

TOGETHER

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From Tim Pyles

Among the many blessings that I have enjoyed over the last four and a half months is the opportunity that I have had to begin working with and getting acquainted with the ministry staff and office staff here at the Broken Arrow church. Scott, Mike, Rich, Colleen, and Nora have all impressed me greatly with their love for the Lord and His church, their gifts and talents, their commitment to the work of this congregation, and the way in which they serve together in a spirit of mutual respect, cooperation, and support. Each of them has contributed greatly to making my transition into ministry here a smooth one, and I appreciate them more than I can express.

The staff and the congregation have enjoyed an additional blessing this summer in having Mike Coghill and Reuben Dolan serve as our summer youth interns. Internships provide a dual blessing; it is a great help for the congregation to have "additional hands on deck" for the great number and wide variety of summer youth activities, and it is a tremendous opportunity for the interns to get hands-on, practical ministry experience. The interns are close enough in age to our youth that they can relate to them on a very personal level, yet they are enough older than them to be able to offer counsel and instruction from the vantage point of being a few years farther down the road of life and faith. Under the able and effective leadership of Mike Baskett, Mike and Reuben have been doing an outstanding job this summer building relationships with our youth and assisting them in their spiritual growth and maturity. They have already been involved with Burnt Cabin Christian Camp, Timothy Class, Out of Eden, Band of Brothers, S.A.L.T. (Salt and Light Taskforce), work camp, the Conifer Mission Trip, 50 Days of Food and Fun, Bible classes and devotionals, and I am sure that their skills and energies will be utilized during VBS next week. Mike will be preaching in our morning worship assembly today, and Reuben will share a message during the afternoon devotional following the fellowship lunch in the Outreach Center. Please take the time and make a special effort to encourage these young men in their faith, and let them know how much you appreciate their commitment and their service with our youth this summer.

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Joel Pence

Anywhere with Jesus - 414

Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing - 121

I Stand in Awe - 96

Shepherd's Prayer – Dave Maynard

Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? - 382

Lord's Supper

Contribution

Glorify Thy Name - 77

Standing on the Promises - 452

Scripture Reading - Hebrews 1:1-6

NO BIBLE HOUR

"Being Reverent Before God"

Speaker - Mike Coghill

Jesus Is Tenderly Calling - 947

When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder - 852

Prayer

AFTERNOON WORSHIP

Song Leader – Jim Hoffmeister

Speaker - Rueben Dolan

VISITORS PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR THIRD SUNDAY FOOD & FELLOWSHIP



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

An afternoon worship 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
- Third Sunday Food & Fellowship - TODAY
- Shepherds are available in the conference room during Bible class on Sundays & Wednesdays to pray for any need. Come by and have the shepherds pray with you
- Sign up today in the foyer to help with VBS
- Volunteer to help with the 50 Days of Food & Fun. See Colleen De-therage
- Thank God for the safe return of our mission teams
- Thank God for the continued unknown giving of church members for special needs of others within the congregation

Future View

- Shepherd contact for July - Tim Walton
- Next Shepherd/Minister meeting - July 20
- VBS begins Next Sunday - July 26

In Mike's Basket

A young boy rushed up to his father and said, "Dad! Tom has done me wrong. I can't believe he betrayed our friendship! I'm gonna get even with him if it's the last thing I do!" The father pondered his son's words for a moment and replied, "Son, when you start out to get even, why not **'get even'** with somebody who has done you a favor?!"

Isn't that great wisdom? We need to remember the grace and love of God. What a gift! As the psalmist has written in **Psalm 116:12**, "**How can I repay the Lord for all His goodness to me?**" The impossible goal of repaying Christ is set before us. Do we leave it alone and go our own way, or do we figure out ways to show our gratitude? Jesus says that to give back in all ways is a good measure of our love. To forgive as He forgives is one of those essentials in the kingdom. To love as He loves is one of those essentials to our growth and effectiveness. To show mercy as He has shown mercy is one of those essentials in receiving mercy. It's just that simple! We need to **"get even"** in a positive way!

