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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Bill Siebert (17)



Joshua Hutzler (20)

STOCK THE PANTRY
We are running low on supplies of:

Pull Top Soups & Stews

Vienna Sausages & Canned Meats

Peanut Butter & Jelly



THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER

Brett Gerhardt-brettgerhardt15@gmail.com

VACUUMING SCHEDULE

Jan 18: Matt & Wendy Gibson
Jan 25: Gerald & Phyllis Smith

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

Jan.: Volunteers as needed

WORSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITES

SUNDAY: Bible Classes 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM
TUESDAY: 10:00 AM (Sept.-May), Men's & Ladies' Bible Classes
WEDNESDAY: Bible Classes, 7:00 PM

RECORD FOR
1.07.2024

BIBLE CLASS: 149
AM ASSEMBLY: 211
PM ASSEMBLY: 128
WEDNESDAY: 159
CONTRIBUTION: \$9,119
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ELDERS:

Brett Gerhardt
David Hopkins
Mark Speir

PREACHER:

Cody Westbrook
ASSOC. PREACHER:
John Garza



Trent Kennedy, Director
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"I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR"

Cody Westbrook

The story says that as Annie S. Hawks was busying herself with her usual household chores, she began to think about the closeness that one ought to have with God. She then sat down to write the lines of the poem that would eventually evolve into the soul-stirring song we know today. After contemplating the lyrics of the song there are several lessons that come to mind.

- First, we must have a desire to have God in our lives. James wrote, "Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you..." (Jas. 4:8). When we consider all of the joy and blessings that God provides for His people, why would we ever desire anything other than His fellowship?
- Second, in order to really "need God every hour," we must make room for Him. Peter wrote, "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts..." (1 Pet. 3:15). The word, "sanctify" means, "To separate from profane things and dedicate to God." The idea is that we are to remove worldly things from our hearts and make room for the Lord. A person

can never say to God, "I need Thee every hour," if they have filled their hearts so full of worldliness and selfishness that there is no room left for Him.

- Third, we must have faith in the goodness of God. Implicit in the cry, "I need Thee every hour," is a confidence that God will provide the care we need. God has promised, "...I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee" (Heb. 13:5). Do we truly believe it?

Shortly before her death Annie Hawks reflected on the impact of her song. She said, "At first I did not understand why the hymn so greatly touched the throbbing heart of humanity. Years later, however, under the shadow of a great loss, I came to understand something of the comforting power of the words I had been permitted to give out to others in my hours of sweet serenity and peace." It is easy for us to say that we need our Heavenly Father during a time of pain, and many of us understand that need so much more during those times. But, our lives will be so much better when we realize that we need our Father every hour, of every day that we live.

Podcast – The Word of Life | online at swcofc.org/word-of-life

January 14, 2024

“Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.”
- MATTHEW 7:13-14

| WORSHIP | MORNING | EVENING |
|----------------|--|-----------------------------|
| ANNOUNCEMENTS | Keith Siebert | Keith Siebert |
| PRAYER | Keith Siebert | |
| SONG DIRECTOR | Alan Putnam | Fred Scherffius |
| PRAYER | Dennis Buck | David Crouchet |
| SCRIPTURE | Seth Gibson | |
| POWERPOINT | Chris Willcut | Chris Willcut |
| SERMON | QUANTITY, NOT QUALITY MATTHEW 7:13-14 | GETTING TO KNOW GENESIS |
| | John Garza | Cody Westbrook |
| LORD’S SUPPER | Branyon May Tom Genduso Brett Gerhardt Jim Lloyd Mike Parks Bill Siebert Mark Speir Harrell Moffett Jamie Harris Randy Jennings | Branyon May Bill Siebert |
| CLOSING PRAYER | Gary Goodpaster | Winston Kinser |

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & SHUT-INS

Victor Gonzalez, Tom Hanks
Clarence Whetstone

A complete prayer list is available on the credenza, our website, and on the *Lightpost* app.
Please contact the church office to make requests

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY:

9:30 AM
10:30 AM

Bible Class
Morning Worship

4:00 PM
6:00 PM

Richter Baby Shower
Evening Worship

MONDAY:

SWSBS Finals’ Week

TUESDAY:

10:00 AM

Ladies’ & Men’s Bible Classes

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 PM

Bible Class & Devotional
Songs: Michael Reed
Devotional: Bryce Mayfield
Prayer: Jim Lloyd
PowerPoint: Isaac Jobes

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY:

- Madison Richter’s Baby Shower (14th)
- SWSBS Finals’ Week (15th-18th)
- Neighborhood Canvassing (19th)
- SWSBS Break Week (19th-28th)
- Daughters’ of Dorcas Reorganization Meeting (21st)
- SWSBS 3rd Quarter Begins (29th)