

**FUTURE EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, August 14**  
**St. Youts Day at**  
**Six Flags**

**SUNDAY, August 15**  
**Bereavement Lunch at**  
**Daniels' home-**  
**1971 Richland Dr.**

**SATURDAY, August 21**  
**Annual Choir Retreat**

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 14**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**Christian Believer**  
*(Locations to be announced)*

**SEPT. 30-OCT. 3**  
**Walk to Emmaus**  
*(Men at Cross Point Camp)*

**SUN.-MON.-TUES.**  
**October 3-5**  
**Revival with**  
**Bishop Robert E. Hayes**

**OCT. 7-10**  
**Walk to Emmaus**  
*(Women at Cross Point Camp)*

## **Pastor David's August Sermons**

### **August 8th**

**"God's Blueprint for Your Life!"**  
**Colossians 1:9-14**

- Looking for answers?
- What is God's plan for your life?
- A prayer for you and those seeking God's will.

### **August 15th**

**"One Stone"**  
**1st Samuel 17:31-54**

- School starts tomorrow, August 16th.
- Is there a giant in your life?
- What takes away our fears?

### **August 22nd**

**"Lean On Me"**  
**Exodus 17:8-15**

- Trust.
- Depending on each other.
- Ecclesiastes 4:12.

### **August 29th**

**"Are You Sure That's All?"**  
**Ephesians 3:14-21**

- God's provisions.
- God's strength.
- A REAL relationship.

## **HAVE YOU LOST A LOVED ONE IN THE LAST YEAR?**

*Join us for lunch on August 15th.*

Very often, when we suffer the death of a loved one, the first few days are filled with family and friends gathering around, offering their comfort and support. These days are also filled with decisions and plans about the funeral and events surrounding it. They're so busy as to be almost overwhelming, but somehow we get through it.

But after that first week, life goes on for the rest of the world, and they resume the "business of living". But grief has just begun for you. In the first week or two, folks are eager to talk about your loved one and to hear your feelings. But after a few weeks, you feel awkward bringing it up again, and they don't. So you have all these thoughts and feelings bubbling up, and no one who really wants to listen (or knows how to listen). More than anything, you feel very alone in your grief.

That's why we're having this lunch. It's a gathering of anyone who has experienced the recent death of a loved one within the last year or so. We'll meet at the Daniels' home (1971 Richland St.) at noon, share a simple meal, and sit at tables of 4 or 5 people and tell about our loved one, knowing that everyone there understands. We intend that this be a joyful time because we'll share happy memories and talk about their humanness and celebrate God's love for them. Sure, there may be tears as we remember an especially poignant time, but we'll all understand. Then we'll leave refreshed and renewed, knowing that a few more "someones" understand us, and we're not alone.

If you would like to join us for this lunch, just call the church and tell us so that we'll have plenty of food. Love to have you.



**David L.  
Daniel**

<sup>1</sup> Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. <sup>2</sup> Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. <sup>3</sup> you turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals." <sup>4</sup> For a thousand years in your sight are like a yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.

<sup>5</sup> You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; <sup>6</sup> in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the

evening it fades and withers. <sup>7</sup> For we are consumed by your anger; by your wrath we are overwhelmed. <sup>8</sup> You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your countenance. <sup>9</sup> For all our days pass away under your wrath; our years come to an end like a sigh.

<sup>10</sup> The days of our life are seventy years, or perhaps eighty, if we are strong; even then their span is only toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. <sup>11</sup> Who considers the power of your anger? Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you. <sup>12</sup> So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. Psalm 90:1-12 NRSV

This past Wednesday I was honored to be a pall bearer at Mrs. Agnes Cleo Patton Jones' funeral. Agnes was my great grandmother. I'll be honest, I really didn't know her the way my sister and other family members did. But what I know about both our lives is that Jesus has touched us both and given us life abundant and life eternal. Agnes was a humble woman but a woman who was filled with the Spirit of God. In all the stories that I've heard about her before her passing and this past week at her funeral, you knew she was the real thing. Not perfect but a woman who truly loved God and loved the Church. Not only is her family blessed to have known her but her friends and her Church family were blessed by her faith in the Lord.

Memorial services and funerals have a way of reminding each of us that our time here on earth is fleeting. I saw a t-shirt recently that had on the back these words: "Don't make your Pastor lie at your funeral"! I laughed because the message was true. When your family gathers together to lay your body to rest, what will they be remembering about your life? What will they be saying at the luncheon? What will reflect the dash between the dates on your tombstone? Will it be a life that is centered on Jesus? Will it be a life that is centered on serving the church of Jesus Christ? I promise you that when a preacher shares about a life that was focused and filled with God, it is easy in the sense that the Spirit of God brings life to that person and to the message that is shared that day.

