



TOGETHER

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From Tim Pyles

As I drove to the office one morning last week, I noticed a small dead bird lying at the edge of the street, nestled up against the curb. I assume that it had been hit by a car. My first thought was, "Poor little guy; he probably never saw it coming." Then I thought about something that Jesus said. "Aren't two sparrows sold for only a penny? But your Father knows when any one of them falls to the ground" (Matthew 10:29, CEV).

Jesus' statement about sparrows was intended to make a much larger point about God's care, concern, and knowledge of those who have been created in His own image. Jesus continued in Matthew 10, "But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows" (Matthew 10:30-31). The Teacher masterfully employed understatement here. In our Father's eyes, we are more valuable than *all* the sparrows in the world; indeed, we are more precious than the cumulative value of every material thing on the planet.

Though our Creator's thoughts and ways are infinitely higher than our own (Isaiah 55:8-9), that does not mean that He is distant, detached, or disinterested. "He is not far from each one of us; for in Him we live and move and exist" (Acts 17:27-28).

"O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; You understand my thought from afar. You scrutinize my path and my lying down, and are intimately acquainted with all my ways. Even before there is a word on my tongue, behold, O Lord, You know it all. You have enclosed me behind and before, and laid Your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is too high; I cannot attain to it. Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend to heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the dawn, if I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, even there Your hand will lead me and Your right hand will lay hold of me" (Psalm 139:1-10).

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Joel Pence

I Stand In Awe - 96

On Bended Knee - 791

Shepherd's Prayer – David Maynard

Soldiers of Christ, Arise - 647

Low in the Grave He Lay - 344

Lord's Supper

Contribution

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus - 679

Scripture Reading - I Samuel 27:1-7

NO BIBLE HOUR

"David's Discouragement and Doubt"

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Do You Know My Jesus? - 943

To Canaan's Land I'm on My Way - 867

Prayer

AFTERNOON WORSHIP

Song Leader – Erich Anderson

Speaker - Mark Street

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 Center.

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
- 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
- Summary of Minister/Shepherds Meeting: March 17
 1. Shepherding groups reviewed and prayer offered
 2. Shepherd selection time line discussed

Future View

- Shepherd contact for March - Glen Lyle
- Next Shepherd/Ministers meeting - April 5 & 21
- Life Group Sunday - April 11
- Day of Worship & Rest - April 25
- Prayer Marathon - May 7-8

In Mike's Basket

I set my cruise 10 miles UNDER the speed limit... I was in no hurry and it gave me time to think. As I watched people passing me at varying speeds, I was watching out-of-town license plates, trucking company names, and bumper stickers. It was also fun taking note of the "stuff" many people had in their back seats or in the back of their pick-ups. Then an off-road vehicle came whizzing past me with New Mexico plates... on the headache rack there were two sets of snow skis and on the back they had a special rack holding two mountain bikes. "Man," I thought, "wish I was on my way skiing or mountain bike riding!" Their "stuff" prompted me to think of youth, excitement, and enjoying life in the great outdoors!

Just about the time I'd finished fantasizing being on that gnarly black double-diamond... I came upon a very simple white, Toyota Camry. It was easy to remember because... #1, when you're driving 10 miles under the speed limit you don't pass too many people... and #2, on the top of the car were two items, very different from the mountain bikes and skis! Tied down with a couple of bungee cords were a wheelchair and a potty chair. "Man," I thought, "glad I'm not at the point of wheelchairs or potty chairs." Their "stuff" prompted me to think of age, pain, suffering, and the end of life.

As we "travel" through life – what do we carry with us? I'm not talking about the physical – I'm talking about the spiritual! As I walk through life what do people think about when they see me? Do they see the happiness, peace and joy that exists because of God's love and mercy? Or do they see another unhappy, church-goer who is confused about life? Read **Deuteronomy 30:11-20** - note verse 19 – **"I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live."** Let the word of God dwell in you richly! Grab the abundant life that Jesus promised! People should see life and excitement... not a dead faith and a worthless walk... Set your face like flint! Me? I choose life! I hope we can all choose to live with the reality of Heaven always on our hearts! Have a great week!
Mike

CURRENT EVENTS

MARCH

- 21 Third Sunday Fellowship & Lunch
- 26-27 Ladies Retreat
- 27 Kansas Bible Bowl
- 28 Doss/Walton Wedding Shower
MS/HS Combined Devo**

