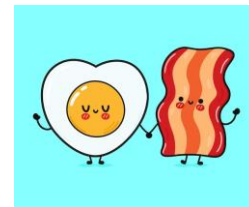


Westgate Church of Christ

Welcome Members and Guests



Back-to-School Breakfast Today

Today we will have the Back-to-School Breakfast at **9:00 a.m.** in the fellowship hall. As always, we appreciate the hard work of the Carneiros and Powells to make these wonderful fellowship events happen. Bible classes will not meet today only.

Sunday Morning Bible Classes Next Week

Please join us **next Sunday** as we resume our regular schedule, with Bible classes for all ages starting at **9:00 a.m.** For the kids, **Sunday, September 8**, will be the beginning of Faith Quest, the new curriculum for 4-year-olds through 5th graders. Please see Emily's blurb in Children's Ministry News inside the bulletin for details. The students in 6th through 12th grades meet across the parking lot in the Youth House for classes. The two adult Bible class options are a study in Leviticus with CJ Chaney in the auditorium, and Brady's class *Following Jesus During Election Season* in the fellowship hall.



Brown Bag Fellowship This Wednesday

Please make plans to bring a sack lunch or pick up fast food and join us at **5:45 p.m. Wednesday, September 4**. This is just a casual time to get together and visit before classes begin at **6:45 p.m.** And just in case you're wondering, Love Grubs start back up on **Wednesday, September 18!**



College Student Addresses

Attention parents of college students: We would like to get the addresses of our former Westgate kids who are now off at college (or at home going to college) so encouraging notes or cards can be sent to them. Please email westgatecofc@gmail.com with these. Thanks!

Prayer Concerns

~Our sincere sympathy to the family of **Peggy Allen**. She passed away Friday the 23rd at the age of 93, and the funeral was at Westgate Thursday. Peggy was such a light in the congregation and will truly be missed by all who knew her. Please remember **Deana Frazier** and the rest of the family in your prayers during this difficult time.

~The surgery for **Jeff Webb** went well. He is recuperating at home. Please pray for a quick and full recovery for Jeff.

~**Aubrey Hilligoss** has been waiting to see a specialist at Baylor Scott & White, and she was able to get an appointment for an initial consultation there. It is scheduled for the beginning of October. Please continue to pray for Aubrey.

~Keep praying for the **Langston family** in the loss of Jenni's mom, **Helen Moore**.

~Please keep praying for God's blessing on the Westgate elder selection process.

~Remember in prayer our Westgate kiddos who have gone off to college, that they will stay firmly grounded in their faith, and also pray for their parents as they adjust.

~Continued prayers for **Eric Robinson** and family.

~Michael Martinez (**Melissa Bell's** brother) is struggling and needs our prayers.

If you have a prayer request to put in the bulletin, please email it to westgatecofc@gmail.com, call 325-692-2300, or write it on an attendance card.

Those unable to join us:

- ~Ethel Gumm
- ~Ron and Geraldine Hill
- ~Dwight Painter
- ~Bob Hoyle

Ongoing prayer concerns:

- ~Deana Frazier
- ~Steve Henderson
- ~Nell Hopper
- ~Melody Loveland
- ~Jim Prather
- ~Eric Robinson
- ~Steve Smith
- ~Jim and Joyce Waddell
- ~Mickey Walker

Missionaries:

- ~Doug & Marge Reeves—Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, TX
- ~Megeste & Josette Pierre—Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti (in Dominican Republic currently)

Blessing Box and Little Library

If you're new to Westgate, you may be wondering what's up with the Blessing Box Bucket. Outside by the playground, the Blessing Box is stocked with food each day by volunteers. The box is used by neighborhood residents and passersby who need a little help. The money the kids so generously put in the bucket is used to buy additional groceries to put in the box. If you ever want to donate nonperishable food, that is also welcome; there's a bin in the short hall for donations. Beside the Blessing Box is a Little Free Library. Anytime you're cleaning out books, think of donating them to Westgate. We can always use more! You can either place them in the Little Free Library yourself or put them in the short hall.



Holiday
The church office will be closed for Labor Day tomorrow, **September 2**.

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YOUTH DEVO
SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

"It's kind of warm today I won't need a jacket"
Church air conditioning:

Welcome to the Himalayas!

Sermon Title: The Role of Members

Scripture: 1 Timothy 5: 17-22

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching. For Scripture says, "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain," and "The worker deserves his wages." Do not entertain an accusation against an elder unless it is brought by two or three witnesses. But those elders who are sinning you are to reprove before everyone, so that the others may take warning. I charge you, in the sight of God and Christ Jesus and the elect angels, to keep these instructions without partiality, and to do nothing out of favoritism.

Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.



