

## Lord's Servants

**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

## Sunday Evening Worship

**Song Leader:** John Reifers

**Opening Prayer:** Dempsey Williams

**Sermon:** AJ Leday

**Lord's Supper & Prayer:** Adam  
Lewis

## Attendance & Contribution

December 3, 2017

Sunday A.M. Class: 113

Sunday A.M. Worship: 190

Sunday P.M. Worship: 40

Wednesday Evening: 64

Contributions: \$5,453.55

Other: \$100.00

T-3: \$1,735.00

Total: \$7,288.55

2017 Montwood Update

Baptized: 9 Placed Membership: 7

## Montwood Leadership

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·Demetrius Williams

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## Membership

Marco & Mary Amador have placed  
membership. Please welcome them to the  
Montwood Family.

Marco & Maria Amador  
440 Bonampak  
El Paso, TX 79849

## 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 10, 2017**

**Worship**

**Song Leader:** Al Dean

**Welcome:** Donnie Martin & Lonnie Tapscott

**Prayer:** Philip Hart & Jose Luna

**Those Serving the Table:**

Isaac Moreno	Talon Tapscott
Philip Hart	Pat Moreno
Rick Gandara	Torrey Canady
John Reifers	Carlos Luna

**Scripture Reading:** Tranell Cox

**Luke 1:67-79**

**Sermon:** Donnie Martin

**'Zachariah's Song'**

**Family News:** Demetrius Williams

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

**Sound Room:** Williams Family

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## Prayer Requests

- **Health and Wellness:** Fatima Chavez, Jason Hancock, 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 & Christina Hernandez – healing; Carlene West – relief from pain; Tiffany Taylor – health issues; Thelma Gipson – (Zahn Dantzer's aunt) – ill; Elis Lewis Jr. – several infections;
- **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; LeAnne & Jason Hancock – leaving sometime in December to their next post; Carlene West & Tiffany Taylor things they must face to improve health; Christina Regis – important meeting results; Maria Roush – peace in her life
- **Traveling Grace:** Gwen Wilbanks & Laurence Jeffery – weekly travels
- **Thanksgiving:** for the leaders of our country, our military; our Shepherds, Ministers, teachers, and the brethren of Montwood COC; Dennis McConaughy - for all the prayers during his recent illness, please continue to pray

## **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 Dantzer, 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 Dantzer, 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

10 – Howell Ramsey  
16 – Riki Pinales



## 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 13, 2017 Evening Worship

**Adult Class:** Donnie Martin  
**Sound Room (December):** Williams Family

## Announcements

- Senior Saints Luncheon – today, following morning worship.
- 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> @ 3:30pm. See Lisa D. or Romy T. for more details.
- Refreshments - will be served in the dining hall following the Birth of Jesus Remembrance – Wednesday Evening, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>
- 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.
- No evening service on December 24<sup>th</sup> and information about the 31<sup>st</sup> evening service will be coming soon.

**Montwood Church of Christ**

December 10, 2017

**Sermon Series: Songs About Jesus**  
**Zechariah's Song**

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Luke 1:68-79

**Big Idea: Jesus Came Into The World So You Can Serve God**

**Jesus Came So You Can Serve God Fearlessly**

**Jesus Came So You Can Serve God Faultlessly**

**Jesus Came So You Can Serve God Faithfully**

**Jesus Came So You Can Serve God Fruitfully**

### **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