#### **Prayer Concerns**

- ~Please be in prayer for **Ann Perez**. She is recuperating at Silver Spring Health & Rehab Center.
- ~Jan Jordan, sister of **Linda Jones**, appreciates our prayers. Jan is in hospice care now.
- ~Kaye Taylor (**Teresa Buckley's** friend and frequent Westgate visitor) is out of the hospital now after open-heart surgery a couple of weeks ago. Please continue to pray for her recovery at home.
- ~Continued prayers for **Caleb Powell's** friend Wes Schowengerdt.
  Wes has hospice coming in weekly to help with pain management.
- ~David and Skyla Krause are expecting a baby in January. Please start praying for their upcoming bundle of joy.

- ~Chad & Abby Longley's daughter Claire, and her husband Reuben, are expecting their first child! The family asks that you join them as they pray for a safe pregnancy and rejoice at God's blessing.
- ~Continued prayers for **Barbara Carneiro's** aunt, Julie Blasingame.
- ~Remember to pray for **Chester Lynd's** son Curtis as he undergoes chemo for his cancer.
- ~Kathryn Boerio's mother, Nancy Stewart, fell and hit her head and fractured a vertebra. She is out of the hospital now. Many prayers for her.
- ~Anthony and Jill Tate's daughter Melanie delivered a healthy baby boy last Friday, August 18. Sources say he is the cutest and most perfect baby anyone has ever seen. Thanks for your prayers.

#### Those unable to join us:

- ~Laverne Horn
- ~Ethel Gumm

#### Ongoing prayer concerns:

- ~Peggy Allen
- ~Deana Frazier
- ~Steve Henderson
- ~Ron and Geraldine Hill
- ~Nell Hopper
- ~Bill Jackson
- ~Melody Loveland
- ~Chester Lynd
- ~Dwight Painter
- ~Jim Prather
- ~Donna Scott
- ~Steve Smith
- ~Jim and Joyce Waddell
- ~Mickey Walker
- ~Patsy Williamson

#### Missionaries:

- ~Doug & Marge Reeves—Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, TX
- ~Megeste & Jose Pierre—Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

# **Gift Card for Claire Howe**

Claire (Longley) Howe and her husband Reuben are expecting a baby in late October! We are collecting money to go toward a gift card for Baby Howe. If you would like to donate, please give your money to Lettie Morrow, Clair Arche, or Heather Lott.



September/October calendars are available in the short hall!

# **Promotion Sunday**

Today is Promotion
Sunday. Please have your child go to the classroom reflecting his/her new grade level. 6<sup>th</sup> graders will go to the youth house.
Please see the front of the bulletin for the two adult Bible class options.

# **1**st Grade Bible Presentation

Congrats to our incoming first graders: Rhett Colburn, Kennedy Lott, and Hess McSherry.





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# Westgate Church of Christ Welcome Members and Guests

### **Back-to-School Breakfast**

**Next Sunday, Sept. 3, at 9:00 a.m.**, we will have time to reconnect after summer travels have taken everyone in different directions the last few months. We will not have Bible classes next Sunday; instead, we will follow the smell of bacon to the fellowship hall for a hearty breakfast. Try to take this opportunity to get to know someone better.



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# **Ladies Bible Class Resumes This Tuesday**

The wait is finally over! **This Tuesday, August 29, at 10:00 a.m.,** Ladies Bible Class will start back up for the fall. Our study book is *Amos: An Invitation to the Good Life* by Jennifer Rothschild. This is a great time to jump in if you've been wanting to come to class. Please see Clair Arche if you have any questions.

#### **New Sunday Adult Bible Classes**

**Brady Horner** – fellowship hall – *One Body, Many Parts*: We will explore what it means to be a member of the Church, but also what it means to be a member of Westgate. Who are we? What are our expectations? Where are we going?

**CJ Chaney** – auditorium – A Study of the Old Testament

# **Welcome New Sister in Christ**

We rejoice with the Sutton family as Trevor and Becki's daughter Kipley was baptized last Sunday. We are so proud of her decision. Be sure to pray for Kipley and encourage her in her Christian walk.



