#### **Prayer Concerns**

~CJ Chaney went to see a hip doctor Wednesday, but the doctor didn't think the torn labrum was causing his pain, and referred CJ to a back doctor. Please pray the back doctor will have some good answers.

~Chris Willerton was finally able to get in with a neurosurgeon for his back pain. He was told he needs surgery to remove a synovial cyst in his back. This surgery is scheduled for July 1. Please pray for a successful surgery that alleviates his back pain and for a smooth recovery.

~Dottie Roberts was released from the hospital Tuesday. She is home now and doing well. She would like to thank everyone for their prayers.

~Bob Hoyle has entered Wisteria Place. He has a blood clot in his arm and is not expected to live much longer. Many prayers for Bob and his family.

~Remember to pray for expectant mom Emily Clute.

~Kathryn Boerio is scheduled for her partial nephrectomy surgery in Fort Worth on Wednesday. Please pray everything goes well with no complications.

~Former Westgate member Laura **Hennan** has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. She has asked for prayers specifically that the stent works and the jaundice resolves enough to get started on chemo.

~Jim Prather (**Shelley Doremus's** dad) had his dialysis port removed last week. Thanks so much for your prayers and keep them coming.

~Continued prayers for Linda Jones.

#### 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

#### Ongoing prayer concerns:

- ~Glenn Arnold ~Steve Bibb
- ~Kathryn Boerio
- ~Michael Bryant ~Margaret Davis
- ~Fernando Espinoza
- ~Deana Frazier
- ~Steve Henderson
- ~Aubrey Hilligoss ~Nell Hopper
- ~Linda Jones ~Melody Loveland
- ~Louise Monaghan ~Jim Prather
- ~Eric Robinson
- ~Savanna Smith ~Steve Smith
- ~Steve Templeton
- ~Marty Turentine
- ~Jim and Joyce Waddell
- ~Mickey Walker ~Chris Willerton

#### **Missionaries:**

Raab—Belgium

~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

## **Welcome New Members**

Philip Grice and his mother, Noreen Grice

*If you would like their contact* info, please call the church office.

> July/August calendars are available in the short hall!

Sunday 5:00 PM

"What Have You Done?"

Daniel 4:35

# SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES



July 16

**Ashlock** 



Robert Baugh

July 23

Oglesby



June 25



July 30







**Parrish** 



Crawford

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# **Westgate Church of Christ**

# **Welcome Members and Guests**





## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Potluck Next Sunday

June has five Sundays, so you know what that means! Please make plans to join us next Sunday, June 29, for a potluck lunch after services. Each family is asked to bring a main dish and a side OR a main dish and a dessert. Hope you can make it!

## **Summer Series Wednesday Night**

The Summer Speaker Series continues this Wednesday, June 25, at 6:45 p.m., with the Bilingual Minister from University Church of Christ, Alejandro Ezquerra. Alejandro also teaches at ACU in the Department of Bible, Missions, and Ministry. Come on out and take advantage of the opportunity to hear this excellent speaker if you're able. The youth group will also meet in the fellowship hall for class Wednesday night to hear Alejandro.



#### **Baptism Saturday**

Barrett Lott, son of Adam and Heather, will be baptized on Saturday, June 28, at 7 p.m. at Jacob's Dream on the ACU campus. Your presence would mean so much as we gather to witness this special moment and show our support for Barrett. All are invited!



#### **Save The Date**

Our elementary boys and girls have been working hard on Wednesday nights. Mark your calendar for five weeks from today, **Sunday**, **July 27**, as our 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade boys lead our worship service and we watch a special video about what our girls have been up to this summer! This service is a special favorite every year, so be sure to note it is a little earlier than in the past.

Sermon Title: On Anxiety **Scripture:** I Peter 5: 5-7

In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because,

"God opposes the proud

but shows favor to the humble."

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.



# **Happy Birthday:**

June 23: Josh Wright

June 24: Amy Robertson

June 25: Kennedy Lott

June 28: Landry Lott



# **Happy Anniversary:**

June 27: Clay & Holly Howell



### **Our Calendar:**

June 24: Youth Group Breakfast Bible Study 9 – 10 a.m.

June 25: Summer Speaker Series – Alejandro Ezquerra 6:45 p.m.

June 26: Youth Group Mystery Thursday

June 29: 5th Sunday Potluck

July 1: Youth Group Lake Day

July 2: Family Fun Night – Cookie Decorating

July 3: Youth Group Mystery Thursday

July 7 – 12: Camp Beloved & Beyond

July 9: Summer Speaker Series – Lance Parrish 6:45 p.m.

