

Prayer Concerns

~**Clifford Smith** has made some positive progress in his recovery this past week, however, he is still on a ventilator. Continued prayers for his progress and healing.

~**Melody Loveland** is now at home. Continued prayers for her full recovery.

~Prayers for **Natalie Boyd** and her recovery from a recent surgery. Specific prayers for comfort and healing.

~Continued Prayers for **Patsy Williamson's** health.

~**Jack Tarkenton** is dealing with several health concerns.

~Prayers for **Holly Howell's** father, Keith Elmore. He fell off a ladder and is currently hospitalized with several broken ribs.

~Prayers for **Sherry Hursts** parents, Brenda and George. Brenda is doing very well healing from a recent surgery and George is awaiting an appointment with a neurosurgeon after there was a tumor discovered on his brain.

~Continued prayers for **Brady Horner's** mom, Beth Horner. A double knee replacement surgery is scheduled for Wednesday, December 16th as long as there is still no infection in her knees where the spacers are and that surgeries are not canceled due to Covid-19.

~Prayers for **Chester Lynd's** sister and her battle with cancer.

Happy Birthday:

Dec. 15th: Autumn Meeks

Dec. 18th: Will Martin

Dec. 19th: Scott Tarkenton

Happy Anniversary:

Dec. 17th: Randy & Julie Bibb, Mark & Lydia Lyon

Dec. 18th: Kevin & Christie Pruitt

Our Calendar:

Dec. 16th: Candlelight Service

Dec. 25th: Christmas

Dec. 27th: No Bible Classes- Worship Only

Dec. 30th: No Bible Classes

Jan. 3rd: Bible Classes Resume

Jan. 10th: New Year Potluck

Jan. 18th: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Youth Ministry News

~We are currently not holding classes in person due to the local rise in COVID-19 cases.

~**Wednesday, December 16th**--Join us on zoom at 7 P.M. for a virtual hangout/class.

~Please pray for our students' well-being as they finish up this semester!



Karter Batten and Caleb Chaney on our Fall Retreat.

By the Numbers

December 6th:

Contribution: \$2,426.00

eGive: \$5,508.00

Total: \$7,934.00

Budget: **\$6,113.00**

Be A Blessing: \$101.00

Preaching Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903)

Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983)

Children's Education Coordinator: Jackie Lee (325-518-4767)

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

Building

Lockup:

December- C.J.

Chaney

January- Jon

Cogburn

Westgate Church of Christ

Sermon Title: God is Here

Scripture: John 1: 1-13

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Candlelight Service

This Wednesday evening is our annual Candlelight Service. Join us at 7 PM for a time of reflection and worship. Masks are highly encouraged as we will be inside and singing for most of the service.



Care Pack for Kids & Bonham Elementary

Westgate has served multiple times with Care Pack for Kids; a program that provides food to students on weekends and holidays. This is the second year we have volunteered to supply Care Pack for Kids the funds to feed students from our neighboring school, Bonham Elementary. The total cost to sponsor a student for the entire school year is \$120. However, there are options to donate monthly or a one-time donation of your choosing. Please prayerfully consider sponsoring a student through this program. There will be envelopes available next week for those donations to this ministry.

Children's Ministry News

Thank you for returning cards signed for our neighbors at Willow Springs. More cards were handed out today, so please personalize in some way and return them. Please be in prayer for those residing at Willow Springs and our attempts to encourage them. Cards will be delivered December 16th so there will be time to display and enjoy.

Remember to pray for Westgate educators! In December, please continue to pray for grace and peace for all our teachers. It might be a good time to send a text or note of encouragement as well. 2 Peter 1:2, "May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord."

Madeline and Hunter are working on the puzzle for the December calendar. A small book that accompanies the countdown picture will be given to children at the Candlelight Service on Wednesday December 16th. Make plans to attend and receive a book for your child or to give to a friend or relative to share the *Miracle of the Manger*.

