### **Praver Concerns**

~Former member Laura Hennan has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer that has metastasized to her liver and lymph nodes in the neck area. They admitted her to the hospital Thursday to do a biopsy, put a stent in the biliary duct, and put in a chemo port. Please add Laura to your prayer list.

**Don Bell** is on the mend and was feeling much better last week after his nearly week-long hospital stay the previous week. Please keep praying for Don's recovery.

~Remember Kathryn Boerio in your prayers. Her dad had a heart ablation on Thursday, and Kathryn's kidney surgery is scheduled for June 25.

~Please pray that the trigger point injections given to Emory Winter continue to work and that this is a long-term fix for her back pain.

~Continued prayers for **Dottie Roberts**, recovering from a heart ablation procedure last week.

# Happy Anniversary

Lots of Westgate members have June anniversaries. Today, three couples are celebrating: Paul & Marian Piersall with 63 years, Steve & Pat Smith marking 51 years, and Steve & Juanita Stovall with a milestone 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Congrats to all three remarkable couples! Your enduring partnerships enrich our entire Westgate family.

Dear Westgate Family,

We wanted to take this time to thank each of you for your love, prayers, and support while Don was in the hospital last week. We gratefully appreciate it, and we don't know what we would have done without our church family. Last week was quite an ordeal, but God had His hand over the entire situation and showed us He was in control. We love you, and may God bless you always!

#### Love,

Don, Melissa, A.J., Bryce, and Elliott Bell

#### ~Emily Clute's due date is drawing near! Please keep her in your prayers for a safe birth and the health of both mom and baby.

~Remember to keep Glenn Arnold's ongoing recovery from a bad fall in your prayers.

~Please lift up Marty Turentine in prayer, that the stem cell transplant will be effective and the side effects will be minimal.

#### Those unable to join us:

- ~Barbara Buchanan
- ~Bobby Davis ~Ethel Gumm
- ~Ron and Geraldine Hill
- ~Bob Hoyle
- ~Ralph and Margaret Monroe ~Dwight Painter ~George Woodfin

Sunday Evening Can We Trust Bible Prophecy?

The Answer at 5 PM

#### **Ongoing prayer concerns:**

~Glenn Arnold ~Steve Bibb ~Kathryn Boerio ~Michael Bryant ~Margaret Davis ~Fernando Espinoza ~Deana Frazier ~Steve Henderson ~Aubrey Hilligoss ~Nell Hopper ~Melody Loveland ~Louise Monaghan ~Jim Prather ~Eric Robinson ~Savanna Smith ~Steve Smith

#### **Missionaries:**

~Doug & Marge Reeves—Sunset International Bible Institute ~Megeste & Josette Pierre— Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti (in Mexico currently) ~Keith & Grace Gafner— Eldoret, Kenya ~Larry & Hollye Conway— Nairobi, Kenya ~Scott, Shirley, Stephen, and Sean Raab—Belgium

- ~Steve Templeton
- ~Marty Turentine
- ~Jim and Joyce Waddell
- ~Mickey Walker ~Chris Willerton



### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Potluck Coming Soon

Please make plans to join us in two weeks (Sunday, June 29), for a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Potluck after services. You are asked to bring a main dish and a side OR a main dish and a dessert. Everyone is welcome to come enjoy the great food and awesome fellowship.

# Love Your Neighbor Benevolence Program

Just a reminder about our Love Your Neighbor program, an opportunity for adult Westgate members to be a blessing to people in need. Based on a program from the 11<sup>th</sup> and Willis congregation, this program provides reimbursement for up to \$100 spent to address a need you see or encounter in the community. This could range from a family needing fuel in their car or food for their table to a neighbor who needs help with a utility bill or a car repair. This is built on the honor system, so no receipt is needed for reimbursement. You will just fill out the short reimbursement form, sign it, and leave it in the office. In a week you will be able to pick up a reimbursement check in the office. To allow as many members to participate as possible, you are asked to only submit one request per member per month. If there is an opportunity, pray with those you are helping and if not, we encourage you to pray for their physical and spiritual needs. Please be on the lookout for neighbors to bless this summer!

# Sermon Title: A Father's Sacrifice

Scripture: Matthew 1: 18 – 21

This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit. Because Joseph her husband was faithful to the law, and yet did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

Dear Westgate -

Thank you so much for how you lifted up my dad, Jim Prather,

in your prayers during his hospital stay and in rehab.

I am happy to report dad was released from rehab on 21 May and has been doing well at home. Home health is coming to continue his PT and speech.

We recently got news that his dialysis port will be removed this Wednesday! So no more dialysis!

We thank GOD for his mercies, miracles and our church family.

♥ Shelley Doremus



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Summer Series Wednesday Night

## June 15, 2025

# Westgate Church of Christ

# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

The Summer Speaker Series continues this Wednesday, June 18, at 6:45 p.m., with the Spiritual Life Minister at Cherokee Home for Children, Robert Baugh, giving the lesson. Please make plans to come and hear this engaging, informative speaker.







