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## Wayne's Wanderings

Greetings. As I write this I have just handled another problem, the third one today to be exact, and they are still coming. Have a counseling situation in 30 minutes and then need to do some hospital visits after. Sometimes doing ministry is like dipping out the ocean....no matter how much or fast you dip, the waves keep coming and needs keep surfacing. I am looking forward to getting away and being still and finding some rest for my own soul. Remember that God rested on the 7th day? Called it holy and told us to do it like He did. Remember when Jesus turned His back on the crowd and went to the mountains to pray and be still? The Sabbath rest is necessary for all humans. You must enter God's rest to be balanced in your soul. You don't have to but you must.

No one is too busy to find a get away, "some restore, refresh, renew" time. We all can't get what I am getting, but you can get some time away. How long since you took care of your own soul? Your mind, your emotions, your ability to make choices that renew your situation? I pray for you to build some "Rest For Your Souls" time in your life. Thanks for allowing me to find some for me. Have a great month and I will see you in church....in September.



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## August 22nd is Back to School Sunday

On August 22nd we will honor our School teachers by praying for them and giving them each \$100 for School Supplies. Also on that day we will promote our children to their next level classes and have an All Church Potluck Dinner. This will be a great time for you to get back in the habit of coming to church and to find a friend to bring with you. Start thinking what friend and dish you will bring to this great day of worship.

## Changes in August

In August we will discontinue the Wednesday Suppers and programming. We will take a break and then restart them on September 1st. The Tuesday Beth Moore Study will be over on August 10th. We hope you will fully support the Sunday morning classes and worship and find some rest as we look forward to the Fall.

## Widow Patrol Still Rides

On August 14th, Widow Patrol will still ride out at 9 am, led by Tama and Debbie and Darla and hopefully joined by you. If you can go, call the office and Tammy will let the Patrol to saddle a place for you.

## ELDERS AT THE TABLE

August 1 Ken & Susan Ellis  
August 8 Bob Brown & Jeff Cooper  
August 15 Lynda Hathaway & Karen Cowan  
August 22 John Hathaway & Chuck Bailey  
August 29 Perry & Adrienne Anderson

## SERMONS FOR AUGUST

August 1 – Rev. Wayne Ashlock  
"Casting Your Cares While Taking Responsibility"  
I Peter 5: 6-11

August 8 - Rev. Emily Williams  
"God is not ashamed...Are you?"  
Hebrews 11:1-3 & 8-16

August 15 – Rev. Emily Williams  
"I serve at the pleasure of a Jewish Carpenter"  
Genesis 22:1-18

August 22 – Rev. Karen Griffith  
"Beating the Bullies"  
Various Psalms & Matthew 5:38-45a

August 29 - Rev. Emily Williams  
"My cup overfloweth...or does it?"  
Malachi 3:8-10

## WEDNESDAY MEALS

No meals in August.

## AUGUST CLASS HOSTING AND COMMUNION PREPARATION

Class Hosting Discovery  
(Led by George Smithwick)

Communion Becky Hightower

## ATTENDANCE & GIVING REPORT

		Attendance	Reg Offering	Other Giving
June	27	119	\$3,880.00	\$274.00
July	4	140	\$5,341.26	\$225.50
July	11	110	\$1,395.50	\$325.50
July	18	112	\$2,303.00	\$1,100.00

We had some really low offerings in July. We really need you to BE FAITHFUL to the ministry of giving. Today write a check and mail it in. Thanks!

## Fall Dates to Mark

Church 143rd Birthday is **October 3rd**, with old fashioned Gospel sing, stump preaching and dinner on the grounds...or...in the Fellowship Hall.  
C.Y.F. Trip to TCU Football is **October 9th**.  
Chili cook-off and Dessert Auction will be on **Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>** this year.  
Chi Rho Fall Retreat is **Nov. 5-7<sup>th</sup>**.  
CYF Fall Retreat is **Nov. 19-21<sup>st</sup>**.  
All Church Thanksgiving Dinner is **Nov. 21st**.  
All Church Christmas Event is **Dec 19th**.

## OUTREACH STILL REACHING OUT!

The Outreach Committee is still making a difference by taking ten fans, ten pillows and a box load of other items to Operation Blessing for Christmas in July. The emphasis to clean out our freezers was well received with a load of turkey's, beef, shrimp, and pork was delivered plus other foods brought by you. Good job! Next month we will give all our teachers a \$100 check to help them get supplies for the class room and we will continue giving to other' needs as God directs our hearts. Your Outreach Committee is still reaching out!

## HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN?

A real Church potluck will happen on August 22nd. This is where all of you cook something that is your best dish, and bring it daring others to not absolutely rave over it. After worship on the 22nd, we will all gather in the Fellowship Hall and feast as a church family. That day is the day we also recognize our teachers and promote our youth in their classes, so it will be a fun day to have a potluck. Mark your calendar and bring a friend.

*I went outside to find a friend,  
But could not find one there.  
I went outside to be a friend,  
And friends were everywhere!  
(Payne)*

### Some of you retired types....

Work Project At Disciples Crossing  
September 7-11, working all or part, there will be a "Get Camp Fixed Up" work project at Disciples Crossing in Athens, TX. It would be fun for some of us to go Thurs-Sat. and help. If any of you are interested, let Emily know.

### New Member, Karalee Griffith

We want you to meet Karalee Griffith, 14 year old Granddaughter of Ed and Karen Griffith who was



recently baptized after making a renewed Confession of Christ as her Savior. Karalee's birthday is July 12<sup>th</sup> and she is going into the 8th grade.

### A Grief Observed..

We want to share the death of Cloyce Currie, who died at the age of 102. Cloyce lived a full life and was ready to head to heaven. Be in prayer for Aaron Laws and family as they walk through this time of grief.



### Wedding Bells!

Blake Sledge and Mary Chaney tied the knot on July



16th and are heading to honeymoon. Put them in your directory as Blake and Mary Sledge, still at 1206 Greenbriar.

## AUGUST YOUTH NEWS & NOTES

Attention all Youth and Parents!!!!!!

Summer Activities for August

August 2nd Movie Monday @ church  
@ 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

August 4th~ Swimming at the Cooper's from  
3:30 PM-6:00 PM

August 13th~ Lock-In from 6:00 PM-8:30 AM

August 16th~ Movie Monday @ church  
@ 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

August 19th~ Water games @ church from  
6:00 PM-8:30 PM

August 29th~ 1st Youth of the Fall!  
@ church from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM

Come and have a Blast with us this month. If you have any questions Please Call Me at

## JOKE FOR AUGUST

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