Take a moment and read Psalm 90:1-12 today. I believe that the first part of this Psalm is all about being reminded of who God is and where we fall in that picture. It is a Psalm that reflects a certain period given for us to live. "The days of our life are seventy years, or perhaps

eighty, if we are strong, even their span is only toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away".

We know that many people have lived much longer than 70 or 80 years. In fact Agnes was 97. As we are reminded of our own mortality, does it cause us to stop and reflect on how we are living today?

You and I know that the church isn't perfect, but even with all its faults and struggles it is still the "Church of Jesus Christ"! My parents made the choice to center our lives on God and the church. It didn't make us perfect by any stretch but the strength and joy that come from being a Christ centered family has been an amazing gift that continues to be a blessing even on this day that I write this article. You see, my dad was supposed to be one of the pall bearers at the funeral today. He is deceased. Yet, by God's grace and my Aunt Shirla's invitation, I was able to fill in for my dad and represent our family. In my opinion today was a blessing for me and my family. Our family sang the songs of our faith and celebrated Agnes Patton Jones arrival in heaven. Jesus has a way of doing things that bring hope, order, and life to any situation. No matter what you may be facing today, Jesus is the answer!

**"Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace; In the mansions bright and blessed He'll prepare for us a place. When we all get to heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!"**

Jesus is Lord,

*David D.*



**Choir  
Retreat**

**Saturday,  
August 21**

**8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

The Chancel Choir will have their annual choir retreat on **Saturday, August 21**. Our clinician this year is

**Dr. Michael Hawn**, professor of music at SMU.

We will meet for coffee, juice and donuts at 8:30 a.m. and start rehearsal at 9. Lunch will be provided at noon then continue with rehearsals until 2:30 p.m.

There is a lot of new music that will lift your spirit and put a song in your heart.

The choir could use more members, especially men. I have heard some of you singing and know there are a lot of good voices in the congregation.

If you have an interest in joining the choir, you are welcome to attend the retreat. This is a great opportunity for you to get to know us and hopefully want to become a part of this ministry.

Give us a try. You'll like us!

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nothing else could be said about our church (and that is certainly not the case) it would be that FUMC of Ada ministers to children. That is certainly something for us to be proud of!

We began last Sunday with our Commandments for Hearing and Living God's word. The first commandment, that was introduced, was "Reverence." The children learned what that BIG word meant and how to show reverence at church. The next commandment is "Respect." The children will be discussing how to show respect to adults, friends and themselves. These commandments not only work at church, but also will help the children as they prepare for a new school year. Be sure to discuss these commandments with your children. I think you will be amazed at them and their understanding. Just a reminder that children 1<sup>st</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> grade are to be picked up in the Asia classroom upstairs immediately following Sunday school and 3-4 year olds and Kindergarten in their classrooms located downstairs.

Don't forget to have your child bring their backpack to church on Sunday August 15<sup>th</sup> as we will have a special "Blessing of the Backpacks" before school begins on Monday August 16<sup>th</sup>. This has always been a special way for us to send the children of our church into a new school year.

Here are a few dates you will want to be aware of. Watch this article to keep you posted on all the happenings for the children.

**Sept. 8:** Faithbreak begins

**Sept. 12:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders receive Bibles in 8:30/10:45 worship services

Cindy Brady

## UMW **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

The Executive Board of the United Methodist Women met July 27. They voted to change the time of the Board meetings to the second Thursday of each month. The Fall agenda was planned. Please put the following dates on your calendar.

**September 13:** UNIT MEETING-Salad Supper at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**September 19:** BABY SHOWER for Pastor David and Ginger in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 p.m.

**October 1 and 2:** ANNUAL CONFERENCE—Asbury Methodist Church, Tulsa.

**October 4:** BRUNCH - 10 AM - Bishop Hayes will be present.

**November 21:** BAKE SALE - in the Fellowship Hall

Further information about these events will be forthcoming in the Advocate.

The UMW welcomes all women of the First United Methodist Church and looks forward to your fellowship.



## Attention All Sunday School Teachers/Shepherds and Faithbreak Leaders

Mark your calendars NOW for Sunday **August 29<sup>th</sup>**. There will be a special time in each service for you to be recognized for your part in the Christian education of the children of our church and a special anointing of you in this vital ministry.

Also, I would like to meet with all teachers/shepherds and Faithbreak leaders to go over a few things that afternoon at 2:00 in the Disciple classroom. I promise I won't keep you long and there will be COOKIES!

