



TOGETHER

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Tim Pyles

10:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 28, 2009; a year ago yesterday. It was a cold and windy morning in Broken Arrow; I mean, it was *really* cold. I don't remember the exact temperature, but I do remember how warmly bundled up in coats and hats everyone was here at the church building as I pulled into the parking lot in a U-Haul truck loaded with my books and other office materials. Mark Bryson, my friend and co-worker from Texas, and I had hit the road at 6:00 that morning. Mark drove my car behind the truck as I blazed a new trail into Oklahoma for me and my family. The four-hour drive gave me a lot of time to think and pray. I thanked God for opening up a door of opportunity for me to serve with the shepherds, staff, and members of the Broken Arrow church. I prayed that He would give me wisdom and strength as I began my ministry with you. I prayed that He would protect and bless Kim, Hannah, and Coleman over the next three months during which we would be apart more than we would be together. Mark and I made a brief stop at the McDonald's near the northern end of the Indian Nation Turnpike (you know the spot) to "grease our throats" with a bacon, egg, and cheese biscuit and refuel with coffee.

It was such a welcoming sight for me to drive into the parking lot and be greeted by the 30 or more of you who showed up to help unload the truck; there were members young and old, men and women. It immediately made me feel at home to be welcomed by your smiles and your hugs. I remember the look on several faces as I threw the door up on the back of the truck and you got your first glimpse of "Andrew"; an unusual piece of art to be sure! With only about 40 boxes, I think it took five minutes or so to move the contents of the truck into my new office. I remember all of us forming a circle in the Fellowship Hall and Scott leading us in a prayer.

It has been a wonderful year of blessing since then. I continue to be grateful each and every day for the loving way in which you have received me and my family into your fellowship, and I pray that God will bless us all with many more years of service together as we seek to fulfill the will of Christ for His church.

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Scott Keele

Step by Step - 15

Let Every Heart Rejoice and Sing - 8
Magnificat

Shepherd's Prayer – Dave Larson

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God
O Sacred Head - 318

Lord's Supper

Contribution

I Walk with the King - 550

Scripture Reading | Samuel 21:1-9

BIBLE HOUR - The Good Shepherd

"The Loaves and the Lies"

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Only a Step - 940

Step by Step - 15

Prayer

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Jordan Maples

"One Sacrifice" - Hebrews 9:1-14

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Ladies Retreat !!

Coming in March

See back of bulletin

for more information.

Shepherds' Corner

"through the Church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known..."
Growing, Strengthening, and Involving the church

Present Action

- WELCOME to the church of Christ at Broken Arrow
- Let your prayer needs be known. Pray with a shepherd every Sunday morning or Wednesday night during Bible class time in the conference room for any need
- Seek out and welcome our new members
- Pray for our summer mission trip preparation. Consider how you can be involved
- Pray for our summer youth activity preparations. Consider how you can be involved

Future View

- Shepherd contact for March - Glen Lyle
- Next Shepherd/Ministers meetings - March 1 & 15
- Day of Worship & Rest - April 25
- Prayer Marathon - May 7-8

In Mike's Basket

At the Olympic Games in Paris in 1924, the favored team in the four-man canoe race was the United States team. One member of that team was a young man by the name of Bill Havens. As the time for the Olympics neared, it became clear that Bill's wife would give birth to her first child about the time that Bill was scheduled to compete. So Bill found himself in a dilemma. Should he go to Paris and risk not being at his wife's side when their first child was born? -OR- Should he withdraw from the team and remain behind?

Bill's wife insisted that he go to Paris. After all, he had been working toward this goal for many years; it would be the culmination of a life-long dream. After much soul searching, Bill decided to withdraw from the competition and remain behind with his wife so that he could be with her when their first child arrived. Bill considered being at her side a higher priority than an Olympic medal!

The U.S. four-man canoe team won the gold medal at the Paris Olympics – **without** Bill Havens. But Bill had no regrets as his family was more important to him than any medal. Bill was present when his wife gave birth to their baby boy – whom they named Frank.

