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Church of Christ Northwest
Where Friends Learn
to Live Like Jesus

July 30, 2017



Sunday
9:30 AM
Bible Study
(all ages)

Sunday
10:30 AM
Worship Service

Tuesday Morning
Men's Bible
Study
7:30 AM
@ Kennedy's

Wednesday
Morning
Galena Park
Bible Study
10-11:30 AM
David Spillman

Wednesday
Evening:
Small Groups
@ 6:30 PM

◆ Campbell's:
Fruit of the Spirit

◆ Haines': I John
What is a Christian?

◆ Kennedy's:
History of the
Church

Thursday Morning
Ladies' Bible Class
Will resume in
September

ESL CLASSES
by appointment
only!

Jesus said,
"...Come follow me."
(John 1:43)



Submit
and follow HIM!
Sometimes, it may be
a struggle, but your
life is on the line!

Our Vision...

is to glorify and
honor our Lord
and God with our
lives, by bringing
people to Christ
and membership
in His family and
by helping to
develop Christ-
like maturity in
each member,
equipping them
for service in the
church and in the
world.

**Special
Ministry
Food
Pantry**

**Next Date:
Aug 8, 2017**

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"And if you do not carry your own cross
and follow me, you cannot be my disciple."

Luke 14:27 (NLT)

MISSION MILESTONES

It's Smile Box (Bag) time again! We are teaming up with Mision para Cristo, Eureka Church of Christ, Highway Church of Christ in Arkansas and Westgate Church of Christ in Alabama to pack and deliver shipping containers full of Smile Boxes for the children of Nicaragua to arrive in time for Christmas!

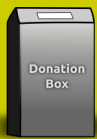
What is a Smile Box (Bag)?

A smile box (we use bags) is a bag filled with special items like toys, clothing, school supplies, hygiene items which is given to a needy child in Nicaragua. **Opportunities** — 1) sponsor one or more Smile Bags (\$5 donation per bag pays for the shipping cost, 2) purchase items on the supply list to be put in the bags (sign up on the bulletin board for what you are willing to purchase. EX: 50 pencils, 25 toothbrushes, etc), and/or 3) help fill bags on bag-building day (date to be announced). It will be a fun fellowship day building the bags together and enjoying each other's company! Looking forward to brightening some children's lives with YOU!

Sign me up!!! How does it work? What's next??

1. Sign up on the bulletin board (or notify the office) **by July 31st** if you want to sponsor (pay for the shipping cost) one or more smile boxes — each box is \$5. You can pay by cash or check (memo "Smile Bags") to the church. Money goes to Meta.
2. You have until August 20th to sign up and purchase supplies needed for the Smile Bags. See the sheet on the bulletin board and sign up to purchase one or more items on the list. The items are something like: * 24 pencils * 20 toothbrushes * 10 packs of stickers * etc.
3. **BUILD-A-BAG fellowship is the same day as the END OF SUMMER COOKOUT — August 26th!** No doubt, we will have a great time building the boxes (bags) and eating great food!
4. If you have a Facebook account, be sure to like the Mission para Cristo page to see when our smiles arrive!

Looking forward to brightening some children's lives with you!



TAKE NOTICE! We have two donation boxes in the hallway. One is labeled: **NICARAGUA MISSION— SEWING SUPPLIES** and the other is labeled: **NICARAGUA MISSION — SMILE BAG SUPPLIES**. Please use accordingly.

NICARAGUA MISSION WORK

Diaper making is scheduled for **Friday, August 18, 2017** at Eureka Church of Christ. If you can, bring scissors, cutting mats, sewing machines, sergers and yourself. Got questions? See Rachel Gardner. We need old T-Shirts. Keep in mind, if they are very small they won't work! We also need large diaper pins! Last work session produced 150-170 diapers and there are enough shirts cut for about that many more to be sewn.



IT'S A BABY SHOWER!



On Sunday, August 13th there will be a baby shower for Kayla Higgins right after worship service. Kayla & Brett are expecting a baby girl sometime in September. They are registered at Target and Babies'R Us. Please let Susan M. know ASAP if you can help out!

IMAGE BEARER . . . by David W. Spillman

"Then God said, 'Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us.'" (Genesis 1:26a).

This truth from God speaks volumes about our everyday lives and the encounters we have with people. In addition to the personal encounters we have with others is how we view every single person that inhabits planet earth. God has made every single person to be like Him! Every single person, regardless of who they are, where they live, the color of their skin, the language they speak, employed or unemployed, educated or uneducated, and even whether or not they recognize, worship, honor and submit to the One, True God...every single human is an image bearer of this True God!