The Jews had a thought process in regards to making things "square" or making things "even" – they used the phrase: **"An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth."** It was this idea that justice was on a scale of some sort, a scale of somewhat equal measure. Jesus changed all that! In the Sermon on the Mount, He lays down some principles that have remained to this day (paraphrased): **"If someone hits you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also."** **"If someone asks you to walk one mile, walk two miles."** **"If someone asks for the shirt off your back, give him your coat too!"** It's not hard to understand this! When we feel that we've been hurt or taken advantage of or we wish to use the phrase, "that's not fair," we should consider how Jesus suffered; we should consider what Jesus gave to us. Can we match that love? The next time something happens where we feel **"getting even"** is necessary, maybe we can find a way to shower others with the love of Christ! Think about it! Have a great week! *Mike*

CURRENT EVENTS

JULY

- 19 3rd Sunday Food, Fellowship & Worship (No 5 pm service)
Amy Gonzalez Baby Shower
MS Mini Lock-In**
- 21 MS Gals' "Out of Eden" & MS Guys' "Timothy" Class **
- 23 S.A.L.T.**
- 26-30 VBS
- 26-31 Owasso Preacher Training**
- 28 Last MS Gals "Out of Eden" & MS Guys "Timothy" Class **
- 30 Last S.A.L.T.
- 31 HS Guys Lock-In**

FUTURE:

- Aug 1 Clothing Room Open
Devin Lawrence Baby Shower
- Aug 2 Wedding Shower for Aaron & Julia Anderson
- Aug 9 Wedding reception & shower for Brent & Holly Worden
- Aug 12 First Day of School
- Nov 13-15 GoldenAgers to Branson

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

- July 19 MS Mini Lock-In**
- July 26-31 Owasso Preacher Traing**
- July 31 HS Guys Lock-In**
- Aug 3 & 4 HS Six Flags Trip**
- Aug 9 MS & HS Combined Devo**

** Youth Events

VBS
IS COMING
SUNDAY - WEDNESDAY
JULY 26 - 29, 2009

**CHILDREN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART
A STUDY OF THE HEART OF DAVID**

CLASSES FOR:

AGES 3 - KDG

GRADES 1ST - 5TH

MIDDLE SCHOOL: GRADES 6TH - 8TH

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR

For 3 year olds thru 1st grade

July 26, 2009

NO BIBLE HOUR

August 2, 2009

Lesson 37 – Peter, John and the Lame Man

Teach K Larson
Monitor A Keele

August 9, 2009

Lesson 38 – Ananias & Sapphira

Teach A Keele
Monitor B Street

August 16, 2009

Lesson 39 - The Conversion of Saul

Teach A Keele
Monitor B Street

August 23, 2009

Lesson 39 - The Call to Macedonia

Teach B Street
Monitor C Hoffmeister

Forgive and Forget

Here is something you already know..."It is difficult to *forgive and forget*." In fact, I am convinced that some of us would even argue that we should not forget. And our words would sound a bit like this, "It would be foolish to have been wronged by someone and to forget what they have done...what they are capable of...and what could happen again in the future. I do not want to be foolish, I will be smart. I will be vigilant to make sure I am never harmed that way again."

Here is something you already know... "When we sin against someone, we want to be forgiven and have the incident forgotten (and usually as quickly as possible). When we are the ones sinned against...well that seems to be a different story.

Here is an illustration for grade school children:

Read to them Matthew 18:21-22, "Then Peter came to Jesus and asked him, 'Lord, how often do I have to forgive a believer who wrongs me? Seven times?' Jesus answered him, 'I tell you, not just seven times, but seventy times seven.'"

Now...take them outside and have them stand in a circle. Say, "I'm going to tell something I haven't yet forgiven someone for, then I'm going to throw this ___ (soft drink brand of your choice) can to someone else. When you catch the can, tell something you need to forgive someone for, then throw it to someone else who does the same thing. We will continue until everyone has had a chance to throw the can. (Taken from "Devotions: 110 Eye-popping, Jaw-dropping Children's Messages" by Group)

At the appropriate time, take the soft-drink can, point it away from the kids and open it...what happens?

What happens when we withhold forgiveness? What happens when someone wrongs us and we do not forgive them? They may even wrong us many times in one day. So, what do you think? Let me ask Jesus a question and you imagine what He would say back to me.

Q: Jesus, if my church friend hurts me by their actions and words...how long do I have to put up with that? When am I justified in "telling them off" or "letting them have it?" When is it ok for me to quit worshipping with them and leave the assembly because that person is a hypocrite? How many times is finally enough? Seven? (and I'm thinking, 'Fool me once...shame on you...fool me twice...shame on me.)

Here is what I imagined...

A: Jesus holds his Dr Pepper can to the side...shakes it up...then pops the lid. After the rooster tail of flying liquid slows, He says, "No...not seven...how about four hundred and ninety?"