28 years later... in 1952... Bill received a cablegram from Frank. It was sent from Helsinki, Finland, where the 1952 Olympics were being held. The cablegram read:

"Dead Dad. Thanks for waiting around for me to be born in 1924. I'm coming home with the gold medal you should have won. Your loving son, Frank."

Frank Havens was bringing home the Olympic gold for the 10,000 meter canoeing event. Now he wanted to share his medal with the one who set aside his own personal dreams for a higher priority!

Setting goals and having priorities are keys to a successful Christian life! Our goal for camp this summer is to establish and ingrain the goal of Heaven into all of our young people! **Luke 9:51 says: "As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem."** Jesus knew what HIS priority was... a cross! HIS priority was redeeming mankind! What's your #1 priority? What are you striving for? I hope we can all say: HEAVEN! Have a great week! *Mike*

CURRENT EVENTS

FEBRUARY/MARCH

- 28 Kayla Minter Bridal Shower
Burnt Cabin Meeting
HS Devo**
- 2 GoldenAgers Social
- 4 Hope Harbor Phone Campaign
- 9 Tuesday Ladies Bible Class Luncheon
- 13-18 Ski Trip**
- 14 GoldenAgers Luncheon
- 14-20 SPRING BREAK
All Church Camp Out
- 19 Christian Business Breakfast
- 26-27 Ladies Retreat
- 27 Kansas Bible Bowl

FUTURE:

- Apr 2-3 LTC at Rogers, AR
- Apr 25 Day of Worship & Rest
- Apr 24 Community Outreach Nite
- May 7-8 Prayer Marathon
- May 14 GoldenAgers Dinner sponsored by the HS
- May 16 Senior Night
- Jun 6-12 CAMP
- June 12-20 Medical Mission Trip
- June 18-July 5 Ukraine Mission Trip
- Jul 25-29 VBS

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

- Mar 13-18 Ski Trip
- Apr 17 Big Nite Out**
- Jun 25-Jul 1 Senior Trip**

Teens

**HS DEVO
@ THE
THOMAS'S HOME
BRING \$3**

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR

For 3 year olds thru 1st grade

March 7, 2010

Lesson 22 – The Lord's Prayer

Teach K Larson
Monitor A Keele

March 14, 2010

NO BIBLE HOUR

March 21, 2010

NO BIBLE HOUR

March 28, 2010

Lesson 23 – The Parable of the 10 Virgins

Teach A Keele
Monitor B Street

April 4, 2010

Lesson 24 – The Parable of the Talents

Teach B Street
Monitor C Hoffmeister

Trust in God's Promises

Contentment Comes Through Trust in God's Promises. Paul's contentment sprang from his confidence in "as." He told a pagan ship crew, "So have courage, men! I trust God that everything will turn out as he told me." (Acts 27:25) He told the young preacher, "I am not ashamed. I know whom I trust. I'm convinced that he is able to protect what he has entrusted to me until that day." (2 Timothy 1:12) The knowledge that God always keeps His promises will grant us peace in the midst of any difficulty.

When we are persecuted, we can trust this promise; "And I give them eternal life. They will never be lost, and no one will tear them away from me. My Father, who gave them to me, is greater than everyone else, and no one can tear them away from my Father." (John 10:28-29)

When tired and burdened, we can trust; "Come to me all who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28) When life's in chaos, we can trust the promise of "peace, that goes beyond anything we can imagine," (Philippians 4:7). And when tempted, we can trust this promise; "Because Jesus experienced temptation when he suffered, he is able to help others when they are tempted." (Hebrews 2:18)

When we are facing sickness, disease, injury, and aging, we can trust Him "through his power to bring everything under his authority, he will change our humble bodies and make them like his glorified body." (Philippians 3:21) And when we fear that we may be lost, we can pillow our heads upon this wonderful truth; "That is why he is always able to save those who come to God through him. He can do this because he always lives and intercedes for them." (Hebrews 7:25)

Jesus is the "water of life" (John 7:37) who offers an overflowing life to his followers (John 10:10). He promises to "give a drink from the fountain filled with the water of life to anyone who is thirsty. It won't cost anything." (Revelation 21:6) To start this relationship with Christ, one must pick up a Bible and begin to study His life and teachings (Romans 10:17). This will produce faith in an honest and good heart (Luke 8:15; Hebrews 11:6). Faith leads one to repentance, confession of Christ, and baptism for remission of sins (Luke 13:3; Matthew 10:32; Acts 2:38; 8:37; 22:16). Then, one can drink deeply from the springs of contentment as he/she faithfully follows the Prince of Peace (Revelation 2:10).

