

## Prayer Concerns

~Continued prayers for **Chad Longley**. He is recovering at home after several procedures and surgeries for achalasia.

~Keep praying for **Melody Loveland**. She will have to undergo chemo for her lymphoma. It is Stage I and slow-growing, which is good news.

~Please pray that **Paxton Horner's** foot is healing just as it should and he will be able to lose the boot before long.

~Continued prayers for **Chester Lynd**. He is recovering from a bad fall, along with other health concerns.

~**Shelby Rose** is having to do three breathing treatments per day through the winter months. Please remember her in your prayers.

~**Eric Robinson** has ongoing issues with the nerves in his arm. Keep praying for Eric.

~**AJ Bell's** friend, Emalyn Purvine, has been released from the hospital. Please continue to pray for her, as she has a long road to recovery ahead.

## Happy Birthday:

**Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>:** Madeline Webb, Brady Horner

**Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>:** Issacc Carneiro, Isaiah Carneiro

**Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>:** David White

**Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>:** Piper Robinson

## Happy Anniversary:

**Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>:** Kevin & Connie McSherry, Stephan & Marla Touchstone

## Our Calendar:

**Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>:** Christmas Day (no Bible classes, worship at **10:00 a.m.**)

**Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>:** no services

**Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>:** New Year's Day (no Bible classes, worship at **10:00 a.m.**)



## Children's Ministry News

Bible classes for children will resume on **Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**. We will continue our curriculum with a study on the armor of God.

Please pray that our Westgate educators will use the holiday for quality family time as they rest in preparation for the remainder of the school year.

*Vivi, Titus and Addy are holding snakes as Wed. PM class discussed Paul's snake bite and God's protection.*



*Teams built structures and worked together to "protect" their structure from pom-pom attacks. Children heard about the many ways God watches over and protects us from worldly attacks.*



## Youth Ministry News

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

Thank you to all the youth students and parents for making 2022 a wonderful year. We have been so blessed to see students' lives transformed by Christ and great relationships taking shape!

We are having a Mystery Trip **January 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>**! Please let me know if you are going by **Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**. The cost for this event is \$35.

Our next youth class will be **Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**. Have a great Christmas and New Year's!

*Brady and Caleb showing off their matching stickers.*

## Offering

**December 18<sup>th</sup>:**  
 Contribution: \$3,972.47  
 eGive: \$3,255.00  
 Total: \$7,227.47  
 Budget: **\$6,341.00**  
 Be A Blessing: \$29.01

**Lead 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**

## Nursery Duty:

self-serve  
 (Christmas)

## Building Lockup:

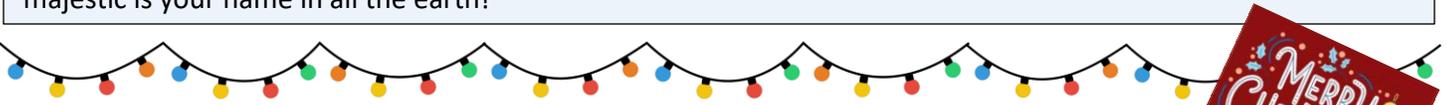
**Dec.:** Jon Cogburn  
**Jan.:** Eric Gumm

# Westgate Church of Christ

**Sermon Title:** A Childlike Awe

**Scripture:** Psalm 8

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens. Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor. You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet: all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild, the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas. Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!



## Marriage Retreat

Registration envelopes are available for the Marriage Retreat, coming **January 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>**, in Granbury. The cost of \$200 covers a 2-night hotel stay, 2 meals, entertainment, and content from our own Marriage and Family Therapist Jonathan Cogburn. Just fill out the information on the envelope, enclose your payment, and place in the lockbox on Brady's door.

## Sunday AM Adult Bible Classes for January

Fellowship Hall: "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" led by Jonathan Cogburn. As followers of Jesus, how do we avoid a "spirit of timidity or fear", while also laying down our pride in the way of Jesus? Come and help us learn about how to practice healthy self-compassion rooted in who God is and who we are.

Auditorium Class: "Christian Insults" led by Brady Horner. Christians have hurled insults at each other and our "opponents" since the beginning. We will unpack where the insults came from, what they mean, and if we are actually being *hypocrites* when we use them.

*Sunday Bible classes will start back on **January 8<sup>th</sup>**.*

**Ladies Bible Class**  
Ladies Bible Class will take a brief break for the holidays, and then start back up on **Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m.** in the fellowship hall.

**Holiday Schedule**  
**Wednesday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>:** no services  
  
**Sunday, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>:** worship service only at **10:00 a.m.**, no Bible classes  
  
**Wednesday, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>:** back to normal, including a Love Grub!

**Thank You**  
Thank you for all the cards and everything. We wish each of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thanks again,  
Daw & Dwight Painter