What are the implications for you and me? If every person bears the image of our God, then every person is worthy of my honor, respect, and dignity. When I refuse to do this, I am judging the worth of another person, a position that only belongs to God. Jesus tells us loud and clear how our Father feels about each, individual person..."For this is how God loved the world: He gave His one and only son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16 NLT). How does God feel about the people of this world? What does He think they are worth? What does He think you are worth? Me? The very life and blood of His unique Son, Jesus Christ! Let that sink in for a moment.

Every person we will ever encounter, no matter if it is in the work place, or half way around the world, or on the screen of our televisions through a news outlet, or through social media, **every** person is an image bearer of God. Because of this truth, treat everyone with respect and dignity out of honor to the God in whose image we are all created. Strike up conversations, have dialogue, let's help all that we meet discover...some for the first time, others to a greater degree...this God whose image we are created to be like!



"After washing their feet, he put on his robe again and sat down and asked, 'Do you understand what I was doing?'
John 13:12 (NLT)

Eleanor Richey has multiple compression fractures & Degenerative Disc Disease. She has been moved to Rosewood Care Center of Peoria. **Carol Sunkin** as she continues to struggle with multiple health concerns. **Sebastien Meyers** as he continues to recover from his surgery. **Sam Shultz** (friend of the Meyers) as he recovers from his lung surgery.. **Sandy Burch** continues to experience a lot of back pain. **Curt Sparks** (Barb Juers' brother) ankylosis spondylitis (an inflammatory arthritis effecting the spine and large joints) is advancing and spreading across his shoulders. **Rebecca Prichard** having back issues. **Trish Veytia** asked for our prayers in dealing with her depression and every day life. **Terry McWhirter** recovering from knee replacement surgery. **Millie Rasbury** as she recovers from her kidney surgery and other medical set backs. **Betty Meyers** as she prepares for aortic valve replacement surgery at Mayo Clinic (Rochester, Minnesota) on Aug. 22nd.

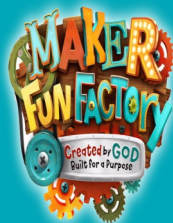
Shut-Ins: M. L. Judkins, Texie Ray, and Eleanor Richey.

Our military. Our nation as it struggles with many issues. **Our president, judges & elected officials**—wisdom to make Godly decisions. **Our police** as they struggle to do their job. **Unsaved souls** (you supply the names). **Those who have left the fold** and need a helping hand to find their way home. **Our college students.** **Our graduates.** **Our enemies.** **Our VBS 2017!** **Those being persecuted** for being Christians. **Those who persecute** others — may their hearts be changed! **Our young!** Shults-Lewis Children's Home.

Expectant Mothers: Kayla Higgins

Those Needing a Job: Curtis Baker (Fern's son in Kansas City).

VBS (July 10—13) REVIEW MEETING



A meeting is set for Tuesday, August 1st at 6:30 PM in the fellowship hall for all those who helped make VBS happen this year! This meeting is to discuss what went well, what may not have, how we might make VBS better, etc. Please come!

July 31—Mike Quine
August 1—Jill Humes
August 3—Linda Cotrell



August 1st
Rick & Meg Hipp
David & Sherri Spillman



Thank you for the prayers, cards, and the beautiful flower arrangement from the church following the death of Mike's grandmother. We really appreciate our church family! Love,

Mike, Susan, Beth, Matthew, & Nathan Flowers



Be sure to pick up the latest printed (as of 7/26/17—9 AM) church directory.

If you see any errors or know of any changes that need to be made, let Meta know. She will incorporate them in the next scheduled printing (sometime in November, 2017).

EXTENDED PRAYER LISTING

Mike Ahten	Member	Serious Back Problems
Renetta Ballard	Annie & Smitty's daughter	Lung Cancer
Natalie Balteau	Member	Type I Diabetes
Jerry & Deb Bane	Members	Lung Cancer/Memory
Marsha Barnes	Member	Leg Amputation
Beth Compton	Friend of Kat DeVore	Unexplained seizure
Shirley Damell	Former Member	Serious Eye Problems
Scott Eisenbarth	Kyle's brother	Liver & Lung Cancer
Vincent Ernst	S.&T. Law's grandson	Drug Addiction
Deb Hawley	B. Meyers' sister	Nodule on Lung
Willie Howell	Pat Jackson's father	Lung Cancer
Mary Lou Judkins	Member	Under hospice care
Dr. Craig Kurtz	Former Member	Lymphoma in Eyes
Tim Majors	Linda Cotrell's nephew	Cancer
Jerry Lynn Mason, Jr.	Pat Haines' brother	Stomach Tumor
Gene Muehring	Member	Sciatic Nerve
Lynn Molleck	Friend of N. Goble	Stage 4 Cancer
Lori Prichard	T&R Prichard's daughter	Conversion disorder
Josh Retzer	Grandson of B/C Sunkin	Addiction
Eleanor Richey	Member	Broken hip recovery
Ken Roberts	K. Lovell's father	Alzheimer's
Sophean	Cambodian Orphan	Healing from 2nd surgery
Carol Sunkin	Member	Shoulder/Back/Infection

