



The Messenger

CHURCH OF CHRIST
SOUTH YUKON

Back to the Heart of Worship

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I'm coming back to the heart of worship,
And it's all about you;
It's all about you, Jesus.
I'm sorry, Lord for the thing I've made it.
It's all about you;
It's all about you, Jesus
(Michael W. Smith- "Heart of Worship")

It's easy to see the loss of proper focus in the Israelites as they made idols for themselves at the foot of Sinai. The idol was their focus. It's easy to see the loss of focus in the people of Judah as they quit just long enough to offer their sacrifices at the temple. The temple was their focus.

It's pretty easy to see the misplaced focus of the Corinthians, too. Some of them gathered early, without the rest, to eat the Lord's Supper. They ate to their fill, they drank to excess, and they despised the poor. Their focus was on their little group.

Others focused on themselves. Worship was a talent show. It was a contest for bragging rights. It was a time for self-promotion, putting down the others, interruption when necessary, and disruption for the sake of being noticed. Their common Lord was insignificant. Greatest gifts – now that's a topic of interest.

Graven images would be quickly noticed and punted around here.

But for the rest of the misplaced focuses aforementioned, there is call for caution for us. There are a few of us who will steal, murder, commit adultery – or commit our "lesser" sins – throughout the week believing that our time in the building appeases our righteous God. That's not a perfect parallel to Judah's total miss of the heart worship, but it's close enough.

I don't hear anybody among us arguing that their talent for singing is more important than another person's talent for publicly praying; but that doesn't mean that there are none of us who focus on ourselves

or on our own little group of friends rather than focusing on the Spirit, the Lord, and God (1 Cor. 12:4-6). Those who give more can think less of those who give less; and vice versa. Those who have been around forever can believe that they are more important because of their tenure. Those with more public roles can believe that their work is more significant.

Let's get back to the heart of worship. God wants his will for worship to become our will for worship.

That's Life at Work! *Richard May*

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.

For Parents of Young Children

Church services can be overwhelming and, face it, boring for young children. In an effort to help parents with their children, we offer a **staffed nursery** for children up to 18 months of age. We also want to encourage parents to use the **training rooms** in the back of the auditorium to help your young children learn about worship. Please take advantage of these services whenever there is a need.



- Sunday**
Gooch Baby Shower
Parent/Teen Meeting
LTC Practice
- Monday**
Men's Bible Study
Elder's Meeting
- Tuesday**
NAMI Support Group
- Wednesday**
Bible Study
- Friday**
Jr/Sr Lunch

New To Our Family



Chris and Michelle Leck
1000 Majestic
Yukon, OK 73099
350-0622



JC and Rachel Wagnon
440 N. Pebble Creek Terrace
Mustang, OK 73064
256-6686

Prayer Requests

Virginia Bryant, the cousin of Sharron Davidson, will have major surgery Tuesday for cancer.

Evelyn Cannon is in the Yukon hospital room 210.

Dan Carpenter, the brother of Judy Scroggins, has a brain tumor.

Mike Clark would like for us to pray for the family of Darrel Phillips (a co/worker) who was killed in an oilfield accident on Friday in Wheeler County, TX. He leaves behind a wife and 2 young boys. Please also pray for Mike as this was a traumatic experience for him as well.

Wilbur Cravey, the father of Cheryl Mayhan, has bone cancer.

Kristi Finefrock's test results were good. The baby is growing normally.

Carol Karuth, Vonda Stephen's mother, has a rare form of leukemia that is slow growing.

Gordon Leaman's aunt Ola Graham passed away Tuesday. Funeral is in Hinton today 2:00.

Sandra Leist, Pat McIntyre's sister, will have serious surgery soon and request prayers.

Grace Mayhugh, Jalene Davis' sister in law, is in SW Medical Center suffering with intestinal issues.

Gene Patton, Mike Clark's uncle, has had a recurrence of cancer in the spine, believed to be terminal. He is in Southwest Integris room 529 for further consultation.

Robin Pershall and Rhonda Salas' dad has prostate cancer and he will probably be having surgery. Please keep them in your prayers while he makes his decision.

Sonja Still's brother Daryl, had a major fall. He is in the hospital in Texas. Sonja requests our prayers for his physical and spiritual healing.

