



TOGETHER

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From Tim Pyles

One of the blessings that I had when I was growing up was that I knew my preacher extremely well. He was my father. That is not to say that there were not occasional challenges that were created for me by being a "preacher's kid," but, as a whole, the "PK stigma" was far outweighed by the benefit I received from hearing solid, Bible-based sermons every Sunday from my earliest remembrance. I remember a lot of those sermons, and I can recall many of the stories and illustrations that Dad used. Some of my memories involve short statements of truth that have stuck with me over the years. One of the quotes that Dad shared in a lesson one Sunday morning was, "Life is so daily." Concise; true; inarguable; extremely relevant and applicable. Life, indeed, is dispensed to us in daily doses.

As I mentioned in the sermon last Sunday morning, I have committed myself this year to a 365 Plan. I have identified five areas in which I want to grow, achieve, and excel. These are not pie-in-the-sky conceptual goals, but matters that are practical, measurable, and doable. I have reduced these five goals to five words so that I can easily reflect on all of them several times a day. "Daily" is a vital component to accomplishing these goals, thus the designation of the 365 Plan. 365. Every day. Five words. Five goals.

Last Sunday, I challenged all of us to consider developing an evangelistic 365 plan. Identify five people that you desire to see brought to the Lord for salvation this year. This could be a family member (immediate or extended family), friend, co-worker, classmate, or neighbor. Included among your five people might be someone who is a Christian, but who is no longer walking closely with Jesus. They may have gotten entangled once again in a life of sin and may have estranged themselves from involvement and fellowship with their spiritual family. Just five names. But, these names represent five precious souls for whom Christ willingly and lovingly laid down his life as a sacrifice so that they, and we, might be saved. Keep these five names in your heart and mind this year. Think about them and pray for them "daily." 365. As you begin the day, think of what you can do or what you could say to help lead them closer to Christ. As you end the day, reflect on opportunities that you have taken or missed. Day by day! One soul at a time!

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Lee Turner

Sing Hallelujah to the Lord - 242

Hosanna - 167

Jesus Is Lord - 180

Shepherd's Prayer – Keith Walvoord

Worthy Is the Lamb - 234

Years I Spent in Vanity - 381

Lord's Supper

Contribution

Wonderful Grace of Jesus - 112

Scripture Reading - *Acts 5:42*

BIBLE HOUR - Jesus Raises Jairus' Daughter

"It's A Wonderful Life (Group)"

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Nothing But the Blood - 902

Ring Out the Message - 622

Prayer

AFTERNOON WORSHIP

Song Leader – Erich Anderson

Speaker – Mike Baskett

VISITORS PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR THIRD SUNDAY FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

Today following morning worship we will have a lunch of soups, sandwiches, chips, and desserts in our Outreach building.

An afternoon devotional will immediately follow lunch in the Outreach Center.

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 for any need
- Life Group sign-ups start next week
- LTC practice starts TODAY! Volunteer to help develop our young men and woman to lead and serve. You don't have to have a child this age to volunteer your time and service. Contact Beth Astor or Mike Baskett

Future View

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

In Mike's Basket

"And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love." I Corinthians 13:13. I was doing some listening to ESPN commentators over the past week... now that football is slowing way down (total bummer), basketball has taken more and more of the spotlight. The word "CENTER" is coming up quite a bit – the "BIG MAN" in the middle. As is true in lots of NBA championships, having a good center is a key to basketball. In fact, as the commentary continued, these experts observed that several awesome, NBA Hall of Famers, had never received that championship ring because they lacked that premier center. When I think of the "big men" I think of Wilt Chamberlain, Robert Parish, Hakeem Olajuwon, Shaq, and my favorite, Kareem Abdul Jabaar. There's so many more! The center is extremely important in basketball!!

So what about the church? Is it budgets, nice buildings, sermons, Bible classes, or even bulletin articles? We can have loads of talent, education, and wealth... but we'll still die on the vine without our center. Many times we place emphasis on the importance of the elders... the deacons... the Bible class teachers... the ministry leaders... (and *there is importance* there), but let's consider that the early church had Paul and John and Apollos and Barnabas and the rest of the apostles and members giving their very lives for the sake of the gospel. That was an amazing time! Is that the reason they grew? Is that the reason they were so close as a body? Paul uses this church like a body illustration in I Corinthians 12 – he reminds the Corinthians how important EVERY member is to the success of the entire body. The "least" members, those deemed insignificant at times, those that don't grab the spotlight, those are folks who need to be remembered too! If I were Paul, I think I'd remember who held the ropes when escaping Damascus! All of us matter to the success of the body!

