

## FOR THE RECORD

### Services ~ week of July 31

Bible Study	170
Morning Worship	360
Evening Services	70
Wednesday	180
Contribution	\$ 13, 676
Online Contribution	\$ 2, 543
Weekly Budget	\$18, 165

### Nursery Attendants:

#### August 7

(AM) Sue Ann Jernigan & Alyssa Johnson  
(PM) Pat Kee & Lynda Lamberson

#### August 14

(AM) Joy Johnson & Cindy Beck  
(PM) Carol Lee & Susan Lewis

### Preparing Communion:

August — Kevin & Beverly Mason

### Greeters:

#### August 7

Charles & Shirley May (E. entrance)  
Thom & Tami Robinson (W. entrance)  
Joe & Hazel Russell (North entrance)

#### August 14

George & Wanda Reed (E. entrance)  
Thom & Tami Robinson (W. entrance)  
Joe & Hazel Russell (North entrance)

## MEN SERVING AUGUST 7

### Lord's Supper:

#### Table 1

Kyle Lamberson, Ben Janelle,  
Alan McAdams, Rocky Jones,  
Charles May

#### Table 2

Edward Lewis, Mike Oliver,  
Kevin Mason, Keith Klemmer,  
Scott Johnson

(PM) Danny Davis & Kent Bullard

## KIDS FOR CHRIST CORNER

Kids For Christ is for ages 2 through 2nd grade, in rooms #2 and #3.

### August word of the month: Kindness

#### August 7:

Charli Horton (2 years)  
Sarah Janelle (3 & 4 years)  
Tee Nesbitt (K-2nd grade)  
Wesley Lamberson & Reagan Mitchell (Puppets)

#### August 14:

Charli Horton (2 years)  
Christina Brooks (3 & 4 years)  
Miranda Harris (K-2nd grade)  
Wesley Lamberson & Reagan Mitchell (Puppets)

#### August Helpers:

Jada Parker, Courtney Nesbitt  
& Sara Beth Francis



## DIOS LE BENDIGA

(God Bless you)

Our phrase for the week:

**Predicando el Evangelio!**

**(Preaching the Gospel!)**

Please keep praying for the Hispanic Ministry.

~Aris



Friday nights in the Cornerstone

Dinner @ 5:45pm  
Worship @ 6:30pm  
Childcare provided

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## AUGUST 7, 2016

## Everyone Matters

By Tim Tripp

Worthless. It must be the feeling she had as she entered the courtyard. The stares, the averting of the eyes as her gaze crossed theirs, the body language - all of it communicated the same thing. She was not welcome here. Her "kind" would never be accepted nor her presence desired in polite company. She was a sinner, a prostitute, a worthless piece of trash. Yet she could not stay away. She had to see the teacher. In her adult life no one had treated her with such kindness, such understanding and even with such love. This teacher had an aura of goodness around him and she just had to be near him one more time. Being a "sinner" had its advantages in the crowded courtyard. No one wanted to touch her so she could easily maneuver through the crowd though her entrance caused no small stir. She took her place just behind the teacher. As he reclined at the table with the important men of the town his bare feet were extended away from the table. Emotion overwhelmed her as she stood near this man who seemed to know everything about her yet love her unconditionally. She silently wept as she mourned her past, some bad decisions, some foisted upon her through no fault of her own, yet it left her in a place she never envisioned for herself. She opened her eyes to wipe them and saw to her embarrassment that some of her copious tears had fallen on the bare feet of the teacher leaving a clean spot where dirt had been clinging and a clean track where the droplet had found its way to the ground. She panicked thinking he might be angry with her and quickly knelt down and wiped his feet off with a lock of her long dark hair. He didn't recoil at her touch even when she kissed his feet, or scold her as many in this courtyard surely would have. His gentle demeanor was such a contrast to the men who daily took advantage of her and she began to weep anew. Tears kept falling and she kept wiping, while applying perfume someone had given her and rubbing that in with her hair as well. She could feel the cold, harsh stares of everyone present; everyone, that is, except the gentle teacher. He kept talking to people who weren't listening. Finally, he asked the host of the gathering a direct question. He told Simon of a situation where two men owed money to the same man, one owing a small amount and the other a large amount. The man forgave the debts of both men. Then the teacher asked Simon which of the debtors would love the forgiving lender more. Simon said, "I suppose the one who was forgiven more". The teacher affirmed then went on to remind the host that he had neglected to offer water to clean the feet of his guests but the woman had washed his feet with her tears and kisses and wiped them with her hair pouring perfume on them. "She loved much," the gentle teacher said, "but he who has been forgiven little, loves little." Then the teacher turned and looked right at her speaking words of love the likes of which she never thought possible. "Your sins are forgiven", the teacher said, "Your faith has saved you, go in peace" (adapted from Luke 7:36-50).

