

Shepherd's Voice

by Tim Stroud

God give us Christian Homes

Steve's lesson on parenting a couple weeks ago coming from Ephesians 6:1-4 took me back to my childhood. These were verses that my mother drilled into my head repeatedly. I can still hear her saying (in the KJ version), "Now son, remember that God's word says, Children obey your parents in the Lord for this is right. Honor thy father and mother which is the first commandment with promise, that it may be well with thee and thou mayest live long on the earth." Then she would continue with the fourth verse, "and fathers, provoke not your children to wrath but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

As a young boy, I didn't fully understand the importance of these words I just thought it was her way of telling me that I had to obey and honor her or face the consequences from God and from her. As I grew older I realized that she was training me.

Prov 22:6 says "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." I was very fortunate to be brought up in a Christian home even though it was a single parent home. People say that it takes a village but even though we were part of a loving church family who we relied on very heavily, my mom knew that parenting started with God's word in the home. She tried to lean on God's words doing the best job she could to instruct, teach, and show her children how to be respectful children of God and hopefully leading us to someday have a Christian family of our own.

Reminds me of a song and prayer, God Give us Christian Homes...

Homes where the Bible is loved and taught, homes where the Master's will is sought, homes crowned with beauty Thy love hath wrought. God give us Christian Homes!

Homes where the father is true and strong, homes that are free from the blight of wrong, homes that are joyous with love and song. God give us Christian Homes!

Homes where the mother in queenly quest, strives to show others Thy way is best, homes where the Lord is an honored guest. God give us Christian Homes!

Homes where the children are led to know, Christ in His beauty who loves them so, homes where the altar fires burn and glow. God give us Christian Homes!

What are we teaching our children?

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Those Serving in February

Sunday Assignments:	Feb 4	Feb 11
Song Leader	Daniel Hudgeons	Tim Stroud
Prayer/Opening	John Tooke	Brad Smith
Scripture Reading	John Chesshir	Carl Gaines
Preside/Communion	Daniel Harless	Steven Hopwood
Prayer/Closing	Mark Copeland	Michael Ledbetter
Nursery	Tara Smith, Mary Smith, Kimberly Ussery Betty Riddle, Sara Shipp, Staci Smedley	Brittany Sexson, J Koone, J Keefer Christi Brandon, L Bravo, S Chaffin

Sunday Assignments:	Feb 18	Feb 25
Song Leader	Chad Hearne	Carson Copeland
Prayer/Opening	Micah Mahan	Barry Holder
Scripture Reading	John Holder	Andy Messer
Preside/Communion	Jake Wesson	Jeremy Ussery
Prayer/Closing	Allan Myers	Don Riddle
Nursery	Kelly Sublett, Debra Watkins, Melissa Smith Tina Tribble, Melissa West, Quida Wright	Margo Nunn, M Ratzlaff, C Ledbetter Donna Brantley, L Mahan, Amy Porter

Monthly Assignments:	Wednesday Nights:
Communion Justin Nunn, Ryan Overbay, A Pennington Tommy Phillips, Alan Pounds, J Pumphrey Terry Ratzlaff, Blake Reed, Paul Rickett Brock Rowell, Don Silvestri, R Simmons	Feb 7 Young Boys 2yr-1st (P) TBD
	Feb 14 Young Boys 2nd-6th (P) TBD
Ushers Hunter Scaife* Greg Dunseath** Robert Scaife, Sam Janski Ronnie DeLoney, Bill King Tommy Lambert, Jack Martin	Feb 21 (S) Adam Bledsoe (P) Luke Christian
	Feb 28 (S) John Tooke (P) Barry Holder
Greeters Jack & Renay - Welcome Desk Lois Higgins, Penny & Rachel Hinson Allan & Sharon Myers Brad & Tiffany Smith, Luke & Melissa Smith	Food Coordinators for Feb (G-L) Marilyn Starkey



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**LIVING FAITHFULLY IN
COMMUNITY**
GOSPEL IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

