



# The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST SOUTH YUKON

## The Power of Mothers

It's about shaping people. We are all about shaping people. We are to be transformed by the renewing of our minds (Romans 12:1). Evangelists and teaching shepherds work to help us grow up into Christ (Ephesians 4:15). We are to put off the old person and put on the new, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness (Ephesians 4:22-24). Mothers and grandmothers are "people molders," too. They are critical in the shaping process (2 Timothy 1:5).

The mothers of our world are incredibly powerful.

By their presence or lack thereof,

By their forgiveness or lack thereof,

By their discipline or lack thereof,

By their tender care or lack thereof,

By their guidance to Christ or lack thereof;

Mothers shape the future.

### Happy Mother's Day, Moms!

You are not alone in this effort to help others, including your children in the transforming process, but never forget how important you are.

*Richard*

## Summer Begins the New Year for K-6<sup>th</sup> graders

Wednesday, June 3 will be promotion day for Kindergarten - 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Students will go to their current class and during class time students will be escorted to their new classes. Starting Sunday, June 7 everyone will attend the grade they will be attending in the new school year.

The New Year is an exciting one. Our focus for K-5th grades will be prayer. To start we will be praying for the missionaries our congregation supports. We will also learn about who they are and where they work. Our classes will get to exchange emails with their children. There will be fun projects like learning songs in the native languages and learning a little of their language. Also we will be doing projects to encourage and help our missionaries. We will have the opportunity to meet some of our missionaries this summer. Isn't that great! All of this fun stuff will be at the beginning of class so, don't be late.

We are so excited about Vacation Bible School in July. It is great time to learn and while having fun. You don't want to miss it.

What an exciting summer for the children's department! We look forward to seeing you here!

Children are the living message we send to a future we will not see. Thanks for your support.

*Nina*

## Calendar

### Sunday

Bible Study/Worship  
Mother's Day  
Home Groups

### Monday

Elder's Meeting

### Tuesday

Autism Support Group

### Wednesday

Toastmasters  
Sonshine Stickers  
Midweek Bible Study  
Pounding for the Dixons

### Thursday

Foster Care Support Group

## Baptized



### Devin Ellington

630 N. Vandament Apt. 231  
Yukon, OK 73099  
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## Senior Sunday, May 17th

Our Graduating Seniors are...

Doug Broach  
Kayla Cain  
McKenzie Clemmons  
Jed Davis

Matthew Hartman  
Jill Holt  
Matthew McKeever

Eric Partin  
Koby Pascual  
Shelby Rackley  
Conner Stevenson

## Prayer Requests

**Dana Avants**, cousin of Linda Perry, had a stroke and remains in ICU at Mercy Hospital.

**Butch Day**, Nina Moates great nephew, is home recovering from viral meningitis.

**Alissa Gower**, friend of Stephanie Easter, had a severe asthma attack which led to a mini stroke. She is now home but still experiencing motor skill problems and memory loss.

**Galen Groves**, Lynn's dad, suffered a stroke last Thursday and is in St. Frances hospital in Wichita, KS.

**Brenda Gunter** will be having surgery Monday and requests our prayers.

**Gordon Leaman** is still suffering with his arm.

**Jake McCathern**, grandson of Barry and Marie Stump, has developed a new complication and will be having open heart surgery soon. Please keep him and his mom and dad, Ty and Amy, in your prayers.

**Joe Middleton**, Tommy's father, had surgery for pancreatic cancer. He remains in ICU in stable condition at St. Johns in Tulsa. Please pray for Tommy as he travels to Tulsa.

**Sherry Skirtock**, the niece of Sara Kennett, is recuperating from hernia surgery. She has many complications and requests prayers.

**Lee Tibbs**, Brenda Brazell's co/workers son, will have surgery Tuesday for a broken leg and they request prayers.

**Debbie Warden** is undergoing tests. Her target number for rejection is not in range and she is showing early stages of rejection. She is waiting on tests results and hopefully will be able to turn the numbers around by medication.

**Judith Watts** went to the doctor and her vision is still not too great; however, the macular hole in her eye has sealed up and she is able to be up and around now.

**Please continue to pray for our South Yukon Family: Eric Bejcek, Carolan Bledsoe, Chuck Bledsoe, Linda Bratcher, Sharron Davidson, Merv and Sue Deason, Bill and Melody Dixon, Stefanie Grantello, Brenda Gunter, Brad Hudson** (bhudson16@cox.net) Piper Station Apartments #232, 5223 Gallant Fox Way, Charlotte, NC 28277), **Don Kilmer, Howard McCorkle, Emily McCoy, Pat McIntyre, Roy and Edna Nusbaum, David Reece, Sandra Schoolcraft, TC & Lylia Seitz, Paul Trammel, Debbie Warden, Mike Wilhite, Chester and Jerry Williams, and Those looking for jobs.**

**South Yukon Family with Cancer: Larry Bledsoe, Neil Cosgrove, JC Hasty, Dean Hill, Bea Johnson, Bob Kelly, Jim Linam, Walt McGaugh, Shelli Vang, Jack Womack.** Please remember their spouses & families as well.

