Prayer Concerns

~Chester Lynd is in Hendrick Center for Rehabilitation (across from Hendrick North) in Room 2021 after having surgery to repair his broken hip. He is in a lot of pain. Please pray for proper healing and no need for shoulder surgery for Chester and pray for Arieal as she navigates this new challenge.

~Please continue to pray for **Eric Robinson** as he deals with arm and nerve issues.

~Melody Loveland is scheduled for surgery tomorrow to remove the knot on her neck. Doctors are going to make sure no other type of cancer is involved. Please pray her surgery is successful and for good test results.

~Paxton Horner has avascular necrosis (deterioration of bone tissue) in the navicular bone in his foot. He can't put weight on his foot until it heals. The doctor is pleased with his progress, but please pray for quick and proper healing for Paxton.

~Chad Longley's father, Kenneth Longley, suffered a head injury while using a skid steer on his property. He is off the respirator, but still in ICU. Chad asked for prayers for his dad, but also his mom, who is facing a change in reality whether or not his dad is able to come home.

~Continue to pray that the political and economic situation in Haiti will improve, and particularly pray for **Megeste Pierre** and his coworkers.

~Kathryn Boerio's mom had to go to the ER Thursday night with fever. Her surgery is postponed for now. Many prayers for Kathryn's mom and dad.

~Timmy Primm, brother of **Melody Loveland**, is having high blood pressure and blood sugar issues. Please pray for him.

~Continued prayers for Logan Cornutt (Jackie Lee's grandson) as he copes with brain cancer.

Those unable to join us:

- ~Laverne Horn
- ~Ethel Gumm

Ongoing prayer concerns:

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

Missionaries:

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

~Megeste Pierre—Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti





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Westgate Church of Christ Welcome Members and Guests



WATS Day Sign-ups

Sign-up sheets are now available for most of the WATS projects. If you know what you and your family would like to do, go ahead and sign up today to make planning easier. WATS (We Are The Sermon) Day is scheduled for **Sunday**, **Oct. 23**rd. We will have breakfast at **9:00**, a short communion service at **10:00**, and then go participate in previously organized service projects in the community.





Trunk or Treat

Time to start thinking about trunk ideas! Our annual Trunk or Treat will be **Sunday, October 30**th, **from 6-8 p.m.** in the church parking lot. If you can donate candy and/or Little Debbie-type snack cakes, please bring them ahead of time and place them in the bin in the short hall.





Baby Blessing Coming Soon

Please make plans to join us **Sunday, October 30**th, for the Baby Blessing. We will set aside some time to welcome the precious new arrivals to our congregation and pray for their families. We look forward to this special day!

Sermon Title: The Showdown in Paphos

Scripture: Acts 13: 6-12

They traveled through the whole island until they came to Paphos. There they met a Jewish sorcerer and false prophet named Bar-Jesus, who was an attendant of the proconsul, Sergius Paulus. The proconsul, an intelligent man, sent for Barnabas and Saul because he wanted to hear the word of God. But Elymas the sorcerer (for that is what his name means) opposed them and tried to turn the proconsul from the faith. Then Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked straight at Elymas and said, "You are a child of the devil and an enemy of everything that is right! You are full of all kinds of deceit and trickery. Will you never stop perverting the right ways of the Lord? Now the hand of the Lord is against you. You are going to be blind for a time, not even able to see the light of the sun."

Immediately mist and darkness came over him, and he groped about, seeking someone to lead him by the hand. When the proconsul saw what had happened, he believed, for he was amazed at the teaching about the Lord.



Happy Birthday:

Oct. 12th: Parker Lee Oct. 14th: Clay Howell Oct. 15th: Miah Dennis, Bradi Williams



Our Calendar:

Oct. 9th: Youth Group movie night **7:00 p.m.**

Oct. 10th: Columbus Day (office closed), Youth Group lunch 11:45-1:30

Oct. 19th: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Oct. 23rd: Breakfast and WATS Day

Oct. 30th: Baby Blessing, Trunk or Treat 6-8 p.m.

