



TOGETHER

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From Tim Pyles

As I shared in the "Sunday's Coming!" email last week, the sermon this morning is focused on looking forward to the year before us with anticipation and excitement. However, even in our prayerful planning for the future, we humbly recognize that the future is not ours to control or command. We know that Jesus is returning, and the time of His coming has not been revealed. Therefore, as our text from the book of James teaches us, all of our plans are tentative, subject to change, and dependent upon the will of the Lord to delay the return of His Son. Added to the unpredictable timing of Christ's return are the multitude of other variables and uncertainties that affect our lives. All of these factors combine to remind us that tomorrow is not a promise, only a prospect. We cannot boast and brag about the future as if it were in our control.

However, if the Lord continues to extend His patience and kindness to mankind in providing more time for repentance and salvation, I am confident that this year is going to be one of great opportunity and blessing for the Broken Arrow church. I want us to talk about and pray about those opportunities this morning and in the days to come.

One of the opportunities that I am most excited about is the launching of our Life Group Ministry. We shared information with you last Fall about this ministry. Life Group Leaders and Co-leaders began training last November, and we are nearing the end of that process. Sign-ups for Life Groups will begin on Sunday, January 24, and groups will have their first meeting on February 14. It is quite understandable that there might still be questions about the formation and function of Life Groups, so, beginning next Sunday, I am going to share at least two (possibly three) sermons detailing how the groups will be formed, when they will meet, how they will be organized and led, and how they are going to greatly assist us in growing, maturing, and strengthening Christ's church at Broken Arrow. If there are specific questions that you have that you would like for me to address, please let me, Patrick Edison, or Jim Hoffmeister know, and I will make sure that it is addressed in one of the lessons. I look forward to sharing more about this exciting ministry!

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Scott Keele

Praise the Lord - 74

What a Mighty God We Serve - 993

Shepherd's Prayer – Tim Walton

To God Be the Glory - 4

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross - 383

Lord's Supper

Contribution

Living By Faith - 560

Scripture Reading - *James 4:11-17*

BIBLE HOUR - Jesus Calms the Storm

"If the Lord Wills"

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Living for Jesus - 676

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus - 679

Prayer

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Erich Anderson

"Mel Who?" Genesis 14:14-20

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Next Sunday is Third Sunday Fellowship & Early Worship in the OC

Please bring soup, sandwiches & desserts for your family and one more.

Be sure everything is ready to serve. Plan to stay for early afternoon worship.

There will be no 5 pm service.



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
- Pray with a shepherd every Sunday morning or Wednesday night during Bible class time in the conference room to pray for any need
- Life Group Leader/Co-leader training has started. Check the posted schedules to complete the training before groups begin in February
- Summary Ministers Shepherds Meeting - January 4
 1. Ministry Updates
 - ≈ Protecting & Feeding: Conifer CO update, India update, Ukraine update, Life group update
 - ≈ Leading & Governing: Sewer repairs made, budget presentation for deacons & ministry leaders 1-10 at 3:30pm, Corporate Meeting 1-18-10 at 7:00 pm, planning retreat in March
 - ≈ Practical needs: Young marriage retreat being planned
 2. Prayer request made & prayer offered
- LTC deadlines have been disrupted by the bad weather. Volunteer to help develop our young men and woman to lead and serve the church. Contact Beth Astor or Mike Baskett

Future View

- Shepherd contact for January - Charles Emerson
- Next Shepherd/ Ministers meetings - January 18
- Corporate Meeting - January 18
- Life Group sign-ups begin - January 24
- Life Groups start - February 14

In Mike's Basket

Two important opportunities for you!

SKI TRIP:

1) Anybody, and I mean **ANYBODY**, interested in skiing?!?!? We have opened up our ski trip beyond our high school age format and included almost ALL AGES (minimum age is 7th grade)! We have a total of 21 spots available for this trip and right now we only have 14 people going! If I can subtract well, that leaves 7 spots available! We will leave Saturday morning, March 13th, and come home on Thursday, March 18th. The cost for the trip, if you ski or snow board, is \$475. This includes travel to Winter Park, Colorado, rentals, lift tickets, and food while at the hotel (starts with dinner on Sunday night through breakfast on Thursday morning.) If you'd like to attend the trip without skiing or boarding, the cost is \$210. It's a great trip and a wonderful time for fellowship! Let Mike or Karen know ASAP!!

