

## Prayer Concerns

~**Megeste Pierre** emailed with an urgent prayer request for Haiti. The economic and political situation has worsened. The country has been on lockdown since last week, and since most people have to go out every day for food, they are facing starvation. He asked that we pray that the good Lord has mercy on them.

~**Kali Langston** is home from Cook Children's Hospital and has started back to school. Please continue to pray for pain management.

~**Nell Hopper** had another injection Wednesday. She is home from the hospital and said everything went great. Please pray it works well.

~Remember **Eric Robinson** in your prayers as he copes with nerve and arm troubles.

~Continue to pray for **Melody Loveland** as she faces non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. As you remember her in your prayers, also pray for **Hannah**, who is having some health struggles of her own.

~Continued prayers for Nancy Stewart (**Kathryn Boerio's** mom) as she battles pancreatic cancer.

~Please pray for **Jim Hill's** sister-in-law Diana, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.

~**Chester Lynd's** niece in Michigan, Amber Galloway, has cancer. She appreciates our prayers.

~Timmy Primm, brother of **Melody Loveland**, is having high blood pressure and blood sugar issues. Please pray for him.

## **Those unable to join us:**

~Laverne Horn  
~Ethel Gumm

## **Ongoing prayer concerns:**

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

## **Missionaries:**

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

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September 25, 2022

# Westgate Church of Christ

## Welcome Members and Guests

### Missions Month Starts Next Sunday

October is Missions Month! This month is about celebrating the missions and outreaches we are involved in both foreign and local. We will prayerfully seek ways that our congregation can continue to bless and serve others. Mark your calendar for some Missions Month service opportunities! **Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00** we will pack sacks of food for needy children with CarePack for Kids. Then **Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**, is We Are The Sermon, where we will have breakfast, a short communion service, and then go serve our community.



### Welcome Members

Jeremy, Rachael, and Addison Lee

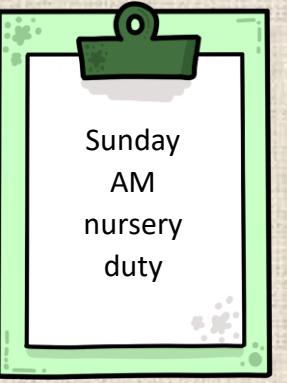
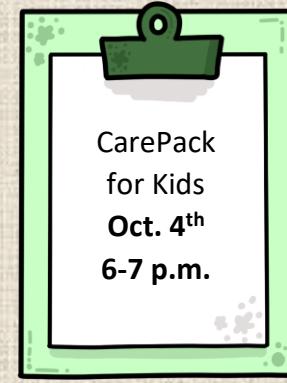
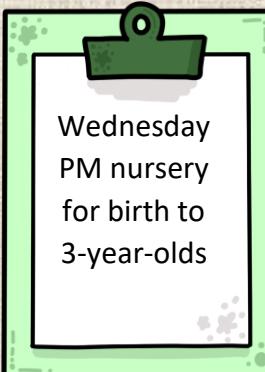
Please contact the office if you would like their phone numbers and address. Thanks!

### Sunday AM Nursery

We need a few more ladies to sign up to help in the nursery Sunday mornings. Kids ages 10 to 18 can sign up with an adult. If you already signed up in January, you don't have to sign up again; we already have your information. The clipboard is in the hall across from the kitchen.  
Thanks!



### Sign-up Sheets in Hall



**Sermon Title:** Do you love me?

**Scripture:** John 21: 15-19

When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?"

"Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my sheep. Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"



## Happy Birthday:

**Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>:** Cassidy Lott  
**Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>:** Emma Longley,  
 Jax Longley  
**Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>:** Clarissa Pyeatt  
**Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>:** Darah Waldrip,  
 Ashley Simon



## Happy Anniversary:

**Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>:**  
 Jim & Kelly MacDonald

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## Our Calendar:

**Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>:** CarePack for Kids 6-7 p.m.  
**Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>:** Love Grub 5:45 p.m.  
**Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>:** Columbus Day  
**Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>:** Love Grub 5:45 p.m.  
**Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Breakfast and WATS Day  
**Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>:** Trunk or Treat, Missions Contribution, Baby Blessing  
**Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Love Grub 5:45 p.m.  
**Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>:** Bridal Shower for Skyla Burd, Daylight Saving Time ends  
**Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>:** Veterans Day  
**Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>:** Fishing Derby

## Summer Newsletter from Doug Reeves

On June 7th I was at the airport and the start of my Amazon Adventure. This trip has been almost 3 years in the making. Due to Covid and border closures, we were forced to cancel our plans, not once but twice. Our team from Sunset consisted of myself, Zane Perkins, Ron Fox and Kristin Hagins. We connected in Dallas with a group from Harvest Brazil. Daniel and Carol Morgan, Rod and Linda Nealeigh and Philip Hardin. Our group of nine people carried players in Portuguese, Spanish and Creole, all together we had 540 solar players.