*Adapted from an article by Allen Webster.

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, March 7: "God Exists"

Directory Changes: Marty & Lisa Legg, cell phone only! Marty 277-2754, Lisa 402-6104

Address Change: Kelly Owen, 10932 E 61st, apt 627

Congregational News

Burnt Cabin Camp Meeting: There will be a meeting TODAY at 4 pm in the Youth Room for all adults interested in helping at camp.

A Bridal Shower for Kayla Minter will be held TODAY at 2 pm in the Parlor. Kayla is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target.

Nursery Teachers Needed: The Nursery Department is in desperate need of teachers for the spring quarter.

Ukraine Mission Team meeting, Sunday, March 7, at 4 pm in room 101N. Anyone interested is welcome.

Hats & Scarves are needed for the Ukraine Mission Trip. Please help by knitting or crocheting these items. Patterns & yarn available. Questions: See Berniece Rumsey or Emma Mosby.

LTC Adult Reservations: \$30.00 needs to be turned in to Beth Astor for all adult hotel reservations. A.S.A.P.

Spring break Campout March 14 – 20: We have reserved 20 spaces in Sequoyah State Park, Cherokee Camping Area, Wagoner, Ok. Please, let the camp host know you are with the BACOC camp group upon arrival. Questions, contact Dick Ray at 486-2850.



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GoldenAgers

- **March calendars** are available on the tables in the back of the auditorium.
- **First Tuesday Social** will be Tuesday, March 2, at 6:30 pm in the parlor. Please bring finger foods and join in the fun.
- **Monthly Potluck Luncheon** will be Sunday, March 14, in the Fellowship Hall following morning worship. Please bring a dish and join us.

SERVICES

Sunday -- Worship -- 10:00 a.m. -- Bible Class 9:00 a.m. -- Evening 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday -- Ladies Bible Class -- 10:00 a.m. (Sep-Apr)

Wednesday -- Bible Classes and Devotional -- 7:15 p.m.

•Mike Baskett (357-2144)•Scott Keele (286-6403)

•Tim Pyles (991-8457)•Rich Kilmer (806-6742)

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Ladies!

Are you finding yourself always on the run... burning the candle at both ends?



Please join us for the 2010 Ladies Retreat for a time of uplifting, encouragement and renewal.

Ladies Retreat

*Fri, March 26 - Sat, March 27
Embassy Suites Hotel*

Theme: Christian Women on the Run.... Renewed

Speaker: Kim Pyles

*Sign-up table
in the foyer*



Welcome, Guests!

You honor us with your presence and your willingness to join us in worshipping God.

If you are a member of the Church of Christ and are looking for a place to worship and serve, please consider placing yourself under the oversight of our shepherds and becoming part of our family in serving the Lord.

If you are not a member of a church and would like to learn more about the Church of Christ, we would be honored to answer any questions you may have. If you would be interested in a home Bible study or a Bible correspondence course, please contact Scott Keele at 918-258-9602 or e-mail skeele@bacoc.org.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Menu: Chicken Spaghetti

Serving from 5:30 to 6:45 pm

Cost: Adults \$3.00

Children 6-11 \$2.00

Please mark the attendance card just below your names, indicating the number of adults and children that plan to attend.

Hope Harbor Needs:

44-50 Gallon

Trash Bags



March 7, 2010 - TO SERVE

SONG LEADER

Lee Turner

SHEPHERD'S PRAYERS

Glen Lyle

LORD'S SUPPER A.M.