**Our Expectant Mothers: Amy Ritchal** (May), **Jerri Elston** (May), **Cassie Sturgeon** (June), **Amber Garner** (July), **Kristina Beshears** (July), **Cristi Killian** (August), **Sylvia Sterling** (August), **Emily Atchison** (Oct), **Kristi Finefrock** (Nov), **Miquel Darcey** (Nov)

**Our Shut-ins: Evelyn Cannon, Marie Cox, Audrey Gray, Liz Knight, Buck Buchanan, Alice Ralls, Mildred Riebe, Ila Thomas** (Ranchwood, 2730 N. Mustang Rd #512), **Marlene Wadkins** (Grace Living Center/The Bridges, 7000 NW 32nd St, #321b, Bethany 73008, 834-1511), **Daisy Valliant** (POBox 850403, Yukon 73085)

**On Hospice Care: Veda Morris, Shirley Pershall** (Kevin's mom), **Elsie Moore** (Paula Leaman's mother)

**Family and Friends: Juanita Bennett** (D. Watsons daughter), **George Bryan** (Joy Wallace's dad), **Margaret Bryson** (Newberry's aunt), **Virginia Cox** (T Wooldrige's mother), **Altus Davidson, Renee Davis** (Brian Martinez mother), **Orpha Dean** (Andys mother), **Matthew Dobbins, Madison Evans** (B. Gunter's niece), **Billie Ferrell** (D. Cassel's mother), **Noah Givens** (Coles's nephew), **Buddy Glass** (V. Bonny's dad), **Erica Heldreth** (N. Heldreth's granddaughter), **Judy Lamkin** (P. McIntyre's sister), **Oliver Mastin** (www.olliestale.blogspot.com), **Tim Mize** (108 Snowmass), **Elsie Moore** (P. Leaman's mother), **Tim Newby, Ben Sharp** (Bette's grandson), **Lillie Schockley and family** (Harris' friends), **Joyce Sisson** (E. Logsdons sister), **Coy Wallace** (Joe's mother), **Betty Watts** (s-i-l of W. 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/Virginia Broach** (Fred's parents), **Gary Brawner** (Patrick's dad), **Virginia Bryant** (Davidson's cousin), **Ron Clemmens** (Brian's dad), **Wilbur Cravey** (C. Mayhan's father), **Roy Ethridge** (S.Vang's uncle), **Norman High** (C. Montgomery's dad), **Don Hooper** (T. Addington's father), **Judy Hurt** (V. Stephen's sister), **Carol Karguth** (V. Stephens mother), **Sandra Leist** (P. McIntyre's sister), **Jerry Maddox** (M. Roddys dad), **Cecil May, Jr** (Richard's dad), **Marvin McCathern** (Floyd's brother), **Clint McCutchen** (Cassel's b-i-l), **Sue McDonald** (J. Davis' cousin), **Vonda McPherson** (N. Heldreth's cousin), **Andi Reuter** (Kyle's 4 yr old niece), **Kenneth Roberts** (Cindi Stump's uncle), **Bob Schmidt** (J&P Cox's uncle), **Tommy Schultz** (b-i-l of A & L Bratcher), **Earline Shriver** (Gary's mom), **Ralph Sisson** (E. Logsdon b-i-l), **AJ Smith** (friend of Deason's), **Frances Stinnett** (Lara Davis' mother), **Paul Taylor** (Onleys b-i-l), **Elise Vega** (friend of C&J Beck), **John Walker** (A. Williams dad), **Daniel Yancey** (Scroggins nephew).

**Activated Military Personnel: Robert "Butch" Crain** (brother of S. Easter), **Ricardo Curbelo** (cousin to K. Finefrock), **Jeremy Lassiter** (Mayhan's friend), **Chan Aaron** (M. Hughs' brother), **Rick Conradi** (K. Reiter's nephew), **Chris Harrell** (son of P. Hayes), **Leesa Sheaffer** (d-i-l of R&A Sheaffer), **Andrea Steward** (Sheaffers friend).



