

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING

July 18, 2021

WELCOME: Mike Brewer
SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Jackie Horton
LORD'S TABLE: Darren Dent
CLOSING PRAYER: Bill Davidson
GREETERS: Robert & Jenni Hayes

SUNDAY EVENING

July 18, 2021

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
OPENING PRAYER: Cayden Leonard
LORD'S TABLE: Jeff Jones
CLOSING PRAYER: Tyler Blair

WEDNESDAY EVENING

July 21, 2021

SONG LEADER: Seth Fisher
PRAYER: Jim Bell

**Please contact Jackie Horton,
if you are unable to serve.*

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
EVENING 5:00 p.m.
LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE STUDY 7:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

SENIORS MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.

THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

**cancelled until further notice*

2nd Thursday of each month:

PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.

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LOVE NEVER WASTED

Love may go unrequited; but it is never wasted. The nature of biblical love is often misunderstood—viewed on the level of the hopeless romantic—measured by feeling rather than substance. But, love is inherently an extension of ourselves to others—a decision to seek another's best interests. Love is not just a bubbly, feel-good, purring cat softly rubbing against the face feeling. Love is real. Love gets dirty. Love is willing to be inconvenienced. Love waits while another's needs are first met. Love is the "more excellent way" Paul describes in the context of how God's people should treat one another in the local congregation (1 Cor. 12:31; 13:4-7). We would do well to develop these traits in every aspect of our daily lives.

If love is never wasted, then why do we, at times, feel discouraged about how people respond to our love? In some cases, it might be because our love has not yet risen above that which is extended only to those who can love us in return. Jesus identified this as the kind of love commonly practiced in the world around us (Mt. 5:46-47). However, Jesus calls us to a higher love, challenging us to love even those who do not love us in return (Mt. 5:43-45).

Other times we get discouraged about unrequited love because we have lost sight of things unseen. Though love may appear to go unnoticed or unappreciated, it may yet have a lasting, cumulative effect on the heart of the one to whom we have shown such love. Sometimes, love is felt as an after-the-event experience (Rev. 14:13). The full impact of our love may not be felt during our lifetime. But we must press on remembering that "God is not so unjust so as to forget your work and the love which have shown toward His name, in having ministered and in still ministering to the saints" (Heb. 6:10). In a sense, love is a treasure sent on to heaven before us (Mt. 6:20-21). We show our love by obeying His commandments including the one which says to "love one another, just as I have loved you" (Jn. 14:15; 15:12).

Love is risky business. There is always the possibility of rejection. This is what happened when Christ came into this world (Isa. 53:3). Sadly, we are often unwilling to risk rejection for the sake of those we love. As a result, some friends may face eternity never having been given opportunity to hear the truth of the gospel. Others will never hear needed correction because we have misunderstood the loving nature of discipline (Heb. 12:6). Who knows but what that difficult conversation, seasoned with prayer, may turn out to be a lifeline to the soul of a friend? Even if we are rejected, we have shown true love for God, His word, and our friend. Love is never wasted. --Glen Elliott--

Prayer Requests

- *Jason Elliott is having tests and procedures at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota.
- *Stephanie Phillips received good news about her knee/leg, but please continue to keep her in your prayers as she'll know more in a few weeks.
- *Helen Swindle has requested prayers for her neighbor, Sue, who fell and will have surgery Monday morning. Also, prayers for Brianna and Wyatt as they were exposed to covid.
- *Prayers for Michael O'Brien as he continues chemo treatments.
- *Keep Dave Rhyne in your prayers as he heals.
- *Continue to keep Patsy Story; Helen Swindle's sisters, Sharion & Shirley; Joyce Hines; and Ted & Barbara Knight in your prayers.

Everyone is invited to a **Diaper and Wipes Shower** for Millie Ross, newborn daughter of Nick and Stephanie Baker, in the Outreach Center following Sunday evening worship on July 18th. Please bring sandwiches and chips. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Join us in a time of encouragement and fellowship. See Colleen Elliott if you have questions.





Monthly Food Committee Leader

Martha Bell
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July

BIRTHDAYS:

(July 18th - July 31st)

Linda Ray 7/25
Jimmy Thomas 7/26
Stephanie Phillips 7/29
Charlene Parish 7/31
(*not May 31st—please update)

ANNIVERSARIES:

Ronald & Ginger Beene 7/29
Brian & Amy Drewry 7/30
Mike & Kristie Brewer 7/30

Spotlight on Missions

Another newsletter from South Africa is posted on the Missions' Board across from the church office. The Ankiah's are dealing with another COVID shutdown; but have decided to leave their house open for worship. Read about their ongoing work.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 25th—27th @ 7:00pm
Classes for all ages

THEME:
A Royal Adventure



SENIORS MINISTRY CLASS



Tuesday, July 20th in the Outreach Center at 10:30 a.m.
The speaker will be Tommy Dodson from the Menifee congregation. There will be no potluck.

Wednesday Night Summer Series: SPIRITUAL VISION

July 21st at 7:00pm

"Seeing Their Faith" George Hulett

Bible Quiz

2 Peter
1:12-15

1. "For this reason I will not be ___ to remind you always of these things, though you know and are ___ in the present truth."
2. True or False: Peter says he kept reminding Christians of the same truths over and over.
3. Peter refers to the physical body as a ___.
4. True or False: The Lord told Peter that he would shortly put off his earthly body.
5. "Moreover I will be careful to ensure that you always have a ___ of these things after my ___."

**last week's answers: diligence; seven; true; shortsighted, blindness; false*

Our Record

July 11, 2021

SUNDAY CLASS: 68
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 112
SUNDAY PM: 54
WEDNESDAY (14th): 91
BUDGET: \$4,500
OFFERING: \$3,873