

## PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

### SUNDAY MORNING

November 9, 2014

WELCOME: Todd Edwards  
SONG LEADER: Jim Sutterfield  
OPENING PRAYER: Michael Cole  
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp  
Darren Dent  
ASSIST: Mike Wolff  
Jacob Riela  
Patrick Rawls  
Hunter Smart  
CLOSING PRAYER: Marty Leonard  
GREETERS: Todd & Lesia Edwards  
Aubrey & Donna Allensworth  
CARDS: Ethan Shannon  
Ethan Akin  
VISITOR GIFT/ Cassi Gilbow  
HOSTESSES: Anne Steele  
SCRIPTURE READER: Justin Smart  
1 Timothy 6:13-16

### SUNDAY EVENING

November 9, 2014

SONG LEADER: Don Barnett  
OPENING PRAYER: Greg Bradford  
LORD'S TABLE: Albert Hall  
Jarrod DeValle  
CLOSING PRAYER: Tyler Blair

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

November 12, 2014

SONG LEADER: Kevin Lovell  
OPENING PRAYER: Albert Hall  
CLOSING PRAYER: Clayton Dent  
DEVOTIONAL: Brett McGohan

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### SUNDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 9:30 a.m.  
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.  
EVENING 5:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE CLASS 7:00 p.m.

### THURSDAY:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:00 a.m.

#### Elders:

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#### Minister:

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## HOW CAN I KEEP MY WAY PURE? (2)

The answer to the above question, taken from Psalm 119:9, is answered in the phrase that follows: "By keeping it according to Your word." David expounds upon this theme in the next verse, praying, "With all my heart I have sought You; Do not let me wander from Your commandments."

Seeking after God Himself and abiding in fellowship with Him are prerequisites to maintaining purity of life and heart. Such seeking must be with all the heart—an earnest endeavor with persistent devotion. Jesus said, "Seek first His kingdom and His righteousness..." (Mt. 6:33). Seeking God must come before everything else. God looks at the heart, not just outward appearance. He is looking for a heart that wholly belongs to Him.

Many worship God, but not with the heart. Jesus rebuked some in His day, saying, "This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far away from Me" (Mt. 15:8). In Psalm 119:2, David explains our need to seek God according to the truth, saying, "How blessed are those who observe His testimonies, who seek Him with all their heart." We cannot be genuine seekers of God without yielding ourselves completely to His teachings.

This was David's intense longing. He prayed, "Do not let me wander from Your commandments" (vs. 10). God's people may be strangers upon the earth, but we are not wanderers (cf. Ps. 119:19). David knew his purpose for living—his desired destination. Similarly, Peter urges Christians as "aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul" (1 Pet. 2:11). Our true citizenship is in heaven (Ph. 3:20). This world is not our home.

Christians wander when they lose sight of Christ as the focal point in their lives. When we quit seeking after the Lord with all the heart, we begin to wander—God's commandments are neglected and we are no longer pure in His sight.

--Glen Elliott--

## CARE GROUP MEETINGS:

Care group 4 (Wolff) - Nov. 15th  
at the home of Linda Harness at 5 pm

Care group 6 (Gilbow) - Nov. 16th  
after morning services in the fellowship room  
theme is Mediterranean food

Care Group 7 (Hayes) - Nov. 23rd  
after morning services in the fellowship room  
(in conjunction with a wedding reception  
for Alisa & Sean Stephens)

## PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Friday, December 5th

We need a head count first so if you  
would like to participate sign up on  
the bulletin board in the hallway.

This is for the whole family.

For questions please see

Doni McInturff, Dorothy Yeager,  
or Cindy Wilson

## OUR RECORD

NOVEMBER 2, 2014

SUNDAY CLASS:	180
SUNDAY WORSHIP:	221
SUNDAY PM:	112
WEDNESDAY (5th):	141

BUDGET:	\$5,400
OFFERING:	\$6,041
YTD average:	\$5,256
YTD ahead/behind:	-\$6,358

# NEWS & NOTES

## PRAYER REQUESTS

\*Lynda Horton received good results from her doctor appointment in Little Rock. She will see an Oncologist in Conway in a couple of weeks.

\*Keith Montgomery, Sherril Bowling's brother-in-law, has been diagnosed with lung cancer & has begun chemo treatments.

\*Please keep Will Drewry, Bailey Watson, Dorothy Yeager, Fern Chism, Bob Gossett, Nell Lee, Bryan Gossett, Barbara Trout (Laurie Henley's mother-in-law), and Mack Hankins in your prayers.

## YOU ARE INVITED TO:

- Ladies Bible class on Wednesday nights
- Thursday morning ladies Bible class at 10am
- "The Truth About Moral Issues" Bible study - Thursday nights at 6pm

BIRTHDAYS		
Shelby Barkley	11/10	
Dona Dixon	11/11	
Mike Brewer	11/12	
Ricky Shannon	11/13	
Ashley Barkley	11/14	
Jennifer Rawls	11/14	
Jim Sutterfield	11/15	
Garrett Brewer	11/15	
ANNIVERSARYS		
Jimmy & Merle Thomas	11/11	
Michael & Susan Cole	11/12	
Phillip & Dana Short	11/12	

## Thank you card:

To our wonderful church family,  
Thank you to all who called, text,  
visited, & prepared food. Mostly, we  
want to tell you how grateful we are  
for all your prayers during the  
pregnancy & delivery of Ia. We  
also appreciate all your continued  
prayers as we raise our family. We are  
a part of such an amazing group of  
Christians. We are very blessed to  
have you all as a part of our family.  
In Christian love,  
The Lovell's

## Pantry items for NOVEMBER: canned corn & green beans

## NOTICE THESE UPCOMING EVENTS!

\*Areawide youth devo at Guy  
November 9th

\*REDCROSS BLOOD DRIVE  
PLEASE SIGN UP TO GIVE BLOOD  
December 11th 9-2 in the fellowship room  
(SEE BULLETIN BOARD)

## VISITOR BAGS

for November 16th  
Cassi Gilbow & Anne Steele



## Footloose

Yes, the popular Kevin Bacon movie(not the new one, ugh) about teens right to dance. I'm not advocating we all jump out and start dancing now, but I think back to the scene where Bacon was trying to get the city council to abolish the ban on dancing. In the debate he addresses a local preacher with Bible scriptures saying it's ok to dance. He ends his speech with the ongoing phrase of "our time." We can all relate to different situations being "our time," but do we devote ourselves as strongly to "God's time." Wednesday night the teens and I discussed the idea of how we spend our time, especially our free time. We referenced Hebrews 11:25, where the writer speaks of Moses fleeing the pleasures of palace living to suffering with his people. Now, I'm not saying we must suffer in church or in the worship of God, but let's put into perspective the "God's time." In fact, let's change that term to "my time is God's time." We must recognize that life on this earth is short and that all our time ultimately belongs to God and we should live accordingly.

- Brett McGohan



## FOOD COMMITTEE for NOVEMBER

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