How incredible it must have been to be in the presence of Jesus. A man's past could cling to him like stink on a skunk and Jesus would look beyond it to his heart. This woman was deemed the lowest of the low. She was a prostitute, a person who sold her body to scrape together enough to live on. She was deemed worthless in her community. Jesus, however, looked at her differently. He regarded her neither with lust or disgust. He simply loved her unconditionally. All who draw near to this gentle teacher will be regarded with the same gentle demeanor that greeted the woman that day. To Him, everyone is loved, everyone matters.

## SERMON NOTES

## PRAYER LIST

Updated August 4

**June Tippit** (Joel Tippit's mother) St. Mary's Rehab #271.

**Ashlie Robertson** (Chad Crain's cousin) doing better at Baptist Health.

**Expectant Mothers:** Stephanie Taylor

**Nursing Homes:** Mary Barton (Atkins #107), Mirl Helms (Stella Manor #221), Imogene Taylor (Brookdale #211), Wayne Nordin (Brookdale #219), Glennette Price (Stella Manor #305), Margaret Bell (Rsvl. Nursing Ctr #312), Randall Adaire (Legacy Heights), Elizabeth Wyatt (Legacy Heights #43).

**Cancer patients:** Gladys Norwood, Helen Stephens, Mary Grice, Mary King, Carla Ford, Tiffany Luttrell, Jeri Shay, Doug Hart, Jerry Thompson, Julie Session, Ruby Kite, Sherilyn Russell, Kenny Coates, Kelly Owens, Lavada Gordon, Don Martin, Tami Lemley, Mary Crosby, Ray Fullerton, Amy Baker, Delba Parrish, Ali Winters, Kirk Benson, F.E. Cook, Bob Baker, Jim Valentine, Debbie Gann, Hobart Summers, Debra Leaming, Ruth Kelley, Hazel Anderson, Lorri Petty, Steven Watson, Johnetta Hunter, Dianne Skipper, Linda Elkins

**Additional:** Burnis Shay, Maria Jolaoso, Laura Francis, Kay Larsen, Jack Cline, Nora Smith, Jean Smith, Jeremiah Martinez

**Military:** Dale Nelson, Justin Dollins, Steven Renfrow, Justin Dollins, Nicholas Randel, James Cole, Jr., Micah Hunter, Steven Cawyer, Charles Pitney, Clint Wilson

**Missions:** WBS Students

## BABY BOY SHOWER

Everyone is invited to a baby boy shower for Stephanie Taylor, Sunday, August 21, 1:00 p.m., in the Rock. She and Zach are registered at Target, Walmart and Amazon.

## KIDS FOR CHRIST

Begins today! For 2 Years-2nd Grade Parents, please fill out a registration form. Forms are on table in the foyer.

## BACK TO SCHOOL GIVEAWAY PACKING PARTY

This afternoon, at 3:30 p.m., we will pack school supplies into backpacks at the Family Center.

## GENERATIONS

Sundays, 5:00 p.m., Family Center  
Please join us each week in the Family Center for an inter-generational worship experience.

Tonight: "Faith is Dry"

Next Sunday, August 14, we will have a School Supply Giveaway 5:00 p.m., at the Family Center. Hotdogs, chips and cookies will be served.

## WSYM COOKOUT & POOL PARTY

this evening, 6:30 p.m.

Luke & Janelle Miller's home

Please bring sides.

## SUMMER SERIES

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m., auditorium  
August 10: Scott Sager, "Operation Athens: Equip, Evangelize & Engage"  
August 17: Marshall Brown, "Hearing God's Voice"

## LADIES BIBLE CLASS

begins Thursday, August 18  
9:30 a.m. - Noon