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### Westhill Church of Christ

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Sunday 9:30a, 10:30a, 6:00p  
Tuesday 10:30a  
Wednesday 6:30p

Wednesday Benevolence 8:30a

December 17, 2017

### Winning Souls for Christ

Dale Grissom

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved” (John 3:16-17). The church grows when believers are baptized into Christ, and God adds those who are being saved to the church (Acts 2:47). Christians moving from one congregation to another does not constitute church growth. There is no growth until a believer obeys the Gospel plan of salvation.

If the church in our community is not growing, it is because we are not confronting people with the Gospel of Christ. We make the excuse that no one will listen, but how do we know? Have we really tried? We have no problem talking about sports or material things, but we can offer only excuses about why we are not spreading the Gospel. We simply must learn to talk about spiritual things and to lovingly confront the lost about where their souls will spend eternity.

It is easy to dream about serving the Lord, but giving ourselves wholeheartedly to Christ takes real effort on our part. The eternal destination of so many could depend on our willingness to put forth that effort. May each of us resolve to do our part in winning souls! Let us pray that the Lord will fill our hearts with love for lost, so much so that we will be willing to make whatever sacrifices are necessary to take the Gospel to a lost and dying world.

Jesus Christ, the greatest role model, commanded His disciples to spread the Gospel “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even until the end of the world” (Matt. 28:18-20). The world begins just outside the door!

The Great Reputation  
Daniel 6

The Evil and Adulterous Generation  
Matthew 12

The Importance of a Great Reputation

- Jesus – Luke 2:52
- Seven Servants – Acts 6:3
- Dorcas – Acts 9:36, 39
- Elders – 1 Timothy 3:7
- Why are these so important?
  - Answer: Acts 5:13

Similarities of Jonah and Queen of Sheba

- They \_\_\_\_\_

Both (the people of Nineveh & the Queen) will \_\_\_\_\_  
the generation of Jesus

Daniel 6

I. Warning: Do not Ignore the \_\_\_\_\_

I. Daniel had a great reputation in his \_\_\_\_\_

“Then some of the scribes and Pharisees said to Him, ‘Teacher, we want to see a sign from You.’ But He answered and said to them, ‘An evil and adulterous generation craves for a sign; and yet no sign will be given to it but the sign of Jonah the prophet.’”  
Matthew 12:38-39

- We do not see the “Signs”
- We have every “Sign” available

II. Daniel had a great reputation in his \_\_\_\_\_

II. Warning: Fill the \_\_\_\_\_

III. Daniel had a great reputation even for his \_\_\_\_\_

“...and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. That is the way it will also be with this evil generation.”  
Matthew 12:45



<p><b>Weekly Service</b> @ TriSun</p> <p>Every Sunday @ 8:30 AM</p>	<p><b>Wed. Night Adult Classes</b></p> <p>Men's: <i>Lessons from Joseph</i> Ladies: <i>Learning to be "His Princess Warrior"</i></p>	<p><b>SENIOR'S YOUNG AT HEART</b></p> <p>MEETS EVERY TUES. @ 10:30AM</p>	<p><b>Lads 2 Leaders Events</b></p> <p>Bible Bowl Song Leading Oral Speech &amp; more...</p>
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WesthillWORKS! Leadership

**Community Outreach**  
Benevolence Program  
Habitat for Humanity  
Food for Fitness

**Local Missions**  
Cherokee Children's Home  
In Search of the Lord's Way  
Southwest School of Preaching  
Brown Trail Spanish School of Preaching  
The Truth in Love *ttil.tv*  
WVBS Online School  
*school.wvbs.org*  
La Poynor Prison Ministry  
(Steve & Carrie Handley)

**Foreign Missions**  
Four Seas Bible College, Singapore  
New Zealand Harvest Missions

**Elders**

Don Ivy - 214.695.5276  
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Paul Slaughter - 903.872.1228  
Paul Stewart - 903.872.3464  
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**Deacons**