## M & M's

You can tell a relationship is maturing as couples deal with tough issues, and having made good progress, begin to figure out how they can help other couples and individuals advance, too. Don and Marlo Roddy made some great commitments to each other following the Couples' Retreat last year that they are pursuing powerfully. They teamed up with Mel and Doris Schaefer for some accountability and friendship and they have followed through, pursuing the dream, all year.

Financial concerns can be a thorn in the flesh even when there are not job changes and the economic crises that we are experiencing now. Don and Marlo have faced both. But they didn't let the fear of conflict keep them from talking about their finances. They have teamed up to pay off debt, save more, and give more. One of the cool things they did was work out a plan to pay for a trip to Orlando. Marlo wanted to make the trip sooner than Don did. They listened to each other, understood the perspective of the other, and then worked out a plan that considered Marlo's time interest and Don's financial concern. They went to the dollar tree and bought a jar. They printed out pictures of Orlando and Disney and glued them on the jar to keep them connected to their goal; and determined what money would go into the jar. They got the kids excited about the Vacation Jar and now, extra change, "miracle money" that they find or come across in unusual ways, and the budgeted vacation money are being combined to pay for the vacation that they will make in a couple of years without creating any debt.

Don and Marlo have also become excited about helping others pay off debt, save more, and give more. While they have learned about tackling their financial issues they poured over Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace curriculum, Bruce Ammon's Conquering Debt God's Way material, and Steve Diggs No Debt, No Sweat program. They have picked up an incredible amount of knowledge from these ministries that they are prepared to begin to share with others. They are going to be facilitating the No Debt, No Sweat Bootcamp that you can read about elsewhere in the bulletin.

Listening to each other. Growing together. Giving to others. That's a marriage with M & M's. Mindset and Maturity.

*Richard and Jeanna Lynn*



## Teen News

**Camp Applications** are available in the boxes by the Teen bulletin board. Remember, the church will pay for half of one camp fee, per child, in our congregation. Please fill out and give to Lorie.

Quartz Mountain Christian Camp forms are due to the office by Wednesday so the camp can receive them by the May 15th deadline, after that \$20 will be added to the fee. The church does not pay for late fees.

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## Area Events

**Dinner honoring Bear Valley Bible Institute** - Cherokee Hills cofC - May 22nd

**Oklahoma Christian University Quest - Vision and Vitality** - Keynote Speakers: Ken Jones, Richard May, Rich Little - June 4-6th

**Oklahoma Christian University Rejuvenate Women's Day** - Speakers: Kathy (McDonald) Wright, JeannaLynn May, Allison Garrett, Molly Martin, Phyllis Allen - June 6th

**Detailed information of each event is posted on the Bulletin Board.**

## Vacation Bible School July 13-16th

### “Who’s Your Hero?”

*I can do everything through him who gives me strength.*  
Phil. 4:13

#### Items Still Needed for VBS

FUZE Plastic Bottles  
Plastic Liquid Measuring Cups  
Large Ceramic Floor Tiles  
Spray Bottles  
Detergent Boxes with Handles on Top (No more water bottles, please)  
Basket provided in the foyer. See Sherri Marcotte for questions.

## Your Assistance is Requested

with the following ministries...

### Greeters Communion Prep

Please sign up on the board by the office, if you can help.



## Speaking of Realities

One of my fascinations is with “magicians” (or *Illusionists*). They say the “magic words” and presto, an object appears! I recently read that the “magic” word, *abracadabra*, comes from an ancient Aramaic expression which means, “I speak as I create.”

Speech is one of those “inside-out” realities. Jesus said, “It is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but what comes out of the mouth; this defiles a person” (Matthew 15:11). Later he clarified his point, “But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person. **19**For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false witness, slander” (15:18-19).

We truly do create our actions from within. We feel a certain way and we speak or act on it. We see that easily with evil things. What if we were to center our thoughts on the good and pure? What kinds of speech and actions do you suppose would follow? Putting God and his words into our hearts can only produce good things (Psalm 119:11). Take the time daily to put a little more of Him into your spirit. Look at some of the results:

<sup>1</sup>O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent?  
Who shall dwell on your holy hill?

<sup>2</sup>He who walks blamelessly and does what is right

and speaks truth in his heart; Psalm 15:1-2

Keep The Light Burning!

*Perry*

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## No Debt, No Sweat Bootcamp

Beginning this Summer Quarter, June 3rd and also for the Fall and Spring Quarters on Wednesday Evenings.

Cost is \$45

15 spots per class (couples count as 1)  
Registration is required

Email ([office@southyukon.org](mailto:office@southyukon.org)) or call the office (354-1863) to register.

