SUNDAY: BIBLE CLASSES @9:00 AM; WORSHIP @10:15 AM; WORSHIP @6:00 PM; WEDNESDAY: BIBLE CLASSES @7:00 PM

ONLINE CLASSES FOUND ON:

facebook.com/airportroad & ▶ YOUTUBE

► SUNDAY NIGHTS w/MICHAEL @9PM

PHILIPPIANS: REJOICE! -Wed., @9AM (last one airs 10/1)

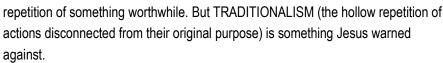
TS: THEN & NOW -Wed., @9AM(Begins 10/8)
CLASSES FEATURE STUDY GUIDE -EMAILED EVERY 1-2 WKS

Bible Investigation @9PM Weeknights

2-Minutes for Encouragement @7AM Daily
 2-Minutes to a Better Family Life @7:07AM Daily

There are people in our world who confuse 'religion' with 'faith'. Jesus never claimed to be a religious leader as the world defines religious leaders. He was looking for obedient faith in His followers. In Matthew 12:11 & 15:3, Jesus clarifies the difference between spiritual growth and church activity.

Don't misunderstand: Jesus wasn't against organized worship. He visited & taught in the temple, and He designed creation with remarkable organization. However, Jesus always emphasized the ESSENCE of worship over traditions. Tradition, when practiced meaningfully, is the



For example, the religious leaders of Jesus' day elevated the value of the Sabbath ABOVE the act of helping others, placing tradition over compassion. Jesus wasn't suggesting they abandon the Sabbath but instead calling them to a higher priority: loving God and loving others.

Today we must engage our minds with our hearts as we worship God, not merely dotting the I's and crossing the T's. God wants worship with meaning. God wants worship with our love.

Jesus calls us to humble authenticity – a faith that remains FRESH & ALIVE, resisting the temptation to let habits become hollow rituals and traditions.

I did not have the opportunity to finish out the Wednesday study on ACTS. I'm moving that study online to Wednesday mornings, beginning October 8. A free study guide is available and can be picked up by the fake palm tree in the rear of the auditorium or you can have it emailed to you every 7-10 days.

With the approaching winter months, our elders realized that some may have difficulty driving in the dark of Wednesday nights. An alternate Wednesday afternoon devotional service & Bible class will be offered if there is interest PLEASE INFORM ME IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND.

Now, as I close out all my online Bible classes, it is our hope, it is our wish, it is our prayer that we all live for Jesus 24/7...may God bless YOU!

> ~Michael Cox 501/545.1525 preachermichaelcox@gmail.com

### 10:15 AM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer.....Willie Butler Song Leader.....Clayton Wells

R#1018 - 'Joy to the World' B#334 - 'In the Morning of Joy'

Prayer.....Thomas Livingston

R#334 - 'Tis Midnight, and on Olive's Brow'

### COMMUNION

Scripture Reading & Prayer Andy McCormick / Thomas Livingston

R#453 - 'Love Lifted Me'

Scripture Reading......Michael Cox Sermon.....Josh Romo

"What the Church will Look Like!" I Corinthians 15.50-54

B#674 - 'There's a Great Day Coming' R#736 - 'To Christ Be True' B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'

Prayer.....Tim Togami

### B=Brown Book A R=Red Book A SC=Screen

### 6:00 PM Order of Worship

Welcome/Prayer......Willie Butler Song Leader.....Thomas Livingston

R#716 - 'Sing to Me of Heaven' R#71 -'As the Deer'

Prayer.....Luke Fader

R#922 -'Jesus Paid Jt All'

### **COMMUNION**

Scripture Reading & Prayer Andy McCormick / Thomas Livingston

R#666 -'J Am Thine, O Lord'

Scripture Reading......Michael Cox

"Just the Word" Hebrews 1.1-3

R#683 - 'J Am Mine No More' R#147 - 'J Stand Amazed' B#387 - 'Lead Me to Some Soul Today'

Prayer.....Tim Togami

OCTOBER ELDERS / DEACONS TIM TOGAMI / DEREK LANDRUM

**BAPTISMAL ASSISTANTS:** Lynn Dishongh & Kim Nickolson

### **Adult Bible Classes 9AM:**

Auditorium Michael Cox

Room#118 "History of the Church" -Andy McCormick

Room#112/Library "First Principles" -Danny Griffith MPB-1st floor Young Professionals - Tim Togami

