



TOGETHER

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From Tim Pyles

Weddings. Birthday celebrations. Graduations. Special dinners. Ceremonies marking promotions, retirement, or other significant milestones in life. Award presentations. All of these are events to which you might receive a special, personal invitation. In this age of email, text, and Twitter, there is something extraordinarily nice about receiving a printed, formal invitation to an event. "You are cordially invited to ..." "The honor of your presence is requested at ..." It is not a summons for jury duty or a subpoena to appear in court. You are not being compelled to attend. The invitation communicates your value as a person to the one who is inviting you, and the event is described in such a way that enhances your desire to be present.

Jesus invites. Jesus asks. Jesus offers.

As the eternal Son of God, a sharer in the Divine Nature, and the Creator of the cosmos who has all authority in heaven and on earth, Jesus has every right to compel His creation to submit to His will. He could have entered the world as an authoritarian overlord who barked orders, screamed commands at His subjects, and demanded conformity to His iron-fisted rule.

Instead, He came with an invitation, an offer of salvation and eternal life. He didn't "round up" disciples like a rancher herding animals and forcibly driving them to a destination. As the gentle Shepherd, He said, "Follow me," and left it up to individual hearts and minds to listen to His voice, accept His invitation, and follow in His steps.

"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30).

Jesus invites us because He loves us and because He wants what is eternally best for us. He doesn't want us to have to suffer the consequences for our sins. He desires our presence with Him for eternity. He wants to grant us forgiveness, peace, comfort, hope, and fellowship. But He loves us enough to let us choose acceptance or rejection of His gift and His grace. Have you RSVPed?

10:00 AM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Wayne Pope

Highest Place - 155

Praise the Lord - 74

Shout to the Lord

Shepherd's Prayer – David Maynard

Will You Not Tell It Today? - 628

Open My Eyes, That I May See - 830

Communion Thoughts

How Deep the Father's Love

Lord's Supper

Contribution

Tell Me the Old, Old Story - 942

Scripture - John 1:35-45

NO BIBLE HOUR

"I Just Have to Tell You"

Faith Basics Series

Speaker - Tim Pyles

Rescue the Perishing - 639

Living By Faith - 560

Prayer

5:00 PM WORSHIP

Song Leader – Lee Turner

"Conform or Transform" - Daniel 1:8-16

Study of Daniel

Speaker - Tim Pyles

MISSION FORUM 2010

October 24-31



OPEN EYES

OPEN HEART

OPEN HANDS

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
- Pray for Mission Forum and plan your giving
- Summary of Ministers/Shepherds Meeting: 10-20-10
 1. Shepherding groups discussed and prayer offered
 2. Preacher Intern proposal discussed
 3. Wednesday Night start time discussed
 4. Security issues discussed
 5. Additional bus and box truck stored off site due to limits in parking during construction
- Ask any Shepherd or Minister for details

Future View

- Shepherd contact for October - Richard Davis
- Shepherd contact for November - Charles Emerson
- Next Shepherds/Ministers Meeting - November 1 & 17
- Mission Forum - Oct 24-31. Plan your giving
- Combined Sunday evening service with Whispering Hills congregation - November 7

In Mike's Basket

The first *Psalm* reminds us: ***"Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law he meditates day and night."*** I asked the question last week: Have you ever heard of **Lectio Divina**? This is a *sixth* century practice. There are four basic phases in the classic practice of spiritual reading; seen here in the original language, Latin: **lectio - meditatio - oratio - contemplatio**. (Remember to add an "n" to each word to get their English meanings.)

Last week we talked about **lectio** which literally means "reading." We get the terms "lection" and "lectionary" from this. It's the reflective reading – the love letter in your hand – the reading as if for the very first time... We also talked about **meditatio** which naturally translates as meditation. This is not studying – it's reflective thinking.

Oratio is associated with "spoken words." Terms like "oration" and "oratory" come from this Latin word. In the earlier years, this referred specifically to spoken prayer. In the context of *Lectio Divina*, it means the prayer that naturally flows out of our meditation. **Oratio** is the direct cry of the heart to God... that which rises from within when we've heard God speak directly to us through His Word. **Oratio** allows the human response. We literally talk back to God... a response to the truth revealed.

Contemplatio is simply contemplation. Contemplation is essentially rest – play – or Sabbath-time in God's presence. Here there are no expectations, no demands, no "need to know," no desire BUT to be in the presence of God. We are openly receptive to whatever God desires to do with us.