So if Jesus is our foundation – and we've got great forwards and guards – we've got a great bench – we've got great coaches – and even supporting fans – everything we need physically to grow... what or who is our CENTER?!?! It's in the verse above... **LOVE!** Love builds the church! Love changes hearts! Love tears down walls and mends broken lives! I think that the vital center has got to be love! Let's learn to love like Jesus this week. Let's show that love each and every day. Have a great week! *Mike*

CURRENT EVENT

JANUARY

- 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 2 GoldenAgers Social
- Feb 9 Ladies Bible Class Luncheon
- Feb 12 New Member Party
- Feb 14 GoldenAgers Luncheon
- Feb 27 Duncan Bible Bowl
- Mar 27 Kansas Bible Bowl
- Apr 2-3 LTC at Rogers, AR
- Apr 24 Community Outreach
- May 14 GoldenAgers Dinner sponsored by the HS
- May 16 Senior Night
- Jun 6-12 CAMP
- Jul 25-29 VBS

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

- Jan 17 Area Wide Skate Night****
- Jan 24 High School Devo****
- Jan 29-31 Akouo****
- Mar 13-18 Ski Trip**
- Apr 17 Big Nite Out****
- Jun 25-Jul 1 Senior Trip****

Teens

TONIGHT

**AREA WIDE
SKATE NIGHT -
JANUARY 17**

NO BUS!

HS DEVO - JANUARY 24

@THE BROCKWAYS

AKOUO - JAN 29-31

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR

For 3 year olds thru 1st grade

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 Transfiguration

Teach G Murdock
Monitor H Martin

February 14, 2010

Lesson 19 – The Sinful Woman

Teach H Martin
Monitor I Honea

How to Shorten the Preacher's Sermon!

There is an old time article entitled: "What You Can Do To Shorten The Preacher's Sermon." Doesn't that catch your attention (I'm sure Tim is reading very intently at this moment)? As I read the suggestions, I made the connection to our Bible classes and our desire to be a part of the Bible class hour.

Here are the suggestions and you may apply them to either situation.

Number 1 **Listen Intently** - check the time and remind yourself, Alexander Campbell spoke for 2 1/2 hours.

Number 2 **Bring A Bucket** - Come prepared to take in all you can. Faith comes by hearing the word (Romans 10:17).

Number 3 **Have Nothing Planned** - Don't make plans that will interrupt your thoughts until the worship service or Bible class is over. Lunch, golf, TV, the game, this week's problems at work, etc. can all wait until the lessons are over and you have recharged and gained knowledge from God's Word.

And here is my added suggestion to this list.

Number 4 **Bring Your Bible** - Turn to the verses being discussed, read, mark, take notes... be active in the faith growing process.

Now... what are your suggestions to make the 'Preacher's sermon' shorter? I would love to hear from you!

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, January 24: *"Born of God"*

New Members: Scotty, Vonda & Jameson* Buntin, 19605 E 36th St., BA, 74014 ph. 282-5450

Freddie & Charlcie Been, 4805 E Commercial, BA, 74014 ph. 355-3258

Nathan, Mandy & Noah* Robison, 1305 E Vancouver St, BA, 74012 ph. 286-1040

Congregational News

Third Sunday Dinner is TODAY in the OC. Dinner of Soup, sandwiches & desserts ready to eat. A short devotional will follow lunch. No 5 pm service! Visitors please join us!

LTC Practice Begins: TODAY, after the afternoon worship. Practice will continue each Sunday afternoon until the LTC Convention. See back of bulletin for times.

Secret Sister Revealing: TODAY, 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 TOMORROW 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 **TOMORROW**. Registration is \$90.00. AKOUO: Greek for "I hear."

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

Nursing Mother's Room Needs: The room is now being used by several of our mothers during worship services. Currently they have only 3 places to sit for nursing and rocking. We are in need of seating for the mothers (rocking chairs, a couch and/or upholstered chairs).

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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

**Practice Begins Today following
afternoon devotional.**

Puppets 2:00

Drama 3:00

Chorus 4:00

Attention

HS Seniors

It is **now** time to **apply** for the **O.C.W.A. Scholarships** to Oklahoma Christian University. This year's scholarships will be in varied amounts depending on available funds.

Applications are on the youth page of our website and at the Youth Booth.

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: Pork Loin Dinner

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:

Bath Tissue



January 24, 2010 - TO SERVE
SONG LEADER

David Maynard

SHEPHERD'S PRAYERS

Ron Baxter

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 - Rick Jones
For Cup - Gary Jones

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Corey Jones

CLOSING PRAYER

Scott Keele

January 24, 2010 - TO SERVE
SCRIPTURE READING

Bob Arledge

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Jeanne Mason Addie Palmer
Pam Mitchell Cassie Palmer

DOORGREETERS

1. Tom & Karen Scism
2. Robert & Marie Stow
3. Brian & Terra Street
4. Fred & Andrea Suffridge
5. Kyle & Shelly Thomas
6. Mary Thompson & Carolyn Vest

USHERS

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

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Gayle Langston & Sue Brewer
PM Hosts - Steve & Jackie McDonald

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Mary Jane Carriger & Sue Doss
Jim & Darla Coghill

PM Hosts - Gerry & Darla Lynn
Bill & Jean Murdock

January 24, 2010 - TO SERVE
SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER

Jordan Maples

EVENING PRAYERS

Rich Kilmer
Keith Kashwer

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Lois McNeal Candice Morrow
JoAnn Mitchell Holly Parker

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Archer Honea
Jon Huff

**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:

Riley Astor has been diagnosed with Type I diabetes.
Ray Duwe is St. Francis, ICU4501, with pneumonia & seizures.
Some improvement is being seen.
Tabitha Hansen is in St. Francis, #7121.
Karen Scism is home following kidney stone surgery on Tuesday.
Becky Sisson fell and broke her wrist.