#### Happy Birthday:

June 16: Sydney Monroe June 17: Wyatt Cogburn June 19: Michelle Chaney June 20: Sandra Vannov June 21: David Krause



#### Happy Anniversary:

June 15: Steve & Juanita Stovall, Steve & Pat Smith. Paul & Marian Piersall June 16: Cody Bob & Bradi Williams June 20: Manny & Barbara Carneiro June 21: Don & Elle Traister



## **Our Calendar:**

June 15: Father's Day June 17: Youth Group Breakfast Bible Study 9 – 10 a.m. June 18: Summer Speaker Series -Robert Baugh 6:45 p.m. June 19: Youth Group Mystery Thursday June 24: Youth Group Breakfast Bible Study June 25: Summer Speaker Series -Alejandro Ezquerra 6:45 p.m. June 26: Youth Group Mystery Thursday June 29: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Potluck July 1: Youth Group Lake Day July 2: Family Fun Night July 3: Youth Group Mystery

Thursday July 7 – 12: Camp Beloved & Beyond

## Working for the Lord – by Brady Horner

During my final years at Oklahoma Christian University the Thunder relocated to Oklahoma City. I've been a devoted fan ever since! I'm thrilled to see them in the NBA finals! That's right, the Thunder are in the finals! Apparently, no one knows that, as this is the least watched NBA Finals ever. One standout player on the Thunder is Alex Caruso, a Texan and fan favorite affectionately nicknamed "Alex Caru-Show." Known for his relentless defense and hustle. Caruso also has a knack for knocking down threes and impressive dunks. He's a selfless leader who comes off the bench without ego, always putting the team first. Best of all, he's a Fighting Texas Aggie, born and raised in College Station.

Caruso is a great example of what it takes to excel; not only in sports but in any area of life, including academics, music, or other skills. His success is built on three key components. First there is natural talent. Some people have genetics that make them faster, stronger, and taller (Caruso is 6 ft 5in). Second is hard work and discipline. If you want to get to the next level you must put in the work, the time, and the practice (no one questions Caruso's work ethic). Third, you need good coaches and teachers. Being self-taught will only get you so far, you must have guidance from those who have gone ahead of you (Caruso credits great coaches and played with LeBron James in L.A.).

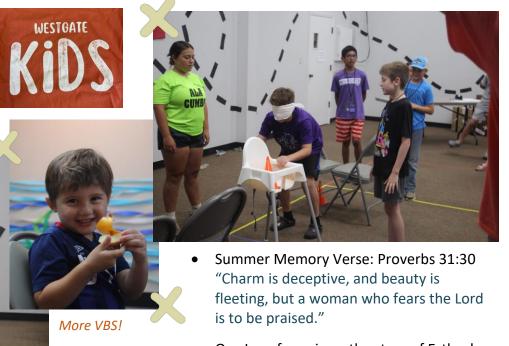
Too often we use lack of natural talent as an excuse. While genetics might impose limits, work ethic and wise guidance can take us much farther than we expect. In Colossians 3: 23 Paul instructs servants to work "as though you were working for the Lord rather than people." This is a nice challenge for all of us. Our natural talents can be fine-tuned to be used for God's glory, not our own. Does the idea of using your skills to honor God motivate you to work harder or seek better guidance? In what ways can you use your gifts, not just for personal success, but to serve God and others?





# **Children's Ministry News**

• If you would like a "Westgate Kids" shirt, there are order forms on the table in the hall. Completed forms and payments can be put in the box on Brady's door. The deadline to order shirts is **TODAY**.







#### Ways to Give:

check: 402 S. Pioneer, 79605

Services at Westgate:Sundays—Bible Class 9:00 a.m., Worship 10:00 a.m., 5 p.m.Church office:(325)692-2300Tuesdays—Ladies Bible Class 10 a.m.Wednesdays—Bible Class 6:45 p.m.westgatecofc@gmail.com			
Offering June 8: Contribution: \$5,171.00 eGive: \$6,367.36 Total: \$11,538.36 Budget: \$ <b>8,393.30</b> Be a Blessing: \$13.00	Lead Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903) pbhorner@gmail.com Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983) sch16a@acu.edu Children's Education Coordinator: Emily Clute (325-269-9806) eclute123@gmail.com Elders: Eric Gumm, Jim MacDonald, John Powell, Steve Stovall, Troy Tom, Aaron Winter Deacons: Manny Carneiro, Jon Cogburn, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks,	6/15: Jackie Lee 6/22: Melissa Bell → ← Building Lock-up: June: Jon Cogburn	
	Matt Waldrip	July: Adam Lott	

• Our June focus is on the story of Esther!

## Youth Ministry News

Come join us for Breakfast Bible Study on Tuesday morning to continue to study Psalms! This week, please meet at the South Side Chick-Fil-A (S Clack). We will meet at 9 a.m., and be done at 10 a.m.

Join us again for another Mystery Thursday event this week! Parents, there will be more information sent to your email on Monday.

Throughout the summer, students are encouraged to join us at Sonic to hang out and play volleyball after Wednesday night class until about 9 p.m.

Please pray for our students who will be serving at Camp Beloved and Beyond in a few weeks (July 7-12)!

Our next Lake Day will be **Tuesday, July 1**.

Please pray for all our students this summer!

#### Evan and Maeleigh matching at our first Breakfast Bible Study of the Summer!

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