CAMP BLUE HAVEN:

2) This has a VERY SMALL window of opportunity! If you are interested in attending a great camp, Mike and Karen will be teaching at Camp Blue Haven the week of July 18th-24th. This camp is open to graduated 4th graders through graduated 12th graders! It's obviously NOT a substitute for our incredible camp at Burnt Cabin – but it's definitely an added bonus to the summer! Problem is... you can only register (if you want a chance to attend) this coming **Friday night, January 15th!! At 8:00** the window of registration opens!! This is like getting tickets for a concert! :o) Over 1,000 applications were submitted in the first 10 minutes last year! Over 500 kids were on a waiting list to attend this camp... so **IF** you plan on your child attending – be serious! See the information sheet at the youth round table!!!

Mike

CURRENT EVENT

JANUARY

- 10 GoldenAgers Luncheon
Baby Shower for Paige
Vaughan & baby Victoria
2010 Budget Meeting in 103N
Teen Connections**
- 12 Tuesday Ladies Bible class &
Luncheon
- 15 Christian Business Breakfast
- 16 **SMORG***
- 17 Third Sunday Luncheon & Devo
Secret Sister Revealing
LTC Practice Begins
Area Wide Skate Night**
- 18 Corporate Meeting
- 23 Ministry Leader's Breakfast
- 24 **High School Devo****
- 29-31 **Akouo Leadership Summit****
- 29-31 Singles Weekend at Disney
World
- 30 Clothing Room Opens

FUTURE:

Feb 12 New Member Party

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

Jan 10 Teen Connections**

Jan 16 SMORG**

Jan 17 Area Wide Skate Night**

Jan 24 High School Devo**

Jan 29-31 Akouo**

Teens TONIGHT
TEEN
CONNECTIONS
BUS LEAVES FOR MUS-
KOGEE AT 4:14 PM, WILL RE-
TURN @ APPROX. 7:30 PM

**AREA WIDE SKATE NIGHT
- JANUARY 17**

**HS DEVO - JANUARY 24
@THE BROCKWAYS**

AKOOU - JAN 29-31

**CHILDREN'S
BIBLE HOUR**

For 3 year olds thru
1st grade

January 17, 2010

Lesson 15 – Jesus
Raises Jairus' Daughter
Teach D Ward
Monitor E Emerson

January 24, 2010

Lesson 16 – Jesus
Feeds the 5,000
Teach E Emerson
Monitor F Lynn

January 31, 2010

Lesson 17 – Jesus
Walks on Water
Teach F Lynn
Monitor G Murdock

February 7, 2010

Lesson 18 – The Trans-
figuration
Teach G Murdock
Monitor H Martin

Tomorrow Is Almost Here!

Be anxious for - "I just can't sleep!" That's what happens when this state of mind takes over. In the Greek text, all of these English words are a single Greek word *merimnate*. This word describes that condition when the concerns about this life press us so hard we are unable to rest or sleep. In the Greek world, the temporary escape from this worry was drink and sex. But everyone knew that the only permanent solution was death. Observation says that the world has not changed in this regard. The cares of this life still drive people to drink and sex, but only death removes this kind of worry. Unless Christ literally changes ones mind.

Did you notice...Ok...before you keep reading, please hit the pause button. Does what you just read sound familiar? Maybe you've read it before, like last week. The above words were the beginning of my article last week. So, I want to ask you. Did you recognize these words or gloss over them? Did you think it was a clerical error? Were you bothered by the repetition? Or did you catch it instantly?

Now, the deeper question: Are there any parallels between how you responded to this repetition and how you respond to the repetition of God in your life? Think about this for a moment. God seemingly tells us the same thing over and over again. "Be Good. Pray. Be people of the Word. Be filled with love, joy, peace, patience...etc." (Isn't the answer to any question in Bible class: "Jesus", or "prayer"...or "read the Bible?") Don't we know all the right answers because we have heard all the questions before?

And when we come into worship and approach the Lord's Supper, how many times have we done this before? Do we recognize what we are doing or go through the motions allowing our minds to be free to think about (dwell on) other things? Are we bothered by the repetition or do we understand the strength in remembering?

"And he took the bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'this is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'" Luke 22:19

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, January 17: "The Gospel"

Congregational News

GoldenAgers Potluck Luncheon is TODAY, in the Fellowship Hall following morning worship. Please join us.



