



West Seventh Church of Christ

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May 17, 2026

Elders

Bill Alsup	505-2282
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Steve Cofer	615-519-1228
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BLOCK PARTY & VBS KICKOFF
June 7 | 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP

BLOCK PARTY



VBS

June 8-10 | 6:00 – 8:00 P.M.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP

VBS



Staff

Barry England	Marriage/Family
Nathan Graham	Student
Randy Owens	Preaching
Suzi Parrett	Children

Office 931-388-6514

Laurel Burton	Ministry Assistant
Lauren Kennedy	Ministry Assistant
David Ward	Facilities

Spanish Speaking

Elyar Sanchez	615-853-4627
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Welcome Guests! We are honored that you joined us and hope that you will be blessed today.

PLEASE REGISTER ON THE ATTENDANCE PADS IN EACH PEW.

The Information Center has more details and is in the hallway as you exit the door to the left of the pulpit.

Gluten Free Communion is available in the foyer.

Hearing Assistance is available; see an usher for assistance.

TO ASSIST FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN:

Attended Nursery The Nursery is provided for children younger than two years of age. It is in the hallway as you exit the door to the left of the pulpit.

Cry Room This space in the Foyer is reserved for parents with young children only.

Nursing Rooms The Cry Room has a private room for nursing and an additional private room is just past the Nursery.

Diaper Changes Are available in the Cry Room, the men's & women's restrooms in the Family Center and the men's restroom adjacent to the Nursery.

Prayer Room Parents wishing to rock a sleeping baby during worship may use this room to the right of the pulpit.

Quiet Bags These bags have helpful items for children and are available at the rear of the Auditorium.

Today

- 9:00 Worship
10:10 Coffee Fellowship
10:30 Bible Classes
11:30 Worship in Spanish

Small Group Bible Studies meet at various times. Anyone is welcome to join the group meeting in the Chapel at 4:00 today. This will be the last Small Group Meeting until August.

Tuesday, May 19

Ladies' Bible Class will meet at 10 a.m. Childcare will be provided. Lunch to follow at Kathleen Cox's house. This will be the last class until August.

Wednesday, May 20

Sewing Ministry will meet at 9 a.m. in the Outreach Center.

Bible Classes will meet at 6:30 p.m.

VBS Workdays

May 19 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Faith Farm
May 21 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Faith Farm
May 26 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Faith Farm
May 28 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Faith Farm
June 2 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Faith Farm
June 4 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in Faith Farm
June 6 - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Church wide VBS workday in the Family Center.

Contact Suzi Parrett (615-693-9427) with questions.

College Students

Graduates: Please give the office your name, school and degree to be included in an upcoming bulletin (931-388-6514 or office@w7church.org).

Internships/Mission Trips: If you have a summer internship or are going on a summer mission trip, please send your information to the church office as well.

M.A.G.I. Boxes

We are participating in the M.A.G.I. project with Healing Hands International. We are supplying boxes for 8-10-year-old boys and girls. There are printed lists at the Information Center with items needed for boxes. Donations need to be placed in the bin at the Information Center by Sunday, May 31. If you prefer to donate money for items or shipping (\$8.00 per box), please give your donation to the church office, Linda James or Peggy McEwen. Please note 'MAGI Boxes' in the memo section.

VBS Volunteers Needed

Want to jump in and help with our Jonah VBS? We're looking for volunteers to make this an unforgettable week! Stop by the Information Center to sign up or reach out to Suzi Parrett (615-693-9427) for more information. We'd love to have you on the team!

Congratulations

To Tucker and Baylie Vincent on the birth of their son, Samuel Taylor Vincent. Sam was born May 14. Jack is the proud big brother.



People's Table

We are hosting church for the People's Table on July 7 and July 14. Volunteers are needed to serve the meal and should arrive at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall at 5:00 p.m. To help offset the cost of the meal, please make your donation to West 7th and note People's Table in the memo line or donate online. If you have any questions, please contact Rickey or Julie Savage.

