

## FOR THE RECORD

Week of August 27th, 2017

Bible Study.....	211
Sunday Worship.....	464
Sunday Evening.....	NA
Wednesday.....	303
Weekly Giving.....	\$16,229
Weekly Budget.....	\$17,306
Year-to-Date Giving.....	\$566,560
Year-to-Date Budget.....	\$605,710

## NURSERY ATTENDANTS

### September 3

Tara Hyde-Young & Brenda Holmes

### September 10

Susan Bratton & Donna Frick

### September Communion Prep

Molly Turner & Ginger Tippit

## GREETERS

### September 3

Rex & Betty Chambers .....West  
Lloyd & Kristin Cawyer.....East  
Bill & Margaret Grant .....North

### September 10

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

## COMMUNION

### September 3 & 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. Teachers beginning **August 30, 2017** are...

### Noah's Arcade

Darran & Britney Austin

### Museum

Luke & Janelle Miller

### Creator's Canvas

Craig & Jessica Davis

### Holy Word Studios

Lee & Andrea Henson

## 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 3

2 Year Olds: Mattie Martin

3-4 Year Olds: Susan Bratton

K-2nd Grade: Vandy Moore

Puppets: Josh Greer, Katie Clem, Emmy May

### September 10

2 Year Olds: Mattie Martin

3-4 Year Olds: Charli Horton

K-2nd Grade: Paula Tarte

Puppets: Josh Greer, Katie Clem, Emmy May

### September Helpers

Elizabeth Martin, Wesley Lamberson, Reagan Mitchell, Shella Brashear

## A FAMILY AFIRE

September 3, 2017

Tim Tripp

I've started many a campfire in my day. I know what a challenge it can be. The components I've used are wood (usually split from sections cut from a tree), kindling (small twigs, bark, pine cones etc...), and flammables (things that burn easily like paper, straw, dry leaves, etc...). The idea is to put the flammables beneath the kindling which is beneath the wood. When you touch a flame to the flammables, they light quickly and burn bright but they also burn out quickly. The hope is that before they burn out, some of the flame will be concentrated on the kindling long enough for it to catch on fire. The kindling then passes its flame to the wood as it burns in close proximity to it. Once the wood catches, it burns a long time and generates a satisfying heat sufficient to warm cold hands and brown a marshmallow or two. The key element to passing a flame is heat. The temperature of each component must increase to at or beyond the flash point of the next element. Its why dry kindling and wood burns more easily than wet. A quick flame from the flammables does not burn long enough to build the heat that it takes to ignite the wood thus it takes the middle component, kindling, to have a sustained flame that builds heat sufficient to light the wood afire.

So, what does this have to do with families? Well, the analogy we have been using in our series "A Family Fire" is of a flame (representing faith in God) being passed from one generation to the next, building to a roaring fire that sweeps through the generations of our families. The big question is how do we light the fire and once lit how do we maintain it? The answer from the metaphor above is heat. Heat is represented in families trying to build the fire by passion. Generally speaking, the more passionate parents are about their own faith, the more easily the fire lights in the next generation. If you'll allow me to dig a little deeper into that metaphor, passion can grow in similar ways to the way the fire builds heat as it moves through the components. The flammable component might be fellowship with other Christians and in a church family (Putting first things first). Being in an environment with others who are passionate for Christ and godliness helps the flame to catch but like the flammables in the campfire, it burns out quickly if not placed near more potent heat/passion producers. The kindling is like spending daily time with God in His word and in prayer, listening for His voice of guidance and feeling His presence around you (Communion with God). The final component, the wood is more difficult to light but produces a lot more heat and keeps the fire going. The wood is like applying discipline to your life to be obedient and holy and reaching out to serve others and share the gospel (Radical Holiness, A heart for service). Those efforts and the fruits and rewards they yield will bring lasting satisfaction to your faith and allow your passion to build.

You may recognize the components of the spiritual campfire in that they correspond to the four attributes we discussed earlier in our sermon series. As we continue our focus on those things, we will see the fire grow and spread as God blesses them. I want to encourage everyone who reads this to work hard to keep the fire burning!

## 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.

### SUNDAY EVENING

**There will not be evening services at the church building tonight.** Tonight is a family night. Please enjoy time with your family and other families in fellowship together for Labor Day Weekend. **The office will be closed Monday for Labor Day.**

### FALL QUARTER WEDNESDAY NIGHT

This Wednesday, September 6th, will begin our Wednesday night classes for our fall quarter. Classes begin at 6:30 pm. Please see the insert or blog for class information and locations.

### CONDOLENCES

We would like to extend our condolences to Sue Ann Jernigan in the passing of her father, Donald Eichenberger, on Sunday, August 27th. Please keep the entire Jernigan and Eichenberger families in your prayers.

### PRIME TIMERS

Prime Timers will meet Tuesday, September 5th, in the Family Center Kitchen. Meat is provided. Please bring sides and desserts. James Strother will be speaking of his mission trip to Africa. Please see Jim or Vicki Betterton if you have any questions.

### LADIES THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursday morning Ladies Bible Study series starts Thursday, September 7th at 9:30 AM in the main building here at WS. Join for fellowship and learning as you work through the video and workbook series called *The Good Book* by Deron Spoo and Kyle Idleman.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Check out [westsideyouthministry.org](http://westsideyouthministry.org) for all the youth news!

### SHARE GROUP SIGN UPS

Share Groups are filling up! There are a few groups with spots available. Please see the sign-ups in the foyer. Groups will begin meeting next Sunday, September 10th.

### 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 next 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.

## DIOS LE BENDIGA (GOD BLESS YOU)

**BY ARIS ORTIZ**

Hurricane Harvey Relief Effort:

There is no need to explain how bad and difficult thousands of people are experiencing life at this moment. When we eat a warm meal, we do not see anything wrong. We may feel the same way when we look at our closet full of clothes. But for those in Texas who have lost everything, it may all seem like a luxury to them now. We are currently working on the logistics of transporting goods to Texas. We need your help. We will be taking monetary donations as well as goods that are most needed to send to families that are victims of Harvey's destruction. As we work to come up with a more thorough list from those directly working with the victims, some items that can be collected now are: clothes including socks and underwear, water, baby wipes, diapers, duffle bags and backpacks, toiletries, and non-perishable food items. Over the next couple of weeks as we know more of what is needed, we will add that to our list. Let's continue to pray for these people and continue showing them Jesus in our efforts.

### 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](mailto:office@westsidear.org).

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