#### **Prayer Concerns**

~Prayers for **Melody Loveland** and her knee health. She has been moved to Oaks at Radford Hills. Her address is Melody Loveland #17, 725 Medical Drive, Abilene, TX 79601. Please send her cards of encouragement!

~Michelle Chaney had her gallbladder removed on Thursday. Prayers for her recovery!

~Steve Henderson's aunt, Phletus Holley, passed away on May 9<sup>th</sup>. She was 93 years old! Prayers for Steve and his family.

~Prayers for **Jim Hill's** heart health. He spent sometime in the hospital last week.

~Continue prayers for Tessa, **Steve and Laura Templeton's** daughter. She has recently been diagnosed with pneumonia. Prayers for her recovery!

~Prayers for **Jessica Fisher** and her pregnancy. She is due in July.

~Prayers for **Mark and Kami Clancy**! They were scheduled to return to the states from the mission field on June 30<sup>th</sup>, but that flight has been cancelled. Their plan is to reschedule the flight for early August, but maybe getting a humanitarian flight in late June or early August. Also be in prayer for when they return and adjusting to life back in the states during a global pandemic.

~Be in prayer for Amber Hammond as she prepares for her husband, Kyle, to be deployed in July for six months. They have three small children as well!

## **Help Needed**

An invalid woman living near our building on Jefferson St. needs help beginning her day and preparing for bed. If you would be willing to volunteer time to assist or know of a woman who needs a place to stay in exchange for light duties, please contact Jackie Lee or the office.

## **Blessing Boxes**

Please continue to support the blessing boxes as you can. The neighborhood library has very few books and the pantry is emptied almost every day! We appreciate all the support!

#### **Happy Birthday:**

May 19<sup>th</sup>: Mark Lyon May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Hattie McSherry, Garolyn Jergins, Shelley Doremus

#### **Happy Anniversary:**

May 17<sup>th</sup>: Jennifer &

Willie Lee

May 19<sup>th</sup>: Adam & Heather Lott

#### Our Calendar:

May 25th: Memorial Day

June 17<sup>th</sup>: Family Fun Night

June 21st: Father's Day

**July 4<sup>th</sup>:** Independence Day

**July 15<sup>th</sup>:** Family Fun Night

**August 12**th: Family Fun Night

**September 7**<sup>th</sup>: Labor Day

October 12<sup>th</sup>: Columbus Day

**November 1**<sup>st</sup>: Day Light Savings Time Ends

## **By the Numbers**

May 10<sup>th</sup>:

Contribution: \$740.00 eGive: \$2,750.00 Total: \$3,490.00 Budget: \$**6,113.00**  Preaching Minister: Rodney Ashlock

Youth Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903) Children's Education Coordinator: Jackie Lee

Elders: Randy Bibb, Jim MacDonald, Steve Stovall, Troy Tom

Deacons: Don Bell, Manny Carneiro, CJ Chaney, Jon Cogburn, Eric Gumm,

Adam Lott, Chris Meeks, Matt Waldrip

# Westgate Church of Christ

Sermon Title: The Sword of the Spirit

Scripture: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to become bread."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone.'"

The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. If you worship me, it will all be yours."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only."

The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you

to guard you carefully;

they will lift you up in their hands,

so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.""

Jesus answered, "It is said: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

## **Children's Ministry News**

Lessons for children on Empowering Courageous Kids are complete, but all 8 are available on Group.com if you missed one. The story in the link below is copied from the Free Family Devotional Experiences resource page and is based on I Samuel 17. As we face uncertain times, we recognize that fear is an enemy of faith. Children need to be reminded that we are God's courageous children because God is on our side. Rodney discussed *kenosis* with adults in Philippians. Have a family discussion on Jesus and *kenosis*. Children have insights adults sometimes overlook, learn together.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xoq4GmMlgBA

## **Wednesday Night Bible Studies**

Next week's lesson on Philippians 2:12-30

- 1. How does Philippians 2:12-18 apply the message of the "Christ Hymn," as Phil 2:6-11 is known, to the church in Philippi?
- 2. Read through Phll 2:6-11 again, in what ways does Timothy live out the message of the Christ hymn in 2:19-24?
- 3. Who is Epaphroditus and what purpose does Paul have in mind for him? In what way does he serve as an example of someone who is living out the message of Philippians 2:6-11?
- 4. In what concrete ways can you live out the message of the Christ Hymn?