Our first stop was in Manaus, Brazil. Manaus is centrally located at the point the Rio Negro merges with the Rio Solimões to form the Amazon. It is also a major commercial junction between the upper and lower river.



Our first distribution was organized at the Manaus Church of Christ. This is a historic building; it was formerly the home of the lieutenant governor.

One man asked us if he could have 5 players so he might take them up river to various villages and congregations. His journey usually consisted of a three-day journey by boat, spend several days encouraging the

members and then 3 days back. Another man travels 5 days down and then back. It was nice to unpack a few of the players and get them into the hands of church leaders.



Earlier, we met with a local evangelist who works with Haitians. There are over 100,000 Haitian refugees in Manaus and we brought Creole players to assist that outreach. There is also a large group of Venezuelan refugees in Brazil that we hope will benefit from the Spanish players.

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 We appreciate all your thoughts and prayers for Marge, as she continues to gain strength and make an amazing recovery. She is feeling well enough that she joined me on the African adventure, but more about that in the next newsletter. Please continue to remember the nation of Ukraine in their struggle for freedom. We deeply appreciate your prayers and partnership in this ministry.

God bless each of you,  
 Doug & Marge

(These are excerpts from Doug's newsletter. The full newsletter is posted on the bulletin board in the hall.)

## Children's Ministry News

In John 14:1-14, Jesus is getting ready to leave His disciples, but He promises He's preparing a place for them in heaven and that they know the way there. When Thomas is confused, Jesus says He is the way. Jesus's message is full of hope and comfort.

James 1:5: "But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him." Please keep the Westgate educator you chose and all Bonham staff in your prayers.

Please pray for God's protection on our children's schools and their teachers. Check out the hallway bulletin board for specific names and locations.



*A special thank you to Erin and Lettie for teaching this precious group. They made "streamer fire" while learning about Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego.*



*Jonathan's class discussed putting other people above themselves as they studied Jesus washing His disciples' feet. Children built inverted pyramids and talked about being servant hearted. Many thanks to Jon for the ways he challenges children to be like Jesus.*

## Youth Ministry News

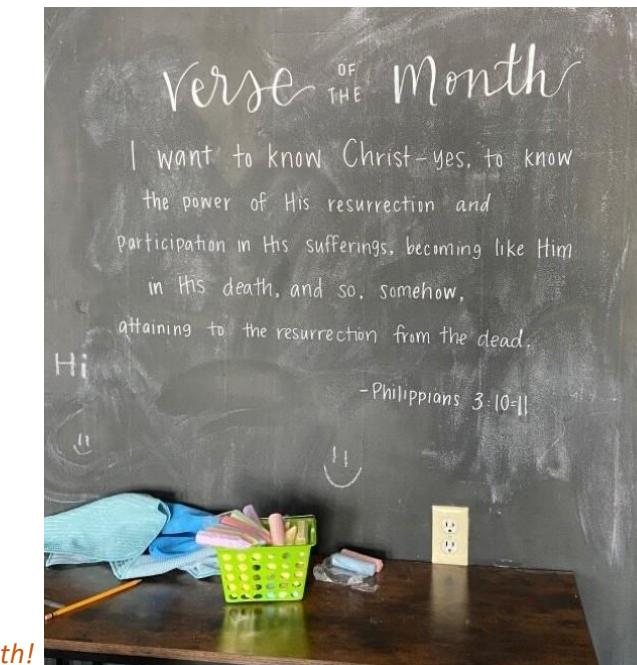
Join us on **Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m.** for class.

Come check out the new and improved Youth House!

We are excited to join other Abilene area youth groups for a devotional at Hillcrest Church of Christ **tonight!** Please meet at Westgate at **5:30**. We'll return around **8:45**. Dinner will be provided. We will have dinner in the youth house before class on **Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**!

Make sure to attend Wednesday night class as we vote on Trunk or Treat themes!

Please pray for our students this school year!



*Our teens have been blessed by this passage from Philippians 3 this month!*

**Services at Westgate:** Sundays—Bible Class 9:00 a.m.,

Worship 10:00 a.m., Wednesdays—Bible Class 6:45 p.m.

**Church office:** (325)692-2300

westgatecofc@gmail.com

**Offering:**

**September 18<sup>th</sup>:**

Contribution: \$2,136.00

eGive: \$2,165.00

Total: \$4,301.00

Budget: **\$6,341.00**

Be A Blessing: \$23.63

**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 McDonald, **Steve Stovall**, Troy Tom

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

## Nursery Duty:

Jackie Lee

## Building Lock-up:

Sept.: Matt Waldrip

Oct.: Don Bell

## Blessing Box

## Counting:

Lane Winter,  
 Issacc Carneiro