Prayer List

Our Church Family

Sue Bradley
Lisa Calvert
Brandon Chrysler
Vicki Deturk
Charles Dodson
Tami Frost
Katherine Herring
Adrian Lee Family
Beth Makibbin
Richard Nichols
Everett Prevett
Faye Reed Family
Mary Romero
Earl Rose
Ivey Siau
Van Sperry
Ray Sullens
Dortha Threet
Pat Vaughn
Beth Wallace
Dink West

Nursing Home & Shut-ins

Kathy Barrett
Rhonda Chrysler
Jim Lee
Mary Rolston
Dorothy Thompson

Friends & Relatives

Milton Banta
Angela Berryhill
Randy Bishop
Ginger Breeding
Tina Ewell
Jackie Fowler
Beverly Gaither
Dick Gazalski Family
Mark Hiatt's Father
Jimmy Harjo
Jennifer Jenson
Danny Jones
Steve Kelley
Gary LaValley
Leland (Becky Randall's friend)
Robyn Long
Roy Madden Family
Frank McManus
Jim Melton
Carol Ogilvie
Danny Rose
Billy Russell
Andy Schick
Sharon Shoulders Family
William Smith
Glendell Threatt

News

Please see Kim Jenson if you need a receipt for your donations to the church for tax purposes.

Asking for Prayers

Ray Sullens's test results were negative for cancer. Praise the Lord for this blessing of answered prayers.

Brandon Chrysler is unable to pass a swallow study so he is still on a feeding tube. However, he is off the ventilator! Praises for answered prayers.

February 21th		
Jay LaValley	**Song Leader**	Jim Broadbent
February 28th		
Grant Jenson	**Song Leader**	Keith Estes

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Henryetta Church of Christ
February 21, 2021

Weekly Bible Scriptures

Sunday, 2/21	**Wednesday, 2/24**
Lesson 307	Lesson 308
I Samuel 23	I Samuel 24

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When Stephen Died

Acts 7:58–60 58 When they had driven him out of the city, they began stoning him; and the witnesses laid aside their robes at the feet of a young man named Saul. 59 They went on stoning Stephen as he called on the Lord and said, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!" 60 Then falling on his knees, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them!" Having said this, he fell asleep.

This event, though often overlooked, was one of the most pivotal in the history of the church. Occurring about three and a half years after the crucifixion of Christ, it would alter history in many ways.

When Jesus was crucified Luke records that the new disciples remained in Jerusalem and lived in a very communal state. We call this the ingathering. The reason this occurred is due largely to the fact that they believed the return of Jesus was imminent. The Jewish community was tolerating the disciples up to this point, however, when Stephen was stoned the tide of persecution began and it was no longer safe to remain in Jerusalem. Due to this the disciples began returning to their own hometowns, carrying the gospel with them and fulfilling the command of Christ to, "Go and Baptize."

It also in my opinion fulfilled the final week of the prophecy of Daniel. Daniel split the final week into two three and a half year periods. The ministry of Jesus was three and a half years ending with the crucifixion. Then the crucifixion to the stoning of Stephen was three and a half years, ending the Jewish nation as they officially rejected the gospel.

On a side note, it introduces Saul the persecutor, who would become Paul the Apostle. Paul would become the planter of churches across Asia, even going as far as Rome and Spain. This persecutor turned preacher would in many aspects have a greater impact on the church as we know it today than any other single person in antiquity.

You and I are Christians today because the church spread to the ends of the earth. The stoning of Stephen as you can see, was the catalyst that saved our souls. It is an example of how God can use tragedy to accomplish great things.

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February

Birthdays

5 - Cody Kearns
7 - Brandon McCoy
8 - Janice Herring
8 - Nancy Lee
17 - Tara Crum
18 - Brent Jenson
20 - Abigail Walker
23 - Tommy Wallace
24 - Dorothy Thompson
24 - Madison Walker
25 - Shelby Kearns
28 - Tami Frost

Anniversaries

14 - Earl & Margaret Rose
14 - Bennie & Leila Parks
26 - Randy & Rhonda Chrysler
27 - Keith & DeeDee Estes

Weekly Attendance
February 7th, 2021

Sunday Bible Class	23
Sunday Worship	64
Sunday Evening	19
Wednesday Evening (2/10)	n/a