



Why Did She Have to Die?

“Why did she have to die?” Many of us have heard that question asked from a heart filled with grief. Not a few of us have asked the question ourselves. None of us have had an adequate answer at the time that the question is asked. You still won’t when you get through reading this. When we are feeling less emotional and more contemplative – when our “issue is separate from the event” – thinking about some things written by Richard Swinburne in *The Existence of God* is valuable. Maybe even it will be helpful at those times in the future when we will be asking “Why did she have to die?”

Swinburne gives three reasons why he believes God made people mortal – made them so that they could die - whether by natural causes or at the agency of others. Let me tell you what they are, then I’ll offer a thought about them that I’ve been considering today. First, if people were immortal, if they did not die in this world, I could never hurt you enough that I would deprive you of existence; and God wants us to be able to be trusted with the power to take someone’s life, yet refuse to do it. Second, a world in which no one dies is a world in which the supreme sacrifice – a man laying down his life for his friends – cannot be done. Third, if I never died, I would not be as serious as I am about my contribution to the world. Since I know I only have a number of years to do the good I want to do and undo as many of the screw-ups as I can, I take my opportunities more seriously. I live like I am dying.

If you want to argue with Swinburne regarding the problem of evil especially as it relates to why God lets people die, you’ve got some room. But I was struck by these things as I read them today because though the subject is death, they all have their meaning in the importance of life.

You hold the lives of others in your hand. Are you trustworthy to respect that life so much that you won’t destroy it regardless of how you feel about that life today?



Since you can die, you can die for others. Have you grown to be the greatest kind of hero and lover who would give up what is so important to you in order to protect another person or an important ideal? Finally, considering the limited time you have, what you do with today is incredibly important. You wouldn’t waste it, would you? Don’t waste it! We all have to die.

That’s Life at Work! **Richard**

**“Can Do”
Cancer Support
Group**

Meets tomorrow from 6:30-8:00pm
in the Parlor. For questions see Jim
Linam or Patty Booker.

Welcome to our Family!



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Calendar

Sunday
Cox Baby Shower
Area Wide at Ada

Monday
Cancer Support Group
Elder’s Meeting

Tuesday
Election Day
Funtimers Luncheon
Ladies PM Bible Study

Wednesday
Toastmasters
Ladies AM Bible Study
Bible Study

Thursday
Canadian County Family Network
NAMI Support Group

Friday
Church Lunch

Saturday
Mirror Ministry

Doves

We have asked our New Members to wear the Dove lapel pins during the month of November. When you see the dove pins be sure to introduce yourself and make our new members feel at home!

**Attention
All First Time
Guests!**

We have a gift for you this morning to thank you for worshipping 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.



Philip Driskill is home recuperating from surgery.

Pam Ferguson, the nurse at OC and co-worker of Brenda Gunter, had surgery to insert a pacemaker. The surgery had complications and she had another surgery Friday.

Holly Kitz, Linda Perry's co-workers daughter, had surgery and they request our prayers.

Cody and Jennifer Nichols requests prayers for **Malissa Hahn** who had a disc replaced in May and is not doing very well.

Alice Ralls, Phyllis Mitchell's mother, is in Mercy hospital room 217.

Glenda Tate, who attends here with Pat McIntyre, will have surgery Tuesday, November 4th at SW Medical Center. (400 S. Ranchwood, Lot 105, Yukon)

Shelli Vang has been undergoing chemo and is in OU Medical Center, Presbyterian Tower after having a high fever. She is in room 756.

Julian Wallace, Joe's dad, is in the Jim Thorpe rehab center room 381 at Baptist Hospital. No visitors until after 6:30pm.

Marlene Wadkins, Debbie Warden's mother, now has an ulcer sore on her left foot. Please pray they can get it under control.

Pansy Wilson is home recuperating, but is not doing very well. She will go back to the doctor this week.

Jim Winters, co-worker of Teresa Harris, had a delicate eye surgery last week.

Jack Womack is home recuperating from foot surgery.

