

Prayer Concerns

~**Dave Smith** passed away last Thursday, and was laid to rest on Sunday. Our condolences to the Smith family. Remember to keep Sharlotte and family in your prayers.

~**Dwayne Hargesheimer** is now home from the hospital. They appreciate your prayers.

~**Dwight Painter** was released from the hospital Monday with sepsis and is recovering at home. Please add him to your prayer list.

~**Patsy Williamson** fell and has a fracture in her back that they are trying to mend with a cement procedure. Please pray that the procedure is successful.

~Please remember to pray for **Eric Robinson** and his nerve and arm issues.

~**Melody Loveland** has asked for prayers for her neck. She has a lump on the side of her throat.

~Continued prayers for **Nell Hopper**, who has osteoporosis in her leg which causes pain whenever she is up and walking around.

~**Chester Lynd's** niece in Michigan, Amber Galloway, has been diagnosed with cancer. Please pray for Amber.

~Remember **Jackie Lee's** grandson, Logan Cornutt, in your prayers. His body is not tolerating the treatments well.

Those unable to join us:

~Laverne Horn
~Ethel Gumm

Ongoing prayer concerns:

~Peggy Allen
~Deana Frazier
~Bill Jackson
~Nell Hopper
~Dwight Painter
~Lue Gray
~Chester Lynd
~Melody Loveland
~Steve Henderson
~Donna Scott
~Steve Smith
~Patsy Williamson
~Jim and Joyce Waddell
~Mickey Walker

Missionaries:

~Doug & Marge Reeves- Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, TX

Westgate Church of Christ

Welcome Members and Guests



Summer Series Speaker

Make plans to come to church this **Wednesday night at 6:45 p.m.** to hear Doug Reeves, Dean of International Studies at Sunset International Bible Institute. Doug is a former minister at Westgate and spent several years in Donetsk, Ukraine.



Prayer Opportunity

The youth group is leaving **today** to go to Camp Pine Springs in New Mexico and plans to come back **Saturday**. Please pray for Clay and Holly Howell and campers Alyssa Chaney, Caleb Chaney, Evan Chaney, Kailyn Clements, Noah Cogburn, Layla Horner, Addison Lee, Trevor Meeks, and Brady Morton. Special thanks to all of Westgate for supporting these campers at the Brisket Burn/Youth Auction a few weeks ago and for remembering them in prayer by name throughout this week.



Welcome New Members

Marshall & Kathryn Boerio, Kennedy & Rebecca

Please contact the church office for their address and phone number.



(Kathryn and Rebecca have moved here now.)



Change of Address

Jim & Cara Hill

Please contact the church office for their address.

Singing School

Interested in learning how to lead singing? Registration is open for the 76th annual Texas Normal Singing School on the ACU campus on **July 17 – 22**. Call (806) 777-8417 or check out singingschool.org for more information.



Donation boxes are at the following locations:
Sockdolager Brewery - 833 S 1st
The Kings Barbers - 173 Walnut
Methodist Children's Home - 1 Village Dr #102
BCFS - 303 S Pioneer
Big Brothers Big Sisters - 547 Chestnut
New Horizons - 147 Sayles
GASA - 400 Oak Ste 216
Abilene Teachers FCU - 3849 Antilley
Taylor County Extension Office - 1982 Lytle Way
Partners Resource Network - 209 S Danville Build C #114
The Well - 137 Mesquite
Crunch Fitness - 4709 S 14th St

All proceeds will go to Abilene ISD kids grade K-12!

Items needed:

Backpacks
Pens
Pencils
Pencil pouch
Colored pencils
Composition books
Folders with brads
1 inch 3 ring binders
Markers

Items needed:

24 pack crayons
Glue
Glue sticks
Notebook paper
Folders without brads
scissors
Dividers
Spiral notebooks
Highlighters

Donations will be accepted from
June 13th through July 20th.

Sermon Title: Rehoboam

Scripture: I Kings 12: 1-11

Rehoboam went to Shechem, for all Israel had gone there to make him king. When Jeroboam son of Nebat heard this (he was still in Egypt, where he had fled from King Solomon), he returned from Egypt. So they sent for Jeroboam, and he and the whole assembly of Israel went to Rehoboam and said to him: "Your father put a heavy yoke on us, but now lighten the harsh labor and the heavy yoke he put on us, and we will serve you." Rehoboam answered, "Go away for three days and then come back to me." So the people went away. Then King Rehoboam consulted the elders who had served his father Solomon during his lifetime. "How would you advise me to answer these people?" he asked. They replied, "If today you will be a servant to these people and serve them and give them a favorable answer, they will always be your servants." But Rehoboam rejected the advice the elders gave him and consulted the young men who had grown up with him and were serving him. He asked them, "What is your advice? How should we answer these people who say to me, 'Lighten the yoke your father put on us'?" The young men who had grown up with him replied, "These people have said to you, 'Your father put a heavy yoke on us, but make our yoke lighter.' Now tell them, 'My little finger is thicker than my father's waist. My father laid on you a heavy yoke; I will make it even heavier. My father scourged you with whips; I will scourge you with scorpions.'"



Happy Birthday:

June 19th: Michelle Chaney, Jill Dennis

June 20th: Bill Jackson

June 23rd: Alex Touchstone

June 25th: Kennedy Lott



Happy Anniversary:

June 20th:

Kyle & Effie McClendon, Manny & Barbara Carneiro



Our Calendar:

June 19th: Father's Day

June 22nd: Summer Series – Doug Reeves 6:45 p.m.

