

Prayer Concerns

~**Janice Hill** has been dealing with health issues for the last few weeks. She's been diagnosed with acute colitis and is experiencing leg swelling and weight loss. Please keep her in your prayers.

~Continued prayers for **Jim & Kelly MacDonald** and the BikeTown Family as they continue recover from the fire at the business.

~Continued prayers for **Crystal Collier** and her ongoing back pain.

~Prayers for **Melody Loveland** and pain she has in her left leg.

~Please be in prayer for Julie Conly, **Jerry Varnado's** daughter. The signet ring carcinoma is back and she started chemo again.

~Continued prayers for **Kelly MacDonald's** mom, who is undergoing lung cancer treatments.

~Keep praying for **Linda Jones'** sister, Jan Jordan, as she continues her cancer treatments.

~Prayers for **Melissa Bell's** brother, Michael Martinez and the health concerns he is encountering with a perforation in his intestines.

Baby Blessings

Today is the last day money is being collected for the gift card to being sent to Katie Cadjew Utz. Katie and her husband Jeff welcomed their baby girl, Sophia, on June 1st. If you'd like to contribute to this gift card total please give your donation to Heather Lott, Clair Arche, or Lettie Morrow. Details on a sip-n-see shower for the Espinoza Family will be posted soon.

Youth Ministry News

Join us on Sundays at 9 A.M. and Wednesdays at 7 PM for class.

Join us for our weekly breakfast Bible study at 9 AM. Come enjoy food and fellowship, and learn more about God's word!

Please pray for us as we prepare to serve at Camp Blessing July 26th-31st!

If you or your child is attending Camp Blessing, please join us for a quick meeting before class at 6:15 PM on Wednesday night.

Happy Birthday:

July 18th: Gracelynn Fisher, Trent MacDonald, Luke McSherry

July 19th: Emory Winter

July 20th: Haven Thames

July 23rd: Hannah Schumpert

Happy Anniversary:

July 19th: Brian & Shelley Doremus

July 20th: Noe & Janina Espinoza

July 23rd: Adam & Clair Arche

July 24th: Luke & Amanda McSherry

Our Calendar:

July 24th: Fellowship Event- Water Day

July 26th – 31st: Camp Blessing

July 31st: Ladies Event- Brick Painting



Caleb, Holly, and Sydney help renovate a house that will be used to support missionaries.

By the Numbers

July 4th & 11th:

Contribution: \$8,762.10

eGive: \$5,498.00

Total: \$14,260.10

Budget: **\$6,076.00**

Be A Blessing: \$57.79

Preaching Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903)

Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983)

Children's Education Coordinator: Jackie Lee (325-518-4767)

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

Deacons: Don Bell, Manny Carneiro, CJ Chaney, Jon Cogburn, Eric Gumm, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks, **Matt Waldrip**

Building

Lockup:

July- Manny Carneiro

Aug.- CJ Chaney

Westgate Church of Christ

Sermon Title: Cain

Scripture: Genesis 4: 3-8

In the course of time Cain brought some of the fruits of the soil as an offering to the Lord. And Abel also brought an offering—fat portions from some of the firstborn of his flock. The Lord looked with favor on Abel and his offering, but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

Then the Lord said to Cain, “Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it.”

Now Cain said to his brother Abel, “Let’s go out to the field.” While they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him.

Water Day

Saturday, July 24th is the next fellowship event and it’s a throwback to some awesome summer fun from years ago. Join us at the Carneiro’s house (2434 Lincoln Dr.) from 11-3 PM. There will be waterslides and a small wading pool, food, drinks, snacks, and air conditioning if you prefer to stay inside and fellowship. Please bring chairs for more outside seating and kids will likely need water shoes/sandals to protect their feet. Don’t forget the sunscreen and towels. All ages are welcomed and encouraged to come fellowship together.

Peggy Allen’s birthday party begins at 2 PM, so please feel free to come and go as needed. If you have any questions please contact Manny or Barbara Carneiro.

Children’s Ministry News

This morning, our lesson comes from Psalm 23:5-6 and Ruth 2-4.

In this passage, at the end of his song about how God is like our shepherd, David celebrates God’s blessings in his life, proclaiming that his cup overflows with blessings. Those blessings include God’s goodness and unfailing love pursuing him. For Ruth, God’s blessings include food and family.

These last verses provide us with an opportunity to talk about blessings with our children. We need to be mindful of our children’s perception of what blessings are and clarify any misunderstandings since the definition of blessing may be different for them, depending on factors beyond their control. Even though blessings can be different for everyone, our Bible point this week reminds us that **God blesses us**.

With everything going on in and around our world, our children are becoming more aware of their surroundings and environment, which could lead to some stress and anxiety that can feel like the “dark valleys.”

Let us remember to keep our children in prayer as well as our parents and teachers so that God, our comforter, will strengthen them with wisdom and guidance.

Summary Verse: “The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need” (Psalm 23:1). Don’t forget to keep practicing your memory verse and the rest of Psalm 23.

Jon’s class made “Dark Valley Cups” to help remind them how God is with them during dark, hard times.