Strange image - - but think of a cow. A cow goes out and eats some grass (lectio), then stands under a tree and chews her cud (meditatio) until she extracts from her food both milk (oratio) and then cream (contemplatio). The first two steps are "taking in," the second two are "results" from the taking in. It's simply processing and reprocessing food until it is fully digested. *Lectio Divina* is simply "taking in" the bread of God's Word, chewing on it, and digesting it until it brings forth new life that can be shared with others. Hope this helps you in your reflection of God's hopes in your life! Have a great week! *Mike*

CURRENT EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 24 HS Devo** Bring \$3
- 27 Combined Adult Class-Mission Reports
- 29 MS/HS Fall Party**
- 30 Ministry Leaders Breakfast
Clothing Room Open
- 31 Mission Forum Sunday & Dinner
Good Guy Carnival

FUTURE

- Nov 2 Ladies Bible Class Luncheon
& Piggy Shower
GoldenAgers Social
- Nov 6 Father/Son Football Retreat
- Nov 7 Chase & Deanna Layman
Baby Shower
Combined Evening Worship
with Whispering Hills COC
- Nov 12-14 GoldenAgers to Branson
- Nov 14 GoldenAgers Luncheon
Life Group Sunday
- Nov 19 Business Breakfast
- Nov. 25 & 26 Holiday—Office Closed

FUTURE: MS &/or HS ONLY

- Oct 24 HS Devo**
- Oct 29 MS/HS Fall Party**
- Nov 14 Teen Area Wide Devo**
- Nov 19-21 MS/HS Fall Retreat**
- Dec 12 Teen Area Wide Devo**

Good Guy Carnival for Nursery - 5th Grade

The middle school will host the annual carnival on Sunday, October 31, from 6:15-8:00 pm in the OC. All children are invited to wear a costume and join the fun.

Middle schoolers & parents please sign-up if you plan to help out that night. Set-up will start at 3 that afternoon.



CANDY NEEDED!! Place candy on the table near the youth booth.

CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR

For 3 year olds thru 1st grade

**October 31, 2010
NO BIBLE HOUR**

November 7, 2010
Lesson 7 – Jesus & Nicodemus
Teach G Murdock
Monitor H Martin

November 14, 2010
Lesson 8 – Jesus Cleanses the Temple
Teach H Martin
Monitor I Lee

November 21, 2010
Lesson 9 – The Samaritan Woman at the Well
Teach I Lee
Monitor J Saffell

**November 28, 2010
NO BIBLE HOUR**

REMINDER OF OUR SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Our Bible study time on Sunday mornings is not just for our children! We have many adult Bible classes, each with experienced Bible teachers to help us grow in the knowledge and love of the Lord. There is a Bible class for you!

College/Young Pros	Hebrews	Bobby Morrow	North 203
Single Minded	Hebrews	Reece Parker	North 204-205
Young Families	Life of Moses	Richard Davis	OC #6
Adult 30's	Gospel of John	Bruce Binkley	OC #5
Adult 40's	Evangelism	Keith Walvoord	OC #4
Encouragement	Experiencing God	David Maynard	OC #7
Adult 50's	The Book of Acts	Charles Emerson	North 103
Adult 60's	Minor Prophets	S Keele & E Norris	Parlor (N 100)
Passport	Hebrews	Ron Lee	Auditorium
Lord's Lady	Deuteronomy	Lynnda Brown	OC #3
Ladies Class	Encouragement	Ellen Dowdy	North 101

If you would like to see the Four Year Adult Bible Curriculum plan, it is posted in the office hallway on the bulletin board by Tim's Office. Great information to see what is coming for your Bible class in the near future as well as finding a Bible class you would like to teach. If you would like to teach in our Adult Bible classes, be sure to contact Patrick Edison, Ron Lee, or Scott Keele

In Search of the Lord's Way: TV 47/Cable 7 Sunday, 7:30AM, October 31: *"Worship In Prayer"*

Prayer Request: Ken Palmer was laid off from his job this past week.

New Member: Lisa Gleason, 9327 E 81st St, Apt 1124, Tulsa, OK 74133 ph. 918-381-2389

GROWING THE LORD'S FAMILY—BORN AGAIN: Baptized Wednesday, October 20

Josh Okerstrom, 1901 N Butternut Ave, BA, 74012 ph. 510-8213

Naomi Winger, 1305 S Elm Pl, BA, 74012 ph. 829-8614

Congregational News

High School Devo: TONIGHT at Mike & Sharon Legg's home. (9711 S 236th E Ave, BA) Bon-fire & wiener roast planned. Everyone bring \$3 for dinner and guys bring 2-liter drink and gals bring cookies.



50 Days of Food & Fun - Looking Back-Looking Forward: A meeting of volunteers & interested people on Wednesday, October 27 at 6 pm will be in OC room 4 to critique 2010 and brainstorm for 2011. Feel free to bring your dinner.

wiener roast

Ministry Leaders Breakfast: Saturday, October 30, at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Clothing Room Opening: Saturday, October 30, from 9-11 am. Winter is coming and many people are still in need of warm clothing. Volunteers are needed to help on that day. Please sign-up in the foyer.