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, July 26: *"Why Should I Be Allowed Into Heaven?"*

Prayer Request: Leslie Brewer for forgiveness

Congregational News

Baby Shower for Amy Gonzalez, TODAY, 2 pm in the Parlor. Mitch & Amy are expecting a girl and are registered at Target & Babies-R-Us.

Clothing Room Opens Saturday, August 1, from 9 am to 12 noon. Summer clothing will be available. Please sign-up to help.

A Baby Shower for Devin Lawrence will be August 1, at 10 am at the home of Faith Kuykendall, 19103 E 49th St. S, Tulsa. Devin is expecting a boy & is registered at Babies-R-Us.

A Wedding Shower for Aaron & Julia Anderson will be Sunday, August 2, from 2-4 pm in the Parlor. They are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target. Aaron & Julia placed membership with us in March and were married June 20. Come meet them.

A Wedding Reception & Shower for Brent Worden and his new bride Holly will be August 9 from 2-4 pm in the Parlor. The happy couple is registered at Dillard's & Target.

Kids Kare is currently accepting enrollment for classes beginning August 18, 2009. Classes are available for children ages 4 months through 5 years. Contact the church office (258-9602) or Melissa Gillin for information.

The **Clothing Room will be closed** during the **month of August**. Please hold all donations until September 2. We will begin taking winter clothing at that time.

Take-A-City #4, Kayenta, AZ: Rez Review may be picked up at the Information Center.

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 (214-493-9769)• Rich Kilmer (806-6742)

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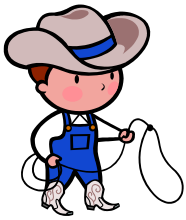
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VBS

Children After God's Own Heart A Study of the Heart of David July 26-29



Volunteers: A few city leaders and classroom helpers are still needed. Sign-up to help!

Cookies, cookies & more cookies will be needed. Also sandwich zip-lock type bags are needed. Plan to bring the cookies and the bags on

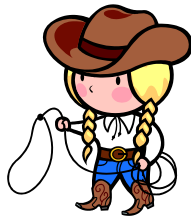
Sunday, July 26.

Sign-up sheets are on the board in the foyer.

There will be classes for ages 3-KDG, grades 1st—5th, grades 6th-8th and adult.

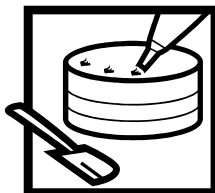
Registration forms are available in the foyer and on our website. www.bacoc.org

If you have any decorations that could be used for our cowboy/cowgirl theme such as hay bales and wagon wheels, please see Loretta Turner.



Hope Harbor Needs:

*Frosting for
Flavored
Cake Mixes*



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.

July 26, 2009 - TO SERVE
SONG LEADER
Kyle Thomas

SHEPHERD'S PRAYER
Richard Mosby

LORD'S SUPPER A.M.

1. Josh Wann
2. Steve Wann
3. Rick Ward
4. Paul West
5. Ray Wilburn
6. Walt Willson
7. Chris Wilson
8. Corey Wilson
9. Brent Worden
10. Paris York
11. Victor York
12. Bob Arledge
13. Ron Baxter
14. Harold Billings
15. Shane Blackstock

PRAYERS FOR LORD'S SUPPER

For Bread - Richard Davis
For Cup - Ryan Dent

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Bill Detherage

CLOSING PRAYER

Robert Dowdy

July 26, 2009 - TO SERVE
SCRIPTURE READING
Patrick Edison

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Gayla Alexander Lori Gillin
Beth Whisenhunt Francis Gillin

DOORGREETERS

1. Bernard & Carol Anderson
2. Clyde Barnes & Darrel Davidson
3. Gail Baxter & Sandra Butler
4. Mitchell & Charlene Bean
5. Harold & Dorothy Billings
6. Sherman & Alice Boley

USHERS

2. Brian Street
3. Harold Tydings
4. David Updike
5. Kyle Walton

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Aaron & Elizabeth Laney
PM Hosts - Lynn Marshall & Bill Davis

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Jack & Gloria Hale
 Steve & Jackie McDonald
PM Hosts - Junior & Joyce Ackley
 Dick & Sharon Ray

July 26, 2009 - TO SERVE
SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER
Jared Pence

EVENING PRAYERS

Bill Duwe
Patrick Edison

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S 111S
Kristi Forman Gloria Hale
Kristina Dixon Sharon Hamilton

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Jim Coghill
Tom Coleman

**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:

Ray Duwe is in St. Frances-Tulsa, #4336, with pneumonia.
Margaret Gamble is in St. Frances-Tulsa, ICU4511, in critical condition.
Dee Hall is home with pneumonia.

