



## **DOUG'S CORNER!**

Well, we are done with camps for the summer. They are always such a great event for our students and for me, but I am tired. I will have Google Photo links for both camps, if you would like access to the pictures that were taken. Also, I have an evaluation form for our students. I want to know your thoughts about camp this summer, so that we can evaluate if these sessions are what we want to keep going to.

Teens make plans to join us for the Teenage Christian Conference in Denver City on Saturday, August 5th. There is a sign up sheet on the Youth Bulletin Board. We will leave early that morning and will ride with Comanche Trail. You will need money for lunch on the way.

I want to start gathering ideas for our Trunk of Treats in October. Please write them down and give me your ideas. Themes, suggestions, any thoughts you have.

This Is The Way! - Doug

### Upcoming Events

Aug. 5th—Teenage Christian Conference  
Aug. 19th—Back To School Prayer Breakfast

## **Order of Worship**

### **Welcome**

932 & 933: Holy Ground Medley

### **Prayer**

Cornerstone  
621: Ten Thousand Angels

### **Communion**

499: O, To be Like Thee

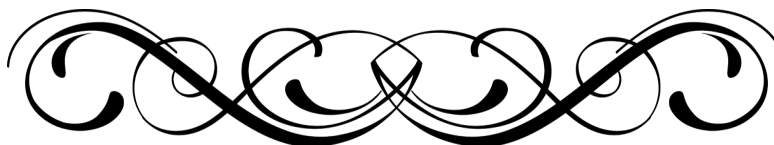
**1 Corinthians 10:11-13**

### **“Are You Serious?”**

197: Have Thine Own Way , Lord

### **Prayer**

### **Announcements**



**Psalms 90:7-10**

**“What is ‘Secret Sin’?”**

## **The Bell Avenue Church of Christ Beacon**



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### **Carl's Dye-a-logue**

A few days ago, I was asked a rather odd question. It was from the story of Daniel. The query was, “How many lions were in the lions’ den?” I want you to think about that for a second.

For many of us, when asked a question that nobody really knows the answer to, we tend to think about the story books we may have read as a child. Have you ever seen an artist’s rendition of Daniel in the lions’ den? Many of them, especially if they were drawn for children, have two or three lions that Daniel is petting while in the den.

When I was asked this question, my answer was, “We don’t know, but probably 10-12.” The asker was stunned by this, because most say 2-3, maybe 4. When he asked why I said 10-12, I said because of Daniel 6:24:

And the king commanded, and those men who had maliciously accused Daniel were brought and cast into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives. And before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones in pieces.

In Daniel 6:4, we learn the plan was hatched by the “high officials and satraps.” Since both are plural, we can assume at least four men were involved. If each had one wife (at least), and 5-6 children (big families were common), 28-32 people — probably a conservative estimate — were put into the den that morning.

Notice though, “. . . before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones to pieces.” How many lions would it take to demolish, say, 30 people before they reached the bottom of the den?

While we do not know how many lions were in the den, we do know that there was more than 2 or 3, probably more than 12!

The important thing we know is that, because of his faithfulness, God protected Daniel from the lions. While we might not escape “without a scratch,” God will protect us as well if we are faithful to Him.

# Speaking the Truth in Love

## Assembly Times

### **Sunday Worship**

9:30 AM and 5:00pm

### **Sunday AM Bible Classes**

Following Services

### **Wednesday Devo/Classes**

7:00pm

## Ministers

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## For the Record

**June 9, 2023**

AM Worship.....	111
Sunday Classes.....	95
PM Worship.....	44
Giving.....	\$3,659.25
Weekly Budget.....	\$5,272.96
YTD Giving.....	\$118,866.93
Budget.....	\$147,642.88

## Elders

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Eddie Hankins

\*Gene Mayfield

Mural Worthey

*\*indicates current contact  
person for the month*

## Deacons

**Colby Patterson**

*Transportation*

**Casey Wall**

*Building Maintenance & Grounds*

## Other Ministries

**Cled Click**

*Adult Education*

**Gene Mayfield**

*Finance  
World Bible School*

**Richard Mayfield**

*Contribution & Tract Rack*

**Mural Worthey**

*Amarillo Bible Chair Director*

## Reminder:

**In reverence to God  
and respect toward other  
worshippers, please remember  
to silence all cell phones and  
pagers at the beginning of the  
worship assembly.**

# Congregational News

## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Cohen Patterson on being baptized Saturday, July 8th. Cohen, we are proud of you!

## **Prayers and Sympathies**

Our prayers in sympathies go to Jady English for the loss of his brother, Alan English. Services were Friday in Abilene.

## **Member Update**

Eddie Hankins had eye lid surgery Wednesday, July 12th

Suellen Cross' husband Steve, will have surgery Tuesday, July 18th at the Amarillo Urology Surgical Center.

## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Sydney McColl and Cole Williamson on their wedding, Friday, July 14th.

## **Sisters for Christ**

Will begin meeting in September in our homes. All adult ladies are invited to participate in the monthly fellowship and Bible study. Please sign up by July 16.

## **Check These Out!**

### **Bell Library Books For the Summer Quarter**

Auditorium - Gene Mayfield - "Jesus Invitation for True Rest" - "Another Chance - How God Overrides our Big Mistakes" by Dean Merrill; "Heaven Bound Living" by Knofel Staton.

Young Professionals - Jady English - Proverbs - God's Wisdom for Daily Living"; "Beauty of a Discipline Life" by Rebecca Gates.

Fellowship room-Eddie Hankins - "In Parables" by Clovis G. Chappell; "Notes on the Parables of Our Lord" by Richard Trench.

# Prayer List

Nancy Brown; Martha Campbell; Suellen Cross; Paula Gilliland; Ted Hardwick; Patrick Harris, Don & Rhea Hicks; Jerry & Sherry Lee; Kenley Martin; Sammye Martin; Nelda Morgan; Hattie Perkins, Deedie Thomas; George & Betty Vinson; Casey Wall; Debra Zoller

In charge of meals for July for those in need:

Kay Lathem

## **AM**

**Song Leader**-Doug Martin

**Opening Prayer**-Moises Ramirez

### **Lord's Supper**

**Prayer:** Gene Mayfield

**Front** - Richard Mayfield,  
Hunter McColl, Adam Wall,  
Rob Thompson

**Back**— Michael Foster

**Scripture:** Jim Gonzalez

**Speaker:** Carl Dye

**Closing Prayer**—Richard Wright

**Cards**—Kaden Wright, Micah Wall

**Door Monitor**-Joe Brown

**AV**-Hank Brown, Lainey Martin

## **PM**

**Song Leader**--Cled Click

**Prayer** – Hank Brown

**Scripture** - Milton Miller

**Speaker**-Carl Dye

**Closing Prayer**-Tommy Key

### **Contact**

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## Bell Avenue Missions

- Amarillo College Bible Chair
- Panhandle State Bible Chair
- WTAMU Bible Chair
- Brazil
- In Search of the Lord's Way
- Key to the Kingdom
- Northern New Mexico
- New Mexico Christian Children's Home
- Eastern European Missions
- Spanish Literature Ministry
- Bangladesh School of Preaching
- Cameroon School of Preaching
- South America Preacher Training School
- Berkshire Preacher Support