Middle School/High School Fall Party: Friday, October 29, at 6:30 pm at the home of Mike & Dana Martin. Costume contest, pumpkin carving, spook trail & photo ops. Girls bring pop and guys bring chips. Bus leaves the building at 6:03 pm.

Youth Ministry Teams: Volunteers are still needed throughout the year. Sign-up in front of the youth booth.

LTC Registration Forms are at the youth table. Make sure you fill one out if you plan to participate.

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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Mission Forum 2010

October 24 - 31

Purpose Cards

Sunday, October 24

Mission Reports

Wednesday, October 27

All adult classes will meet together in the auditorium.

Mission Forum & Potluck Dinner

Sunday, October 31

Speakers: Andrew Lemus, Lyle Asbill,
& Brandon Price

All adult classes will meet together in the auditorium.

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.

Nursing Mothers

A room has been set aside for you and your little one in the North wing on the second floor.



Wednesday Night Dinner

Menu: Mexican Stack-Up

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:

*Plastic Forks,
Spoons & Knives*



October 31, 2010 - TO SERVE

SONG LEADER

Keith Lancaster

SHEPHERD'S PRAYERS

Dave Larson

LORD'S SUPPER A.M.

1. Brandon Price
2. Nick Price
3. Tim Plowman
4. Mike Rampey
5. Dick Ray
6. Jeffrey Roberts
7. Brent Saffell
8. Tom Scism
9. Jim Schroeder
10. Chris Slaton
11. Brock Snitker
12. Gary Southern
13. James Stephens
14. Trent Stephens
15. Gary Tate

PRAYERS FOR LORD'S SUPPER

For Bread - Bruce Binkley
For Cup - Richard Davis

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

Charles Emerson

SCRIPTURE READING

Gerry Lynn

PRAYER FOR FORUM OFFERING

David Maynard

October 31, 2010 - TO SERVE

CLOSING PRAYER

Steve Copeland

MORNING NURSERY HELPERS

100S	111S
Gayla Alexander	Peggy Alexander
Michelle Bryan	Tammy Allen

DOORGREETERS

1. Mike & Narissa Rampey
2. Dick & Sharon Ray
3. Jeffrey & Terri Roberts
4. Linda Reeder & Tara Ryan
5. Brent & Barbara Saffell
6. Tom & Karen Scism

USHERS

2. Kevin Lee
3. Marty Legg
4. Jerry Lundy
5. Glen Lyle

INFORMATION CENTER

AM Hosts - Tim & Linnea Plowman
PM Hosts - Jim & Sue Walton

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

AM Hosts - Victor & Teresa York
 Gary & Gail Southern
PM Hosts - Gerry & Darla Lynn
 Alicia Askew & Angie DuBois

THE CARING CORNER HELPER

Class - Lori Walton
AM Worship - Loretta Turner
PM Worship - Deanna Watson

October 31, 2010 - TO SERVE

SUNDAY P.M. SONG LEADER

Archer Honea

EVENING PRAYERS

Ron Baxter
Tim Walton

EVENING NURSERY HELPERS

100S	111S
Teresa York	Kim Binkley
Alora Blevins	Sue Brewer

LORD'S SUPPER P.M.

Jimmy Turner
David Updike

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

LORD'S TABLE

(South) Brad Jones 518-6442
(North) Dwayne Canton .. 281-9171

PRAYERS

Jerry Lundy 357-5728

DOOR GREETERS

Gary Southern..... 355-3131

USHERS

Jerry Lundy 357-5728

WEDNESDAY - November 3, 2010
INFORMATION CENTER

Erma Wiginton & Julie Parette

WELCOME VOLUNTEERS

Richard & Emma Mosby
James & Tonya Stephens

THE CARING CORNER HELPER

STATISTICAL REPORT

Week of
October 17, 2010

Bible Class	402
AM Worship	NA
PM Worship.....	NA
Wednesday	375
Contribution	\$18,967
Budget.....	\$21,018
Contribution YTD.....	\$881,839
Budget YTD.....	\$882,756
Over/(Under)	(\$917)

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:

Heather Blevins had outpatient surgery on Friday.
Jim Bryan has returned home to Green Country Residential Care.
Alice Jackson has been released to rehab.
Terry Osburn had a follow-up appointment this week concerning her heart issues.
Barbara Poteet is being treated for a reoccurring infection.
Arlene Reed had laser eye surgery on Wednesday.
Janice Sosa fell on October 15 and broke her wrist in 2 places.