Members: Junior Ackley, *Frances Bryan, Georgiana Dixon, Tabitha Hansen, Marjorie Jones, Adam, Faith & unborn baby, Brody, Kuykendall, Lisa Legg, Margarete Mosley, Jared Scism (in Japan), Doris Steele, Neil White*

Friends & Family: Larry & Shirley Addington (brother-in-law & sister of Barbara Craghead), *Frank Barganier (father of Celia Rosser), Scott Garman (friend of the Blevins), Retha Jordan (mother of Karen Burnette), Jennifer Lyons (friend of Amy Gonzalez), Olene Marrs (recent visitor to our congregation), Terry & Linda McMichael (friends of the Kashwers), Sheila Mitchell (daughter of Dick & Sharon Myers), Jean Moon (friend of Nancy Cooper), John Neil (grandfather of Andrew Patterson), Harry Orahood (father of Steve McDonald), Annette Overton (Rhonda Blackstock's mother), Rich Pietrucha (son-in-law of Warren & June Smith), Tom Sorrels (principal of Oliver Middle School), Margaret Teakell (former member & member at Whispering Hills), Asher Van Meter (grandson of Mary Harper), John Ware (brother of Phylis McWherter)*

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WEDNESDAY - July 29, 2009

INFORMATION CENTER

Mary Thompson Lynch
& Gerri Henderson

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Jim Lee & Junior Nipps
Bill & Charlotte Thraikill

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of
July 12, 2009

Bible Class	420
AM Worship.....	687
PM Worship.....	425
Wednesday	401
Contribution.....	\$20,874
Budget.....	\$21,016
Contribution YTD.....	\$561,893
Budget YTD.....	\$588,448
Over/(Under)	(\$26,555)

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)

Military: Shawn Boggs, Travis Cardinal, Brian Chandler, Steven Copeland, Justin Garrison, Lucas Heffner, Josh Holcomb, David Honea, Colby Jacobson, Brant Jacobson, Zac Leka, Rob Lee, Eric Lewis, Tray & Hope Mamula, Bryan McCall, Matt McGuire, Brett Moore, Joel Newton, Wyatt Paschal, John Stephens, Chris Wadsworth, Travis Williams

Shut-ins: Mary Barton, Nina Birge, Helen Broadhurst, Pauline Brown, Ruth Davis, Clifford & Robbie Gilliland, Pete Huntsman, Belton & Dorothy Kuykendall, John D. Lee, Laura Moore, Lonita Nutt, Bill Powers, Jack & Doris Steele, Dorothy Stutz, Pat Tobey

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

YOUTH NEWS

Middle School Mini Lock-In for guys & gals:

Sunday, July 19, in the OC from 6 pm until midnight. Bring \$3 for pizza. Parents to pick up students at midnight.

High School Guys Lock-In:

Friday night & Saturday morning, July 31-August 1, at the OC from 8 pm until 9 am. Bring drinks, snacks will be provided.

High School Six Flags Trip:

Monday & Tuesday, August 3 & 4. Sign-up at the table in the foyer. Cost is \$60.00. Sponsors are needed. Please contact Reuben Dolan or Mike Coghill if you can sponsor.

Happenings Around the Area & Beyond

Porter Church of Christ will have a lectureship on Saturday, August 8, from 9 am until noon entitled "Holding to the Traditions". See the bulletin boards for more info.

Greece 2011: Charles King (Owasso Church of Christ) is planning a trip to Greece, including Crete, Patmos, Athens and the Grecian Isles in June 2011. Anyone interested can contact him at 814-1190.



Ladies Needed: The Junior girls (4th & 5th grades) are in need of a Sunday morning teacher. With a few volunteers a rotation schedule can be worked out. See Kevin Lee if you have questions or would like to help.



Ladies involved in 2nd quarter of Secret Sisters, please pick up your new Secret Sister assignment at the WinGS table TODAY. They are filed under the initial of your Last Name!

Thank You

Dear church family, Thank you for all the lovely cards, kind words and prayers when my sister, Beatrice Rogers, passed away. **Mildred Cooper**

Sympathy

Sincere sympathy goes out to **Ron & Gail Baxter** on the death of Ron's uncle, Warren Hope, from Greenville, TX. His service was Friday.

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Lloyd & Alta Lamirand**. On Tuesday, July 21, they will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary.

