

February 25, 2024

Family Talk *with Dave Phillips*

Love God. Love Others

We have a great month planned for us to work, study, pray and worship together. I know you have your daily activities that allow you to 'touch the lives' of friends and neighbors. We also have the privilege of doing some work together as a congregation. These frequently involve working with other congregations in united efforts. Such is the case during the month of March. For example...

Sharing Our Journey of Faith

March 1 & 2

Friday, March 1, 7:00 pm

7:00 pm - Light Refreshments (Coffee - snacks)

7:30 pm - Individual Evangelism

Tim Alsup, from Great Oaks

Saturday, March 2, 9:00 am

9:00 am - Congregational Evangelism

Dave Phillips, Germantown

10:30 am - City-Wide Evangelism

Harold Redd, Midtown

Our Journey of Faith Worship Service

March 3 - 5:00pm—6:15 pm.

Area-Wide Service

Speakers: Jarrod Williams, Millington church

Hamilton Archibald, West Memphis, AR.

We'll be finished by 6:15 pm to allow for fellowship and light snacks.

Elder's Appreciation Luncheon

March 17

This potluck meal will be held immediately following the 2nd service on Sunday morning. We will have a brief opportunity to hear our children sing and expressions of gratitude for our shepherds who are so dedicated to the Lord and to this congregation.

March 24 - Young men to lead PM worship service

March 29-31 -Lads to Leaders in Nashville

Let's make this a great month of serving God together!

Sunday Sermons:

AM - Much More Than A Gift! (Romans 5:8-11)

PM - Learning From Each Other (Acts 2:37-42)

Welcome Guests

If you are visiting with us, you are our honored guest. We encourage you to complete the "QR" code located on the screen during closing announcements after service. We wish to meet and greet you after service. Thank you for worshipping with us and please come again.



Worship Times Sunday 8 AM • 10:30 AM • 6 PM

Bible Classes - Sunday

Class	Topic	Teachers	Location
Auditorium	Philippians, Colossians	John Thomas	Auditorium
Faith Builders	Psalms	Dave Phillips	FH 1&2
Fellowship Hall	Commandments of Jesus	Larry Scroggs	FH 3&4
I.O.U.	What in the world is the Holy Spirit?	Steve Haynes, Daryl Steiner	AH 124
Cornerstone	Our Holy & Glorious God	Philip Slate	AH 128
Reflections	2 Thessalonians	Jason Speed Barry Chapman	AH 120
Southeast Asian	Lessons from the Old Testament	Chuck Hanson Art Cancienne	SE Asian Classroom
World Bible School Class	Think Like Jesus: Make The Right Decision Every Time	Curtis Morris	AH 129
Young Adult	Romans 12: The Upgraded Life	Brian Stewart	AH 123
Youth Grades 7-12	Gospel of Mark	Various	Youth Room
Grades 1-6	God's Story	Various	Grace Land
Pre-K, K, Nursery	Various	Various	PH 101-108

Bible Classes - Wednesday

Age Group	Topic	Teachers	Location
Adult	The church of Christ. Who Are We?	Dave Phillips	Auditorium
Adult	Getting Out of the Boat	Brian Stewart	AH 120
Adult	Authentic Manhood: A Man And His Work	Glenn Daily	AH 123
Adult	Singing Class	Tim Vann	AH127
Youth: Grades 7-12	Church Leaders	Various	Youth Room
Youth: Grades 1-6	God's Story	Various	Grace Land
Pre-K, K, Nursery	Various	Various	PH 101-108

Bible Study Sunday 9:15 AM • Wednesday 7 PM

OUR PRAYERS

Members

Jerry Asbille	Judy Franklin	Jon Pace
Jim Beck	Richard Haston	Pat Slate
Barbara Beck	Sharon Haston	Eric Thomas
Doris Conder	Mott Jones	Winnie Thomas
Michael Conder	Walt Lipsey	Brenda Vick
Amy Craft	Bob McCrory	Shannon Wilson
Ruth Evans	Joyce McCrory	Barbara Worrell
	Barry Mobley	

Friends and Family

Richard Briscoe - brother of Jack Briscoe
Betty Carrington - sister-in-law of Barbara Worrell
Constance Doughty - Ainsworth family
Andrew Dunaway - nephew of Sherry Walls
Lisa Lillie - sister-in-law of Shawn & Julie Lillie
Charlotte Perry - sister of Tonia Spence
Robert Reed - son of John & Martha Reed
Laura Sexton - sister of Debby Hayes
Amy Warren - daughter of Phyllis Vincent
Stephanie Smith Wilder - sister-in-law of Joseph Wilder

Prayer list is updated every two weeks. Notify the church office if your friend or family member should remain on the list.