1. Steve McDonald
2. Lonnie Miller
3. Matt Miller
4. Jess Mitchell
5. Wayne Mitchell
6. Bobby Morrow
7. Robbie Mosley
8. Bill Murdock
9. Tim Murdock
10. Chad Noblett
11. Eric Norris
12. James Parker
13. Jim Parker
14. Reece Parker
15. Rett Parker

PRAYERS FOR LORD'S SUPPER

For Bread - Bill Thrailkill
For Cup - Jimmy Turner

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Keith Walvoord

SCRIPTURE READING

Steve Copeland

CLOSING PRAYER

Tim Walton

March 7, 2010 - TO SERVE

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S	111S
Tama Davis	Gloria Hale
Kristi Foreman	Valerie Hale

DOORGREETERS

1. Jesse & Jenny Eyers
2. Cliff Fitzgerald & Zack Foote
3. James & Frances Garrett
4. Rocky & Dawn Giles
5. George & Phyllis Gwinn
6. Jared & Monica Hale

USHERS

2. Brandon Tener
3. Harold Tydings
4. David Updike
5. Nicholas White

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Bruce & Wanda Johns
PM Hosts - Keith & Frances Kashwer

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Sue Doss & Mary Jane Carriger
Nathan & Wendy Lee

PM Hosts - Junior & Joyce Ackley
Rich & Becky Kilmer

THE CARING CORNER HELPERS

Class - Monna Gilpin
AM - Kristi Forman
PM - JoElla Gotcher

March 7, 2010 - TO SERVE

SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER

Eric Norris

EVENING PRAYERS

Terry Walker
Cameron Walker

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S	111S
Jessica Haddock	Amy Gonzalez
Sheila Haddock	Liz Huff

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Nathan Lee
David Parrott

If you will not be available to serve in the area listed, please contact:

LORD'S TABLE

(South) Larry Brewer..... 357-1433
(North) Dwayne Canton .. 281-9171

PRAYERS

Jerry Lundy 357-5728

DOOR GREETERS

Gary Southern..... 355-3131

USHERS

Jerry Lundy 357-5728

WEDNESDAY - March 10, 2010
INFORMATION CENTER

Jim & Sue Walton

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Lonnie & Joni Miller
John & Linda Wells

THE CARING CORNER HELPER

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of
February 21, 2009

Bible Class	426
AM Worship	NA
PM Worship	NA
Wednesday	455
Contribution	\$23,834
Budget	\$21,018
Contribution YTD	\$185,755
Budget YTD	\$168,144
Over/(Under)	\$17,611

Prayer Chain - Between 8am and 5pm, contact Nancy Johnson (357-3963) or Lois McNeal (251-4561). After 5pm call Mary Sampson (486-5945) or Cynthia Walvoord (355-5144).

PRAYER LIST

Hospital/Tests:

Carl Alexander had further tests this week in preparation for heart surgery.
Taylor Caballero is still in a great deal of pain.
Willard Cooper is in St. Frances, room 5307, following hip replacement surgery last Wednesday.
Jane Cunningham is having complications from gall bladder surgery in July.
Gage Dixon is home after a stay in the hospital.
Betty Martin has moved to skilled nursing at Senior Suites, 3501 W Washington St.
Jess Mitchell is home following a battery of tests last week.
Barbara Poteet is recuperating at home following surgery on February 17.
Jerry Sampson had an outpatient medical treatment on Tuesday.
Rosetta Trowbridge is in SouthCrest, room 507, with low blood count.
Stephanie White will have a nerve block on Thursday to help ease the pain in her leg.

Earl Anderson (Erich Anderson's father) is back in the hospital with chest pains.
Marsha Burnett (daughter of Helen Burnett) is home following a trip to the hospital for a tear in her stomach lining.
Katherine DeBarr (sister of Mary Lynch) had a stroke.
Carlas Estes (co-worker's daughter of Rosie Steele) has been diagnosed with cancer
John Joice (father of Bill Joice, former member) has late stage colon cancer.
Bob Simmons (father of Lisa Legg) was taken to the hospital on Wednesday.
Doug Wakefield (son-in-law of Mary Harper) had a heart cath on Monday.

