FOR THE RECORD

Week of October 22nd, 2017

Bible Study	249
Sunday Worship	460
Sunday Evening	177
Wednesday	278
Weekly Giving	$15,975
Weekly Budget	$17,306
Year-to-Date Giving	$690,575
Year-to-Date Budget	$744,158

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

October 29
Wanda Reed & Judy Holman

November 5
Susan Lewis & Joy Brandon

November Communion Prep
Larry & Judy Holman

GREETERS

October 29

Donnie & Rena Baker ..... East
Jim Betterton ..... North
Beth Donnell ..... West

November 5

Donnie & Rena Baker ..... North
Jim Betterton ..... West
Beth Donnell ..... East

COMMUNION

October 29

Table 1: Bobby Wortham, Ashley Young, Robyn Richardson, Kendall Tabor, Don Beck

Table 2: Keith Thomas, Dale Brooks, Josh Harrell, RD Walker, Joel Tippit

RAISING ✳ ARROWS

Psalm 127:3-5

Children's Ministry Grades K-5. Meets Sunday at 9AM, and Wed. at 6:30PM
Teachers beginning ***October 25*** are…

Noah's Arcade
Dale & Christina Brooks

Museum
Marcus & Kaitlin McCormick

Creator's Canvas
Terry & Jill Bonds

Holy Word Studios
Pipkins & Graces

Kids for Christ

Kids for Christ is for ages 2 – 2nd grade, in room #2, and is announced for dismissal **during the sermon.**

October

Word / Scripture of the Month
Peace / Colossians 3:15
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts…

October 29

2 Year Olds: Elizabeth Martin
3-4 Year Olds: Judy Holman
K-2nd Grade: Lorianne May
Puppets: Story Time with Mrs. Vandy

November 5

2 Year Olds: Marcia Hunter
3-4 Year Olds: Sue Ann Jernigan
K-2nd Grade: Jessica Davis
Puppets: Jon & Sara Beth Francis

October Helpers

Emmy May, Angela Gomez, Ally Foster, Sara Beth Francis

WHO WAS PEREZ?

October 29, 2017 *Tim Tripp*

You're playing a game of Bible Trivia and receive the following question. Who was the father of Perez and Zerah? (See Genesis 38 for the answer)

a. Ruben
b. Judah
c. Issachar
d. Gad

It might also help to know that Tamar was their mother. Got it now?

The story of how Tamar had twin sons is interesting to say the least. She was married to a man who was put to death by God for being wicked and he died without fathering children. She was given to the man's brother to fulfill his duty and keep his brother's name alive but he refused so the Lord put him to death as well. Her husbands' father kept more of his sons from her fearing they might too be killed. When Tamar realized that she would not be getting any more husbands from her father-in-law's family she devised a plan. She dressed as a prostitute, put a veil over her face and waited for her father-in- law to come by. When he did, he offered her a young goat as payment for her services thinking she was a prostitute. He gave her his seal (a stamp to act as a signature on clay documents. It would have been unique to him) as a guarantee for payment. She became pregnant by her father-in- law. When her father-in-law found out she was pregnant he ordered that she be put to death for adultery but when she returned his seal to him saying that the owner of the seal is the one who made her pregnant, he realized what had happened and took care of her and her babies.

She had twin boys named Perez and Zerah. Zerah's family is associated later in the Bible with a tragedy in Israel. Achan was a descendant of Zerah. It was Achan who stole forbidden plunder from Jericho when the Israelites invaded the promised land under Joshua. He and his family were discovered and put to death for his crime. Perez however, became the father of the family line which eventually led to Boaz, Obed, Jesse and David. Generations later, that same family line had the distinction of being the ancestors of Jesus, the son of God.

Time and time again we see God being kind to people who are lowly, mistreated and oppressed, even if they had made poor decisions. He elevated both Rahab and Tamar to join the ancestral line of Jesus despite their ungodly moral choices. It's not that he is indifferent to sin, it is that he has a heart for the humble. God is impressed with those who, even in difficult circumstances, continue to be humble and kind. He often lifts those people in His time and for His purpose.

If you are in Christ, your sins are forgiven, and God assigns purpose and meaning to your life. To realize that purpose and meaning however, you must be humble, kind and good to others, lifting them with encouragement and support. God will then lift you, without effort on your part to build yourself up, in His time.

STARTING POINT

Welcome to West Side! Are you interested in learning more about us? Be sure to visit the Starting Point room in the back of the auditorium after each Sunday service.

CHOICES PREGNANCY CENTER

Choices Pregnancy is in need of diapers of all sizes. Please bring diapers or monetary donations to Wendy Loveland.