## Children's 9AM **BIBLE CLASSES:**

MPB-2<sup>nd</sup> floor: 9th - 12th Josh Romo

Room#113: 5th -8th Mark Livingston

Room#114: 1st -4th **Angela Livingston** 

Room#108: 4yrs -K Martha Dean

Room#107: 3yrs Christie Landrum

Room#105: 1-2 yrs Barbara Wells & **Autumn Wells** 

Room#106: 3-18 months Cradle Roll **Barbara Pate** 

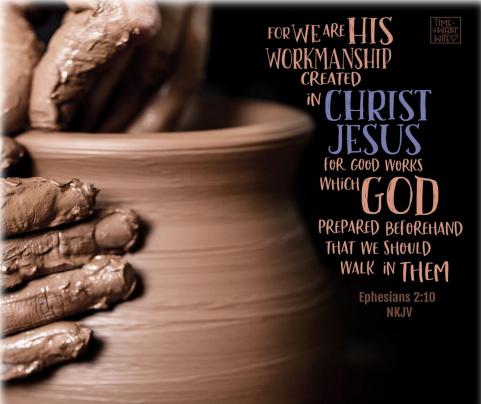
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# church of Christ 70 West Welcomes you!





HomeBuilders Pumpkin Painting: Saturday, October 25th Paint supplies, S'mores & Drinks will be provided. Please bring your own pumpkins to paint. All are Welcome to attend



(Note: I wrote this almost a year ago as my dear friend, Craig Wray, had just succumbed to his cancer. As the anniversary date of his death approaches, he has been on my mind quite a bit. I just recorded a video for our Bible investigation in which we attempt to answer the question about how a Christian is to count it joy when he/she goes through trials, such as cancer. Craig exemplified this mindset. I wish you all could have known him. As we get closer to thanksgiving, will put the text I read from Craig in that video here in the bulletin. It is my hope that by continuing to tell his story, others will continue to be led to Christ and a closer walk with Jesus. I miss my friend, but am forever thankful for his example!)

### **Imitate Me**

They say that imitation is the highest form of flattery. Sometimes imitated behavior can be ill advised. Other times behavior that is imitated is to the imitators' benefit. Whether the behavior is ill-advised or beneficial must be determined in light of the principles set forth by the standard of the gospel of Christ. Four times in the New Testament, we are instructed that Christians should imitate those behaviors that lend themselves to following after Christ. Paul urges the Corinthians to "imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ." (1 Corinthians 4:16, 11:1). The Hebrews writer instructs that we should not become "sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises" (Hebrews 6:12). John says, "Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. He who does good is of God, but he who does evil has not seen God" (3 John 11).

We have watched a man over the past sixteen or so months exemplify the previously mentioned verses. Through Craig's fight with cancer, even when we knew he wasn't feeling well, he continued to point to Christ. There were times I know we would not have blamed him for staying home because he wasn't feeling well, and yet, if at all possible, he was going to be here. Craig continued to invite people to attend worship with him right on through our recent gospel meeting.

We have a mission: that is to take as many souls as we can with us to heaven. In that mission, we just lost a tremendous soldier of the Cross. However, that soldier, Craig Wray, has given us an example that we can follow in this fight as we run the Christian race. Craig echoed Paul's message to the Corinthians... "imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ." We will keep fighting just as you fought. We will keep running just as you ran. We will imitate Christ just as you did. Rest, my dear friend, rest. I'll see you later.

> Josh Romo 417/493.8854 • romopreaches@gmail.com

### LIGHTPOST CALENDAR

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

◆ Tuesday Ladies' Birthday Luncheon ●11:30AM ● @ SANTORINI Greek Restaurant ~1018 AIRPORT RD, STE 130, HOT SPRINGS

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

◆ TEEN DEVO • 5:30PM • MPB

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

 SENIOR GAME DAY●1-5PM●MPB●Bring Favorite Games & Snacks! **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14** 

◆ TUESDAY LADIES' VISITATION • 11:30AM • MPB • Bring a lunch! SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

 JR. YOUTH & TEENS PARENT HOSTED DEVO●5PM @Gary & Beth Pope's house ~798 RAGWEED VALLEY RD, ROYAL • Please have Girls bring Frito's & Boys bring Drinks

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21**

◆ Tuesday Ladies' Visitation • 11:30AM • MPB • Bring your lunch!