Tom Birmingham (brother of Kelly Wann) will have heart tests this week.

Amy Gillespie (cousin of Stephen LupPlace) will soon be having cancer surgery. Please remember her husband & 3 year old daughter.

Marty Karguth (sister of Eric Norris) has been diagnosed with cancer.

Gene Soward (Diane Baker's father) is in St Francis South with pneumonia.

Members: Carl Alexander, Rhonda Blackstock, Heather Blevins, Larry Brewer, Taylor Caballero, Bill Childress, *Laura Copeland*, *Marge Curnutt*, *Georgiana Dixon*, Judy Emerson, *Dee Hall*, Helen Holleyman, *Jack Hudkins*, Gavin Kuykendall, *Carolyn Lee*, Edwina Lyle, Darla Lynn, Colette McCullin, Richard Mosby, *Barbara Poteet*, Lillian Qualls, Orvind White, *Stephanie White*

(Prayer List continued on back of insert)

WEDNESDAY - January 27, 2010

INFORMATION CENTER

Joel & Kathleen Pence

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Dave & Terri Larson
James & Tonya Stephens

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of
January 10, 2009

Bible Class	466
AM Worship	710
PM Worship	NA
Wednesday	483
Contribution	\$25,034
Budget	\$21,018
Contribution YTD	\$53,686
Budget YTD	\$42,036
Over/(Under)	\$11,650

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)

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), Marilyn Herndon (sister of Mary Byrd), 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 Mamula, Matt McGuire, Brett Moore, Joel Newton, Wyatt Paschal, Derrick Roberts, John Stephens, Chris Wadsworth, Christopher Young*

Shut-ins: Nina Birge, Helen Broadhurst, Pauline Brown, Bill Childress, Sacia Coleman, Neal Dobbins, Clifford & Robbie Gilliland, Vanelle Helm, Pete Huntsman, Belton & Dorothy Kuykendall, John D. Lee, Lonita Nutt, Bill Powers, Jack & Doris Steele, Dorothy Stutz, Pat Tobey

Long-term Illness: Haleigh Baker, Carla Bare, Mitchell Bean, Pam Bonwell, Pat Boulter, Jim & Frances Bryan, Gage Dixon, Ray Duwe, Michael Elliott, Camille Fitzgerald, L.H. Gassaway, Emily Graves, Dee Hall, Lisa Hancock, Roxanna Honea, Herman Johnson, Marjorie Jones, Alta & Lloyd Lamirand, John A. Lee, Sharon Love, Betty Martin, James & Belinda Mitchell, Don Spink, Sonny Steele, Walt Willson, Paris York

Congregational News (continued)



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.

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.

Directory Changes

- Charles & Lillian Qualls — ph. 724-0825
- Warren Vaughan — 17110 E 51st St, Apt G48, BA, 74012 ph. 355-5083
- Stephanie West — 1207 S Jamestown Ave, Tulsa, 74112 ph. 851-8349

Thank You

- ◆ Dear church family, Heartfelt thanks for the nice plant Broken Arrow church sent for my sister Thelma's funeral service. Acts of kindness such as this made a sorrowful day more bearable. In Christian Love, **Montez Smith**
- ◆ Dear Church, Thank you for all the prayers on my behalf. I also really appreciated the DVD (sermons) while homebound. **Barbara Poteet**
- ◆ Thank you for the love you have shown our family on mom's death. We are so blessed to have you in our lives. All the calls, cards, and visits just made mom feel special. Thank you for the beautiful plant and the wonderful lunch from the ladies. Just thank you so much for everything. **The Laura Moore family**
- ◆ Dear Church family, Thanks so much for all the food, kind words and time you spent with us during our father's passing and service. We know it was very difficult to make arrangements due to the holidays and weather, but we'll never forget all that was done. Sincerely, **The Leslie Brewer Family**
- ◆ Dear church Family, We want to express our thanks for all that has been done for us and our loved ones during our time of loss. You fed us, hugged us, sang to us, sent us beautiful cards, and shared with us word of encouragement and sympathy. The lovely plant will be a reminder of the one we loved and of your love for us. Each act of compassion touched our hearts and lifted us up, and for each one we are grateful. With love, **Richard and Janet Davis**

Sympathy

Sympathy is sent to **Robby & Margarete Mosley and family** on the passing of Margarete's mother, **Mary Barton**, on Tuesday, January 12. Services were held on Friday.