FUTURE:

- Apr 2-3 LTC at Rogers, AR
- Apr 3 Clothing Room Opens
- Apr 4 \$11,000.00 Special Burnt Cabin Contribution
- Apr 10 Coghill/Hartman Wedding Shower
- Apr 17 Kyle Binkley/Shannon Parker Wedding Shower
- Apr 18 Life Group Leader & Co-Leader Meeting
Kathleen Pence Baby Shower
- Apr 24 Community Outreach Nite
- Apr 25 *Day of Worship & Rest*
- May 7-8 Prayer Marathon
- May 14 GoldenAgers Dinner sponsored by the HS
- May 16 Senior Night
- Jun 6-12 CAMP
- Jun 12-20 Medical Mission Trip
- Jun 19 Father/Daughter Banquet
- Jun 18-July 5 Ukraine Mission Trip
- Jul 25-29 VBS

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

- Mar 28 Combined Devo**
- Apr 17 Big Nite Out**
- Jun 15-16 HS Six Flags Trip**
- Jun 25-Jul 1 Senior Trip**
- Jul 8-13 HS Mission to Conifer**



BURNT CABIN

CHRISTIAN CAMP

Special Contribution

Sunday, April 4

Goal: \$11,000.00

This will allow for capital improvements before the summer camp sessions begin.



CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR

For 3 year olds thru 1st grade

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

April 11, 2010

Lesson 25 – The Parable of the Prodigal Son

Teach C Hoffmeister
Monitor D Ward

April 18, 2010

Lesson 26 – Jesus and Bartimeus

Teach D Ward
Monitor E Emerson

Us and Worship

One day the famous orator Henry Ward Beecher had to be absent from the Plymouth church where he usually preached. His brother was invited to speak for him. The auditorium was crowded, but when it became evident that the eloquent Henry Ward Beecher was not going to appear, many started to leave the building. The brother of Beecher was not disturbed. He stood up before the murmuring crowd, called for silence and said, "All who came this morning to worship Henry W. Beecher may leave now. The rest will remain to worship God." No one left after that.

It seems to be a constant oversight on the part of some attending worship as to just what we are here. Some, like the Athenians, come only to hear the preacher say "some new thing" (Acts 17:21). "Is it relevant? Is it positive?" These are the mental guidelines used in judging sermons. The same is true to some who attended to judge the singing, the prayers, or the friendliness of the congregation. These may go away with a host of criticism, but the thing forgotten has been worship.

Why are we here to worship? What are we here to accomplish? Granted, some are here to "get it over with for the week" or "to get their ticket validated once more." But those who are here because we need the strength in carrying our crosses know the value in truly worshipping God. Worship has nothing to do with the song leader or the talent of the preacher. It has everything to do with us and our God. People will do what they will to please themselves... "Let the rest remain to worship God."

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, March 28: "God Is Compassionate"

Congregational News



LTC Meeting: TODAY, immediately after morning worship in the front of the auditorium. Departure time for Rogers, AR on Friday, April 2, is 2:45 pm. Please plan accordingly.

Tuesday Ladies Bible Class Workday will be this Tuesday, March 23, following Bible study. Please bring a sack lunch and help us work on quilts.

Ladies Retreat : **March 26-27**, registration is from 5—6 pm. If you are planning to ride the bus it leaves the building at 5 pm.

Medical Mission Trip to Guyana Meeting: A meeting for all those planning to go on the trip and for those that are still considering going is planned for Sunday, March 28, in room 103N following evening worship. Gerry Lynn will have some pictures of the area where you will be in Ghana.

Big Nite Out: Donations to help with the cost of Big Nite Out for our juniors and seniors are being taken. An envelope will be available in the Bible classes on Sunday morning, March 28, or you may give your money to Terry Walker.

Wedding Shower for Kyle Walton & Bailee Doss will be held Sunday, March 28, at 3:30 pm in the Parlor. The couple is registered at Kohl's and Target.

Wedding Shower for Mike Coghill & his fiancée, Jessica Hartman will be held Saturday, April 10, at 10 am in the Parlor. The couple is registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond, Target and Wal-Mart.

Take-A-City #4, Kayenta, AZ, dinner & meeting, Wednesday, March 31, at 5:30 in OC, room 3.

