

# Westgate Church of Christ

## Welcome Members and Guests



### Love Grub This Wednesday

It's back!!! The first Love Grub of the new school year will be this **Wednesday, September 6, at 5:45 p.m.** Please join us for taco pile-up and dessert. A basket for donations to cover the cost of your meal will be available that evening. Remember to stay after Love Grub for Bible class at **6:45 p.m.**



### Burnout Self-Assessment

Follow these two QR codes to take a quick quiz to see how burned out you are, and what it means. The one on the left is about job burnout but could be applied to spiritual burnout. The one on the right is about life and spiritual burnout and includes a short article with helpful advice.



### Sunday AM Happenings

**Today** we will have the Back-to-School Breakfast at **9:00 a.m.** in the fellowship hall. As always, we appreciate all the hard work of the Carneiros and Powells to make these events happen. Please join us **next Sunday** as we resume our regular schedule, with Bible classes for all ages starting at **9:00 a.m.** The two adult Bible class options are an Old Testament study with CJ Chaney in the auditorium, and Brady's class *One Body, Many Parts* in the fellowship hall.

### Welcome New Member

Sandra Vannoy  
*(If you would like Sandra's address and phone number, please contact the church office at 325-692-2300.)*



**Holiday**  
The church office will be closed for Labor Day tomorrow, **September 4.**

**Sermon Title:** Spiritual Burnout

**Scripture:** Romans 12: 9-13

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

### Prayer Concerns

~Please keep Jan Jordan (**Linda Jones's** sister) and her family in your prayers. She is at Hendrick North Hospice.

~Our sympathy to **Amanda McSherry** and family in the loss of her cousin's wife, Ellie LeBeau. Ellie was one of the Marines lost in the tragic aircraft accident last Sunday in Australia.

~**Deana Frazier** and **Peggy Allen** have both been under the weather for the last few weeks. They had Covid, and now Deana has a bad bacterial infection. Peggy is getting in-home therapy. They have asked for prayers that each day they get stronger.

~Please remember **Eric Robinson** in your prayers.

~Please be in prayer for **Ann Perez.** She is back at home after hospital and rehab center stays.

~Please keep **Hannah Loveland** in your prayers. She has not been feeling well lately.

~Continued prayers for **Barbara Carneiro's** aunt, Julie Blasingame. She has stage IV pancreatic cancer.

~Remember to pray for **Chester Lynd's** son Curtis as he undergoes chemo for his cancer.

~**Kathryn Boerio's** mother, Nancy Stewart, has had several health struggles lately and appreciates our prayers.

~Continued prayers for **Caleb Powell's** friend Wes Schowengerdt.

~Please pray for these expectant moms:

- Dalila (Becerra) Rodriguez**
- Paige (MacDonald) DeFoore**
- Claire (Longley) Howe**
- Skyla Krause**

### Those unable to join us:

- ~Laverne Horn
- ~Ethel Gumm

### Ongoing prayer concerns:

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

### Missionaries:

- ~Doug & Marge Reeves—Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, TX
- ~Megeste & Jose Pierre—Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti

### Longley Showers

It's an exciting year for the Longley family, as they will welcome **Claire and Reuben's new baby** in late October, and prepare for Emma and Stefan's wedding in November. There will be a bridal shower honoring Emma Longley and Stefan Truett here at the church building in **3 weeks**. Hostesses are Juanita Stovall, Michelle Chaney, Shelley Doremus, Christie Pruitt, Clair Arche, and Angie Wier. Please see the invitation to the left for details.

Also, remember we are collecting money toward a gift card for **Claire and Reuben**. More info below.



### Baby Howe Gift Card

If you haven't contributed to the gift card for Claire and Reuben's new bundle of joy, you have that chance **today**. Please give your money to Heather Lott or Lettie Morrow.





### Happy Birthday:

**Sept. 4:** Alyssa Chaney  
**Sept. 5:** Dorothy Emerson  
**Sept. 7:** Alycia Espinoza, Jackie Lee



### Happy Anniversary:

**Sept. 3:** Bud & Gayle Turnage

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### Our Calendar:

**Sept. 3:** Breakfast Fellowship  
**9:00 a.m.** (no classes)

**Sept. 4:** Labor Day (office closed)

**Sept. 6:** Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**

**Sept. 10:** youth group devo  
**6 – 8 p.m.** @ Chaney's house

**Sept. 20:** Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**

**Sept. 24:** Emma Longley bridal shower **2 – 4 p.m.**

**Oct. 4:** Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**

**Oct. 9:** Columbus Day

**Oct. 17:** CarePack for Kids

**Oct. 18:** Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**

**Oct. 22:** Breakfast and WATS Day

**Oct. 29:** Trunk or Treat

**Nov. 1:** Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**

**Nov. 5:** Daylight Saving Time ends (fall back), Emily Gumm bridal shower

**Nov. 11:** Veterans Day

**Nov. 15:** Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**

**Nov. 19:** Church Friendsgiving Potluck after services

**Nov. 22:** no Bible classes

**Nov. 23:** Thanksgiving Day

## Uber Car Confessions: A Lesson from Pakistan – by Brady Horner

An article a few weeks back told you all about my Uber driver friend from Pakistan. Well, I have one more lesson from him that I want to share. Like many of the foreign Uber drivers I found myself with, he wanted me to understand that not all “people like him” (people from his country or of his religion) are bad or the same. He went as far to encourage me to go to Pakistan for my next vacation! I couldn’t help but smile to myself and think “Isn’t that where Osama Bin Laden was hiding? I think I’ll pass.” But he reminded me that it has a beautiful landscape and K2. Plus, it looks like it has some beautiful palaces that would make Prince Ali of Ababwa proud. Then, since I automatically had misgivings about going, the cheapskate in me started wondering how far the dollar goes there!

