoughts, prayers, and financial support over my medical mission trip to Honduras. It means a lot to me to have the support of a church family like you. I look forward to what God has in store for me over the next couple of weeks. Please continue to keep our group in your prayers. I could not ask for a better church home than here. Thanks again, Caryn Leaman

To Our South Yukon family, Thank you for providing funds for us to attend the Prom Alternative in Kansas City. We all had a great time! In Him, Doug Broach, Kayla Cain, Ashley Carstarphen, Matt Hartman, Jill Holt, Kyle Hudson, Brittney May, Erick McCallay, Austin Stephens

Thank You to all who came to help us celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary! Also thank you for the cards and gifts. We Love You All! Norm and Juanita Bean

Our Sympathy

To Jake Harrington and family on the passing of his father Mitch.

Senior Breakfast

We need volunteers to make breakfast casseroles for the senior breakfast on Sunday, May 18th. If you can help, please contact Karen McKeever or sign up on the sheet on bulletin board outside the office.

Oklahoma Christian Academy is hosting a Dinner/Auction at 5:00pm, May 3rd, held in the Gaylord Center at Oklahoma Christian. For information, call 844-6478 or go to www.ocacademy.com

Relay for Life

We still need team members. The Relay is scheduled for June 27th and the Survivor Reception is June 24th. All walkers are encouraged to participate. For more information, call Patty Booker @354-3651 or Linda Perry @ 354-5236.

Relay For Life Water Drive

Our church will be supplying water for walkers during the Relay For Life event on June 27th. There is a marked container in the foyer, please purchase bottles of water and place in container. Thank you.

Bone Marrow Drive

There will be a Bone Marrow Drive in honor of Granton Bayless, Karen McKeever's infant nephew, who is in need of a bone marrow transplant. It will be held Monday, May 5th from 11:00am-6:00pm in the 11th and 12th High School Gymnasium. **There is no charge.** It will require a cheek swab, paperwork and your name will be put on the National Bone Marrow Registry and if you are a match to someone other than Granton, you will be contacted. A person always has the right to have their name removed from the registry. You must be 18-60 years old. If you would like to learn more about Karen's nephew, go to www.GrantonBayless.blogspot.com.

DVD Series

The Ray Vander Laan DVD series, *Faith Lessons* (formerly *That the World May Know*), which we viewed on Wednesday nights in the auditorium last quarter, have been a huge hit with many people. We are making the DVDs available for checkout through the office.

Ladies Unity Team

Meets this morning in the Fellowship Hall.

Notice

We will be cleaning out the freezer in the kitchen on May 14th. If you have anything in it that you want to keep, please remove it before then. We will be throwing away all items and giving it a thorough cleaning.

Children's Activity Pack

Available at the Guest Connections table and on the corners of the stage area.

Cookbooks \$5, CDs \$1, in 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 of 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 Nursery 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 May 4, 2008

Song Leader - Cody Nichols

943 I Love You, Lord

Welcome and Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1-2

495 O the Depth and the Riches

111 Come, We That Love the Lord

Opening Prayer - Nick Kelly

511 Oft We Come Together

Communion Prayers - Andy Dean

The Lord's Supper

961 On Bended Knee

Contribution Prayer - David Reiter

820 He Bore It All

Scripture - Brad May

1 Samuel 18:1-4

Sermon - "This is Huge:
Teens, Companionship and Conformity"

Speaker - Richard May

53 At Calvary

Shepherd's Prayer - Walt McGaugh

Announcements - Brandon Byrd

842 A Common Love

Closing Prayer - Don Taylor

Sunday Evening Assembly

Sermon - Keeping Faith with God

Scripture - *Malachi 2:10-12*

Nursery Attendants

Worship AM

Gay Lyn Byrd - Coordinator

Doris Beshears

Holly Gooch

Ashley Dace - Alternate

Worship PM

Vickie Bonny

Brittany Bonny

Communion to the Shut-ins

Carl Sterling

**Visitation Group #1
meets today**

Peak Wednesday

May 7