Please continue to pray for our South Yukon Family: Shyree (Mike and Cathy Morris' Foster child), Eric Bejcek, Chuck Bledsoe, Linda Bratcher, Merv Deason, Jack Hicks, Brad Hudson (bhudson16@cox.net), Evelyn Hughes, Don Kilmer, Gordon Leaman, Brad May (Mission Trip), Emily McCoy, Roy and Edna Nusbaum, Anita Readnour, Sandra Schoolcraft, TC & Lylia Seitz, Bette Sharp, Kathy Wallace and Family, Cobey Walters, Mel and Debbie Warden.

South Yukon Family with Cancer: Ken Bennett, Larry Bledsoe (Treatments thru November), Neil Cosgrove, Stefanie Grantello, Dean Hill, Bea Johnson, Bob Kelly, Jim Linam, Yvonne McGaugh, Jeannette Oclaray, Shelli Vang (undergoing chemo), Jack Womack. Please remember their spouses & families as well.

Family and Friends: Granton Bayless (K. McKeever's nephew), George Bryan (Joy Wallace's dad), Margaret Bryson (Newberry's aunt), Chris Daughterity (Daughterity's son), Renee Davis (friend of Bill & Teresa Harris), Orpha Dean (Andy's mom), Billie Ferrell (D. Cassel's mother), Noah Givens (Coles's great nephew), Buddy Glass (V. Bonny's dad), Barbara Johnson (coworker of T. Harris), Wayne Mashburn (E. Reece's father), Tim Mize (108 Snowmass), Tim Newby (Burk's son~Grace Living Center, 3233 NW 10th, Room 411, OKC 73107), Alline Pace (K. Wallace's mother), Delbert & Lillie Shockley (friends of Heldreth/Harris), Ben Sharp (Bette's grandson/Coma), Julian and Coy Wallace (Joe's parents), Betty Watts (s-i-l of Wayne Watts), Mary White (B. Myers mother), Wilma and Charles Yarbrough (L. Perry's parents).

Family and Friends with Cancer: Arthur Anthony (brother of E. Hughes), Newman Bradford (C. Onley's brother), John Broach and Virginia Broach (Fred's parents), Gary Brawner (Patrick's dad), Jennifer Clark (Rosie Hinkle's granddaughter), Ron Clemmens (Brian's dad), Wilbur Cravey (C. Mayhan's father), Sharon Emmert (B. Wallace's cousin), Norman High (C. Montgomery's dad), Don Hooper (T. Addington's father), Judy Hurt (V. Stephen's sister), Tara Johnson (friend of C&J Beck), Carol Karguth (V. Stephens mother), Sandra Leist (P. McIntyre's sister), Marvin McCathern (Floyd's brother), Gerald Morgan (b-i-l of A. Morgan), Vonda McPherson (N. Heldreth's cousin), Kenneth Roberts (Cindi Stump's uncle), Bob Schmidt (J&P Cox's uncle), Tommy Schultz (b-i-l of A & L Bratcher), Bobby Shook (brother of Myrtle McCathern), AJ Smith (friend of Deason's), Frances Stinnett (Lara Davis' mother), Paul Taylor (Onleys b-i-l), Marilyn Tulley, liver cancer (cousin of Ken Bennett), John Walker (A. Williams dad), Nancy Weddle (M. Shipp's friend).

Our Shut-ins: Evelyn Cannon, Marie Cox, Audrey Gray, Liz Knight, Don and Veda Morris, Buck Buchanan, Alice Ralls, Marlene Wadkins, Daisy Valliant (Bellevue Health and Rehab Center ~ cards sent to Daisy at P. O. Box 850403, Yukon 73085)

On Hospice Care: Isabel Allen (mother of Marilyn Dean)

Expectant Mothers: Phyllis Cox (January), Maria Clark (March), Amy Ritchal (May)

Activated Military Personnel: Daniel Alvarez (cousin to Kristi Finefrock), Mick Dustin, Brian Carroll (friend of Easter's), Brian Childers (friend of J. Hughs), Ricardo Curbelo (cousin to Kristi Finefrock), Alex Gibson (JL Mays' nephew) Chris and Bethann Lister (N. Moates niece and husband), Jeremy Lassiter (J. Mayhan's friend), Chan Aaron (M. Hughs' brother), Stanley Sharp (B. Sharp's grandson)

Here's a Team of Two story that involves all of the teams of South Yukon. Marriage Network Oklahoma is self-described "group of faith based organizations whose goal is to provide a 'network' of information about how couples and faith communities in the state of Oklahoma can help build strong marriages." The idea is that if you are working or serving for the sake of helping Construct Christian Couples, the network connects with others who have the same passion so that information is more easily obtained.

