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**435**- Sunday Morning

**DM-** Life Group

268- Sunday Classes

144- Wednesday Evening

**86-** Sunday Evening

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### Cross-Training: According to Plan Sermon notes – Sept. 1, 2019

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#### **ELDER TO CONTACT**

Elder to contact in September with prayer requests: Richard Keen 479-306-4081

#### **REGULAR WEEKLY MINISTRIES**

**Life Group** - Sundays at different times

**Granddad's Devo** - Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Room R5

Ladies Bible Class - Tuesdays at 10:00 am

**The Christian and Grief** - New Session Febuary 2 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Single & Parenting Class - New Session September 8, 2019

DC4K - New Session September 8, 2019

**DivorceCare** -September 8, 2019 **Financial Peace** - New Session September 11, 2019

**Celebrate Recovery** - Thursdays at 6:30 pm (Meal at 6:00 pm)

### Grow. Reach. Glorify.

# Robinson Avenue this week

Welcome to Worship

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2019** 

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WONDERFUL GRACE OF JESUS

THIS WORLD IS NOT MY HOME

CLAP YOUR HANDS

BUILD YOUR KINGDOM HERE

CALL OF WORSHIP

FAITHFUL LOVE

AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)

HOLY GROUND

COMMUNION OFFERING

AND CAN IT BE

CHILDREN DISMISSAL

IN MOMENTS LIKE THESE

COVENANT OF LOVE

THE LOVE OF GOD

#### Sermon

CROSS TRAINING: ACCORDING TO PLAN

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE

DAYS OF ELIJAH

PRAYER

### There's Always Hope!

### "Hope" is a beautiful word full of possibility

Today is the very best time of year to be a football fan! Do you know why? Because we still have hope. I'm happy that the Dallas Cowboys haven't lost any regular season games yet. Hopefully Arkansas hasn't either (thought at the time of this writing I can't be 100% sure of that). Nevertheless, most if not all of the season is still ahead of us and so there is still hope!

I want this to be a hopeful time for our church family as well. As we prepare to move into a newly renovated worship space I pray that the anticipation of that leads us to have hope for the future – hope for growth, hope for renewal, hope for new life. Of course, those aren't things that come merely from what is material and physical.

The real source of hope
The Bible in a Year

that we have is in Jesus. Paul says in Romans 5:2-5 "Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given us."

Notice the chain of events that begins with suffering and ends with hope! The knowledge of what lies ahead of us in our future actually allows us to "glory in our sufferings." The perseverance that we demonstrate forges our character thus preparing us to be fit for eternity. The biblical definition of "hope" is more than simply a mere wish even though this is the way we often define hope in our current vernacular. But biblical hope is a certainty – something that we know is coming but has not yet come.

Today we have another opportunity to reflect on the hope that we have. As we continue our study of the cross my prayer is that we will be better equipped to endure the sufferings of this life and will live more like our Savior.

-Keith Kilmer

### **Daily Reading Schedule (Chronological Order)**

Monday 2 Ezekiel 20-21 Tuesday 3 Ezekiel 22-23

Wednesday 4 Ezekiel 24-27

Thursday 5 Ezekiel 28-31

Friday 6 Ezekiel 32-34 Saturday 7 Ezekiel 35-37

Sunday 8 Ezekiel 38-39

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Adult Education

#### **Adult Bible Classes**

**Sunday Morning Adult Classes:** The Character of Christ taught by Joe Mohorn

Auditorium Class: 1 & 2 Samuel taught by Harry Fitzgerald

**FUEI:** "Lead Like a Shepherd in the Workplace" taught by Gary Turner, Brent Roach, Ronnie Huckeba, and Eric French **WPW Sessions:** "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" (by Linda Smith) taught by Savanna McCain, Alice O'Neil, Sandy Ware, Bridgette Tomlinson, and others

**Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study:** September 10. "Fullfilment of Christ in Judges" taught by Charity Mohorn

**Tuesday Granddads' Devo**: 10:00 a.m. Open discussion, coffee and donuts.

Family

### **Relationships Matter Seminar**

#### **Child Care Announcement**

Dear Parent of a child up to the 6th grade,

We really want you to come to as many of the Relationships Matter Seminar sessions as you can! Therefore, our Youth Minister, Caleb Tomlinson, will organize free babysitting at the church building for all sessions.

A few of you might need your children put to bed before 9:00 pm. For RACoC members we will reimburse you \$35 per night for an at home babysitter if that is needed. So get your own babysitter so your child is taken care of and you can attend the session.

On the last night you are there we will give you a Reimbursement Form to complete so we can write a check for you. Your reimbursement check will be available on Thursday, October 3 in your mailbox.

If you have any questions on this see Keith Kilmer or text him at 479-685-4337.

Thank you, the Elders

### Relationships Matter Seminar Making Invitations

We would like everyone to invite at least five people to the Relationships Matter Seminar. Five brochures have been put in your mailbox to take for the invitation. For those who have more to invite, please pick up brochures at the building

Family

#### **Office Closed**

The office will be closed Monday, September 2. Hope everyone has a great Labor Day weekend.