A Baby Shower for Paige Vaughan and new daughter, Victoria, is TODAY in the Parlor at 2 pm. Stephen & Paige are registered at Babies-R-Us.

2010 Budget Meeting: TODAY in 103N at 3:30 pm. This is for all deacons, ministry leaders, ministers and elders to review the 2010 budget and answer any question you may have.

REMINDER: Third Sunday Dinner is next Sunday, January 17, in the OC. Bring soup, sandwiches & desserts ready to eat. A short devotional will follow lunch. No 5 pm service!



Take-a-City #4, Kayenta, AZ Rez Review is available at the Information Center.

LTC Practice begins NEXT SUNDAY, January 17, after the afternoon worship. Practice will continue each Sunday afternoon until the LTC Convention.



Secret Sister Revealing: Sunday, January 17, at 1:30 in the Parlor. To reveal your sister be prepared to find your "match" when you arrive. New sisters will also be drawn at this gathering.

Annual Corporate Meeting is Monday, January 18, at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

AKOUO Student Leadership Summit: at Camp Christian. High school leaders or leaders in training, are invited to attend. Contact Mike Baskett by January 18. Registration is \$90.00. AKOUO: Greek for "I hear."

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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-May)

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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LTC

Leadership Training for Christ

Registration Forms & Fees were due last Sunday but due to the unusual weather, time has been extended through TODAY. No further extension! See Beth Astor or Mike Baskett if you have questions.

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: Pizza Casserole

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:

Paper Towels



January 17, 2010 - TO SERVE
SONG LEADER

Lee Turner

SHEPHERD'S PRAYERS

Keith Walvoord

LORD'S SUPPER A.M.

1. Ryan Dent
2. Bill Detherage
3. Robert Dowdy
4. Patrick Edison
5. Charles Emerson
6. Cliff Fitzgerald
7. James Garrett
8. Rocky Giles
9. James Gilpin
10. Brett Gould
11. Kevin Guillette
12. George Gwinn
13. Jack Hale
14. Jared Hale
15. Virgil Hale

PRAYERS FOR LORD'S SUPPER

For Bread - Bill Duwe
For Cup - Bill Hancock

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Jim Hoffmeister

CLOSING PRAYER

Archer Honea

January 17, 2010 - TO SERVE
SCRIPTURE READING

Erich Anderson

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Kierstyn Legg Katie LupPlace
Lorey Lundy Elaine Maynard

DOORGREETERS

1. Arlene Reed & Linda Reeder
2. Jeffrey & Terri Roberts
3. Brent Roper & Sonny Steele
4. Tara Ryan & Gary Southern
5. Brent & Barbara Saffell
6. Zach Foote & Bek Scism

USHERS

2. Tim Murdock
3. Chad Noblett
4. Jared Pence
5. Tim Plowman

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Bill & Charlotte Thraikill
PM Hosts - NA

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Glen & Edwina Lyle
 Sherman & Alice Boley

PM Hosts - NA

January 17, 2010 - TO SERVE
SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER

Archer Honea

EVENING PRAYERS

Doug Hudkins
Jon Huff

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Lynn Marshall Nancy McWherter
Dana Martin Eden Michael

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Richard Holleyman
Jim Hoffmeister

**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

PRAYER LIST

Hospital/Tests:

Heather Blevins is in St. Francis South, #237, for breathing problems.
Taylor Caballero, one of our newest Christians, has returned home following gallbladder surgery on Wednesday.
Ray Duwe is St. Francis, ICU4501, with pneumonia & seizures.
Judy Emerson fell on New Year's Eve and broke her ankle.
Tabitha Hansen is in St. Francis, #7121, has begun a new course of treatment.
John D. Lee has returned to BA Nursing after a brief trip to the hospital due to a fall.
Darla Lynn had cataract surgery on Wednesday.
Colette McCullin is home following shoulder surgery on Monday.
Lillian Qualls is home following surgery on Tuesday.
Karen Scism will have kidney stone surgery at St John's on Tuesday.
Orvind White is home following a stay in the hospital for a few days.
Rob Lee (Kevin & Mignon Lee's son) deploys this week.
Marilyn Herndon (sister of Mary Byrd) began chemo & radiation treatments this week.

