

## Lord's Servants

**Spanish Minister:** Lonnie Tapscott

**Family & Youth Minister:** Donnie Martin

**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

## Sunday Evening Worship

**Song Leader:** Dempsey Williams

**Opening Prayer:** Adam Lewis

**Sermon:** Lonnie Tapscott

**Lord's Supper & Prayer:** John Reifers

## Attendance & Contribution

November 26, 2017

Sunday A.M. Class: 110

Sunday A.M. Worship: 181

Sunday P.M. Worship: 20

Wednesday Evening: 35

Contributions: \$5,011.00

Other: \$600.00

T-3: \$305.00

Total: \$5,916.00

2017 Montwood Update

Baptized: 9 Placed Membership: 5

## Montwood Leadership

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## How Do I Become a Christian?

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: [www.montwood.org](http://www.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 3, 2017**

### **Worship**

**Song Leader:** Demetrius Williams

**Welcome:** Jim Kotter & Lonnie Tapscott

**Prayer:** Greg Bunn & Victor Estrada

### **Those Serving the Table:**

Isaac Moreno

Talon Tapscott

Philip Hart

Pat Moreno

Rick Gandara

Torrey Canady

John Reifers

Carlos Luna

**Scripture Reading:** Ezra Moleko

**Luke 1:46-55**

**Sermon:** Jim Kotter

**'Magnificat: Mary's Song of Praise'**

**Family News:** Donnie Martin

**December Greeters:** Cindy Cooper, Rhonda LeMense, & Lisa Dean

**Sound Room:** Williams Family

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## Prayer Requests

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- **Health and Wellness:** Fatima Chavez, Jason Hancock, Carlene West, Carol Davis, Frances Amison, Irene Rice, Lucille Johnson, & Elena (Pat Kelly's mother)- restored health; Courtney Lopez & baby- healthy pregnancy & safe delivery; Ethan Williams – may his breathing continue to improve; Veronica Sears (daughter of Santi Muniz – will undergo surgery to remove fluid in her brain; mother of Tiffany Manis (Pantry Staff)- healing
- **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; men of the Halfway House; Florina Barnett – dealing with loss of sister-in-law; Lisa Dean – for decision to be made concerning a new job position; LeAnne & Jason Hancock – leaving sometime in December to their next post; family of Bobby Porter Sr., – faithful servant of the Lord (friend of Larry Brown) passed away recently
- **Traveling Grace:** Gwen Wilbanks – weekly travels; Laurence Jeffery; Becky Reifers while in Maine; Hilda Rohrer – to and from San Antonio
- **Thanksgiving:** for the leaders of our country, our military; our Shepherds, Ministers, teachers, and the brethren of Montwood COC

### Military Members

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

### Prayers for Our College Students

Adrian Luna, Elise Williams, Jessye Boutwell, Tranell, & Morgan Cox, Artiziel Broussard, Kenneth Huerta, Amber & Brianna Rohrer, Christina, Katy & Dominic Hernandez, Zachary & Josh Dantzler, Lyric Barnett, & Andrew Luna

### Long Term Prayer Requests

Maria Gandara, Vincent Hernandez, Veronica Rodriguez, Lucy & Tatiana Chavez, Carmen & Albert Martinez, Mildred Bustillos, Don Alan Riggs, San Juana Jayme, Dalton Southern, Christina Hernandez, Anselmo Martinez, Lucille Jackson, Dolores Crocker, Dennis McConaughy, Conte Dantzler, Carlene West, Dolores Cranston, Mary Hallberg, Ann Kotter, Paul Tamez, Christina Hutchison, Ryan Lee, Janet Outerbridge, Aubry Herrarte, Farida Maharaj, Vanessa Moran, Wayne Gardner, Gwen Wilbanks, Dawn Spencer, Sharon Grandmaison, Maria Montanez, Scott Wakitsch, Doris Baeder, Socorro Renteria, & Carol Davis

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

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3 – Leonides Perez

9 – Christina Lewis

9 – Brandon & Bryan Cox

9 – Tanya Dawkins

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6 – Mike & Victoria Duley



### Kids for Christ: Winter Break

### Pre-Teen Zone: On Break

### Food Pantry Ministry

Pantry item for December: cream of mushroom soup. All other non-perishable items are welcome.