Nov. 2nd: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Nov. 6th: Bridal Shower for Skyla Burd **2:00 p.m.**,

Daylight Saving Time ends

Nov. 11th: Veterans Day

Nov. 13^{th} : Fishing Derby

Nov. 16th: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Nov. 18th – 20th: Youth Retreat – Solid Rock Camp

Nov. 23rd: No class

Nov. 24th: Thanksgiving Day

Nov. 30th: Brown Bag Fellowship **5:45 p.m.**

Dec. 3rd: Breakfast with Santa

Dec. 4th: Church Christmas

Program & Party

Dec. 7th: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

<u>Is It Just a Game? Part 2 – by Brady Horner</u>

When I was just a young youth ministry intern our youth group went on a mission trip to an orphanage in Mexico. It was a great experience, but there was one bad night. We decided to have a U.S. versus Mexico soccer game; essentially the youth group and sponsors versus a bunch of sweet orphans. This game got heated and out of hand. No punches were thrown, but there was lots of anger and yelling...at orphans! One of the sponsors, with a cooler head, said "sometimes competition brings out the worst in people." I can't help but agree.

It was at this point that I realized that relationships are more important than winning. What have I gained by winning if I have hurt a person I care about in the process? Is that small, pleasant feeling of victory worth it? Is my selfesteem so bankrupt that I will do anything to win in order to fluff my ego? I'm not saying competition or a desire to win is bad, but it can easily turn bad. I have been involved in plenty of games where emotions were running high and the game (whether it be a sport or a board game) should have been called because it wasn't worth it. Our relationships with people should always be more important than our egos.

As a minister I've always tried to make sports and competition more about the experience and the relationships rather than winning or losing. I know that makes me sound like some kind of "loser" participation medal advocate. I've had people be shocked when I complimented a person on the other team for a great play. That may seem weird, but they are my friend first and my competition second. You don't become my enemy when we step on the field. In what other ways do you think your drive for success and accomplishments is trumping your relationships? Ambition is good, but as Christians, maintaining healthy relationships and giving Christ a good name by exhibiting his humility is more important.

Bonham Encouragement

Ladies Bible Class assembled 80 First Friday Encouragement bags for Bonham Elem. staff. Many thanks for the helping hands! The bags have Westgate's name and contact information along with a note saying that we are praying for them.



Children's Ministry News

➤ In Matthew 26:36-46, Jesus knows He's about to be arrested and killed. He goes to a garden to pray. He asks that God take this cup of suffering away from him but prays, "I want your will to be done, not mine." Jesus is willing to do hard things to help promote God's plan.

➤ Summary verse: "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in Me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from Me you can do nothing." (John 15:5)



> Psalm 60:12: "With God's help we will do mighty things, for He will trample down our foes." Remember to

keep Westgate educators plus our children's schools and their teachers in your prayers.

- Please choose a Wednesday to volunteer with birth to threes in the nursery. The sign-up sheet is in the hall. Your help is needed and appreciated, thanks.
- Many thanks to Taylor Roberts for volunteering to help with class on Wednesday nights. Her willing hands will make a difference. Please offer her a thank you pat on the back.

Jesus served and taught us to be servants. Children used playdough during a discussion on ways to love and serve like Jesus.

Youth Ministry News

Join us on Sundays at 9 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. for class.

Come to the Chaney's house **tonight at 7 p.m.** for a movie night! Youth families are invited. Bring snacks, lawn chairs, and bug spray!

Join us **tomorrow** for lunch! Meet at the church building at **11:45**, and we'll be back at **1:30**. Bring \$10-\$12 for the meal.

Make sure to attend Wednesday night class as we vote on Trunk or Treat themes!

Please pray for our students this school year!

Offering:

October 2nd:

eGive: \$2,471.00

Total: \$8,755.25

Budget: \$6,341.00

Be A Blessing: \$33.50

Contribution: \$6,284.25



Youth Group girls praying together.

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

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Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983) sch16a@acu.edu

Clair Arche **Building Lock-up:**

Nursery Duty:

Nov.: Manny Carneiro Blessing Box

Oct.: Don Bell

Counting:
Beckett Williams,
Lane Winter

Eric Gumm, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks, Matt Waldrip