Hearts on Fire Calendar

July 30—South Side Mission

July 31—High School Bible Study—3 PM
SYS @ Philo



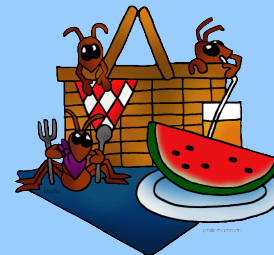
END-OF-SUMMER COOKOUT

Mark your calendar to attend the upcoming fellowship on August 26th at 5 PM in the pavilion.

The meat, condiments and drinks (ice tea, water, and lemonade) will be provided. If you want soda, feel free to bring your own. All table ware will be provided (napkins, plates, plastic utensils, and cups)

We are asking that each family bring 2 side dishes/desserts to compliment the main course (hamburgers, hot dogs).

We would like you to **sign up no later than Sunday, August 19th.**



SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

ADULTS—AUDITORIUM

India Mission Presentation—Ratna Raju Rapaka

GOAT FOR DINNER

The young couple invited their elderly pastor for Sunday dinner.

While they were in the kitchen preparing the meal, the minister asked their son what they were having.

"Goat," the little boy replied.

"Goat?" replied the startled man of the cloth. "Are you sure about that?"

"Yep," said the youngster. "I heard Dad say to Mom. 'Today is just as good as any to have the old goat for dinner.'"



DINING TOUR BOOKLETS FOR SALE



We are taking orders for dining tour booklets. The cost of each booklet is \$30; If we get an order for at least 5 booklets, we will make \$12 per booklet for Shults-Lewis Children's (instead of the usual \$10).

See the main bulletin board for a listing of the participating restaurants/diners. The sign-up deadline is SEPTEMBER 24TH! If you have any questions, let Meta know.

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

	Last Wk.	Year-to-Date
2017 Budget	\$5,000	\$ 150,000
Contribution	\$2,061	\$ 120,616

Attendance	July 23
Bible Study	53
10:30 Worship Service	111
EEM To Date	\$ 19,528
Bergner's Booklets	\$ 2,458
Zambia Orphans' Education	\$ GOAL MET!!
\$1,920/HS student (2) Needed for 2017 = \$3,840.00	
Shults-Lewis Children's Home	\$ 99.41
Coins in the weekly contribution + \$10 of each Dining Tour Book!!!	

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Challenge: Pray daily for our entire church family (by name).

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Alan Moreland

Children Sing

Songs: I Will Call upon the Lord (pg. 63)

How Great is Our God

Blessed Be the Name (pg. 224)

This is the Day

The Old Rugged Cross (pg. 313)

Communion: Douglas Staley

Nate Gardner, Gene Muehring, Elston Rasbury, Phillip Staley

Offering

Song: Our God, He Is Alive (pg. 23)

Scripture Reading: L/Lee DenBraber (Luke 4:14-30)

Speaker: David W. Spillman
GRACE...NO BOUNDARIES!

Song: Softly and Tenderly (pg. 934)

Hearts on Fire Announcements: Ryan Martin

Shepherd's Time: Allen Neese

Greeter: Teressa Hargrove

Facilitator: Terry Hargrove

Nursery Attendant: Pat Brewer

Communion Preparation: Grants

Aug 8th — Pantry (12:30-2 PM)

Aug 13th — Higgins Baby Shower (after worship service)

Aug 26th — End-of-Summer Cookout Fellowship (5PM)

Sep 04th — Labor Day

Sep 12th — Pantry (12:30 PM—2 PM)

Sep 16th — PIP (8 AM—?)



B. Meyers out of the office (Aug. 20th — ?)

Elders

Dean Kennedy

Terry McWhirter
Cell: 309-231-9362

Allen Neese

Deacons

Lee DenBraber
Tom Flanagan
Nate Gardner
Terry Hargrove
Rick Meyers
Alan Moreland

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Douglas Staley

Minister

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Meta Kennedy
(MWF)
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Please
Turn off Your
Mobile Phones

See something that needs to be fixed — leaky faucet, broken window, dirty air vent, etc.? Please report it to the office for BaGG (Building and Grounds Group) to place on their list.