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PRAYER LIST (continued)

Members: Dale Bennett, Heather Blevins, *Marge Curnutt, Ray Duwe*, Lauren Giles, Edna Griffin, *Dee Hall*, Ethan Hancock, *Jack Hudkins*, Faith Kuykendall, Emma Lou Lamar, Colette McCullin, Richard Mosby, Ken Palmer, Karen Scism, *Paisley Stidham*, Jim Walton, Tim Walton

Friends & Family: Paula Belanger (wife of Shane Belanger, the student that we are supporting at Bear Valley), Maggie Binkley (mother of Bruce Binkley), Caiden Call (premature newborn baby of Colleen Detherage's niece), Denise Gande (cousin of Steve Copeland), Amy Gillespie (cousin of Stephen LupPlace), Mattie Green (sister of Charles Qualls), Nova Lee Hagar (mother of Gail West), Jack Leathermon (brother-in-law of Barbara Poteet), Deborah Lynch (daughter of Gene Lynch), Steven Overton (Rhonda Blackstock's brother), Tracey Overton (Rhonda Blackstock's sister-in-law), Addison Paschal (newborn daughter of Nathan Pascal, brother of Wyatt Paschal), Dennis Ware (cousin of Phyllis McWherter)

Mike Pyle (son of Beverly Pyle, former member) has been deployed to Iraq.

Military: *Shawn Boggs, Travis Cardinal, Brian Chandler, Stevens Copeland, Justin Garrison, Josh Holcomb, David Honea, Colby Jacobson, Brant Jacobson, Zac Leka, Rob Lee, Eric Lewis, Tray & Hope Mamula, Matt McGuire, Brett Moore, Joel Newton, Wyatt Paschal, Derrick Roberts, John Stephens, Chris Wadsworth, Christopher Young*

Summer Mission Trips



Are YOU interested in being a member of a mission group?

Ukraine: All those that are interested in being a part of the mission trip to Ukraine June 18 thru July 5 need to contact Rich Kilmer or Richard Mosby.

Medical: Everyone planning to be a part of the mission team to Guyana leaving June 12th needs to submit a copy of their passport & a \$200.00 deposit A.S.A.P. to the church office.

Congregational News (continued)

Hope Harbor Annual Phone Campaign: Thursday, March 4th, 7-9 pm in the fellowship hall. No experience necessary. Goal for 2010 is \$200,000.00. Questions, contact Bruce or Kim Binkley.

Door Prizes needed for the Ladies Retreat: If you have a talent and would like to donate an item you created, if you are associated with a restaurant or store where you could obtain free certificates, or if you can provide a gift card or even gift bags it would be much appreciated. Please contact Laura Copeland at 251-8099 or laurab5252@cox.net.



Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is expressed to **Diann, Haleigh, Breanna & Brooke Baker** on the death of Diann's grandfather in Wyoming.

Thank You

We thank you for the prayers, the cards, and the phone calls. May the Lord continue to bless each of you. In Christian Love, **Dale & Beverly Bennett**

Your recent gift of over 140 food items will help ensure that the mission of **Broken Arrow Neighbors** continues, "to provide basic needs assistance with dignity and compassion to neighbors in need through a cooperative community effort". Thank you for your generosity at a time when it is needed most. I am aware that philanthropic giving demands sacrifice, and I want to assure you that your gift will be used in an effective, efficient and productive manner. I value your support and am encouraged that "together" we begin the sequence of improving lives. Again, thank you, **Kim Goddard, Executive Director**

Dear Church Family:

Thank you for the food and cards, but mostly your prayers during Karen's illness and recovery. Our family is a firm believer in prayer and know from our experiences that it is very powerful. God is the true physician and we are very thankful to Him for the good in our lives, but also the trials that have made our family so much stronger in our faith and reliance on God for everything. One of the greatest prayers God has answered for us was when he sent us on a journey some three and a half years ago that landed us in Broken Arrow. The strength that radiates from God through the leadership, into this family and out into the community is the fuel that all souls yearn for, and to be blessed with an opportunity to serve here has been unimaginable for our family. We love you all so much, thanks again for your encouraging love, words, and prayers! **Tom, Karen, Rebekah, and Jared Scism**

To our Brethren,

We would like to thank all of you for the kind words of love, the prayers, wonderful dinner, flowers and cards in the passing of our dad and grandfather, John D. Lee. **The Lee family.**



Next Life Group Sunday - March 14th
If you haven't, please join the group of your choice.