

## FOR THE RECORD

### Services ~ week of October 9

Bible Study	247
Morning Worship	412
Evening Services	70
Wednesday	158
Contribution	\$13,342
Online Contribution	\$ 1,853
Weekly Budget	\$18,165

### Nursery Attendants:

#### October 16

(AM) Jackie Roberts & Tami Robinson  
(PM) Share Groups

#### October 23

(AM) Janie Sims & Beth Sorrells  
(PM) Share Groups

### Preparing Communion:

October — Pat Kee & Lydia Franklin

### Greeters:

#### October 16

Bill Hancock (East entrance)  
Darol & Carol Harrison (W. entrance)  
Larry Duvall (North entrance)

#### October 23

Bill & Susan Lewis (East entrance)  
Richard Loveland (W. entrance)  
Kenny Freeman (North entrance)

## MEN SERVING OCTOBER 16

### Lord's Supper:

#### Table 1

Lloyd Cawyer, Bobby Wortham,  
Don Beck, Doug Bailey, R.D. Walker

#### Table 2

Darran Austin, Joel Tippit, Rick Butler,  
Jim Betterton, Ashley young

(PM) Share Groups

## KIDS FOR CHRIST CORNER

Kids For Christ is for ages 2 through 2nd grade, in rooms #17-20.

### October word of the month: Meekness

#### October 16:

Marcia Hunter (2 years)  
Janelle Miller (3 & 4 years)  
Tiffany Clem (K-2nd grade)  
Brent Ruple (Puppets)

#### October 23:

Marcia Hunter (2 years)  
Christina Betterton (3 & 4 years)  
Amanda Williams (K-2nd grade)  
Brian Tindell (Puppets)

#### October Helpers:

Emma Jernigan & Wesley Lamberson

## DIOS LE BENDIGA

### (God Bless you)

Our Father in Heaven is showing us all the time that He is in control of everything in this life, and specially in OUR life! All we need is to believe; to grow in the faith

*"...because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world"* 1 John 4:4

*"I can do everything through him who gives me strength"* Phil. 4:13

*"Is anything too hard for the LORD?"* Gen. 18:14

*"No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us"* Rom. 8:37

*"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose"* Rom. 8:28

Jesus said to the woman...: **"Your faith has saved you; go in peace"** Luke 8:50

Our phrase for the week:

**Mi FE es en el Señor!  
(My Faith is in the Lord!)**

Pray for Hispanic Ministry, for all of our visitors.

~Aris



Friday nights in the Cornerstone

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

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## OCTOBER 16, 2016

## Two Things That Help Us Avoid Hypocrisy

By Tim Tripp

One of the most profound memories of events in my home church was a rather scandalous event where the preacher had an affair with an elder's wife. I remember that the news of this was devastating to the church. How could two people who were held as paragons of moral virtue get caught up in such an evil partnership? Intellectually, I am aware of how such things happen, but emotionally I still feel betrayed and cheated by their choices. Hypocrisy devastates credibility and trust. When people in the church live lives that are filled with hypocrisy it brings public opinion of the church and of our Lord down. It is difficult to imagine the incalculable damage that scandals like "priests molesting children," and other high profile sins involving church leaders have caused. It is no wonder that the world sees the church as being "full of hypocrites."

However, I can't blame that all on the big names and public figures who have messed up. I have been guilty of hypocrisy too. Some see hypocrisy as preaching one thing but living another. If, for instance, someone would be in the habit of lecturing others about honesty only to be later found to have falsified personal information, that would be seen as hypocrisy. It is not that he did not practice what he preached (preachers do that all the time), it is that he pretends to live consistent to his message and hides the fact that it doesn't that makes him a hypocrite.

Jesus had an interesting take on hypocrisy. He was not afraid to throw that label around to the Pharisees, the experts in the law and those involved in the Jewish religious establishment of his day. Toward the end of his ministry he pointed out their hypocrisy regularly. Their version of hypocrisy was to define the laws of God in ways that favored them and their upper class lifestyles. They bound those definitions as law and held even the lower class responsible to keep them even if their meager incomes could not bear the requirements. The real hypocrisy lay in the fact that their definitions often created loopholes around parts of the law they found distasteful. They made a law they could keep and believed that they were perfect even though far from it. Then they looked down on those who could not possibly keep their traditions. They even kept them from worship in the temple and synagogues. The Pharisees and others like them represented themselves as icons of righteousness leading the sinners to repentance but were actually the worst of sinners and leading others to their destruction.