Sermon Title: Self-Control

**Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 9: 18-27

What then is my reward? Just this: that in preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make full use of my rights as a preacher of the gospel.

Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly; I do not fight like a boxer beating the air. No, I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.







# **Happy Birthday:**

Aug. 27: Ruth Walker Aug. 28: Laverne Horn Aug. 29: Taylor Roberts **Sept. 1:** Kevin McSherry **Sept. 2:** Eric Robinson



# **Our Calendar:**

Aug. 27: Bible Class Promotion

**Sept. 3:** Breakfast Fellowship

**9:00 a.m.** (no classes)

**Sept. 4:** Labor Day (office

closed)

Sept. 6: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Sept. 20: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Sept. 24: Emma Longley bridal shower

Oct. 4: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Oct. 9: Columbus Day

Oct. 17: CarePack for Kids

Oct. 18: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Oct. 22: Breakfast and WATS

Day

Oct. 29: Trunk or Treat

Nov. 1: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

**Nov. 5:** Daylight Saving Time

ends (fall back), Emily Gumm bridal shower

Nov. 11: Veterans Day

Nov. 15: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Nov. 19: Church Friendsgiving

Potluck after services

Nov. 22: no Bible classes

Nov. 23: Thanksgiving Day

Nov. 26: Children's Program

Practice

Nov. 29: Brown Bag Fellowship

Dec. 2: Breakfast with Santa

Dec. 3: Church Christmas Party

& Program



# **Children's Ministry News**

• In a letter to the Corinthians, I Corinthians 12, Paul compares the church to a body. In this body, Jesus is the head, and each Christian is a part of his body. Each part is important and couldn't function well without all the other parts. Just as the hand needs the eye and vice versa, we need each other.

■ The last week for this summary verse: "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord" (1 Corinthians 12:4-5). Children who have made progress memorizing verses were affirmed and acknowledged during our Sixth Grade Send-Off on Aug. 23.

Remember to pray for the educator or family you chose. Ask God to give them a wise heart to be encouragers in their families and their classrooms.

Many thanks to Wade for teaching "Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs" on **Wednesday, Aug. 30**. He will kick off the 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade class teaching important info on the song "Father Abraham".

Thank you to Eric and the boys for their work on the worship service last week. Our church family is blessed with so many talented young men.

> *Most of our 6<sup>th</sup> graders have grown up at Westgate and* will be missed in the Children's Ministry. We wish them well and feel confident they will make a positive difference in the youth group. Kinley missed our celebration, but we will miss her and all of these precious girls.



#### **Youth Ministry News**

Join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. for class.

Promotion Sunday is today! We are so excited to welcome our new 6<sup>th</sup> graders to Youth Class!

We will not have youth class on **Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Please join us for breakfast in the fellowship hall instead.

Please mark your calendar for a Youth Devo on the evening of **Sunday**, September 10<sup>th</sup>!

Please pray for all our students as they begin a new school year!

The youth group prays over our graduates and new sixth graders at the annual Family Devo.

Services at Westgate: Sundays—Bible Class 9:00 a.m., Worship 10:00 a.m., Wednesdays—Bible Class 6:45 p.m.

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#### Offering: August 20:

Contribution: \$8,102.00 eGive: \$3,180.00 Total: \$11,282.00 Budget: \$**6,917.00** Be A Blessing: \$26.20

# Lead Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903) pbhorner@gmail.com Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983) sch16a@acu.edu

**Children's Education Coordinator:** Jackie Lee (325-518-4767) lee-jacqueline@sbcglobal.net

Elders: Randy Bibb, Jim MacDonald, Steve Stovall, Troy Tom

Deacons: Manny Carneiro, Jon Cogburn, Eric Gumm, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks, Matt Waldrip

# **Nursery Duty: Cathrine Clements**

**Building Lock-up:** 

Aug.: Eric Gumm **Sept.**: Adam Lott

# **Blessing Box Counting:**

Wyatt Cogburn Lane Colburn