Mike Thompson will have out patient surgery on his wrist Wednesday at Baptist hospital.

Marlene Wadkins, the mother of Debbie Warden, had bypass surgery and is in ICU 8th floor at Baptist Hospital.

Please continue to pray for: Gary Baumwart, George Bennett (father of Ken), George Bryan (Joy Wallace's dad), Evelyn Cannon, Virginia Cox (Terrie Wooldridge's mother), Wanelda Folks, Edna Garner (Jarenda's m-i-l~stroke), Buddy Glass (Vicki Bonny's dad), Gene Grider (Deason's uncle~staph infection), Brad Hudson (bhudson16@cox.net), Ron Kalka (nephew of Davidson's~stroke), Don Kilmer, Liz Knight, JeannaLynn May, Richard May, Caston Meadows, Sydney Medley (friend of Shriver's), Tim Mize (108 Snowmass), Bonnie Montgomery (James' mother~stroke), David Neely (b-i-l of Roddy's~transplant rejection), Tim Newby (Burk's son), Roy Nusbaum, Jean O'Rourke (Vicky Sterlings mother), Jon Perry, Lacey Pragler (infant friend of Shriver's), Mike Ritchie, Savannah Salas, Mel Schaefer, Sandra Schoolcraft, TC Seitz, Linda Seitz, Lylia Seitz, Ben Sharp (Bette's Grandson~Coma), Cynthia Sipes, Donna Sterling, Neta Swinney, Mel and Debbie Warden and Leveana Wilhite (Judy Scroggins sister), Nicholas Woods (Billy and Barbara's grandson).

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), Vernon Clark (Rosie's son), Ron Clemmens (Brian's dad), Neil Cosgrove, Larry Duff (b-i-l of Patty Clements), Alan Engren (Bill Wallaces Friend), Donna Fitzgerald, Stefanie Grantello, J. C. Hasty, Bill Harris (has begun radiation), Norman High (Cathy Montgomery's dad), Dean Hill, Judy Hurt (Vonda Stephen's sister), Bea Johnson, Jim Linam, Joy Lindsey (Sarah Kennett's s-i-l), Carol Marcum, Marvin McCathern (Floyd's brother), Jennifer McCutchen (Cassel's niece), Yvonne McGaugh, Vonda McPherson (Norma Heldreth's cousin), Mark Rice (Bartodej's friend), Tommy Schultz (b-i-l of Alan/Linda Bratcher), Frances Stinnett (Lara Davis' mother), Shelli Vang, Bill Walker, Lavaughn Wilson (Womacks friend)

Our Shut-ins: Marie Cox, Audrey Gray, Don and Veda Morris, Buck Buchanan, Alice Ralls (Parcway Center, 6312 N. Portland, OKC, OK 73112)

On Hospice Care: Donna Fitzgerald, Don Morris, Glenna (Teresa Harris' friend)
Expectant Mothers: April Everhart, Kristi Finefrock, Holly Gooch, Robyn Keele, Shelly Hudson

Activated Military Personnel: Josh Sisson, (nephew of Emma Logsdon), Mick Dustin, Chris Wermey (Morris' nephew), Brian Carroll (friend of Easter's), Bethann Carpenter (niece of Nina Moates), Robert Crain (Stephanie Easter's brother), Alex Gibson (Jeanna Lynn Mays' nephew) Chris Lister (Nina Moates niece's fiance), Jeremy Lassiter (Josh Mayhan's friend), Ken Walker (son of Bill/Paula Walker, brother to Shelly Hudson), Chan Aaron (Micah Hughs' brother)



The Tree of Hope

Two years ago, the theme of the 2006 Couples' Retreat was "Hope." During the Saturday night session, each of the couples wrote their names and their anniversary date on a yellow piece of ribbon and tied the ribbon to a tree. We brought the tree back to Yukon and planted it on the front lawn at the northeast corner of the property. Jerrod and Courtney Dean, Andy and Marilyn's son and daughter-in-law, donated the tree and planted it for us. As we talked with Jerrod about the process we wondered out loud what we would do if the tree did not survive the process. Jerrod smiled when he said, "If you see that tree is dying, call me and I'll come out in the middle of the night and plant another." We want to keep that symbol of hope alive.