July 15: Youth Group Breakfast Bible Study

July 16: Summer Speaker Series –

Rodney Ashlock **6:45 p.m. July 17:** Youth Group Mystery

**July 17**: Youth Group Mystery Thursday

**July 22**: Youth Group Breakfast Bible Study

July 23: Summer Speaker Series – Robert Oglesby 6:45 p.m.

July 25 - 26: Youth Group Lock-in

# **Getting to Know You...**

#### Gloria Hess

#### Where did you grow up?

I was born on May 3, 1947, and grew up in Northern Wisconsin. I am the oldest of four.

#### How long have you lived in Abilene?

I have lived in Abilene on and off for a total of 35 years.

# What kind of work do you/did you do?

I have had a large variety of jobs over the years, but spent the most amount of time as an over-the-road truck driver and retired after 16 years in the industry.

#### Who is in your family?

I am the mother of four: 3 boys and a girl. I have 8 grandkids and 6 great-grandkids. I have lost 2 of my sons, my oldest in 2002 at the age of 35 and my youngest in 2022 at the age of 38. My second-born son and my daughter currently reside in Abilene with their families.

#### Who is someone who has impacted or shaped your faith?

My church friends have always offered me support and have helped keep me strong in my faith. I gave my life to Christ on March 17, 1976.

#### What is a Bible verse you find encouraging/inspiring?

My favorite Bible verse is Psalm 57:

- <sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, my God, have mercy on me, for in you I take refuge.
  I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed.
- <sup>2</sup>I cry out to God Most High, to God, who vindicates me.
- <sup>3</sup> He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me— God sends forth his love and his faithfulness.
- <sup>4</sup>I am in the midst of lions; I am forced to dwell among ravenous beasts men whose teeth are spears and arrows, whose tongues are sharp swords.
- <sup>5</sup> Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.
- <sup>6</sup> They spread a net for my feet—I was bowed down in distress.
- They dug a pit in my path—but they have fallen into it themselves.
- <sup>8</sup> Awake, my soul! Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.
- <sup>9</sup> I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples.

<sup>7</sup> My heart, O God, is steadfast, my heart is steadfast; I will sing and make music.

- <sup>10</sup> For great is your love, reaching to the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.
- <sup>11</sup> Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

Hebrews is my favorite book of the Bible.

#### What is a hobby or activity you like to be involved in?

I love to paint, draw, sew, crochet, knit, and write poetry.

I feel truly blessed to be a member of the Westgate Church family.

# **Children's Ministry News**

• Summer Memory Verse: Proverbs 31:30 "Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised."





- Wednesday night this week our preschoolers will be learning about Psalm 23, the elementary girls will be learning about Deborah, and the elementary boys will be learning how to lead worship.
- Our June focus is on the story of Esther!

# **Youth Ministry News**

Clay and Holly are out of town this week, but we have some amazing volunteers helping out with a few Youth Ministry events:

- Brady Horner will lead our Breakfast Bible Study on Tuesday morning to continue to study Psalms! This week, please meet at the AM Donuts on Willis St., and bring money for breakfast. We will meet at 9 a.m., and be done at 10 a.m.
- On Wednesday night, we will not have normal youth group class.
   Instead, youth group students are invited to come hear the Summer Series speaker in the main building.
- The Meeks are helping out with another **Mystery Thursday** event this week! Parents, you should already have information for this event in your email. Let Chris Meeks know who is planning to attend.

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

Students hanging out at our first Lake Day of the summer!

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

Please pray for all our students this summer!

Ways to Give: check: 402 S. Pioneer, 79605 eGive: westgatecofc.com text-to-give: 325-379-8222

<u>Services at Westgate:</u> Sundays—Bible Class **9:00 a.m.**, Worship **10:00 a.m.**, **5 p.m.** Tuesdays—Ladies Bible Class **10 a.m.** Wednesdays—Bible Class **6:45 p.m**.

Church office: (325)692-2300 westgatecofc@gmail.com

# Offering

**June 15**:

Contribution: \$4,339.00 eGive: \$2,064.16 Total: \$6,403.16 Budget: \$**8,393.30** Be a Blessing: \$14.25 <u>Lead Minister:</u> Brady Horner (325-260-1903) pbhorner@gmail.com

<u>Youth Minister:</u> Clay Howell (615-879-0983) sch16a@acu.edu

<u>Children's Education Coordinator:</u> Emily Clute (325-269-9806)

eclute123@gmail.com

Elders: Eric Gumm, Jim MacDonald, John Powell, Steve Stovall,

Troy Tom, Aaron Winter

<u>Deacons:</u> Manny Carneiro, Jon Cogburn, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks,

Matt Waldrip

# **Nursery Duty:**

**6/22**: Melissa Bell **6/29**: Hayley Webb

# **Building Lock-up:**

June: Jon Cogburn
July: Adam Lott