Happy Birthday:

- Sept. 1: Kevin McSherry
- Sept. 2: Eric Robinson
- Sept. 4: Alyssa Chaney
- Sept. 5: Dorothy Emerson
- Sept. 7: Alycia Espinoza, Jackie Lee



Our Calendar:

- Sept. 1: Breakfast Fellowship 9:00 a.m. (no Bible classes)
- Sept. 2: Labor Day (office closed)
- Sept. 4: Brown Bag Fellowship 5:45 p.m.
- Sept. 8: Youth Devo 6 – 8 p.m.
- Sept. 18: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.
- Sept. 29: Potluck Lunch, Youth Group Game Night
- Oct. 2: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.
- Oct. 6: Youth Devo
- Oct. 13: Youth Group High School Hangout
- Oct. 14: Columbus Day, Youth Group Lunch
- Oct. 16: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.
- Oct. 20: Breakfast and WATS
- Oct. 27: Trunk or Treat
- Oct. 30: Brown Bag Fellowship 5:45 p.m.
- Nov. 3: Daylight Saving Time ends
- Nov. 6: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.
- Nov. 11: Veterans Day
- Nov. 20: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.
- Nov. 22 – 24: Youth Retreat
- Nov. 24: Church Friendsgiving Potluck
- Nov. 27: no services
- Nov. 28: Thanksgiving Day, Thanksgiving Meal Delivery
- Dec. 4: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.
- Dec. 7: Breakfast with Santa

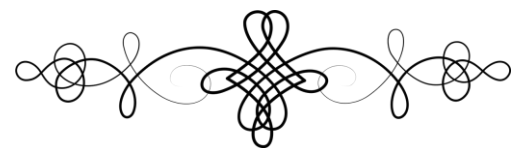
Lessons From the Lake Part 2 – by Brady Horner

Before we go on the water with the kids at the lake, we always do a run-through of guidelines to remember. It's mostly boring stuff like keep drinking water and putting on sunblock (which many don't listen to), rules about life jackets in boats, jumping off the dock, and putting things back where you got them. However, several of the guidelines we give are things to help the boat drivers maintain their sanity (those will be shared in the next article). I think there are some attitudes encouraged here that are very helpful for life.

We always tell students that it's not fair that we get to be out on the lake and do these awesome things; so, we don't want to hear things like "that's not fair", "they got to go more than me," or "me first." We are all privileged to get to be there so we shouldn't keep score. Life is not fair, and often we are getting the better end of the deal, so we should probably keep our mouths shut! For some reason we never complain about things not being fair when we get the better end of the deal. There should be gratitude for being out there with an awesome youth group, not entitlement because someone tubed longer than you did. Our students are pretty good about having grateful, fun, and encouraging attitudes.

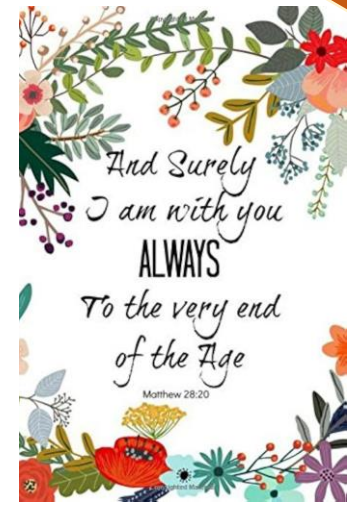


We also discourage the "me first" attitude, because it is not near as fun or healthy when everyone on the boat is just sitting there bored waiting their turn. That makes it appear as though everyone is there just as individuals trying to enjoy their own private lake experience. It's much more fun when we are encouraging and cheering others on as they are learning. It's better when we are laughing and singing along to the music. As it turns out, what makes the experience on the lake great isn't just wakeboarding or learning something new, it's the relationships you build and who you do it with. The lake, and life, is so much better when we do it alongside people encouraging them and making it about the community, not self. When we can learn that life will be much more fulfilling.



Children's Ministry News

Next week we will begin Faith Quest! Your child will be assigned an animal group based on their age, and they will find the sign with their animal and age group each Sunday in order to know which class to go to. Our September rotation schedule is on this chart. Thank you for your continued support. Your prayers for Faith Quest and our children are always appreciated!



Our new memory verse for the quarter is Matthew 28:20.

Moses: Baby through Return to Egypt

Exodus 1-4

Date	Ducks 4yrs - 1st grade	Sheep 2nd - 3rd grade	Lions 4th - 5th grade
Sept 1	Breakfast Fellowship!	Breakfast Fellowship!	Breakfast Fellowship!
Sept 8	Bible Trails	Creation Station	Tool Shed
Sept 15	Creation Station	Bible Trails	Good News
Sept 22	Good News	Tool Shed	Bible Trails
Sept 29	Tool Shed	Good News	Creation Station

Youth Ministry News

Please make sure you have filled out a medical release form and joined the Remind group to receive notifications about youth group activities if you haven't already! Check your email for more information. Let Clay know if you think you're not on the email list.

Please let Clay know about which extracurricular activities our students are participating in and share schedules! We want to show up and be a part of our students' lives!

Join us for a Youth Devo at the Waldrips' house **next Sunday, September 8, from 6 – 8!** Dinner will be provided.

Please pray for our students this new school year!



Some of our new 6th grade boys trying their hand at pool in the youth house before class!

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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Nursery Duty:
Hayley & Madeline Webb

Offering:
August 25:
Contribution: \$3,417.00
eGive: \$3,075.00
Total: \$6,492.00
Budget: \$7,169.00
Be A Blessing: \$20.80

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

Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983) sch16a@acu.edu
Children's Education Coordinator: Emily Clute (325-269-9806) eclute123@gmail.com

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

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

Building Lock-up:
Sept.: Adam Lott
Oct.: Chris Meeks

B. Box Counting:
Liam Meeks
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