Summer Interns arrive May 31

Mara Johnson

Student Ministry



Shawn Smith

Student Ministry



Molly McDonald

Children's Ministry



Secret Sisters

Don't forget to check the Deacons' Room for gifts. This room is located behind the baptistery.

Food for New Moms Ministry

Amy Hendrixson is now coordinating food for new moms. Please contact her by phone (256-468-5508) or email (amyvanessah@gmail.com) if you would like to be a part of this wonderful ministry.

Pray without ceasing

Reported sick this week:

Nancy Bennett is in Encompass Health in Franklin, TN, room 223, recovering from a stroke.

Diane Campbell is in MRMC, room 255, with pneumonia.

Jacob Williams has completed treatments and is waiting on test results.

Tina England's father, Gene Carter, is in a rehab facility in Jackson, TN.

Continue to Pray...

Recovering | Extended Illness | Homebound

Wayne Alderson	David & Nancy Heffington	Sammy Salters
Harold Allen	Olivia Howell	Beverly Simmons
Faye Bell	Lenora Hunter	Lottie Umstead
Xiomara Berland	Ken & Faye Jackson	Melinda Watts
Diane Campbell	Janice Jernigan	Molly Watts
Jim & Betty Carrigan	Sue Jones	Carnice White
Ramona Cherry	Glenda Kennedy	
Ruby Dunn	Winnie Love	
George & Shirley Freeland	Bob & Kerma Parrett	
Jane Hawkins	Margaret Parsons	

Friends and Family

Carol Carnahan's father -	John Williams
Vickie Cofer's father -	Ralph Roach
AJ DeJarnette's mother -	Deborah Grimes
Lyndell Fox's sister -	Connie Howell
Sue Fox's friend -	Gina Robinson
Calvin Jackson's sister-in-law -	Carla Davis
Rob Johnson's friend -	Tammy Bradley
Shelby Johnson's mother -	Barbara Massey
Joy Jones' mother -	Peggy Knox
Kevin LoRe's friend -	Tammi Ettinger
David Mann's sister -	Mary Jo Bertie
Mark Marchal's mother-in-law -	Sandy Casey
Carrie McCullough's niece -	Hattie Fields
Sheila McDonald's mother -	Frances Byrd
Cindy Netherland's mother -	Marlene Smesler
Andrea Stevens' brother -	Derek Orban
Shirley Stone's daughter -	Tracy Bolton
Shirley Stone's friend -	Max Hill
The Tribbles' friend -	Phyllis Neely
Kelly Williams' brother-in-law -	Bill Ford

Preparing to Marry

Todd Beasley & Megan Easterday
Will Pike & Libby Love

Expectant Parents

Max & Brooke Morrison



Suzi Parrett
615-693-9427

Save the Dates!

June 7 Promotion Day for 4th and 6th grades

VBS Prep Class is on Wednesday nights in Faith Farm during the month of May.

If you're available to teach in Faith Farm this summer, please contact Suzi Parrett at 615-693-9427.

W7 STUDENT MINISTRY

Nathan Graham 865-415-7356	Annabeth Graham 931-215-8697	Jacob Love 931-797-1399
Jacob Hunnicutt 615-517-4761	Eric Nash 615-351-8384	Ben Jones 931-698-1206

May 20 Plus One and Grade Groups
6:00 p.m.

May 31- June 5 Maury Christian Camp

June 7 Block Party

June 8-10 VBS

June 12 Holiday World

* Check GroupMe for the Summer Calendar and to sign up for activities and t-shirts by May 17.*

Church Record

Sunday a.m. Worship	542
Auditorium	515
Spanish Speaking	11
The Bridge	16
Wednesday Classes	107
Contribution	\$38,766

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TEXT: Galatians 5:1-15

Introduction: In this section, Paul answers several questions:

Q1: Why did Christ set you free? 5:1

A: So that you could _____

Q2: How do you lose this freedom? 5:2-4

A: Turn to _____

Instead of _____

Q3: What counts? 5:5-6

A: _____ working through _____

Q4: Who cut in on you? 5:7-13

A: Not _____

Not _____

Q5: How should we respond to this freedom? 5:13-15

A: Do not use freedom _____

Use your freedom _____

Conclusion: _____ is what counts!