## July Memorials

### In Memory of Paul Sandmann

By: Annelle Ashcraft  
Betty Denny  
Anna Faye Nanney  
Mary Ann Briggs  
Letia Butler  
Burl, Jan, and Dawn-Carole Harris  
Fellowship Class  
Tom and Merle Boatwright  
Lorena Derryberry  
Independent Bank  
Camilla Collins  
Tracy Taylor  
Dortha Fenton

### In Memory of Al Scifres

By: Doris McKain

### In Memory of Thane Lindholm

By: Dortha Fenton

### In Honor of Bart McCortney

By: Brock and Jill Harris

## Chickasaw Nation Back-to-School ReUse Collection Drive

The Chickasaw Nation ReUse program encourages recycling items that children use for school. Items such as your children's outgrown clothes and shoes, used backpacks, lunchboxes and anything else that can be reused.

The ReUse Center (2205 North Broadway) is free and open to the public Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and on the first and third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call (580)272-5451.

**SUNDAY, August 8**

- 8:30 a.m. Worship (Chapel)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group

**MONDAY, August 9**

- 1:00 p.m. Bridge (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 p.m. Trustees** (Library)
- 7:00 p.m. Traditions Narcotics Anonymous (Disciples Class room)

**TUESDAY, August 10**

- 9:30 a.m. Talmidim Bible Study (Library)
- 6:00 p.m. Nurture Council** (Parlor)
- 7:00 p.m. Compassionate Friends (Disciples Class)

**WEDNESDAY, August 11**

- 1:00 p.m. Prayer Card Ministry (Disciples Class)

**AUGUST 13-15 Family Gathering at Cross Point Camp**

**SATURDAY, August 14**

**St. Youts Day-Frontier City-OKC**

**SUNDAY, August 15**

- 8:30 a.m. Worship (Chapel)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:45 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
- Noon Bereavement Lunch** at The Daniels' home-1971 Richland Dr.
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group

**WEDNESDAY, August 18**

- 11:00 a.m. Matthew 25 Mission** (St. Luke's Episcopal)—Sort and bag food items.

**THURSDAY, August 19**

- 8:00 a.m. Matthew 25 Mission** (St. Luke's Episcopal)—Distribute food bags

**NEW BIRTHS**

**Brody Jackson Lowry** born July 6 to **Teena and Trey Lowry.**

Big sisters are **Tarryn and Leanne**

**William Levi Beard** was born August 2 to **Pam and Country Beard** in Norman. Grandparents are **Buddy and Paula Watkins.**

**Ella Grace Kinneberg**, born May 18 to **Stephanie and Bryan Kinneberg** in Salt Lake City. Grandparents are **Stephen and Mary Taylor.**

**PRAYERS: Aggie Allen, LaVern Beith, Letia Butler, Harold Danielson** (Dick Danielson's father), David Doughty (Kel Penny's uncle), Tracy Farmer, **Joe Farrell**, Sybil Jacobs, Elvin Jaquess, Robert Mapp, Bobbie Martinez, **Timothy Olson** (Verna Rice's nephew), Lynn Snow.

**Okla. Heart Hosp.: Phil Rhynes**

**Mercy Hospital: Dale Fryar** (Lawanna Ronald's friend)

**Valley View: Barbara Aubrey** (Cayla Tracy's mother)

SW Integris: Elena Tiger (Bill Larney's sister)

M.D. Anderson: Meghan Patrizi Delobe

**EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** Amy Cole, Ginger Daniel, Amanda Jamar Herrin, Stephanie Taylor Kinneberg, Charissa Reed, Vanessa Taylor Wesley, Emilee Wuthrich.

*Please continue to pray for these men and women serving in our armed forces:*



*Tim Foster, LCPL Jon R. Holman, John Hatfield, Gregory Shropshire, USN, Maj. Lance Moore, Cpl. Cameron M. Cross, Ernest "Cody" Reece, SPC Skylar Sanders, SPC Miranda Smith, Sgt. Charles Walters and SMN Acie Warner, USN.*

**Our Sympathy to**

**Sam Gurley and family** on the death of his wife, **Charlene.** Her funeral will be Saturday at Criswell's Funeral Home. She is **Floyd and Pat Gurley's** sister-in-law.

**Watching Our Figures**

<b>OFFERING 7/25/10</b>		<b>\$ 2,991.67</b>
Memorials	\$ 110.00	
Capitol Camp.	\$ 10,675.00	

<b>ATTENDANCE 7/25/10</b>	
Sunday School	160
8:30 a.m. Worship	88
10:45 a.m. Worship	172
Heartland Plaza	27
Sterling House	17

**Total Worship Attendance 304**

<b>OFFERING 8/1/10</b>		<b>\$ 15,587.65</b>
Capitol Campaign	\$ 14,518.00	

<b>ATTENDANCE 8/1/10</b>	
Sunday School	163
8:45 a.m. Worship	96
10:45 a.m. Worship	142

**Total Worship Attendance 238**