*Perry*

## Ministry Spotlight

### Building and Grounds

**Deacons** – Tom Rackley and Garry Harrison  
**Elder** – Ken Davidson and Mel Schaefer

Don't you enjoy coming to Bible Class and Worship, being warm in the winter and cool in the summer? Don't you enjoy having a clean, attractive facility to use as a base for Ministry? Many hours go into the upkeep of our facilities.

The Building and Grounds Ministry ensures the cleanliness of the building for each service (Thanks, Travis!). They keep the building and equipment in “like new” condition both inside and out. They make sure the landscaping is well-groomed all year, as well as the maintenance of the parking lot.

Their mission is not an end in itself. It is to give us a facility that will serve as a base for all of our Ministries. It is a special luxury that we may easily take for granted.



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### Ministry Staff

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Lloyd Stephens ..... 354-8670  
Barry Stump ..... 354-9334  
Joe Wallace ..... 354-1673

#### Missionaries

##### Fishers of Men

Darrell & Jean O'Rourke

##### SEARCH TV

Mack Lyon

##### Adventures in Missions

Pat & Malissa Sheaffer

##### Southern Africa Bible College

Al & Donna Horne

##### Malawi Africa

Austin, Gabriel and Lucky

##### Brazil

Mel & Marly Latorre

##### Thailand

Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul

##### Ecuador

Julio Perez, Luis Andrango, Armando Troya

Kent & Sharla Marcum

##### Guadalajara

Corey & Toni Burns

#### Statistics

##### Attendance

Bible Classes ..... 395  
Worship A.M. .... 561  
Worship P.M. .... 126  
Home Group ..... 208  
Worship P.M.Total ..... 334  
Midweek ..... 320  
Daily Bible Readers ..... 62  
Present Membership ..... 627

##### Contribution

Last Week: ..... \$17,035  
Budget Requires: ..... \$16,772

# Family Matters



### Baby Showers

For **Jake and Kristina Beshears**, Sunday, May 17th at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are having a boy (Evan) and are registered at Babies-R-Us.

For **Kelly and Sylvia Sterling**, Sunday, May 31st at 2:00 in the Parlor. They are having a boy (Eli) and are registered at Target and Babies-R-Us.

### Pounding for the Dixon's

There will be a "Pounding" hosted by the Ladies Unity Group, for Bill and Melody Dixon and family, Wednesday evening after Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited to come and bring a "pound" of groceries or household necessities for them. For more information, see Patty Booker.

### Westview Report

Once again, we want to thank you for your overwhelming support of the boys out at Westview Boys' Home and their annual fishing tournament. Due to the weather, they actually had to make alternate plans and have festivities inside, but Burl called and reported that they had an incredible time, and that the boys were blown away by the incredible prizes, love, and support shown to them by our congregation. So, a big pat on the back and many thanks to each of you that contributed. Ya'll are the best! The Garners

### Mission Sunday a Huge Success!

Thank you for your generosity in helping our missionaries around the globe. Your contribution was \$42,722 and still counting. Thanks again for your sacrifice. In Him, The Elders and Mission Team

### Our Sympathy

To Barbara Woods and family on the passing of Billy. Services are pending through the direction of Smith and Turner Funeral Home.

### Gran Gran's Song Service

Classes, Home Groups, or individuals are still needed to host a song service at Gran Grans once a month. If you would be willing to serve in this area, please sign up on the bulletin board or see Rick Marcotte.

### Thank You

Thank you most sincerely for your prayers, cards and calls. Thanks also to Ken and Katy for sitting with Linda at the waiting room. With my diabetes, I need your prayers that my eyes stay in good health. In Christ, Rex Swaim

Thank you so much for the great finals care box!! Your endless love and support never leaves my heart. Thank you so much! In Him, Emily Mitchell

### Fireproof DVD's

5 left - \$15 each. Available in the office.

### Signup for Couples Retreat

Retreat is September 25-27th Embassy Suites in Roger, AR \$225 per couple Sign up begins at the June 1-2-3 Date Night on Saturday, June 13th. See insert for details!

### Dishes

Please check the Lost and Found closet for dishes that have been returned recently.

### Sonshine Stitches

Meet Wednesday morning from 9:00 to Noon in the Fellowship Hall. For more info see Florine Jones.

### Senior Sunday

Next Sunday we will celebrate our graduates, including Sunday night when parents give their charges to their graduating seniors.

### 2009 Couples Retreat Team Meeting

Tuesday, May 26th, 6:00pm, room 49

### Relay for Life - Friday, June 5th

Four weeks left until the Relay - on Friday, June 5th. It will be held at the Yukon High School Track. Team members are still needed. See Linda Perry for more information.



## This Week's Pantry Need

Canned meats (ham, tuna, chicken)  
(please place in basket in foyer)