Order of Worship

Song Leader.....Nathan Graham

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High - 953

Scripture ReadingAndrew Fulks

Psalm 100

Prayer.....Chris Carroll

The Battle Belongs to the Lord - 977

In Christ Alone

Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross - 359

Communion.....Anthony Petrochko

Offering

Step by Step - 970

Goodness of God

Message.....Randy Owens

Jesus is Tenderly Calling - 356

Announcements and

Shepherd's Blessing.....Steve Cofer

Nursery - Katie Davidson & Jennifer Thomas

Sunday Adult Classes

College/Young Pro Marty DeJarnette
"Unexplainable Jesus" Room 306

What Made Jesus Appealing

Young Marrieds David Hendrixson
Philippians Room 307

Young Families Barry England
Habits of the Household Tyler Sells
OC - Tennessee Room

Homebuilders Jon Bennett
Acts David Esslinger
Rush Holladay
T.V. Studio

Adults Joel Oswalt
James Chapel

Adults Tom Anderson
God is Light Auditorium

Adults Bill Alsup
2 Corinthians Room 214

Spanish Speaking Elyar Sanchez
Room 212

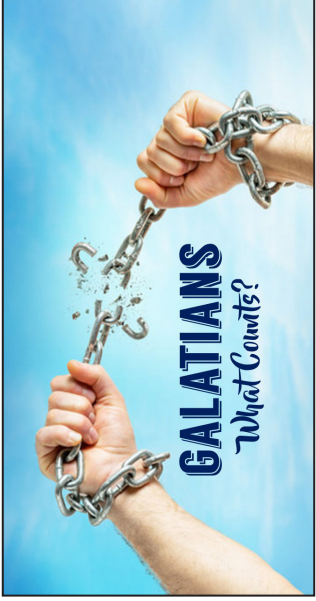
Wednesday Adult Classes

Adult Class Chapel
Meditations in Genesis Lee Lantzer

Ladies' Class T.V. Studio
Bible Bytes for Our Little Bears Karen Corn
Beverly Simmons

Men's Class Room 214
Ezekiel Chris Loftis

VBS Preparation Faith Farm Museum Room
Suzi Parrett



Open

- Do you remember asking a teacher if something was going to be on the test? Did that help?
- Why do we all need to be reminded about what really counts?

Scripture, Discussion and Application

This is the last meeting of our Small Group Bible Studies for the year. We will enjoy a break over the summer and new groups will form in August. In your time of prayer, you may wish to say a special prayer of thanksgiving for your group leaders and all those who hosted throughout the year. This study asks the questions from the morning message and allows for more discussion.

Q1: Why did Christ set you free? Read verse 1.

- What makes you genuinely sense the freedom Christ gives?
- Do you ever feel more like a slave? When? How? Why?

Q2: How do you lose this freedom? Read verses 2-4.

- How does the insistence on circumcision obligate them to "keep the whole law"?
- Discuss what it means to be "severed from Christ" - to "fall away from grace."

Q3: What counts? Read verses 5-6.

- Consider two parallel passages. "For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation" (Galatians 6:15). "For neither circumcision counts for anything nor uncircumcision, but keeping the commandments of God" (1 Corinthians 7:19). What are we to learn from these statements?
- Discuss what "faith working through love" means.
- Why is this true?
- Why do we sometimes get this wrong and place the focus in the wrong place?

Q4: Who cut in on you? Read verses 7-13.

- Paul specifically explained that neither God or Paul himself is to blame for them being "hindered." The New International Version uses the term "agitators." What do other translations call these false teachers? How would you describe them?
- Read verse 13 again and note that the Galatian Christians were ultimately responsible for their mistake. How can we keep others from pulling us away from the truth?

Q5: How should we respond to this freedom? Read verses 13-15.

- Paul warns about the abuse of freedom. Why is that necessary? How have you witnessed (or personally experienced) this wrong response to freedom in Christ?
- Discuss what is meant by "if you bite and devour one another."
- How is the whole law fulfilled by "You shall love your neighbor as yourself"?

Close with prayer.