

Outreach Updates

This coming week we will have food distribution. Last month 135 families came thru. If possible, come and help. We can use shelf stockers, cart pushers, and most of all, Godly attitudes. We have many individuals that visit and this would be a good time to share the Gospel.

Psalm 96:3(ESV)

*Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!*

Take this time of year to start visiting our neighbors, friends, and members and let them know we care and would like them to join us for services.

Elders' Corner

"A Young Woman with Courage"

Luke 1:46-55 "And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring forever.'"

As we continue our thoughts about the birth of Christ, we would ask each one of us to consider the courage of Mary. This young woman was chosen by God to be the mother of his son, Jesus Christ. She was humbled and gave praise to God. Her life would never be the same. She was truly blessed by God.

We hope each of us will be willing to serve our Lord to the best of our ability in 2020.

Pat, Michael & Eddy



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- 12/15 BK#3 Potluck
- 12/15 Songs of Praise Practice @ 3:45
- 12/15 Reveal at Kelsey home after pm svcs
- 12/16 Scrappers Party @ Britton's @ 10:00a
- 12/17 Ladies Bible Class @ 9:30a
- 12/19 Food Distribution Setup
- 12/21 Food Distribution
- 12/22 BK#4 Potluck
- 12/22 L2L Practice
- 12/25 Singing and Devotion
- 12/29 5th Sunday Potluck
- 12/29 Early Evening Services (approx 1:30)
- 12/30-1/3 Meals to Homebound

| January 2020 | | | | | | |
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- 1/1 Classes as normal
- 1/5 BK#1 Potluck
- 1/5 "Praise Him" @ Expo Center @ 5:00p
- 1/5 Shawnee Area Youth Devotion

*Visitors,
Thank you for coming!*



FAMILY PRAYER NAME:



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Tecumseh, OK

December 15, 2019

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Our Deacons

- Brett Byrum
- Johnie Fredman
- Stacy Gingrich
- Robby Kinsey
- Jay Madden
- Keith Patterson
- Jeremy Pearman
- Adam Sack
- Gary Stapp

Hello and welcome to worship!

I am sure my parents would tell you that the time I was born, was super special and very exciting. There was going to be a new baby born to the Henson clan. A new son to rule the countryside between Durant and Silo, America. My parents' faces must have glowed the moment they saw that cute, sopping wet, umbilical-corded baby. They must have been the proudest parents on earth the moment that doctor spanked me, and I cried. They probably never heard such a noble cry from any lungs. Oh, and the noble gifts that must have been brought to me at my birth. I am sure that people brought me expensive gifts like diapers and wipes. Maybe someone even brought me the noble gift of a potty chair, for this special child. The four-cylinder Chevy Vega that my parents brought me home in, probably never ran so happy as that day that it brought me home. It was a glorious time in the life of the Henson clan.

There have been many exciting births on this earth since the beginning of time but none as exciting as Jesus' birth. Prophecies about this birth occurred hundreds and hundreds of years earlier. When you search the scriptures, you find multiple prophecies about this child. In Isaiah 7:14 Isaiah prophesies about Jesus saying, "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel." That was fulfilled in Luke 1:35. Isaiah is prophesying about none other than Jesus. He is the only one that has been born of a virgin. In Hosea 11:1 we read from God, "When Israel was a child, I loved him and out of Egypt I called my Son." That was fulfilled in Matthew 2:4-6. Don't ever underestimate the birth of Jesus. His birth was like none other.

Jesus was born a baby so that we might become babes in Christ. Jesus was wrapped in swaddling cloths so that we could one day be wrapped up in Him. Jesus was born in a manger, so that we could be born again. Jesus had His own star so that we could shine bright like the stars. There was no room for Jesus in the inn so that there would be plenty of rooms in Heaven for us. Jesus became poor so that we could be rich. Some 2,000 years ago, Jesus came to us from Heaven so that we might have life in Heaven. The prophesied one was born. Jesus lived! Jesus died! Jesus was raised from the grave and conquered death, so that we might be able to conquer death. This baby would be the hope of the world.

Erick

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Attendance Last Week:

Bible Class: 178

Daily Bible Readers: 43

Sun Worship: 244

Sun PM: 78

Schedule of Services

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Evening 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday:

Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Privileged to Serve the Church Assembly

Preacher:.....*Erick Henson*

Song Leader:.....*Michael Kelsey*

Opening Prayer Leader:.....*Jason Fly*

Closing Prayer Leader:.....*Delmer Keith*

Greeters:.....*Gary Perry, Terry Banta, Torrey Hatler, Jay Watkins, Glen Woodard*

Auditorium Greeters:.....*Claudia Perry & Elicia Gingrich*

Announcements:.....*Pat Swafford*

Serving at The Lord's Table

Bread:.....*Brett Byrum*

Cup:.....*Buddy Lawson*

Offering:.....*Rickey Keith*

Scripture Reader:.....*Hunter Hill*

Servers:.....*Jim Arnold,*

Landon Brown, Aaron Sack, George Newman, Phil Wolke, Carson Wolke

Sound Booth:.....*Jim Willis & Kyle Stapp*

Men, if you are scheduled to be on the table, please be here by 10:15; otherwise, I will have to find a replacement. Thank you, Stacy



Health (Members): Pam Fredman; Eddy Parker; Glenn & Kay Jones; Don Pearce, heart bypass Jan 8th; Angie Sack, breast cancer; Carolyn Wilcox, 3 blockages, more tests; Linda Brookes; Lone Arnold; Kurt Shirey; Betty Simon, eyes; Betty Morris, heart; Janice Carr; Melvin McBane, heart; Don Rousey; Claudine Pearce; Jody Roberts; Dee Banta; Twila Carr; Cindy Hall; Tami Lawson.