FRIENDSHIP CAFE

To help make the friendship cafe as successful as we can, we ask that you please escort your children to get a treat. They will need adult supervision while coming to the Cafe. Also, please be courteous that there are several that would like to enjoy a donut or muffin and only take one or two. We appreciate your help to make this enjoyable for everyone!

BIBLE BOWL

Bible Bowl begins November 5th in the Family Center. Meetings will be from 3:00 - 4:30. Those interested in participating, please see Kyle Lamberson or Chad Mitchell.

WOMEN'S STEP STUDY

A weekly ladies step study, part of the Celebrate Recovery ministry, started October 16th in the Rock. Current meeting time is 8 - 10 PM. All ladies are invited to walk through this journey with us for God's healing of our hurts, habits, and hang-ups. For more information or to sign up, call Judy Clements (479-880-1714) or call/text Amy Jones (479-747-4966).

CAMP CAUDLE TRACTOR

Camp Caudle is in need of a new tractor. A generous person has agreed to match up to $10,000 with what funds can be raised by October 31st. If you would like to help by donating to Camp Caudle for the tractor, please bring a check to the church office made out to Camp Caudle with "Tractor" in the memo line. Your help with this is very appreciated!

A Look Ahead...

October 29: Friendship Cafe: Kristin Cawyer - 3 doz. Donuts; Sue Ann Jernigan - 3 doz. Muffins; Mattie Martin - 3 doz. Donuts.
October 30: MNFTM; CR - Ladies Step Study
November 1: CCSC Cookies - Judy Holman, Paulette Cooper, Betty Chambers, Margaret Grant
November 2: Women's Bible Study
November 3: Celebrate Recovery
November 5: Friendship Cafe: Beth Donnell - 3 doz. Donuts; Nancy Sierra - 3 doz. Muffins; Caroline Bonn - 3 doz. Donuts. Bible Bowl begins today in the Family Center.
November 6: MNFTM; CR - Ladies Step Study
November 7: Prime Timers - 5:30 in the Family Center.
November 8: CCSC Cookies - Donna Frick, Andrea Henson, Brenda Holmes, Kay Smart
November 10: Celebrate Recovery
November 12: Friendship Cafe: Charli Horton - 3 doz. Donuts; Marcia Hunter - 3 doz. Muffins; Donna Frick - 3 doz. Donuts.

DIOS LE BENDIGA (GOD BLESS YOU) BY ARIS ORTIZ

FRIENDSHIP

Reading and understanding about Jesus friendship with Mary, Martha and Lazarus in the Bible, reminds me my younger days. I remember those friends growing up together, visiting at home, having great moments and helping each other in rough times. It feels so good to have that relationship. To know you have those friends that they will accept, support and be there for you not matter what, is so special.

Mary, Martha and Lazarus were not Jesus' relatives, but reading the following: ..then the Jews said, "See how he love him!" makes me thinks how deep was their friendship.

Today, you and I, are the "Mary, Martha and Lazarus" and we have the same friend: Jesus! He is there for us, not matter what. Why? Because "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" Hebrews 13:8

Let's keep loving and visiting each other's with the same intensity!
God Bless you "Mary, Martha and Lazarus" of Westside!
- Aris

PRAYER LIST

Nursing Homes
Madge Alverson (Atkins #311), Mirl Helms (Stella Manor #221), Imogene Taylor (Brookdale #211), Wayne Nordin (Brookdale #219), Glennette Price (Stella Manor #305), Elizabeth Wyatt (Legacy Heights #43).

Cancer Patients
Gladys Norwood, Helen Stephens, Mary Grice, Mary King, Carla Ford, Doug Hart, Jerry Thompson, Julie Session, Ruby Kite, Sherilyn Russell, Kelly Owens, Don Martin, Lavada Gordon, Ray Fullerton, Delba Parrish, Kirk Benson, Debbie Gann, Hobart Summers, Debra Leaming, Lorri Petty, Joyce Gage, Ruth Kelley, Steven Watson, Linda Elkins, Suzanne Gatewood, Kim Kersh, Richie Schilling, Greg Standridge, Ella Allison, Rex Roberts, Eura Mae Loyd, Maddie Allen, Stephanie Carper, Don Bailey, Jerry Bailey, Connie Shay, Mark Helms, Truman Hill

Military
Dale Nelson, Justin Dollins, Steven Renfrow, James Cole, Jr., Micah Hunter, Steven Cawyer, Charles Pitney, Joseph Roberds

Additional
Aris Ortiz, Jr., Patsy Parnell, Nora Smith, Jeremiah Martinez, Matt Francis, Loren Hurst, Ridge Austin,Tiffany Lutrell, Nathan Hodges, Frost Family, Amanda Hensley

Missions
James & Abigail Rucker-Haiti, WBS Students

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

To submit an announcement for the bulletin, please contact the office using the email: ***office@westsidear.org***.

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