Members: Carl Alexander, *Mike Baskett*, Rhonda Blackstock, Larry Brewer, Bill Childress, *Laura Copeland*, *Marge Curnutt*, *Gage Dixon*, *Georgiana Dixon*, *Ray Duwe*, *Camille Fitzgerald*, *Robbi Gilliland*, *Dee Hall*, Helen Holleyman, *Jack Hudkins*, Gavin Kuykendall, *Carolyn Lee*, *John D. Lee*,
(Prayer List continued on back of insert)

WEDNESDAY - January 20, 2010
INFORMATION CENTER

Dave & Terri Larson

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Jared & Cara Pence
Richard & Emma Mosby

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of
January 3, 2009

Bible Class	412
AM Worship	542
PM Worship	NA
Wednesday	351
Contribution	\$28,472
Budget	\$21,025
Contribution YTD	\$28,472
Budget YTD	\$121,025
Over/(Under)	(\$7,447)

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 (continued)

Members: Edwina Lyle, Richard Mosby, *Barbara Poteet, Stephanie White*

Friends & Family: Earl Anderson (father of Erich Anderson), LeAnna Blanchard (sister of Shane Blackstock), Charles Coatney (cousin of Sue Doss & husband of Betty Luton), Felicity & Kingston Davis (daughter & grandson of Don & Karen Ames), Robert Durham (grandfather of Shane Blackstock), Linda Kirk (niece of Ruby Mitchell), Arden & Nathaniel Mahaffey (children of Robert & Debbie Mahaffey, former members) Wendi Murrell (neighbor of the Baxter's), Nila Parrott (mother of David Parrott), Charlotte Soward (mother of Diann Baker), *Margaret Teakell (former member & member at Whispering Hills), Frankie Weir (Dana Turner's mother)*

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 Mamura, Matt McGuire, Brett Moore, Joel Newton, Wyatt Paschal, Derrick Roberts, John Stephens, Chris Wadsworth, Christopher Young*

Sympathy

- is sent to **Richard & Janet Davis and family** on the death of Richard's mother, **Ruth Davis**, on Thursday, December 31, 2009. Her service was on Tuesday, January 5, at the church building
- is expressed to **Bruce & Kim Binkley and family** on the death of Kim's grandmother, Mary Taylor, on Friday, January 1. Her service was Sunday, January 3, in Dallas.

Thank You

- Your prayers, cards and visits were such an encouragement to me during my heart attack and surgery. I am so thankful God gave us to each other to lean on. Thanks again, **Larry Brewer**
- Dear GoldenAgers, Thanks for thinking of us in such a special way. We have really enjoyed the assortment of fruit. We love you, **Belton & Dorothy Kuykendall**
- Dear Brethren, Thank you so much for your continued support. It is truly a blessing and we appreciate all that you do for us. We would love to hear from anyone who is interested in writing or emailing to us. Love in Christ, **Shane & Paula Belanger and the girls** salisburyfarms@tds.net
4654 W Oberlin Pl, Denver, CO 80236

Happenings Around the Area & Beyond

Pre-Marital Workshop, Saturday, January 30, 9am to 3 pm.

Westside Church of Christ, 726 McGee Drive, Norman, OK. Enroll by phone: 405-329-0392

See bulletin board in North Foyer Hall for more info.

Congregational News (continued)

Ministry Leaders' Breakfast will be Saturday, January 23, at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.



Clothing Room Opens: January 30 from 9 - 11 am. Sign-up in the foyer for volunteer help on that day.

Clothing Room: Winter donations are being accepted. Workers are needed to restock on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 10 am - Noon.

New Nursery Project is still in need of rockers, bouncy seats, another pack 'n play & pack 'n play sheets. Contact April Price at aprilprice@cox.net or 810-6508.

Homeless ministry needs: toilet paper razors towels bottled water Bibles juice boxes Gift certificates (McDonalds, QT, fast food)



Training continues each Wednesday evening during class in 101N. Training is open to Life Group Leaders, Co-leaders, wives and anyone else who is interested in the training material.

Employment Opportunity: The US Census Bureau will be utilizing our building over the next 5 months to conduct testing for positions within the Census Bureau. If you are interested in testing for a position (or know of someone who is interested) please contact the Census bureau at 918-877-3440. At this time testing is being conducted on Thursdays at 10 am and 1 pm.

Spring Break Ski Trip: *March 13-18. There are several spots reserved that have not yet been filled. Please contact Mike Baskett as soon as possible if you would be interested in going. Families & singles are welcome.*