Michelle Ashlock (niece of Terry Osburn) had colon surgery on Tuesday in Austin, TX.
Cari Brawley (daughter of Terry Osburn) is in SouthCrest, room 204. She is having problems with her pregnancy.
Celeste Fleming (5 yr old daughter of a friend of Amy Gonzalez) is being treated for repeated unresponsive kidney infections.
Kari Long (daughter of Belinda Mitchell) has meningitis.
Frankie Weir (Dana Turner's mother) has been sent home with hospice.

Members: Riley Astor, *Carla Bare*, Clyde Barnes, Mitchell Bean, Morgan Blair, Jennifer Bradley, Scotty Buntin, *Bill Davis*, *Gage Dixon*, Lawana Duwe, *Camille Fitzgerald*, *Jo Ella Gotcher*, Dee Hall, Cara Jones, Belinda Mitchell, Jess Mitchell, Mike Nequette, *June Smith*, *Warren Vaughan*, Orvind White

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PRAYER LIST

Friends & Family: Chip Bloecher (friend of Steven Arledge), Ashley Chapman (friend of Abbey Wilks), *Ron Gwinn (son of George & Phyllis)*, *Betty Hallford (sister of Mary Harper)*, Lorraine Larson (mother of Dave Larson), Rhonda Mathis (niece of Gene & Beverly Dunn), Bob Minard (cousin of Rosie Steele), Bartley Osborne (father of a friend of Tracey Michael), Tammy Pietrucha (daughter of Warren & June Smith), *Willard Pyles (Tim's father)*, *James Rowland (husband of Winnie)*, *Mary Steger (mother of Charlotte Thrailkill)*, Suzette Stevens (co-worker of Karen Burnette), Diane & Kaz Zonko (mother & step-dad of Beth Whisenhunt)

Military: Shawn Boggs, Chance Callison, Travis Cardinal, Brian Chandler, Stevens Copeland, Blake Davis, Justin Garrison, Josh Holcomb, David Honea, Colby Jacobson, Brant Jacobson, Zac Leka, Rob Lee, Eric Lewis, Cathy Lovelace, Michael McCready, Matt McGuire, Brett Moore, Joel Newton, Wyatt Paschal, Mike Pyle, Derrick Roberts, John Stephens, Chris Wadsworth, Christopher Young

Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is expressed to **Terry, Dawn & Cameron Walker and Leslie & Jayci Caldwell** on the death of Dawn's father, Billy Reed, on Friday, October 15. His service was on Tuesday in Cleveland.

Sincere sympathy is extended to **Erich & Joy Anderson and family** on the death of Erich's father, Earl Anderson. He passed away on Monday, October 18, in Henderson, TN.

Condolences are expressed to **Ron & Gail Baxter** on the death of Ron's uncle, Leon Baxter. His service was Wednesday in McKinney, TX.

Thank You

Thank you for the prayers, cards and kind words expressed to us during the death of my mother. We also appreciated those that attended the funeral. We are so blessed to be a part of such a loving church family. Thank you, **Alicia Askew & family**

Thank you for all your prayers. I had a good doctor's visit last week and everything looks good. **Scotty Buntin**

I would like to thank the congregation for all the prayers, cards & visits during my illness. I am out of the hospital and feeling fine. I appreciate all that you've done for me. **Orvind White**

Congregational News (continued)

Westview Boy's Home - Tuesday Ladies Bible Class 16th Annual Piggy Bank Shower: Tuesday, November 2. The goal this year is to collect enough money to sponsor 5 boys and their pigs. This works out to \$2500. Everyone is welcome to participate in this endeavor. A brunch will be served following Ladies Bible Class and men are welcome to attend.



Baby Shower for Chase & Deanna Layman: Sunday, Nov 7, at 3:00 pm in the Parlor. They are expecting a boy & are registered at Babies-R-Us & Target. This is an essentials only shower.

GoldenAgers Trip to Branson: November 12 - 14, 2010. The Bus will leave at 8:30 am from the church building on Friday the 12th and proceed to Branson for some shopping and great shows. We will return home after worship on Sunday in Branson. Please sign up at the Information Center by Sunday, October 31st. We will be staying at the Days Inn on Keeter St. There will be a meeting before we go regarding our hotel, shopping and shows to see. Questions, please see Ron or Gail Baxter.



Kids Kare Scholarship: Kids Kare has a scholarship program for students in need. Scholarship funds are running low. If you are interested in sponsoring or helping sponsor a Kids Kare student, please see Scott Keele, Ray Wilburn or Melissa Gillin.



Secret Sisters – Did you put your form into the gold box on the Wings table for a secret sister? If so, you **need** to check the file box on the WinGS table for the name of your secret sister that you will have through next May! Only the Kickoff was cancelled last month. The fun is continuing!

Happenings Around the Area & Beyond **Charity Golf Tournament, Saturday, November 13th**

Sponsored by Jenks Church

Funds raised will benefit Community Care Food Pantry at Contact Church of Christ

For more information see the bulletin board in the north foyer.