

## Lord's Servants

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**Minister:** Donnie Martin

**Spanish Minister:** Lonnie Tapscott

**Missionaries:** Dionicio Santillan–Juarez,  
Mexico

Miguel Garcia-Zaragosa, Mexico

Kevin Montgomery– International Bible  
Institute, Houston, Texas

### Shepherds

Jim Kotter  
Lonnie Tapscott  
Demetrius Williams

### Deacons

Keith Boutwell  
Rodolfo Rubio

### Lord's Table for December

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Isaac Moreno	Philip Hart
Eduardo Urbina	AJ Leday
Jeremy Covey	Marco Santiago
Jimmy Soto	Tré Leday

**Greeters for December:** Cindy Cooper &  
Lisa Dean

### Wednesday, December 5, 2018 Evening Worship

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**Adult Class** – Donnie Martin  
**Sound Room** – Williams Family

## Attendance & Contribution

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November 25, 2018

Sunday A.M. Class: 68

Sunday A.M. Worship: 138

Sunday P.M. Worship: 12

Wednesday Evening: 42

Contributions: \$5,264.25

Other: \$611.20

Total: \$5,875.45

2018 Montwood Update  
Baptized: 6 Placed Membership: 11

### Montwood Leadership

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### Stay Connected

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Here are some ways to connect with the  
Montwood family.

**Facebook:**

**@ChurchOfChristMontwood** – public page

**Montwood Church of Christ Group** – closed  
group for Montwood Members

## How Do I Become a Christian?

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The Scriptures lay out in precise terms what is necessary for a person to become and remain a follower of Jesus. At Montwood, we believe God's Word teaches that we are initially saved (justified) by grace through faith in baptism and we remain in a saving relationship (sanctified) as we walk with Jesus in the light on a daily basis.

None of us is able on our own to erase the debt sin creates with God nor are we able to perfectly keep God's commands in the way that we live. This is why we fully depend upon God's mercy and pardon for our past guilt and rely on His power and wisdom to live obediently in the present.

If you are interested in becoming a disciple of Jesus for the first time, we invite you to come forward during our invitation hymn or to meet with the leaders of our congregation to discuss further what the Bible teaches.

### Becoming a Member of Montwood

All disciples of Jesus Christ (those who have been baptized for the forgiveness of sins and who are striving to live by faith in God's Word) are welcome to place membership with our local congregation. If you are interested in doing so, the shepherds would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and discuss what we believe local church membership entails.

Visit our website: [montwood.org](http://montwood.org) Update your information, view upcoming events, bulletins and much more.

**Knowing, Showing, Going**

- Personally Knowing (the love of God)
- Powerfully Showing (the love of God)
- Prayerfully Going (with the love of God)



### Sunday, December 2, 2018

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**Welcome & Prayer:** Demetrius Williams &  
Lonnie Tapscott

**Singing:** Adam Lewis

*We Praise Thee, O God  
Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah  
Love Lifted Me  
Holy Lord*

*Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross*

**Lord's Supper**

**Offering** *Jesus is Lord*

**Dismissal of Spanish/KFC**

**Sermon Scripture Reading:**

Luke 7:40-43 Troy Cranston

**Sermon:** Donnie Martin

*'A Story About Forgiveness'*

**Invitation Hymn:**

*Jesus Paid It All*

**Family News/Prayer:** Jim Kotter

**Dismiss**



## Prayer Requests

- **Health and Wellness:** Emma (mother of G. Wade), Renate DeSoto, Greg Bunn, Alta Rubio & Donnie Martin - restored/ improved health; Ivonne, (Mayela Estrada's daughter), Shelby, (Cindy Covey's daughter) & babies – safe pregnancy & delivery; Elizabeth (niece of John Reifers) – still suffering with medical issues; Karen Miller (friend of Dan Barton) – speedy recovery from pelvis surgery; Arabella Armijo (infant great-niece of Rubios) – recovery from surgery; Lizett Moreno – currently in Providence Children's Hospital, Rm. 3308 with a stomach virus
- **Strength & Encouragement:**  
**Montwood Family**, missionaries around the world, & any one being persecuted – stay strong in faith, make time for prayer, study and growth in the knowledge and practice of God's Word & learn what it means to be a humble disciple of God; Lisa Dean – job situation; that the family at Montwood can grow closer as one
- **Traveling Grace:** Lawrence Jeffery - weekly travels; all who will be traveling over the holidays
- **Thanksgiving:** for the leaders of our country, our military; our Shepherds, Ministers, teachers, and the brethren of Montwood COC; for all who returned safely from their Thanksgiving holiday