The South Yukon Church is becoming more and more known for the passion we have for the marriages in our community and the opportunities available here for couples who are looking for some guidance. We were invited to the Marriage Enrichment Training Conference to speak during a working lunch about the marriage ministry here. So a Team of Two from our church, Richard and JeannaLynn, got to share some of the stories of the other Teams of Two here, in a gathering to inspire others to ministry and offer information about how to develop it.

We know that a solid marriage is a marriage out of which Christians can serve others with a clear conscience. We know that when a couple has a godly relationship, the teaching they provide for their children is received with greater confidence. Because of that the children become Christians and are more likely to remain faithful. That means that we won't have to find them as adults to bring them to Christ. They will already be Christians!

There are still many churches that do not have the emphasis on marriage ministry that we have. And we heard some sad, sad stories about how failed marriages impacted the other important ministries of the churches as youth ministries and Bible School programs suffered because leaders ended their marriages in divorce.

We are proud to be a part of a church with so many Teams of Two who have united to hold each other accountable, encourage each other, and serve in many ministries effectively out of a healthy, godly marriage! Let your light keep shining! (Matthew 5:16).

Richard and JeannaLynn



Habits To Help Us Grow

Hebrews 10:24 states, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds." In this segment of habits to help us grow it is important to build the habit of bible study. So far, there are a number of families at South Yukon in a 30 day family bible study. It has been two weeks for some and three weeks for others and it is my prayer that these families have continued in this study and will continue even after the 30 days. So let's consider the ways we can encourage one another to stay active in our bible studies. Another thing to consider is the growth we will experience in our relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and growing in the knowledge of His will. So, to the families now involved in the bible study keep it up and to the families who would like to start, it is not too late.

Stay strong and stay true South Yukon.

Gene

Teen News

Senior High Fall Retreat is November 15 and 16. Sign up now if you are going to Hackberry Farms. Cost will be \$25 and Gene will need it asap. See Gene if there are any concerns.

Keith Lancaster's "Praise & Harmony Worship Workshop"

**Saturday and Sunday,
April 4 & 5, 2009**

**Training CD "Awesome God"
Praise & Harmony
A Cappella Worship**

If you are interested in purchasing the training CD for the workshop, please sign the order sheet posted on the bulletin board.

**2 disc set
200 voice chorus
4 part practice CD
\$13/set**

(checks payable to the church)

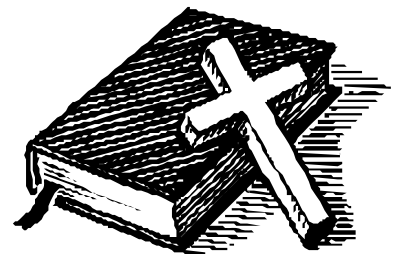
Marriage Junkie T-shirts

Orders are being taken for the Marriage Junkie t-shirts. If you would like to sign up to purchase one, please come to the Marriage Ministry table. Shirts are \$12/each.

Cut Here ✂

25 Ways to Engage the Bible

1. Survey the Word
2. Listen to the Word
3. Read the Word Silently
4. Read the Word Aloud/Privatey
5. Read the Word Publicly
6. Discuss the Word
7. Hand-copy the Word
8. Study the Word
9. Cross-reference the Word
10. Stress the Word
11. Highlight the Word
12. Read the Word Responsively
13. Paraphrase the Word
14. Dramatize the Word
15. Sketch the Word
16. Read the Word Interpretively
17. Memorize the Word
18. Recite the Word Interpretively
19. Personalize the Word
20. Sing the Word
21. Hum the Word
22. Display the Word
23. Share the Word
24. Teach or Preach the Word
25. Do the Word!



Do not let this Book of the law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.

Joshua 1:8: (NIV)

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Ministry Spotlight
Benevolence

Deacons: David Reiter and Rick Willingham
Shepherds: Mel Schaefer and Ken Davidson

Benevolence is one of the most gratifying and challenging Ministries one can be involved in. It is a challenge to get the right resources to the right people. When you do, good is accomplished and you experience a deep sense of satisfaction.

