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Legacy Men Needed

We have a team of people who make visits to our church's home-bound members. It's amazing the difference a personal connection can make. If you're interested in serving on this team, please contact Jana Westenhaver at 501-753-3413. We are especially in need of some men for this team!

Caring Center May Collection

We are collecting canned vegetables, regular macaroni and cheese, microwave macaroni and cheese, canned meat, fruit cups, pudding cups, granola bars, peanut butter, and beef jerky during May. Please place your donation in the brown bins located around our campus.

LLL Senior Adult Program and Lunch

Tomorrow, May 2 • 10:30 a.m. • Fellowship Hall

Join us for a devotion by Mike Haigh and a musical presentation by Garrick Conner. Lunch is available for \$5.00: Beef Steak with Gravy, Steamed Rice, Corn, Roll, and Dessert. Invite a friend!

Young Adult Pickleball

Sunday, May 5 • 3:30-6:00 pm • Henson Park Courts, Sherwood Courts are by a playground so bring kids. Newcomers are always welcome. Paddles, balls, and teaching provided.

Please note: pickleball will not be held on Saturday mornings May 4 nor May 11 due to other gym activities.



Sunday Report • April 28

Worship Attendance	473
Online Worship	95
Sunday School	484
Amount Budgeted	\$51,564
Budget Receipts	\$31,665
Annie Armstrong Offering To Date	\$37,634
Decisions	
Accepting Christ as Savior, Desiring Baptism	Julianne Grant
Those Baptized	McKinlev Varner

Fellowship Meals

May 1

Chili, Cornbread, Fruited Jello, Dessert
May 8

Crispitoes with Cheese Sauce, Rice, Corn, Dessert

Our Christian Sympathy

To Mike Hostetler in the loss of his father, Herbert Hostetler. Mr. Hostetler was also the grandfather of Amanda Mirafuentes, Andrew Hostetler, Meredith Brewer, and Brian Phillips.

Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to Pat Shupe in the loss of her brother-in-law, Wes Kent.



Vacation Bible School 2024 • Breaker Rock Beach
June 9–13 • 5:45–8:00 p.m. • Completed K through 6th grade

Collection for VBS:

We are collecting newspapers for crafts and individual packages of Teddy Grahams (no cinnamon please) for the VBS Kick-Off. Please place your donation in the white bins. We have all the water bottles we need. Thank you for your donation.

VBS All Volunteer Meeting

May 22 • 5:45 p.m. • Fellowship Hall/VBS Rooms

VBS Kick-Off • Bonfire Beach Bash
Wednesday, June 5 • 5:30 p.m. • C Avenue Lot

Prayer Requests for Missions

From the IMB Missionary Prayer Calendar

Tajikistan Some believers had a conversation with a woman who works at home. The discussion turned to Christmas, and she asked what it was. She told the believers she had never heard the words "church," "Jesus" (besides maybe as a prophet), or "follower of Jesus." The gospel was shared. Pray the Lord will open the woman's eyes and that she will be saved, along with all her household! Ask that she may become a "Lydia," Acts 16:14-15 (ESV): "One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to what was said by Paul. After she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." The Lord is able! teamtajik@gmail.com

Northern Africa Aswan is the first major city Sudanese refugees find after crossing the border to Egypt. It is a Nubian city rich in history and culture. Annually, many local and international tourists visit ancient sites in the area to learn of Nubian culture. Recently, the city has become the landing place of thousands of Sudanese refugees. Currently, the Sudan/Egypt border is closed and some refugees have moved on, but others have stayed. Pray for refugees to continue to find a welcome in Aswan. Ask for their needs for protection and provision to be met. Pray for believers in the city to reach out in compassion to the refugees, sharing the hope of the gospel with them. "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28 ESV).

Northwest India A harvest worker, Amardeep, was in an accident in late 2023 in which his leg was badly injured. The Lord has answered prayers for this brother, keeping him from needing surgery on his leg and giving him the strength and ability to continue going out to host many trainings through the winter to help other local brothers be equipped to share with their Muslim neighbors. Pray for his family as they continue to serve believers in the "Valley of Treasures."

South Asia Please lift up the local harvest workers among the Muslim Sindhis as they seek to be faithful to the Word.

They are amazed at how the Lord is transforming lives!

Mombasa City, Kenya When Jesus said He wanted us to have life and have it more abundantly, He was not talking just about the biological or psychological kind of life. He wants us to have eternal life, a life that is overflowing with the fullness of Him. This type of life called "zoe" in Greek means everlasting life. Please pray for the young women who will attend a Zoe Girls Retreat held by partners from a church in Tennessee and workers on the field in East Africa. This retreat will teach young women how they can have a zoe kind of life, the kind of life promised in Jesus. Pray for the volunteers who will be traveling across the world to support the workers and to promote and claim the name of Jesus through this retreat! http://www.imb.org/sub-saharan-africa/

Philippines "Everyone is wearing the new bracelets they made during a Malong gathering. We prayed that as the story of hope was told while putting together the bracelets that the hearts and ears of the community would respond, and they did! Several are asking workers deeper questions as they seek to understand the meaning of the sacrifice Jesus made for everyone. Pray that the bracelets will be used to continue to tell the salvation story and that more will come to know the Giver of the greatest gift to all people."

Malawi "...the Baptist Convention of Malawi's home missionaries participated in another training held by our Malawi Team in Lilongwe. We invited International Mission Board colleagues from Mozambique to join us to discuss engagement and evangelism in a Muslim context. Based on the latest census, around 14% of the population is Muslim, with most living in the southern or central region. Many home missionaries are either living in these heavily Muslim-populated areas or thinking through engaging Muslims because of the continued rise of Islam in Malawi. Our colleagues in Mozambique work among the Muslim Yao on the other side of Lake Malawi. They spent time training the Malawi home missionaries in Islamic beliefs and worldview, difficulties faced in sharing with Muslims, and

how to share the gospel with Muslims, including examples and best practices. Pray that the believers will faithfully put into practice what they've learned and that God will use them to draw many 'out of darkness into his marvelous light' (1 Peter 2:9 ESV)." http://www.imb.org/sub-saharan-africa/bmimcountryrep@gmail.com

Displaced Indigenous, Colombia "Our Colombian teammates have been faithfully serving patients living in medical shelters around Bogota," writes the Indigenous Team Bogota. "There are many shelters around the city with limited or no gospel presence. Ask God to call many more compassionate Colombian believers to this ministry. Pray for Him to give our teammates health, stamina, and His protection to continue proclaiming the gospel in the medical shelters of Bogota."

Chinese in Northern Africa and Middle East Even in northern Africa and the Middle East where it is difficult to preach the gospel, Chinese Christians are preparing for businesses or are already engaged in business. Pray they will develop a heart for sharing the gospel and become light and salt where they are, being called by God for His purpose. "And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' Then I said, 'Here I am! Send me'" (Isaiah 6:8 ESV). eastasiaprayer@pobox.com

West Africa Several years ago, a volunteer team from a U.S. church was evangelizing among the Harvester People in West Africa. A young man gave his life to Christ and was baptized even though he knew he would face opposition from his village. He now works in a city 1½ hours away but comes home weekly to worship with two other men who follow Christ. The evil one continues to try to lure him away from Christ, and although the young man has sometimes fallen to temptation, he continues to be a devoted follower of Christ. Pray that he will faithfully follow Christ and be an example to others in the village who are scared to commit their lives to Christ. http://www.imb.org/sub-saharan-africa/ EngagementZRT@outlook.com