## Military Members

Fernando Huerta, Jr., Caleb Bloom, Jason Hancock, Kimberly & Anthony Huidor, Joey Dotson, Adam Lewis, James Hugley, Kelvin Kwaramba, Torrey Canady, Joseph & Alvanetta Reed, Lizette (Granado) Wu & Lance Wu, Daniel Massey, Derek Davis, Matthew Powell & Justin Young

## Prayers for Our College Students

Adrian Luna, Elise Williams, Brian, Brandon, & Morgan Cox, Artiziel Broussard, Kenneth Huerta, Amber & Brianna Rohrer, Christina, Katy & Dominic Hernandez, Zachary & Josh Dantzler, Lyric Barnett, Andrew Luna, John Kotter, Ezra Moleko, Autumn Russell & Isaac Moreno

## Long Term Prayer Requests

Maria Gandara, Vincent Hernandez, Rafaela & Veronica Rodriguez, Lucy & Tatiana Chavez, Carmen & Albert Martinez, Mildred Bustillos, Don Alan Riggs, Carlene West, Lucille Jackson, Dolores Crocker, Dolores Cranston, Mary & Csilla Hallberg, Dennis McConaughy, Ann Kotter, Ryan Lee, Beth McNichol, Tiddley Cooper, Lucille Johnson, Carolyn Matthews, Ruth Aston, Martha Duley, Elizabeth Rodriguez, Fred Jackson, Tonya Seale, Kay Popelka, Norma Estrada-Keith, Lorna Ganaway, Sidney Ford, Patsy Brown, Bill Cramer, Manuel Macias, Rick Duncan, Evelyn Torres, & Shannon Parr



### Kids for Christ

All kids ages 3 to 7 are welcome to join us for Bible Stories, devotion, Crafts, Skits, & Puppet Shows.



### Food Pantry Ministry

Pantry items for December: Stuffing or instant mashed potatoes, and canned sweet potatoes/ yams. All other non-perishable items are welcome.

*Thank You*

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

9 – Christina Lewis  
9 – Tanya Dawkins

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6 – Mike & Victoria Duley

## Announcements

- Holiday Luncheon – TODAY, following morning worship. Please join us in the dining hall for food, fun & fellowship. Hostesses: Flo, Gail, Norma, Mayela, Marcie, Lisa & Cindy Cooper
- Christmas Gifts – Please sign up to bring a gift for our children at the Zaragoza Church in Mexico. Gifts can be brought to the church through Wednesday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheet is in the foyer. Please see Alta for more details.
- Food Pantry – Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> following evening worship – move items to dining hall; Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 9-11:30am – preparation of bags; Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 9-11:30am - Food Pantry Distribution. Volunteers are greatly appreciated for all days.
- Youth Group Visit – Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> the youth will be visiting the Women's Shelter. The group is scheduled to leave following morning worship. Please donate: deodorant; diapers – size 4/5; baby wipes, toothpaste; and board games. Please see Adam & Christina Lewis, Lisa Dean, AJ Leday or Philip Hart for more information.

## New Addresses

Kay Duley  
4476 Wandering Vine Trail  
Round Rock, TX 78665

Kayleigh Duley  
1108 Sixth St.  
Alpine, TX 79830

## Sermon Series: Jesus Stories

### Sermon Title: A Story About Forgiveness

Luke 7:40-43

**Big Idea: The heart that knows forgiveness will overflow in love for Jesus.**

The Realities of Forgiveness

- Forgiveness involves a critical calculation: "they could not pay"
- Forgiveness involves a complete cancelation: "he canceled the debt"
- Forgiveness involves a continued commitment: "which of them will love him more"

The Results of Forgiveness

- Forgiveness leads to devotion.
- Forgiveness leads to deliverance.

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