Scott Barham - 903.641.0133  
David Baumgartner - 903.654.4057  
Zach Drain - 903.521.6055  
Joshua Haden - 903.602.9645  
Micah Haden - 903.673.1177  
Michael Jones - 214.803.5984  
Greg Olsen - 903.654.1406  
James Olsen - 903.874.8918  
Rusty Owens - 903.695.0095  
Billy Roughton - 903.654.4032  
Dickie Russell - 903.874.4457  
David Shastid - 903.257.6464

Brent Stewart - 903.641.9052  
Justin Williams - 903.875.8288

**Ministers**

Anthony Warnes - 430.775.0196 (Pulpit)  
Cory Myers - 512.627.6672 (Family)  
Tim Cooke - 903.641.5515 (Seniors)

**Staff**

Jay Mahoney - 903.467.9093 (Office)

# Prayer List

**Baby Grady Jones** has been in the hospital with RSV.

**Don Ivy** is scheduled for hip replacement surgery on 12/27 at Baylor Hospital.

**Bobby Barham** has back surgery scheduled for 1/22.

**Beverly Heathcote's** mother fell and broke three ribs.

**Mary Crews** has not been well and needs our prayers.

**Velma McDougald** has been moved from ICU to a regular hospital room and is doing much better.

**Jean Murphy's** funeral service was held on Thursday. Please remember her family during this sorrowful time.

**Josie Horn's sister**, Alma Juarez, passed away recently. There will be a memorial in her honor in a couple of weeks in Dallas where she was living.

**Dan & Rita Dominy's son-in-law**, Michael Wetzel, had his memorial Friday. Please remember the family in your prayers.

**Karen Futch**, family friend of the Baumgartner's, is having surgery tomorrow morning for colon cancer at UTSW Clements Hospital.

**Continue to Remember:** Don Bowen, Aline Barrett, Wanda Brown, Wanda Horner, Jan Ross, Sylvia Cockerham, Billie Thomas, Vicki Ivy, James & Sue Welch, John Sehon, Bronny Watson, Don Corley, & Shirley Bowen

## Announcements

Congrats to our newlyweds, **Eric & McKenzie Olsen!**

**Kids for Christ Christmas Caroling:** meet here at 2pm this afternoon to go caroling at the nursing home.

**Worship Service Sun., 12/24** will be at normal time in the morning. There will be no pot luck lunch, but we will return for a service at 1pm. There will be no 6pm service.

**Winter Youth Retreat** in Athens coming up 1/12-1/15. Be sure to return the registration packets.

**Thank You Westhill** for your amazing outpouring of love through your generous End of Year Special Contribution!!!

**Westhill family** - Thank you so much for the prayers, calls, visits, food and many hugs during my recovery. Don & I feel so blessed to be a part of this loving and caring family. I have missed worshipping with my brothers and sisters and hope to be back fully very soon. Your love and support gave us both much needed encouragement.

**-In Christian love, Vicki Ivy**

## Birthdays This Week

December 18 - Jera O'Neal & Gene Steinkraus

December 20 - Jason Earles & Chris Garner

December 21 - Dayanara Sosa

December 23 - Kate Haden

## Next Week:

**Bible Class** *The Life of the Apostle Paul*

**AM Sermon**

**PM Sermon**

## Records for December 10, 2017

Bible Class .....	198
AM Worship.....	265
PM Worship.....	178
Wednesday.....	171
Special Contribution.....	\$61,966

**Military:** Samantha Armstrong, Clay Bayes, Blake Barrett, Jason Book, Alston Compton, David Dilbeck, Robert Johnson, Ryan Payne, Douglas Ramsey, & Ryan Stewart

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## Privileged to Serve

Song Leader	Mark Blaylock
Opening Prayer	Brian Hand
Communion Leader	Scott Barham
Communion Servers	
Millard Dowdle	Bronny Watson
Darrell Olsen	Michael Jones
Jose Sosa Jr.	Greg Olsen
Joe Glass	James Olsen
Dan Gibson	David Shastid
Brent Stewart	Justin Williams
Buck Murphy	
Closing Prayer	Ken Green
Nursery	Dianne Stewart & Hannah Blaylock
PM Song Leader	Justin Williams
PM Opening Prayer	Dale Hill
PM Closing Prayer	Dan Gibson
Wed. Song Leader	Paul Ross
Wed. Invitation	Casey Hendrix
December Contact Elder	Paul Slaughter