Three weeks ago we experienced an ice storm that damaged many - perhaps every - tree on the property except the Tree of Hope. We know that many trees all over Oklahoma suffered damage. We saw some news stories about the effort to protect and preserve the Tree of Hope at the Oklahoma City Memorial. It didn't occur to us to immediately ask about the Tree of Hope here, but Travis came in the office when we finally got back in the building and told us about the tree escaping any damage. It was so cool!

We decided a long time ago that we would rather give God credit for something he didn't specifically do, than brush off as coincidence something that he did do. So let's just thank God for protecting the "Tree of Hope" in the midst of so much destruction.

More importantly, though, let's remember what the Tree of Hope represents; and then let's thank God for protecting our marriages in the midst of so much destruction.

Richard and JeannaLynn



Moving Day

Moving is stressful. I think that's a universal truth. Regardless of the type of move; whether it's a temporary move, a long-hall move, a "just down the block" move, or whatever it may be, it's stressful. You have to box up all you stuff and you always have more than you remember and you're always surprised at how much stuff actually fit into that tiny of a space. Then there is the new place; is the key going to fit, does the furnace work, do the water pipes leak, does your neighbor have dogs, or roosters, there's just too much to think about and stress over. You may have had the luxury of being in one place for awhile, but sooner or later you will be moving. I'm not talking about just to another house or apartment; I'm talking about the BIG house, God's house. Heaven is a real place and God wants us all to live in his neighborhood someday. He's preparing a place for you and all you have to do is sign the lease. The catch is the lifetime lease should really be signed early, before the place is ready for you. God tells us the day and the hour is unknown, it will come like a thief in the night (Matt. 24.36; I Thess. 5.2). So start living out the lease; be prepared. I would even venture to guess that you already own a copy of the lease; it's more common name is the Bible. There is plenty of room in God's place but hurry; this is a limited time offer.

You stay classy South Yukon,

Josh

Teen News

Parent/Teen Meeting
TODAY
12:46 PM

Fellowship Hall
Eat Lunch before or Bring a sack lunch with you.

Jr/Sr Lunch
Resumes on Friday

AWTG
Sunday February 10th in Norman
(This is the one that includes a Lady Sooners basketball game)



LTC News

LTC Practice begins today

- 12:45 Puppets and Drama
- 1:45 Bible Bowl and Bible Reading
- 2:45 Song Leading and Signing
- 3:45 Chorus

LTC Service Challenge Forms are available on the back table in the Foyer. They are due Sunday, February 3rd. For more info see Jennie Lockhart.

Perry's Scope

Risk Takers

The bubonic plague terrorized the city of Carthage, North Africa in AD 252. People died all over the city. Due to the stench of death and disease, people resisted helping one another. No one wanted to contract the illness, so they isolated themselves.

There was a dedicated church in the city that committed to caring for people. They decided to invest in the people of Carthage and came to their rescue. These people chose to lay down their lives in the face of the plague to save a few from the terrible disease. They referred to themselves as the "Risk Takers."

They followed the example of Epaphroditus (Philippians 2:25-27). As a result of their loving acts of kindness, they made a lasting impact on the city. Carthage was saved by the "Risk Takers."


The third century "Risk Takers" truly risked everything for the good of others. They risked their health and literally, their lives. Yet, they were greatly successful.

We may not be called to go to a plague-infested city. We are called to the risky business of serving others right here and now. We risk being infected by the "world virus." We risk taking our eyes off of Jesus. We risk comfort and security — all for others.

Are you willing to be a modern "Risk Taker"?

Keep The Light Burning!

Perry Greene



Ministry Spotlight

Fellowship

Elder - Andy Dean

One of the most biblical things we are to do as a congregation is participate in fellowship activities. This can be through hospitality groups in our homes, developing relationships by sharing in service activities, or just sitting down together at a potluck to get to know one another better.

The Fellowship Ministry makes a significant contribution to the "friendship factor" at South Yukon. This Ministry plans and schedules: Quarterly Church Fellowships; Monthly Anniversary Dinners; the Annual Elders/Deacons/Preachers Dinner; New Member Dinners; and oversees New Members meeting in current members homes. This is certainly a daunting task but extremely rewarding for all of us!