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

◆ TEEN DEVO • 5:30PM • MPB

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

◆ SENIOR GAME DAY • 1-5PM • MPB • Bring Favorite Games & Snacks! **SUNDAY. OCTOBER 25** 

◆ HOMEBUILDERS' PUMPKIN PAINTING • 7PM • MPB • Paint supplies. S'mores & Drinks will be provided. Please bring your own pumpkins to paint. All are Welcome to attend @

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28**

◆ Tuesday Ladies' Visitation • 11:30AM • MPB

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- BLAZE 2025 "IGNITING the FLAME" 6-9:30PM Auditorium & MPB
- BLAZE FELLOWSHIP HOMEMADE ICE CREAM●8:30PM●MPB●(see Lightpost for Homemade Ice Cream Sign-ups)
- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8
- BLAZE 2025 "FANNING the FLAME 8:30AM-9PM Auditorium & MPB
- FELLOWSHIP POT-LUCK ●5PM●MPB●Please bring Cornbread, Crackers, Chips, Shredded Cheese, Desserts & Drinks (Please see Lightpost for Soup/Chili Sign-ups)

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

BLAZE 2025 "SPREADING the FLAME" WITH GUEST SPEAKER: GAGE COLDWATER ● 9AM Bible Class & 10:15AM Worship Service

# Prayer Requests

### SYMPATHIES EXTENDED TO

Wes Poole & Family, his wife & our sister in Christ, Suellen Poole passed away on Monday, September 29. The graveside service was on Thursday, October 2 at Pine Crest Memorial Park's Garden of the Cross in Alexander, AR

#### **MEMBERS**

Debbie Frenzel 

Bob Garner 

Billie Gregory Jean Kazimier 

Bob Johnston Carla March Ricky/Zandra Mendenhall Glenda Pannell●Karen Pate●Leslie Pate Stuart Reeves

Freddie Sharpe

Neva Tharp Diana Ward Ann White

- ♦ Allen, Phyllis –Health
- Cormier, Pris -Health
- Crenshaw, Pauline -NO VISITORS PLEASE BATTLING CANCER -Working w/physical therapy
- Pendleberry, Lois -Home now
- Wireman, Patricia -Recovering @home. NO visitors at this time please
- Ugbade, Debbie -Recovering

#### SHUT-INS

Craig Archer Mike/Shirley Baka Henry Cook LaVonne Depew•Ola Freibolt•Marcelle Green Lorene Mount • Charles/Virginia Parker David Pendleberry • Wes Poole • Pat Richens Judy Walters • Linda Woeppel

- Cook, Henry –@Home hospice
- Walters, Judy- Is using walker, but cannot drive. She's having hip problems & is in a lot of pain (does not want surgery)

### **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Kim Butler • Courtland Palmer • Breanna Dishongh Jenna Duvall 

Paula Crippen 

Cindy Cunningham Kristi Ferguson • Austen Johnson Becky McCombs • Matthew Qualls Rhonda Rivers • Don Rutherford • Barbara Sickels John Smith Mary Sisco Judy Straut Bob Troutman●Harrel Walters●Kay Ward ◆ Tharp, Megan (Neva's daughter) Home now

- \* Crow, Jake (Army) Fort Lewis, WA
- \* Schuler, Tommy (Army) Fort Johnson, LA
- Schuler, Tracy (Navy) Meridian, MS
- \* Spellings, Randy (Army Nat'l Guard) Jackson,
- \* Tombs, Levi (AF) Home now
- \* Vincent, Tyler (VF) Garland County
- Wethington, "A.J" Anthony (AF) Whitman AFB,
- Wells, Andrew & Madison-GCPD/HSPD

Jennifer Baker • Gabe Barnhart • Andy Bennett JL Bice Jim Blagg Nona Barton June Beach Sherry Daniel Sheree Gallagher Patti Genow Jerry Harris Jack Haywood Pam Jackson Alvena Jones Sandy Land • Brenda Lavender Daryl Macon 

 Phyllis Madlen 

 Delorious Tolleson Bettie Lou White

- Drennan, Denise (P.Rutherford's sister's DIL) Diagnosed w/breast cancer. Thankfully caught early
- ♦ Horne, Terry -He has been diagnosed w/ cancer. He will be having further tests including bone scan & abdominal CT
- Pipkins, Eugene -Home now & will have follow up next week. Next biopsy is 10/7-No Visitors Please
- Ward, Kenny -Home w/hospice (Meal Train on Lightpost -soft easy to eat foods, soup, casseroles...)

MISSIONS (Matthew 28:18-20)

- \* Kakinada, India-Ronnie Gootam
- Nigeria -Chad Wagner
- ❖ Pacific Islands -Randy English

•••ELDERS: Bill Brannon; Bob Cole; Ed Courtney; Alan Dishongh; Danny Griffith; Donnie Pogue, Jr; Tim Togami; Festus Ugbade•••DEACONS: Jonathan Bonde; Lessel Collier; Drew Hudgens; Derek Landrum; Chris Nickolson; Rick Palmer; Tom Shelton•••