Health (Others): Debbie (Burl) Sehon (Gina Fredman's aunt) ALS with 3-5 year life expectancy; Roland Lancaster (Perry Bingham's BIL) rejecting blood cell transplant @ MD Anderson; Mary Hill (Dick & Peg Walton's daughter) surgery; Sue Wright, broken arm; Marilyn (Dee & Twila's cousin) pancreatic cancer; Sarah Craig & family (Ruby Holt's niece) breast cancer surgery; Mary Jones (mother of friend of Kacy Kinsey) stroke; Rolanda Smith (Claudia Perry's friend from Newalla church) cancer; Sheila Wilson (Betty Limas' friend) knee replacement surgery; Evelyn (Jessica Cummings daughter); Larry Ernst (Lucille's son) spleen surgery; student of Brenda Wilcox; Brooklyn Nixon; Verlie's sister-in-law; Ben Skilling (Ruby Holt's son) injured at work; Nick (Tonya Kelsey's nephew); Venita Hoover (Smith family friend); Mandy Hough (Stapp family friend); Elsa Barnard (Lora Sprowls' friend); Isa Smith (Lola & Delbert's sister) on hospice; Bill Blochowiak (Billy's dad); Carder Drew (Isaak & Ryleigh's nephew); Bobby Skelly (Teresa's BIL); Carrie Bourlon (Steve's mother); Pat Swafford's father; Emilee Grochow (Steve & Dawn Bourlon's daughter) pending finger surgery; Sherri White (Darlene Todd's friend); Tom (Jerry Griffin's friend); Nolan Perry (Gary's cousin); Jimmy Stokes; Betty Limas' grandmother; Don & Sandra Stafford (Jimmie Young's family); Debbie Seaton (Claudia's friend); Kent Taylor (Kristy Swafford's brother); John Webb (Stacy Gingrich's friend); Ted Reno (Diane Seaton's DIL's brother); Byron Holt's SIL; Hugo Ortiz (Betty Limas' uncle); Charles Elmore (Mica's Dad); Tandy Hasbell (Jennifer Stapp's coworker); Mark Miener (Verlie's friend); Rusty McCart (Verlie's nephew); Twila Carr & Dee Banta's aunt; Jim Perry & Ladonna (Verlie's friend); Grandma Gladys (Lori Brown's grandmother); Ray Grimmatt Jr.

Our shut-ins: Retha Barnes; Mary Littleton; Connie Mack Stubbs; Rosie Brightwell; James (eye problems) & Sheila Moudy, Shawnee Care Ctr, #202; Audrey Savory, Golden Rule, Rm 32; Mildred Boone; Ellen Childers; Lorene Haynes.

Other: Ladies at Mabel Bassett, our country and military, especially our homegrown heroes: Emilee (Bourlon) Grochow, Andrew & Austin Sack, Caleb Dahle and Joshua & Caleb Kelsey.

Announcements

BK#3 will meet today following morning services for a potluck. All visitors are invited to stay and let us get to know you a little better!

Reveal will meet tonight at the Kelsey home following evening services. Boys bring chips, girls bring desserts and all can bring a \$5 gift if you want to participate in gift exchange.



We'll set up and distribute food this Thursday and Saturday. An increase in families during the holiday season will require an increase of workers. Please help if you can.

A "Thank you" note for doughnuts we contributed has been received from the Tecumseh Early Childhood Center and is posted on the 66.

Please ensure the office has your most recent cell number and email address. We'll need your latest info when we switch to a new service.

Please continue to turn in involvement sheets.

*****UPCOMING EVENTS*****

Praise Him - Jan 5th, 5:00 pm @ Expo Center (Jeremy Beller, Speaker)

MIGHTY MEN'S MENTORING CONFERENCE - JANUARY 11TH

MOMENTUM MEN'S CONFERENCE - JAN 18TH

AFFIRMING THE FAITH - MARCH 6-7TH

We can make our online contributions 2 ways now

GivePlus+ Mobile

Available in app stores

or a link is on HCOCT.com

Please continue to turn in info sheets to office.



Books of the Month for December are 1st & 2nd Corinthians

Songs of Praise - Today at 3:45 (last practice for the year-round program). We'll begin again the first Sunday of each month beginning in Feb. All ladies are invited to attend.



L2L Practice - Dec. 22nd

Reveal - Tonight at the Kelsey home following services. Boys bring chips, girls bring desserts. Those wishing to participate in gift exchange, bring a \$5 gift.

5th Sunday Devotional - Sign-up sheet is on the board.

Shawnee Area Youth Devotion - Jan 5th following "Praise Him 2020" @ Expo

L2L registration forms have been passed out. Please help your child complete the form and return them to Jamie by Dec. 22nd. If you didn't receive one see Jamie. Make sure to write the names of all family members attending convention on the back of the form. Also, please sign your child's registration form before turning in.

Coat Rack Items



If these items belong to you, please take them home. Some have been left in the Fellowship Hall for weeks and a future donation to charity may be in their future.