### Youth Ministry Caleb Says...

Sept. 10 – Coffee w/ Harding, informational meeting for interested students

Oct. 13 – Parent Meeting during morning class

Nov. 8-9 – Deeper Youth Conference

Good morning everyone! It's a great day to be alive! If you have questions about any of the events above, please contact Caleb Tomlinson for details.

So, in class for the last two weeks, the youth group has talked about the original 12 apostles and their journey toward being real disciples. The main questions we are asking is "What did they hear and see that caused them to become the disciples that we admire so much?" Last week, we discussed Jesus' initial pitch: I want you to follow me. That's pretty significant considering that Jesus' disciples were "ordinary, unschooled men," tax collectors, and sinners. Wouldn't you be excited to get an offer like that if you were considered undesirable? Well guess what, we are undesirable to most people in some way but to Jesus, you are exactly what he is looking for.

This morning in class we talked about what came next after they were called. We have to keep in mind that these men hardly knew Jesus when they committed to following him. They may have heard of him and some of them were familiar with his family, but there was still a lot to learn about Jesus.

We see early on that most of them believed he was the messiah which was a big deal. Who would have thought that this Jesus guy was so much more than that. One thing that sticks out to me is that for the three years that they followed Jesus, they usually were clueless about what Jesus was saying and doing. However, walking hand-in-hand with their cluelessness was a very real sense of awe and amazement. Scripture tells us that the disciples were constantly amazed at him.

I can tell you that despite the benefit of hind-sight, there are still things about Jesus and being a disciple that confuse the day-lights out of me. A lot of the time I feel completely lost but I my confusion walks hand-in-hand with admiration and amazement for my messiah, Jesus.

I am confused about what's so special about me, but I am amazed that Jesus chose me. I am confused about my sin, but I am amazed that Jesus forgave me when I feel unworthy of it. I am confused about how Jesus works in the world, but I am amazed at his power to change lives. I am confused about how to walk through life, but I am amazed that Jesus gave me Bridgette as a walking partner. I am confused about how I can best serve, but I am amazed that he has placed me at Robinson Avenue and entrusted all of these souls to my care.

We have each been carefully chosen by Jesus. Now, watch and be amazed at Jesus. Understanding will come with time and study, but amazement is very real, current, and lasting.

### **Family Time**

SUNDAY

WEDNESDAY

9:30 AM Bible Study 10:30 AM Worship 6:00 PM Worship 7:00 рм Bible Study

Family

### **Sympathy**

**Chris Hinkle** on the passing of his grandfather, Myrl Kellett. He passed away August 21 in Pocahontas. The service was Saturday August 24.

Family

### **Illness and Recovery**

**Rosemarry Lowe** had knee surgery this past Tuesday and all went well.

**Karen Mayes** had hip replacement surgery on Monday and all went well. She is at home recovering.

**Lucy Allen** was taken to the ER Tuesday morning with a bad migraine headache. She also broke her wrist. She is at home recovering.

**Sabino Rodriguez** spent a few days in the VA Hospital. They ran tests on his stomach.

**Robert Kerns** is in NWMC in Rm. 2429 with heart problems.

# LIFE Groups Starting Sept 8 Get Signed Up NOW

LIFE Groups meet at various times and locations on Sunday afternoons. The topic for this fall is "Priority: Connect, Grow, Serve, Go." Call or text Adam Simmons (870-918-8421) immediately to get signed up.

Family

#### **WPW**

Our women's class will be reading "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" by Linda Smith. The first session, "Turn Your Eyes," will be lead by Savanna McCain. The book is \$50 on Amazon, but we can provide a copy for \$15 Please bring exact amount or a check.

Southern Christian Children's Home

#### **Items Needed**

Items especially needed for the Southern Christian Children's Home are: Baby Wipes, Diapers (NB-4) Gatorade, Ivarest, Laundry detergent and trash bags. The truck will be here September 11.

# Our **Praver List**

Names will be printed on this list for up to 4 weeks at a time unless further updates are received in the office.

### Family/Friends

Jon Adams, friend of
Shannon Bowman
Alishia Allison, the
daughter of Debbie
Charapatta
Sonny Homer, the nephew
of Lester Harrison
Sarah Penick, daughter-inlaw of Bill and Judy Penick
Rick Sisemore, the son of
Dorothy Sisemore
Drew WIlson, grandson
of Rosemary Lowe

# Those Shut In

Cecil Cook
Dee Dearman
Cleo Drevs
Hazel Fletcher
Glenda Garrison
Donna Gaston
Dan Hash
Don McClane
James Price
Roberta Simpson
Verna Tacket
Elsie White
Dorothy Yeager

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### Remember

Lucy Allen
Beth Clem
Lee Pense
Scott Phillips
Speedy Williams
Melba Watts
Linda Wray

# Those **Battling Cancer**

Mary Allen Charles Cate Charlean Howell Peggy Huckeba Freida Hughes Ajeanna Kernes Robert Kernes Seth Mohorn Salina Wilson