Boys Song Leading

Boys Song Leading will meet **today**, February 25th, in room 128 from 4:30-5:45 pm. Please contact Andy McElyea or Cary Duncan for questions or concerns.

Songs of Praise

Songs of Praise will meet **today**, February 25th, in room 124 from 4:30-5:45. Please see Suzanne McElyea for any questions or concerns.

Girls Bible Reading

Girls Bible Reading will meet **today**, February 25th, in room 123 from 4:30-5:45. Please see Connie Walton for any questions or concerns.

Gift Card Shower

There will be a gift card shower honoring Matt and Emily Grisham that ends **today**, Sunday, February 25th. Matt is the son of Jerry and Terri Grisham. Matt and Emily were married on September 23, 2023 in Columbus, Ohio and currently reside there. Gift cards from Amazon, Kroger, Target, and Walmart are appreciated. Please include gift receipts.

Those Serving Our Country

Andy Dye - nephew of Nancy James/ Army National Guard/ Dyersburg, TN
Alaina Gembara - daughter of Terri Chambers/Navy/Naples, Italy
Bria Gibson - daughter of Terri Chambers/Navy/Hawaii
John Gibson - son-in-law of Terri Chambers/Navy/Hawaii
Tyler Hicks - son of Mark & Kristi Hicks/Aviano AFB/Italy
Grant Kelton - our brother/Air National Guard/Memphis, TN
Taylor Kelton - our brother/Hanscom AFB/Bedford, MA
Zachary Murphy - our brother/ U.S. Army/West Point
Scott Sanders II - son of Scott & Brenda Sanders/Army/Kuwait
Quinn Smith - our brother/ Army/JAG/Joint Base Lewis McCord, Tacoma, Washington
Lauren Vietry - our sister/Air National Guard/Knoxville, TN
Landon Walker - son of Christy Perkins/USS Gerald R. Ford
Timothy Wright - son-in-law of Mark & Brenda Conder/Army/Ft. Campbell, KY

Parents of Members

Dan Fetherston (Emily Graham)
Truman Hull Sr. (Camilla Jones)
Joyce Koenig (Lynn Burleson)
Jim & Stephanie Lee (Susan Vick)
Clarence McDowell (Mona Patterson)
Jim & Shirley Sanders (Scott Sanders)
Pat Smith (Jana Lynn Skelley)
Vicky Till (Clint Till)

L2L Good Samaritans

L2L Good Samaritans will meet **today**, February 25th at 5:00 pm. in the Grace Land Service Station. Please see Amy Cox with any questions or concerns.

Elders' Appreciation Luncheon

The Elders' Appreciation Luncheon will be Sunday, March 17th following the second service. The Faith Builders Class will be hosting the luncheon and will provide the meat. We are asking the congregation to bring side dishes and desserts. Sign up sheets are in the Adult Bible classes and on the credenza in the south hallway.



The Wednesday night meal for February 28st is Breakfast for Dinner, See the signup sheet for details of the meal. The cost is \$8.00 per adult, children 10 and under eat free. Hot Dogs and chips for 10 and under. Sign up sheets will be in the Adult Bible classes and in the foyer. Serve time is 5:30 p.m. and ends promptly at 6:30 p.m. You must have a reservation. Last time to signup is 8:00 a.m. on Monday, February 25th.



Leslie Williams

Missionary to Canada

January 2024 Missions Report

Part of my multifaceted ministry here in Canada is the opportunities that come up through counseling. Some of you may know my youngest son, Thomas, who served as a youth minister in the greater Memphis area for several years, focused on ministry while studying/practicing to a lesser degree counseling. Now he has transitioned to more full-time counseling and part-time ministry (volunteer) in Little Rock, I was able this month to make a rather rushed trip down to Little Rock to help Thomas move into their new home, and put some of my limited repair and maintenance skills to work. More importantly for me, I got to put on my grandpa hat and spend some quality time with my grandson, Rory.

Most ministers have opportunities to counsel, and my work here in Canada is no different. Truth be told, I tend to shy away from counseling, preferring to allow those who are more trained or gifted to work this ministry, but as much as I try to focus on more church-related ministry and discipleship, counseling is still something I do.

