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As the fall begins, take advantage of our new classes:

Sunday

Auditorium — The Importance of Immanuel — Chris Rosser
214 — 1 & 2 Peter — Chris Ziegler
109 — Making Sense of the Bible — Dale Hartman
Old Fellowship Hall — Discussion Classes

Wednesday

Auditorium (5:00) — James — David Roper
Auditorium (7:00) — When God Speaks… — Ricky Bugher
214 — Building Character in Men — Chuck White
109 — Lessons I've Learned from Songs — Jamie Thompson
110 — Discussion Class for Ladies — Sharon Keeter (begins in Oct. See Sharon for details)

Also Ladies Bible Class (Wednesdays at 10am) and the Golden 60's (Thursdays at 10am) begin this week.

Be of Good Cheer

One of the greatest struggles I've had recently is being able to count my blessings. I've allowed the difficult times of life to outweigh the enjoyable. I've allowed the negativity of this world to outweigh all the positives that come with being a child of God.

People who are able to accept things as they are and are always able to see their blessings in the darkest hours are people of good cheer. If you think about it, what else can you do in the face of things that cannot be altered? If we count our great blessings from the Father, we will realize that they will always outweigh the tragedies and disappointments of life (James 1:17).

A positive, cheerful outlook on life is critical to being a true disciple. There is entirely too much defeatism in the world without Christians contributing to it. Children of the King are to be conquerors (Romans 8:37). Think positively – we can do it. Talk positively to your brethren – it can be done. Act positively – don't ever quit trying; never resign yourself to failure and it will be done.

Paul said, "Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, rejoice," (Philippians 4:4). But we are not able to rejoice, if we do not see the reasons for rejoicing. And, if we do not see those reasons, we do not have the right kind of fellowship with God. Because you are blessed so abundantly in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 1:3), be of good cheer, my brethren, and when you see your brethren discouraged and troubled, lift up their hands and strengthen the weakened knees (Hebrews 12:12). Cheerfulness is contagious.

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Doing Good

The New Testament uses several words to describe what it calls "doing good."

1. One of those words begins with an 'eu' stem. It is from this word that we get our English word 'eulogy.' This is a time to speak good words about a person's life. This is the term (well done!) used for the faithful servants in Jesus' teaching (Mt. 5:21;25:23; Lk.19:17).

   The word can also describe the doing of what is good (1 Tim. 6:2). It describes the content of beneficial service or good deeds (Acts 4:9). Peter uses this stem to describe the activities of Jesus as he went about doing good (Acts 10:38).

2. A second family of words has 'agatha' for a stem. This word comes into English in the form of a woman's name like Agatha Christie. This word describe something that is good in its outcome or result.

   Mt. 25:21 well done, good and faithful servant
   Lk. 8:15 the good ground is described as having an honest and good heart.
   Acts 9:36 Dorcus is described as one who was full of good works.
   Acts 11:24 Barnabas was a good man and full of the Holy spirit
   Titus 3:1 Christians are to be ready for every good work

3. A third family of words has 'kalos' or 'kala' as a stem. Kala is sometimes used as a woman's name. We also get our English words calisthenics and calligraphy from this word. It has to do with something that is beautiful and therefore is recognized as being good as soon as one beholds it.

   Mt. 5:16 that they may see your good works and glorify your father who is in heaven
   Mt. 7:17 a good tree brings for good fruit
   Mt. 26:10 she has done a beautiful thing to me
   Jn. 10:11 I am the good shepherd
   Jn. 10:32 many good works I have showed you
   Titus 3:14 our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good

Paul gives us this challenge: "And let us not grow weary in well-doing...as we have opportunity, let us do good to all men, and especially those of the household of faith." (Gal. 6:9-10)

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CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

ELDER OF THE MONTH: Chuck White

PRAYER PETITIONS

Billie Tinsley is very ill and needs our prayers.
Inez Willson is in Midwest City hospital rm. 4415.
Lucille Laws' surgery has been rescheduled for September 5th.
Carrlene Daniels is now at home.
Rhonda Hollis had good news on her tests.

MEMBERS WITH CONTINUING NEEDS:

Billie Tinsley, Brent Fox, Claudette Gibson, Pat Tremain, Juanita Durnell, Helen Adair, Hershel and Beverly Watson, Berneice Franks, Pandy Moore, Floyd and Emma Gilbert, Verna Barney, Don Griffith, Charlie Lewis, Inez Willson, Carol Gorrell, Cindy Bell Peters, Dan and Sue Ziegler, Ethylene & Fred Hunholz.