*Thank You*

### Wednesday, December 6th, 2017 Evening Worship

**Adult Class:** Donnie Martin

**Sound Room (December):** Williams Family

## Announcements

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- T3 2018 – balance due today. See Lisa Dean or Philip Hart.
- Potluck Luncheon – today following morning worship. Please join us as we share a meal & fellowship.
- Men's Breakfast – Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am in the Fellowship Hall. All men are welcome to attend.
- Senior Saints Luncheon – Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> following morning worship. Sign-up sheet is in the foyer.
- Milestone Ministry Luncheon – Wednesday, December 13, 2017, Pei Wei on George Dieter @ 1:00pm
- Food Pantry – Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, following evening worship – move items to dining hall; Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 9-12pm – preparation of bags; Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 9-11:30am - Food Pantry Distribution. Volunteers are greatly appreciated for all days.
- Christmas Caroling – Saturday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> @ 4:00pm. See Lisa D. or Romy T. for more details.
- Christmas Gifts – Please sign up to bring a gift for our children at the Zaragosa Church in Mexico. Gifts can be brought to the church through Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>. Please see Alta for more details.

## Montwood Church of Christ

December 3, 2017

### Sermon Series: Songs About Jesus

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#### Magnificat: Mary's Song of Praise (Luke 1:46-55)

##### I. Background.

- A. Singing.
- B. Two birth announcements.

##### II. God's attributes in the *Magnificat*.

- A. Lord.
- B. Savior.
- C. Omniscient.
- D. Charitable.
- E. Holy.
- F. Merciful.
- G. Faithful.
- H. Sovereign.
- I. Gracious.
- J. Generous.
- K. Helpful.
- L. Eternal.

“And Mary said, ‘My soul magnifies the Lord...’  
(Luke 1:46)

### **A note from our Shepherds:**

"God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Co. 9:7b). We often cite this portion of Scripture in relation to the weekly contribution, and rightly so. However, this concept can and should also be applied to other aspects of giving. We live in a community with many low-income households, many of whom rely on the generosity of Montwood and others to feed their families. This is a great testament to our commitment to the Lord and our love for our fellow man (Mt. 25:34-40; 22:39), a key aspect of our mission.

The shepherds are asking every family to assist in providing food for our community. Please remember to purchase a few cans of food every time you go to the grocery store and bring them to Montwood. With the support of every family, we can continue to provide an important resource to the needy of the El Paso area.

### **Una nota de nuestros pastores:**

"Dios ama al que da con alegría" (2 Co. 9:7b). Solemos citar esta porción de Las Escrituras en relación con la contribución semanal, y con razón. Sin embargo, este concepto puede y debe ser aplicado a otros aspectos de nuestra ofrenda. Vivimos en una comunidad donde hay muchas familias de bajos recursos, entre las cuales hay muchas que dependen de la generosidad de Montwood y otros para alimentarse. Es un buen testimonio de nuestro compromiso al Señor y nuestro amor por el prójimo (Mt. 25:34-40; 22:39), una clave importante de nuestra misión.

Los pastores están pidiendo a cada familia ayudar en proveer comida a nuestra comunidad. Favor de recordar a comprar unas latas de comida cada vez que vayas a la tienda y traerlas a Montwood. Con el apoyo de cada familia, podemos continuar a proveer un recurso importante a los necesitados de la región de El Paso.

If the Lord is leading you to greater involvement in any of the following areas, please see the corresponding ministry contact person.

#### Participation in Good Works

- **Visitation:** Lisa Dean
- **Pantry Workers:** Dolores Cranston
- **Security:** Dolph Rubio
- **Communion Prep:** Christina Hernandez
- **Bus Drivers:** Tanya Dawkins

#### Provision for Good Works

- **Supporting Senior Saints:** Rhonda LeMense
- **Pantry Supplies:** Dolph Rubio
- **Missionary Support:** Lonnie Tapscott
- **Youth Ministry Sponsorship:** Phillip Hart
- **Family Care Meals:** Hope Morales

#### Promotion of Good Works

- **A/V Support:** Demetrius Williams
- **Website:** Troy Cranston
- **Photography / Videography:** Dominic Hernandez
- **Design:** Katy Hernandez
- **Greeting:** Lisa Dean

Si el Señor le está llevando a una mayor participación en cualquiera de las siguientes áreas, por favor vea la persona de contacto correspondiente del ministerio

#### Participación en Buenas Obras

- **Visitación:** Lisa Dean
- **Despensa:** Dolores Cranston
- **Seguridad:** Dolph Rubio
- **La Cena del Señor:** Christina Hernández
- **Choferes (autobús):** Tanya Dawkins

#### Provisión de Buenas Obras

- **Apoyar a las personas de tercera edad:** Rhonda LeMense
- **Suministros para la despensa:** Dolph Rubio
- **Apoyar a los misioneros:** Lonnie Tapscott
- **Patrocinio del ministerio para los jóvenes:** Phillip Hart
- **Comida para cuidar las familias:** Hope Morales

#### Promoción de las buenas obras

- **Apoyo A/V:** Demetrius Williams
- **Sitio en la red:** Troy Cranston
- **Fotografía/Videografía:** Dominic Hernández
- **Diseño gráfico:** Katy Hernández
- **Saludo:** Lisa Dean