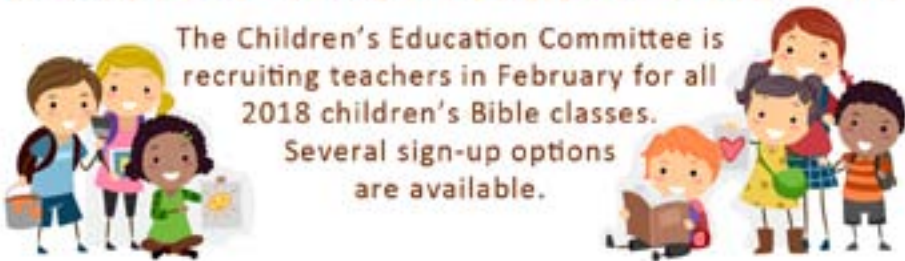
The church is called to live faithfully in community. Across our nation and around the world, communities look different and living faithfully in them looks different. The challenge of every church in every community is to show God's love in a way that draws people to Him and to the Gospel of His Son Jesus.

Next Sunday our budget will be presented that outlines our work for 2018. We will also highlight some of the work we are doing to help bring the Gospel to our neighborhood. We will also begin a brief study under the topic, "Living Faithfully in Community". Let's make 2018 a great year of service to our Lord and to our own neighborhood.

**Robinson & Center
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Teacher Recruitment Month

The Children's Education Committee is recruiting teachers in February for all 2018 children's Bible classes. Several sign-up options are available.




Valentines
for Children's Hospital

FELLOWSHIP ROOM
February 4th
3:30 - 4:30

Maidens in Service for the Son



3rd Annual Valentine Luncheon for the Widowed

Saturday, February 10th
Noon - Fellowship Room

Hosted by *Bears for Christ*

R.S.V.P. by February 7th - Office 501-327-7462



Bethlehem House Meal Night
February 13th & February 19th

See Debbie Moreland or Michelle Tooke

Food for Families
Frito Chili Pie and Dump Cake Dessert

Wednesday Night - February 21st
Serving time: 6:00 - 6:40

February Calendar

February is Teacher Recruitment Month
for all our 2018 Children's Bible Classes

Events for this calendar should be submitted by the 25th day of the month before the event.

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Fellowship Room
3:30 - 4:30

EDM Meeting - Fellowship Room
Wednesday February 7th

3rd Annual Valentine Luncheon for the Widowed
Hosted by *Bears for Christ*

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Baby Girl Shower for Rachel Wesson
February 11th, 2-4 pm

Bethlehem House Meal night - 13th

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Bethlehem House Meal night - 19th

Food for Families Wednesday Night
February 21st 6pm

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Baby Girl Shower for Holly White
February 25th, 2-4 pm

WORLD BIBLE SCHOOL Feb. 27th

Please Keep Your Info Updated
Info forms are on the website: www.r-c.org All forms are on the front page

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R&C DIRECTORY APP

Several new members and many info changes have recently been added

New Arrivals
Cora Ruth Harrell
born January 7th to Adam & Emily Harrell

Baptisms
Chloe Bryant
baptized January 13th
daughter of Rachel & Norman

New Members
Lowell & MaryLou McCoy
3285A Lillian Cove
Conway 72034

Jack & Sherry Tucci
148 Forest Rd
Russellville, 72802



Drop off items at the Information Desk
Collecting thru February

Canned Meats	Spaghetti
Canned Pastas	Spaghetti Sauce
Hamburger Helper	Green English Peas
Cake Mixes	Canned Carrots
Cornbread Mixes	Ramen Noodles
Canned Fruit	Minute Rice
Canned Chili's	Oatmeal

Meeting Schedule

Bible Classes..... 9:00
Worship 10:00
Sunday Evening 5:00
Wednesday 7:00

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January Averages

Sunday Worship..... 662
Sunday AM Class 347
Sunday Night..... 232
Wed. Bible Study..... 338
Contribution..... \$17,912