There are two things that help us to avoid hypocrisy. The first is holding to Biblical truths and living according to them while not judging others who may struggle or who may have different views about what is "truth" than we do. Even when there is a clear command of scripture where people see things differently, it is always better to establish a godly relationship through which to teach than to condemn from afar based on a difference of opinion. We are called to love and disciple not to judge the hearts of men. The second is to be willing to admit when we fail. The core of hypocrisy is in hiding our mistakes/sins so that we look good before others. We are sinners. We are not supposed to look good outside of God's grace. Broken people are drawn to broken people. It is time for church folk to get real; to change our image from "the righteous" to "the broken and saved by grace." Only then will we begin to move beyond the label of hypocrites and bear only the label of disciples.

## WEDDING SHOWER

Everyone is invited to a wedding shower for Sarah Cockerman and Dillon Rabb Sunday, October 30, 1:00-3:00 p.m., in the Rock. They are registered at Millyn's, Walmart, Bed, Bath & Beyond and Rose Drug.

## 2017 BUDGET PROPOSALS

All Ministry Leaders are asked to turn in their 2017 budget proposals to Bill Grant or Josh Clem by Tuesday, November 1st.

## WEEKLY VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement that needs to be included in our Sunday morning video announcements, please send the information to Zac George ([zac@westsidear.org](mailto:zac@westsidear.org)) each week by Friday at 5:00 p.m.

## COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS

The 2017 Communion sheet is on the table in the hallway. Please choose a month to do communion. Thank you to those who volunteered to help in 2016!

## SYMPATHY

We send our condolences to Mirl Helms in the loss of her brother-in-law, Johnnie Hohmann, who passed away Monday, October 10.

## STITCH & TIE GROUP

Ladies are needed to sew squares to be made into lap robes. We give lap robes to those who are taking chemo. Please see Margaret Grant if you can help.

## NEW ADDRESS

Kirby and Kay Larsen are moving to 380 Walleye Dr., Rsvl 72802.

## THANK YOU!

Dear West Side church family,

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, food and personal support given to us during the passing of Whit E. Powell, our son. We would not have gotten through this sad time without the support of our church family. Thank you all, dearly, from the bottom of our hearts.

In the love of Christ, Randy & Mary Powell

## PRAYER LIST

Updated October 13

**Ashlee Wilson** - had gall bladder surgery Tuesday, October 11.

**Mary Grice** - came home from the hospital Friday, October 14.

**Mildred Brown** - at Johnson County Rehab.

**Kenny Coates** (former member) at MD Anderson, in Houston, with pneumonia.

**Expectant Mothers:** Nancy Rodriguez

**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, Tiffany Lutrell, Carla Ford, 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, Kirk Benson, Bob Baker, Jim Valentine, Debbie Gann, Hobart Summers, Debra Leaming, Lorri Petty, Ruth Kelley, Ali Winters, Steven Watson, Hazel Anderson, Johnetta Hunter, Dianne Skipper, Linda Elkins, Suzanne Gatewood, Joyce Gage, Richie Schilling, Kim Kersh

**Additional:** Aris Ortiz, Jr., Burnis Shay, Anna Moore, Nora Smith, Denise Henderson, Jean Smith, Jeremiah Martinez

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

**Missions:** James & Abigail Rucker - Haiti, Those affected by Hurricane Matthew and Nicole, WBS Students

## SHARE GROUPS

Group discussion guides are available in the foyer.

## MNFTM

Mondays, Family Center  
5:45 p.m. for a meal and service projects

## STELLA MANOR BIRTHDAY PARTY

Tuesday, October 18, 2:00 p.m.  
Teresa Speed - angel food cake

## LADIES' BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, October 18, 7:00 p.m., Rock  
We will discuss, "The Map of Time"  
by Felix J. Palma

## WSYM

**Midweek**  
5:30 p.m., pizza  
6:30 p.m., Bible study, Cornerstone

## LADIES BIBLE CLASS

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.  
"Human & Holy" by Michelle J. Goff

## SCCH TRUCK

The truck from Southern Christian Children's Home will be at West Side Tuesday, October 18 to pick up supplies. Some of the items needed are:

Chili-no beans, Velveeta, Ibuprofen, Alfredo sauce, flour, applesauce, cookies, Clorox wipes, juice, peanut butter, trail mix, Kleenex, batteries, highlighters, men's & women's deodorant, head bands & bows

Super Seniors are collecting toothpaste, toothbrushes and men's deodorant. Complete lists are on the bulletin boards in the foyer and hallway.