June 29th: Summer Series – Robert Baugh 6:45 p.m.

July 6th: Family Fun Night—Cookie Decorating 6:45 p.m.

July 13th: Summer Series – Ian Nickerson 6:45 p.m.

July 20th: Summer Series – Bradley Steele 6:45 p.m.

July 27th: Summer Series – Carson Reed 6:45 p.m.

July 30th: Adventure Cove

Discontentment versus Ambition – by Brady Horner

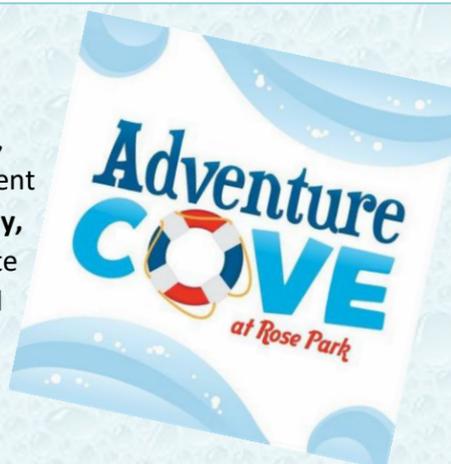
Looking at Solomon's ambition a couple of weeks ago got me thinking about the phrase "discontentment is a symptom of ambition". Is this a positive or negative statement? I used to think it was good, as if to say, "You are dissatisfied with your state of life because you are built for more, so go seize it!" Now I might be changing my tune a bit. Don't get me wrong, ambition is good. In my small sample of conversations with fathers of engaged daughters the number one thing they seem to be concerned about is their soon to be son-in-law's ambition. If he appears to be a man who will work, provide, and strive to do what is best for the daughter, if he is ambitious, the father-in-law can overlook a lot.

There is room for growth, improvement, and "success" in our lives (I use quotes because we usually unfairly define success by wealth accumulation). However, I'm beginning to wonder if ambition is a symptom of discontentment. We live in a discontent, competitive world that always wants more. We see people on TV, social media, and our street that appear to have it better, so we feel discontent. Perhaps another common quip here applies, "comparison is the thief of joy." I hate to admit it, but I am usually very satisfied with my state of life until I start looking at others and comparing. Unfortunately, our world is built for competition and comparison.

Not only as Christians, but just as healthy people, we must learn, like Paul, to be content in any circumstance. I don't want our desire for success, status, or money to make me underappreciate the joy, relationships, beauty, and stability in my life. Ambition could very well keep me from seeing the great things I do have. In reality, as Christ followers our contentment comes from knowing we have a God whose love and empowerment transcends our worldly ambitions. May we know there is much more to life than earthly ambitions and find contentment, even joy, through our relationship with God and others.

Adventure Cove in July

Westgate has reserved Abilene's own water park, Adventure Cove, for an after-hours fellowship event next month. Mark your calendar now for **Saturday, July 30th, 7:30-9:30 p.m.**, and don't forget to invite a friend or two. Sometimes swimming is easy and sometimes it's hard – it deep-ends.



Kitchen/Fellowship Hall Remodel

The Westgate kitchen and fellowship hall is looking better and better! Special thanks to Bud Turnage and Manny's dad, Manuel Carneiro, for working tirelessly for two scorching days putting in the backsplash. The painters are currently working on painting the fellowship hall and the kitchen cabinets.

Children's Ministry News

In Matthew 5-7, Jesus preaches a sermon known as "The Sermon on the Mount." He talks about living differently than people expect by loving our enemies, giving privately, not worrying, not judging others, and more. Jesus lived differently and set the example for us.

Our Bible Point this week is **Jesus is different...**therefore our application is **...so we live differently.** When we live the way Jesus lived, we will stand out...and that's a good thing! Living differently is how we shine His light in our world.



Many thanks to Cathrine and Sharon for teaching our 4's, 5's, and Kindergarten Sunday morning class. Last Sunday, they used stamps and color rubbings to reveal the amazing things that Jesus can do!

Summary Verse: "Worship the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy." (Psalm 100:2)

Happy Father's Day to all of our hard-working fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and everyone who serves in this special role!



Many thanks to all who came to our Field Day VBS, *Growing Strong in God's Truths*. We love helping our children grow in their faith here at Westgate! We would also like to send a huge thank you to our youth group for their help with the activities during this special event!

Youth Ministry News

Join us on **Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m.** for class. Grab a summer calendar from the youth bulletin board next to Brady's office.

We are at Pine Springs for Camp this week! Please pray for our safety and spiritual transformation.

We will have a Breakfast Bible Study on Tuesday, **June 28th**, and Mystery Thursday on **June 30th**.

We leave for Camp Beloved and Beyond on **July 2nd**! Pray for our students to prepare their hearts and minds for this opportunity to serve.

Please pray for our students to grow closer to God and to one another this summer!



Trevor feeding a very hungry giraffe!

Services at Westgate: Sundays—Bible Class 9:00 a.m., Worship 10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays—Bible Class 6:45 p.m.

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Offering

June 12th:

Contribution: \$1,887.73

eGive: \$3,165.00

Total: \$5,052.73

Budget: \$6,341.00

Be A Blessing: \$19.34

Lead Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903) email: pbhorner@gmail.com

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

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

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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 Lock-up:

June: Eric Gumm

July: Adam Lott