Perry Greene

Life Line Screening

Where: Church of Christ South Yukon
When: Saturday, January 26, 2008
Pre-registration is required.
Call 1-800-324-1851

Men's Bible Study

Monday mornings in the Conference Room from 6:45-7:15am. All men are welcome.



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South Africa

Austin, Gabriel and Lucky

Brazil

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Thailand

Kim & Rebecca Voraritskul

Ecuador

Julio Perez, Luis Andrago

Kent & Sharla Marcum

Guadalajara

Corey & Toni Burns

Statistics

Attendance

Bible Classes: 381

A.M. Worship: 554

P.M. Worship: 326

Wednesday NC

Daily Bible Readers: 73

Present Membership: 589

Contribution

Last Week: \$16,634

Budget Requires: \$15,922

Family Matters



Thank You

We would like to thank our many friends who helped us celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary. Thanks to those who attended, wrote such neat messages, gave cards and gifts. Love to you all, Warren and Avis Fisher

Dear Church family, thank you so much for your prayers. We know that they are very powerful. Our little Nicky (he was 3 on Dec. 22) is very much better. He has Postier Reversible Local Encephalopathy, so this could happen again but we will be watching him carefully. We also want to thank those who visited and sent cards. He is now enjoying the basket of toys. Again, we love you and thank you for your prayers. Billy, Barbara and Tiffany Woods.

We thank God daily for this wonderful Christian family that we are blessed to be a part of. Thanks so much for the generous gift we received in December. We love you all and appreciate the support and love you give to all of our foster children. Mike and Cathy Morris

Dear Church Family, thank you so much for all the calls, the delicious meals and especially the prayers that went up on my behalf. I have truly been overwhelmed by the love and compassion this church has shown to me and my family during my recent hospital stay. Thank you also for the plant I received after coming home. We love you all and feel so blessed to be part of such a wonderful church family. Love, Jonathan, Lana, Claire and Lydia Wooldridge

Thank you for every kindness shown me since my surgery for cancer. I seem to be doing better but God knows it is a long arduous battle. Our love goes out to you in this difficult time. Your prayers are vital to my recovery, Your Brother in Christ, Neil Cosgrove

Dear Church family,
Once again Walt and I want to thank you for your continued love and support. So much love has been exhibited in so many ways! I am progressing, still have some follow-up treatments to go through. We love you, Walt and Yvonne McGaugh

Baby Shower

There will be a "Diaper and Wipes" shower for Holly Gooch TODAY at 2:00 in the Parlor. Expecting a girl.

Cookbook

More "Ties That Bind" cookbooks are available in the office or see Mischelle or Lorie. Book-\$5, CD-\$1.

Men's Bible Study

Monday mornings from 6:45am-7:15am here at the building.

Christian Foster Home Needed

Hope Harbor has an immediate need for a foster home for Ashton, a 16 year old young man who has put on Christ in baptism. He has been with Hope Harbor 3 years. His aging and ill grandmother desires that he is successful, her situation makes it difficult if not impossible for him to come back home in her care. Ashton talks of becoming a "Bible Scholar" and has a strong desire to do what is right. If you are interested in fostering this young man or would like more information, contact Sharon Milligan at 343-0003, extension 8.

Dale Robertson Sr. Citizen

January Birthday Party

Thursday, January 24th at 11:00am we will host the Sr. Citizen Birthday Party. If you can bake a pie, please sign list on Women's Bulletin Board. We need 21 pies and 3 angel food cakes. **Pies need to be large enough to cut into 8 nice size pieces.** Please bring pies to the church office or kitchen by 10:00am, Thursday, January 24. Label them "Senior Citizen Birthday Party". For more information contact Vicky Sterling.

Ladies Tuesday Night Bible Class

Will begin Tuesday, February 5th at 6:30pm in the home of Vicky Sterling. Come prepared to study Lesson 8 "Compelled by Grace". If you have not been a part of this class and would like to, please call the office, so books can be ordered. The cost is \$7. Looking forward to our study of God's Word together.

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.

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Nursery Attendants

Worship AM

Tina Addington

Doris Beshears

Tammy Beshears

Worship PM

Vickie Bonny

Debbie Brown

Communion to the Shut-ins

Carl Sterling

**Visitation Group #1
meets today**

Peak Wednesday

February 6th