The primary function of this Ministry is to provide immediate assistance to members and local non-members to alleviate undue hardship and suffering. This can be done through the Food Pantry and limited financial considerations.

This Ministry has literally helped hundreds of people over the years. Not only have we helped the local community through this Ministry, we also provide funding and food for Children's Homes.

Perry



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Thailand

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Ecuador

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Kent & Sharla Marcum

Guadalajara

Cory & Toni Burns

Statistics

Attendance

Bible Classes: 349
 Worship A.M.: 540
 Worship P.M.: 248
 Home Group: NC
 Worship P.M.Total: 248
 Wednesday 305
 Daily Bible Readers: 61
 Present Membership: 621

Contribution

Last Week: \$14,697
 Budget Requires: \$15,922

**Family
Matters**



Baby Shower

Honoring Jason and Phyllis Cox
 Today at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are having a boy and are registered at Babies R Us and Target.

Wedding Shower

Honoring Tricia Sterling and Jesse Leyva.
 Sunday, Nov. 9th at 2:00 in the Parlor.
 Registered at: Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target.

Tuesday Evening Ladies Bible Class

6:30pm in the home of Vicky Sterling.
 Lesson 6 ~ "Jehovah-Rapha".

Funtimers

Tuesday, November 4th, we will meet at noon to replenish cards in the pews. Afterwards, lunch at Pizza Hut.

Taking the 40 Day Love Dare?

Check out www.40daylovedare.com to journal your Dare or to engage with others who are taking the dare. Interested in the 40 Day Love Dare? We have copies of the book made famous by the movie Fireproof at the Marriage Ministry table in foyer! Come see what's happening to marriages in America. We dare you!

Couples Christmas Party

If you are interested in helping with the Couples Christmas Party on Saturday, December 6th, stop by the Marriage Ministry table to sign up.

Needed

We are in need of Dr. Pepper, Coke, Root Beer, Mountain Dew and Sprite for the Friday Lunches. Please put in kitchen and mark for JR/SR Lunch.

Our Sympathy

To Kathy Wallace and family on the passing of Bill. Services were Saturday at South Yukon.

NAMI Support Group

Meets Thursday from 7:00-8:00pm in the Parlor. For information see Julia Wilhite.

Teachers Needed for New Quarter

Our new quarter begins Wednesday, December 3rd. We are needing teachers and assistants in the preschool department. If you can help, please contact Cindi Stump at 570-8432.

Men's Monday Morning Bible Study

Will begin tomorrow morning at 6:45am in the conference room.

Romans Bible Study

All ladies are invited to attend a Bible Study on the Book of Romans. They meet on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 in the conference room. This study is led by Jeanette Schoof and Mary Sue Sanders.

LTC Forms

Are due TODAY. Please give to Sherri Marcotte or Vonda Stephens.

Food Committee Coordinator Needed

Due to life changes and a busy schedule, Eugenia Harrison will be stepping down from directing the food committee as of December 1. We appreciate her 2 years of dedicated service in coordinating meals for families in difficult circumstances. If you would like to take over this responsibility, please call her (350.8592) or the church office (354.1863). Thank you, Eugenia! And thanks in advance to whomever will fill this important role!

Mirror Ministry

**Saturday, November 8th
10:00-Noon**

S.O.S. (Sisterhood of Service - 9-12th grade girls) - We will leave the church building at 10:05am to go to the OU Children's Hospital & will return to the building at 1:00pm. See Kristi Finefrock, Cristi Sterling or Mary Sue Sanders for info.

G3G (Girls Giving God Glory - 4-8th grade girls) - We will be making some special Thanksgiving care packages to deliver, planning service projects for next year and spending some quality time together. Be sure and bring 5 pieces of your favorite candy from your Halloween stash! For more info see Amber Garner, Tammy Beshears or Lorie Mulkey.

GiG (Girlfriends in God - PreK-3rd grade girls) - We will meet at the church at 10:00am, then make a special delivery to the residents at Spanish Cove. We will return to the church for a devotional, craft, and a special surprise. You won't want to miss it!! Contact Lynna Dobbins or Micha Hughs for questions.