

FOR THE RECORD

Week of September 3rd, 2017

Bible Study.....	256
Sunday Worship.....	388
Sunday Evening.....	N/A
Wednesday.....	303
Weekly Giving.....	\$18,568
Weekly Budget.....	\$17,306
Year-to-Date Giving.....	\$585,128
Year-to-Date Budget.....	\$623,016

NURSERY ATTENDANTS

September 10

Susan Bratton & Donna Frick

September 17

Wanda Reed & Judy Holman

September Communion Prep

Molly Turner & Ginger Tippit

GREETERS

September 10

Carla Ford.....East
Bill & Susan Lewis.....West
Larry & Linda Harrell.....North

September 17

Bill & Susan Lewis.....East
Larry & Linda Harrell.....West
Carla Ford.....North

COMMUNION

September 10

Table 1: Ronnie Russell, Chance Nesbitt, Robin Richardson, Phil Sims, James Strother

Table 2: Brent Ruple, Alex Pipkin, Josh Harrell, Jackson Sorrells, Clay Reed

RAISING * ARROWS

Psalm 127:3-5

Children's Ministry Grades K-5. Meets Sunday at 9AM, and Wed. at 6:30PM
Teachers beginning **September 13** are...

Noah's Arcade

Dale & Christina Brooks

Museum

Darol & Carol Harrison

Creator's Canvas

Sarah Abbott

Holy Word Studios

Danny & Kristen Davis

Kids for Christ

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

September

Word / Scripture of the Month

Joy / Nehemiah 8:10

...*the joy of the Lord is your strength.*

September 10

2 Year Olds: Mattie Martin

3-4 Year Olds: Charli Horton

K-2nd Grade: Vandy Moore

Puppets: Josh Greer, Katie Clem, Emmy May

September 17

2 Year Olds: Mattie Martin

3-4 Year Olds: Charli Horton

K-2nd Grade: Paula Tarte

Puppets: Brent & April Ruple

September Helpers

Elizabeth Martin, Wesley Lamberson, Reagan Mitchell, Shella Brashear

OPPORTUNITY

September 10, 2017

Tim Tripp

*"Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of **every opportunity.**" (Colossians 4:5)*

Discipleship is a daily reality and not just something we do on Sundays. In fact, if we don't follow Jesus to take light into a dark world each day, Sunday's are likely more about you than they are about Him.

In his letter to the Colossians, Paul reminds them to use wisdom in dealing with those outside of the church. He reminds them to make the most of every opportunity. "What exactly constitutes an opportunity," one might ask? Each person with whom we come in contact might just be an opportunity. A disciple-making mindset is one that is vigilant for opportunities to breath Jesus into nearly any situation, conversation or interaction that might come about. It may not only be times when we share our faith or share the gospel with someone. It may be times when we just listen. It may be offering to pray for someone who is struggling. It may be seizing an opportunity to serve someone who has a need. Disciple-making begins with relationship defined by love and care. In many situations people need to see Jesus in us before we begin to talk about Jesus in them.

It is also important to remember that while disciple-making is always sensitive to opportunities to reach unbelievers, it can also be about bringing believers into a closer walk with Jesus. Opportunities can exist in people of like faith who may simply attend another kind of church. Disciple-making efforts don't just point people to a church with a certain name on the sign. Its objective is to point people to Jesus. Think about the opportunities that open up when you ask a Methodist or Baptist neighbor to go through a discipleship study with them but have no expectations of them changing churches. In fact, you will encourage them to make disciples within their church as well. Think of what God can do through that! Anyone who follows Jesus is being led by him and that will not only affect change in their lives but in their doctrine as well. We call them into a closer walk with the Lord, HE calls them (and us) closer and closer to truth.

Consider the opportunities that God puts before you daily to make disciples. Think of the difference you can make in the lives of others by leading them in a closer walk with the Lord.

Love. Share. Disciple.

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.

SHARE GROUPS

Share Groups start TONIGHT! Share Group leaders should be reaching out to everyone about when and where your group will be meeting. We hope to have a great year!

FALL QUARTER

Fall quarter classes have begun. Sunday morning rotations have started, as well as new Wednesday night quarter classes. If you want more information on the classes, please look online at westsidear.org/blog or call the church office at 479-968-1121.

LADIES THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday morning Ladies Bible Study series has started. We will meet each Thursday in the main building here at WS. Come join for fellowship and learning as you work through the video and workbook series called *The Good Book* by Deron Spoo and Kyle Idleman.

MISSIONS SUNDAY

We will have a missions focused Sunday on September 24th. On this day we will be looking at both the local missions we support, as well as those we support across the country and the world. We look forward to bringing and sharing this information with you. After morning services, we will have a church potluck in the Family Center. Please bring a dish to share with everyone. We will have booths set up with our local mission outreach programs we support and hope you will come learn more about them.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Check out westsideyouthministry.org for all the youth news!

BASKET SHOWER

*There is a basket in the foyer for a basket shower in honor of Lashard and Jolynda Bullard. They were married here at West Side on August 19th. Walmart, Belk, and Kroger gift cards are welcome.

*There is also a basket shower for Rachel Klemmer, daughter of Keith and Sandra Klemmer. A basket is in the hall to place cards. Gift cards to Bed, Bath, and Beyond, Zola, Crate and Barrel, as well as Macy's, are welcome.

MNFTM

Monday Night for the Master is starting back this Monday, September 11th. They are in need of donations for homeless meals. They meet every Monday night in the Family Center at 5:45 for a free meal followed by service projects.

CAMP CAUDLE

Camp Caudle is celebrating their 25th Anniversary on Saturday, September 16, from 9 am - noon. It is free to the public. There will be guided tours, door prizes, and family friendly activities.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY

We are having our Friends and Family Day October 1st. Directly after morning services we will have an afternoon of fellowship in the field next to the church lawn. We look forward to seeing you!

DIOS LE BENDIGA (GOD BLESS YOU)

BY ARIS ORTIZ

Remember about that question: What do you have in your hand Moses? Well, that question is here now. And I want to extend that question to you too. What do you have in your hand that can give/bring blessings to some of those that are and will be in need in Houston Texas?

Do you remember not long ago I was sharing that experience about hurricane Mitch? Now is another one: Harvey! And is in place a plan on coordinating a relief effort around town and State in collecting "specific items" to be delivery in Houston. We will have another opportunity to do and send blessings to those in need at this moment. All aid will be delivered in one or two different key places in Houston areas. So, your help will be a key factor and for sure, very well appreciated for everyone who will received. Be ready to be instructed on what you can do (and will be plenty) to help in this effort.

God bless our Westside family!

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

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

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.

To reach Britney directly, email britney@westsidear.org.