Needed: An energetic happy person to teach First Grade Bible class kids on Wednesday night.

Hats & Scarves: Don't forget to be knitting hats and scarves for the Ukrainian orphans. These will be delivered in June.



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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**COME & GO HOUSEWARMING
FOR MARTY & LISA LEGG**

Sunday, March 28

2 pm to 4 pm

As many of you know the Legg's had a major fire in their home several months ago. They are finally able to return to their home. Please drop by and celebrate with them.

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: Ham & Church Potatoes

Serving from 5:30 to 6:45 pm

Cost: Adults \$3.00

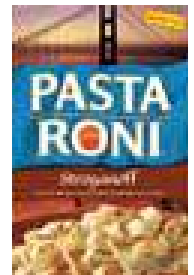
Children 6-11 \$2.00

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

Hope Harbor Needs:

Stroganoff

Dinner Mixes



March 28, 2010 - TO SERVE

SONG LEADER

David Maynard

SHEPHERD'S PRAYERS

Keith Walvoord

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 - Chris Wilson

For Cup - Corey Wilson

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Brent Worden

SCRIPTURE READING

Bill Detherage

CLOSING PRAYER

Jim Wiginton

March 28, 2010 - TO SERVE

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S

Katy King

Lisa King

111S

Elizabeth Laney

Elaine Lee

DOORGREETERS

1. Bill & Connie Kimrey
2. Robert Legg & Mary Alice Lynch
3. David & Abby Mainprize
4. Ed & Karen Mainprize
5. Colette McCullin & Lois McNeal
6. Steve & Jackie McDonald

USHERS

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

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Georgiana Dixon & Abbey Kilmer

PM Hosts - Jeff & Deanna Watson

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Victor & Teresa York
Gary & Gail Southern

PM Hosts - Brent & Barbara Saffell
Sonny & Rosie Steele

THE CARING CORNER HELPERS

Class - Sheila Haddock

AM - Liz Huff

PM - Abbey Kilmer

March 28, 2010 - TO SERVE

SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER

Archer Honea

EVENING PRAYERS

Ray Wilburn

Walt Willson

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S

Brenda Layman

Mignon Lee

111S

Sharon Legg

Keirstyn Legg

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Joel Pence

Nick Price

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 31, 2010

INFORMATION CENTER

Julie Parette & Mary Alice Lynch

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Terry & Dawn Walker

Jeff & Deanna Watson

THE CARING CORNER HELPER

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of

March 14, 2009

Bible Class	372
AM Worship	632
PM Worship..... (Life Group)...	480
Wednesday	341
Contribution	\$20,272
Budget	\$21,018
Contribution YTD	\$248,815
Budget YTD	\$231,198
Over/(Under)	\$17,617

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 is in St. Francis Heart, ICU 3414, doing better following heart surgery. No visitors, please.

Jim Bryan is home following a short trip to the hospital for an infection.

Gavin & Hannah Gonzalez, each had out-patient surgery on Wednesday.

Blinda Selim is having tests run this week.

Erin Arledge (daughter-in-law of Bob and Carol) is doing well following artery/vein surgery Wednesday of this week.

Members: Dale Bennett, Taylor Caballero, Willard Cooper, Jane Cunningham, *Marge Curnutt*, *Gage Dixon*, *Ray Duwe*, Edna Griffin, *Dee Hall*, Ethan Hancock, *Jack Hudkins*, Emma Lou Lamar, Betty Martin, Colette McCullin, Jess Mitchell, Richard Mosby, Ken Palmer, Barbara Poteet, Jerry Sampson, Karen Scism, *Paisley Stidham*, Rosetta Trowbridge, Jim Walton, Stephanie White

Friends & Family: *Earl Anderson* (Erich Anderson's father), Maggie Binkley (mother of Bruce Binkley), Melissa Calfey (friend of Abbey Kilmer), *Caiden Call* (premature newborn baby of Colleen Detherage's niece), Debbie Chovan (sister of Darlene Mathis), Katherine DeBarr (sister of Mary Lynch), Mattie Green (sister of Charles Qualls), John Joice (father of Bill Joice, former member), Sadie Jones (Gary Jones' mother), 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 Pascal), Pat Patterson (grandmother of Matt Wilks), Bob Simmons (father of Lisa Legg), Alex Thrash (7 month old niece of the Garrett's son-in-law),

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