OTHERS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Bob Sisson, friend of **Wes and Sandy Day.**
Verna Barney's brother, **George Waller.**
Chad Barney is having back problems.
Sheila's sister, **Glenda Berry** is having eye problems.
Westfall Asst. Principal, **Mrs. Williams** has cancer.
Mary Hobbs, from Australia, has cancer.
Sullivan Farrar, grandson of the preacher where **Kate and Luke** worshiped, has leukemia.
Pat McBrayer's 4 year-old niece, **Becca Gentry.**
The Watson's are home. No visitors at this time please.

SERVING THE SAVIOR will resume Sept. 10. On those nights the clothing room will be open for anyone who wants to help there.

NEW KITCHEN: There will be a training session in the use of the new kitchen on Sept. 8, at 9 AM. If you plan to use the kitchen in any way you must be trained. There will be another session on Sept. 22nd if you can't make the first one.

August 26, 2007

Bible Study	237
AM Worship	336
PM Worship	200
Wednesday (August 22nd)	280
Contribution	$9,553

PANTRY ITEMS: Peanut butter & canned milk.

A teacher is needed for the second grade. See **Susan Daniels** or **Luke Hartman** if you would like to do this.

LADIES NIGHT TIME BIBLE CLASS: This is a 12 month study and will be on Wednesday nights starting in October. **Sharron Keeter** will be the facilitator.

YOU ARE INVITED:
McLoud lectureship Sept. 6 - 9. Steve Harbison will be one of the speakers on Thursday evening. Information is posted on the Family Matters Board.

FAMILY MATTERS BOARD: there are things put on this board every week that we don't have space to put in the bulletin. Be sure to check it regularly so you don't miss anything.

SYMPATHY is extended to the **Bryant and Fox families** in the death of **Connie's** father and **Cole, Clay and Vanessa and Pam Fox's** grandfather, **Arthur Ford.** The funeral was last Tuesday.

SYMPATHY is also extended to **Tim King** in the passing of his grandmother, **Opal King.** The funeral was Thursday in Edmond.

OUR LADIES RETREAT is rapidly approaching. Please keep it in mind and sign-up on the sheet on the Women's Ministry Table.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sept. 3	Labor Day (office closed)
Sept. 5	Ladies class resumes (luncheon)
Sept. 6	Golden 60's resumes
Sept. 8 & 9	Eastside's 50th. anniversary
Sept. 10, 17, 24	Clothing work days
Sept. 10	Serving the Savior
Sept. 16	Wedding shower for Brent and Michelle Walton
Sept. 18	Wedding shower for Heather Hartman and David Roberts
Sept. 18	Clothing giveaway
Sept. 21 & 22	Ladies Retreat here at Eastside
Sept. 23	Baby shower for Sharla Butler
Sept. 23 - 26	Fall meeting with Pat Peters

Hope Harbor

The truck from Hope Harbor will be here on Sept. 11.

Their needs are:

Beverages: Bottled water, dry lemonade drink mix

Dry goods:

Dish soap, laundry soap, fabric softener sheets, antibacterial spray cleaner, liquid antibacterial hand soap, lemon floor cleaner, foam tub cleaner, laundry stain remover spray, alcohol-free mouthwash, toothbrushes.

Paper, foam and plastic goods:

13 gallon trash bags (tall kitchen bags), 33 gal trash bags, Kleenex, paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, round di-

Ladies Fall Retreat
September 21-22

This year we can hold it in our new fellowship hall.
Signup sheet is on Women's Ministry Table.

PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYING FOR ALL OUR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY, AND ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WHO ARE OVERSEAS.

Marc Hensley (son-in-law of Leland & Lucille Laws), Andrew Willson (grandson of Inez Willson and Stephanie Brewer's brother) Willie O'neal , (Wes Day's nephew), Mark Lawrence, Jeremy Saylor, Nathan Hartsburg, Kenneth Jones, Karl Wornock, Kendall Bailey, Chris Gonzales (James & Pat Bowers' nephew), Harley Meiki, (Hunter Moore's son) and Jared Olmstead, Lowell Cormier.

WATCH **"IN SEARCH OF THE LORD'S WAY"**
With Mac Lyon, Sunday Mornings
Cox 11 (reg 34) at 7 AM
Local channel 52 and
Cox Channel 9 at 7:30A.M.

"OLD LANDMARKS" Radio Program
With Kermit Webb
Monday-Friday, 11:30 A.M.
On Station 890 AM

Ministers
Dale Hartman, Clay Bryant, Luke Hartman

Elders
Randy Bullock, Dale Hartman, Chuck White

Meeting Times

Sunday Bible Classes - 9:00 A.M.
Worship - 10:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 P.M.

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