It seems that most of my counseling (marriage counseling in particular) has been with the immigrant families in our community. I am currently engaged in marriage (or pre-marriage) counseling with three different couples, involving people from India, Canada, Nigeria and Ghana, and with Christian, Secular and Sikh faiths. While most of these counseling opportunities are tied to church family, some of them lead to connecting the church family to those immigrant families needing some community relationships. Our immigrant families are struggling with life issues, but are separated from their culture and their families to support them in these struggles, and there is a real need for supportive relationships to develop here to help them through these challenges. At one level, I can help with some of the counseling, but much more is needed! I was very pleased that two of our sisters in the Northwest congregation (Loopie and Charlene) were willing to start up a Ladies Bible Class specifically to address this need, meeting with Regmina (who immigrated from India) and building a relationship with her and with God. Do pray not only for positive fruit for the counseling that I do, but that these families can be connected to the church and find ongoing support for their needs.

I have tried over the years to contribute to the churches not only in Canada but also in the northern USA. One congregation that I have had the opportunity to minister to is the Glendive church in eastern Montana. Most of the churches in eastern Montana are very small and struggling and Glendive no exception. The gentleman who has served as the minister of this congregation since 2001 is a local farmer named Jim Squires. During my trip south, Jim passed away, so as soon as I returned to Regina, Loopie and I made the trip down to Glendive and celebrated a life well lived. Jim leaves a large hole in the churches of Christ in this part of the world, and we pray that God will raise up others to walk in his steps and serve the churches in these remote locations.

As a side benefit of my trip down to Little Rock to help out my son is that I was able to pop over to Germantown and worship with you this past month. What a blessing for me to be able to be physically present among you and once again be reminded of the grace of being your minister. I am grateful for our work together and was blessed to visit you briefly.



OUR WORK TOGETHER



KIRBY PINES BUS DRIVERS

FEBRUARY

Sunday AM - *Mark Hicks*
 Sunday PM - *Willie Ferguson*
 Wednesday PM - *Andy Gaines*

Worship Attendance QR Code

Please see below the "QR" code to record your Sunday worship attendance digitally. With your smartphone, open to your camera app and point to the code and click the pop up link and it will direct you to our website where you will find the instructions to submit your attendance. You can also go to our website and find the button "Take Attendance" beneath the livestream and enter your information.



Thank you

Dear Brothers & Sisters,
 Thank you for your cards, messages, and kind words of encouragement, especially your prayers during the loss of my uncle. We are grateful to be a part of the Germantown family.

David & Cheryl Fewell

Dear church family,
 Jerry and I are so grateful for your love and support during my health issues and surgery. Thank you for your many prayers, calls, cards, hugs and words of encouragement. Your thoughtfulness is so greatly appreciated.

Blessings,
 Jerry & Jo Crawford

Gratitude is a proper response for the Young at Heart dinner last Saturday evening. We express abundant thanks for the young people who served, the parents and other adults who prepared the meal, for those who took pictures, decorated, did set up and take down of chairs and table decorations as well as the interactive games.

Thank you from all who attended

Diaper Ministry Update

We were able to express God's love to others in a very concrete way this past Valentine's week. Thanks to your help, we collected 4,183 diapers Sunday, February 11, packaged 3,380 diapers for 13 families, and distributed them with the help of 20 of our members this past Saturday morning. We also connected with and prayed over many families, several of which expressed interest in attending services or starting a Bible study. We see God opening many doors; please continue to pray for this ministry.

Thank you,
 The Diaper Ministry Team

Online Giving

Germantown church of Christ is accepting on-line contributions. Simply go to www.gtcoc.org, and click "GIVING" from the top right of the screen. You may choose your contribution to be a one-time donation or recurring. If you designate recurring, you will need to "SIGN IN" and register for an account. You will have the options to pay with your bank account, credit card, or debit card. Each online contribution will cost the church 2.5%, plus a small transaction fee. The website will allow you to increase your contribution by the same amount if you desire. Once registered, you may wish to use the ShelbyNEXT App for mobile contributions. We also offer a text giving option as well. Instructions for mobile and text giving are located at the bottom of the website Giving page. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church office.

Information For The Bulletin

Please submit *all* requests for announcements in the bulletin to carolportergtcoc@gmail.com, or by calling her at the church office at 901-754-1668. Requests must be received as soon as possible and no later than 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays. Please remember all requests will be processed as space in the bulletin allows.

For The Record		Ministers	
February 18, 2024			
Sunday Bible Class	311	Glenn Daily - Spiritual Leadership	
8:00 a.m.	117	Dave Phillips - Preaching	
10:30 a.m.	383	Joe Skelley - Senior Adult Ministry	
10:30 a.m. Online	N/A	Brian Stewart - Engagement Ministry	
Total a.m. Worship	500	Eddie Lewis - Missionary to Mississippi	
Sunday p.m. Worship	195	Sasha Maliuga - Missionary to Ukraine	
6:00 p.m. Online	N/A	Leslie Williams - Missionary to Canada	
Total p.m. Worship	195		
Contribution	\$40,659		
Budget	\$36,236		