My Uber driver told me that Pakistan could be making more on tourism but really messed up when they fought progress. He compared the approach of the Pakistani government to that of India’s. India welcomed more western influence and encouraged citizens to learn English. Meanwhile Pakistan attempted to maintain its cultural identity and was resistant to any change. He suggested that Pakistan is now 20 years behind India in economic progress. India gets all the jobs, media, tourism, and money. It’s just recently that Pakistan is now catching on.

Pakistan handled change the way most humans do. We don’t want to give up our comfort, and especially our identity. Often change takes both. But sometimes change is progress, sometimes we must change or die. Pakistan fought change for a long time, until it realized, for the good of its people, it must jump on board the westernization bandwagon. Sometimes I wonder what changes I am being too resistant against (you all know my social media rants). Sometimes I wonder what religious “sacred cows” I hold too dearly. Sometimes I wonder if God is pushing me to change, but I just like things the way they are. We all need to be more willing to change parts of ourselves, and our church, if it means furthering the Kingdom. May we be open to His leading even when it draws us into the scary open waters of change.



### Congratulations

Caleb Powell and Sydney Baker got engaged recently! We are so happy for them and look forward to seeing what the future holds for this wonderful couple.

## Children’s Ministry News

- Children finished their study on the Holy Spirit last week. Next week, they will explore the armor of God. This week we enjoyed breakfast together.
- Please continue to pray for the educator or family you chose. Pray that they will “Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.” (Romans 12:10)
- Many thanks to Wade for teaching the 4th–5th grade class last Wednesday. Kami will teach background info on another song on **Sept. 6**. There are two more opportunities, please consider taking a Wednesday to share a song that is meaningful to you. **Sept. 27** and **Oct. 25** are available. Please sign up on the clipboard in the hall.



*Elliott and Logan made their doves fly as Erin and Lettie taught them about Noah.*



*This new group of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders worked on Promotion Sunday projects.*



*Vivi showed her excitement as Hayley taught her that we are all related to Adam and Eve.*



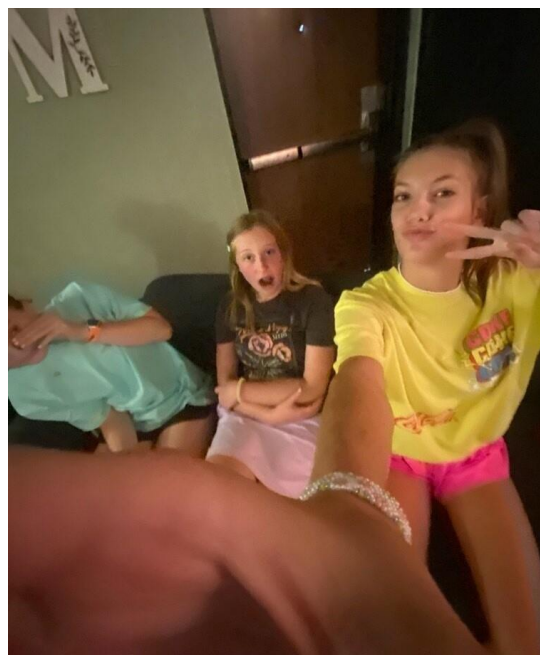
## Youth Ministry News

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

No school tomorrow! Please meet at Westgate at **11:30** if you would like to come eat lunch with the youth group! Please bring money to eat Blue Sky!

Please join us for a Youth Devo next **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, from 6 – 8 p.m.** at the Chaney's house! Dinner will be provided.

Please pray for all our students as they begin a new school year!



*Please enjoy this very high-quality photo of Addison, Layla, and Emory.*

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

**Church office:** 325-692-2300  
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### Offering:

**August 27:**  
Contribution: \$2,711.28  
eGive: \$2,130.00  
Total: \$4,841.28  
Budget: **\$6,917.00**  
Be A Blessing: \$35.58

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

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

**Children’s Education Coordinator:** Jackie Lee (325-518-4767)  
lee-jacqueline@sbcglobal.net

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

**Deacons:** Manny Carneiro, Jon Cogburn, Eric Gumm, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks, **Matt Waldrip**

### Nursery Duty:

Alison Colburn

### Building Lock-up:

**Sept.:** Adam Lott  
**Oct.:** Chris Meeks

### Blessing Box

### Counting:

Luke McFarlen  
Liam Meeks