



## **DOUG'S CORNER!**

We had a wonderful youth retreat last weekend. We had some exciting times and some very emotional times. Thanks to all our teens that went. I feel so many of us grew closer at the retreat. Also, I want to say thank you to Sarah for feeding us. And a big thanks to Hunter McColl, Kaelynn and Aryanna Thompson for going as chaperones. They were a huge help!

This afternoon we will be going to Nexus. It will be at University in Canyon. We will leave the building at 3:15 and we will return around 8pm. You don't need anything for Nexus. Please let me know if you plan on going, so I can make sure we have enough transportation.

This Is The Way! - Doug

### Upcoming Events

Oct. 1st—Nexus @ UCC  
Oct. 29th—Trunk of Treats  
Nov. 5th—Nexus @ Bell  
Feb. 16-18—T3  
June 17th-19th—MIA  
June 23rd-29th—MVCC Session 1  
July 7th-13th—MVCC Session 2

## **Order of Worship**

**Welcome**

**Prayer**

**Cornerstone**

**348: Jesus is All the World to Me**

**384: Lead Me to Calvary**

**Communion**

**350: Jesus Hold My Hand**

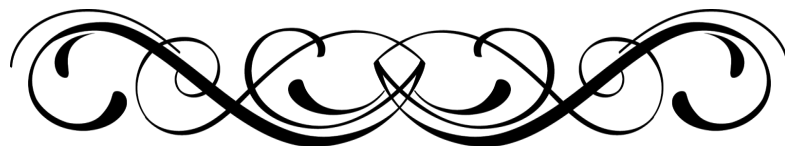
**1 Samuel 17:32-37**

**Commitment vs. "Giving it a Try"**

**272: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus**

**Prayer**

**Announcements**



**Leviticus 16:29-31**

**Fasting in the Old Testament**

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



October 1, 2023

Vol 63 No. 39



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

For many if not most of us, when we go to the doctor for a checkup, lab work is required. Many times, the doctor or nurse will remind you to fast before having your blood work done. For a lot of us, that is the extent of what we know about fasting . . . it's about not eating before labs are drawn so that recently eaten food does not skew the results.

But is that all fasting really is? Should we only fast for medicinal reasons?

Beginning tonight, we are going to explore the rarely talked about subject of fasting. We will begin by looking at "Fasting in the Old Testament."

In two weeks, we will look at "Fasting in the New Testament." We will conclude in three weeks with "Fasting by Christians Today."

Modern Jews recently celebrated "Yom Kippur." It began at sundown on September 25 and ended at sunset on September 26. Yom Kippur is also the Day of Atonement from our Old Testament.

Those of the Jewish faith and those familiar with Old Testament teachings on fasting know that the Day of Atonement was the only time the Israelites were commanded to fast.

On Yom Kippur modern Jews are to refrain from eating or drinking, not wear leather footwear, not bathe, not apply lotions or ointments, and refrain from intimate relations. They do (or do not do) all of these on this day to demonstrate their repentance, sincerity, and to show their devotion to God. They also express solidarity with their fellow Jews who are following the same restrictions.

So, a few sermons on fasting are timely from that standpoint. But there is also another occasion that makes it a timely topic.

Soon we will begin the process of appointing additional deacons. Based on what we read in Acts 13:1-3 and Acts 14:23, it might be an appropriate time for us as a congregation to fast.

Does that just mean going without food? Come tonight and find out!

# 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

Carl Dye

ctdye123@gmail.com

### **Youth and Family**

Doug Martin

dslemartin@yahoo.com

### **Secretary**

Beverly Hays

## Church Office

Phone: 806 355-2351

Email: bellavecoc@gmail.com

www.bellavenue.org

## For the Record

### **September 17, 2023**

AM Worship.....	94
Sunday Classes.....	76
PM Worship.....	61
Giving.....	\$3,267.00
Weekly Budget.....	\$5,272.96
YTD Giving.....	\$164,185.81
Budget.....	\$205,645.44

## Elders

Cled Click

\*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  
worshipers, please remember  
to silence all cell phones and  
pagers at the beginning of the  
worship assembly.**

# Congregational News

## **Prayers, Please**

Sandy Hadaway started her chemo treatments last week. Please continue to pray for her and for all those on our list.

## **It's a Treat to Give**

Even though it is close to Trick or Treat time, October is still a good month to give! Tipton's Children's Home will have a grocery and supply pickup October 24-26<sup>th</sup>. Suggestions are: assorted cereals, mac and cheese, canned chicken, club crackers, brownie mixes, sugar, Crisco, toilet paper, paper towels, antibacterial wipes, facial tissues, dryer sheets, hamburger helper, and laundry detergent (prefer Pods Liquid).

## **Speaking of Helpers...**

Here are some books in Bell's Avenue's library that can help in the search of deacons.

"Deacon and His Work" by James D. Bales

"God's Deacons" by Charles Hodge

"Scriptural Elders and Deacons" by H.E. Phillips

"Church Organization and Government" by H.H. Gray, Jr.

## **Pushing for Pictures**

We would love to see you hanging! On our bulletin board that is! If your picture is not there or you need to update it, please get with Cled Click. He would be glad to make you smile!

# Prayer List

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

In charge of meals for October for those in need:

Carolyn Mayfield

## **AM**

**Song Leader**-Doug Martin

**Opening Prayer**-Danny Haney

**Lord's Supper**

**Prayer:** Cled Click

**Front** - Nick Coleman,  
Richard Mayfield,  
Kenneth McColl, Hunter McColl  
**Back**— Tommy Key

**Scripture:** Jerry Lee

**Speaker:** Carl Dye

**Closing Prayer**—Terry Walker

**Cards**— Evan Roehr Micah Wall

**Door Monitor**-Richard Wright

**AV**-Ethan Hays, Harper Coleman

## **PM**

**Song Leader**--Eddie Hankins

**Prayer** - Mural Worthey

**Scripture** - Gene Mayfield

**Speaker**-Carl Dye

**Closing Prayer**-Richard Mayfield

## **Contact**

Tommy Wright  
806 241-3391

## 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
- Berkshire Preacher Support