Vol. 56 No… 8 **Upcoming Events!**

**August 4 --** Girls’ Day at Howe church of Christ, 9:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. Clarissa Miller will be speaking on “Finding Your Fairy Tale: Living Life as a Daughter of The King”. Lunch is provided.

**August 5** – First Sunday Fellowship immediately following morning services. Bring your favorite foods & join in the fun! We will be honoring our “Toymakers” today. Evening services will be at 1:00.

**August 11 –** Ladies’ Day at Blossom church of Christ, 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Becky Blackmon will be speaking on “A Study of Esther”. Breakfast & lunch provided.

**August 12 –** Youth Devo after evening services. Michael & Pam Fry are the hosts.

**August 19 –** Elders & Deacons meeting at 3:30 p.m. If you have anything to discuss let them know.



The family of Wynetta Carter.

14) Who had come to visit and inquire of Ezekiel the prophet in verse one of this book?

15) What is required of the people to do in verse two, according to the writer of this book?

16) What reception did the allegorical Jerusalem get at the time of her birth in these verses?

17) What is described in the parable told by Ezekiel in these verses of this book?

18) What parable was current in Israel that God wanted to correct these three verses?

19) What picture did Ezekiel use to portray Judah’s princes in his lament in these verses?

20) What was God’s reaction to the elders’ request in verses two and three of this book?

21) What new image did God use to describe the destruction to come in verse three?

22) What had made Jerusalem guilty and defiled, according to Ezekiel in these verses?

**Scripture Reading Plan for August 2018**

August 1 Ezekiel 1, 1, 2

August 2 Ezekiel 1, 2, 3

August 3 Ezekiel 2, 3, 4

August 4 Ezekiel 3, 4, 5

August 5 Ezekiel 4, 5, 6

August 6 Ezekiel 5, 6, 7

August 7 Ezekiel 6, 7, 8

August 8 Ezekiel 7, 8, 9

August 9 Ezekiel 8, 9, 10

August 10 Ezekiel 9, 10, 11

August 12 Ezekiel 10, 11, 12

August 13 Ezekiel 11, 12, 13

August 14 Ezekiel 12, 13, 14

August 15 Ezekiel 13, 14, 15

August 16 Ezekiel 14, 15, 16

August 17 Ezekiel 15, 16, 17

August 19 Ezekiel 16, 17, 18

August 20 Ezekiel 17, 18, 19

August 21 Ezekiel 18, 19, 20

August 22 Ezekiel 19, 20, 21

August 23 Ezekiel 20, 21, 22

August 24 Ezekiel 21, 22, 23

August 26 Ezekiel 22, 23, 24

August 27 Ezekiel 23, 24, 24

**Questions:**

1) How old was Ezekiel and where was he living when he saw visions of God in verse one?

2) What mission did God assign to the prophet Ezekiel, according to these verses of this book?

3) What did God command Ezekiel to do with the scroll He presented to him in these verses?

4) What model did God instruct Ezekiel to build in order to illustrate his first message in these verses?

5) What was Ezekiel to do with each third of the hair he shaved from his own head, according to these verses?

6) What geographical feature did Ezekiel prophesy against (figuratively) in these verses?

7) What was the first two-word message that God told Ezekiel to proclaim in these verses?

8) Where was Ezekiel when the vision from God came to him in verse one of this book?

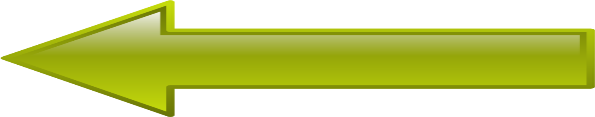
9) Who did God summon before Him, as Ezekiel watched in these verses?

10) How did Ezekiel attempt to describe what he saw in the presence of God in verse one?

11) What did God show Ezekiel at the east gate of the temple in verse one of this book?

12) What was God’s description of the rebelliousness of Israel in these first two verses?

13) Who did God tell Ezekiel to prophesy to in these verses in these first two verses of this book?



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| Sunday Morning | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 |  |
| Scripture | SEE | NOLAN | BUTLER ! |  |  |
| Read by | C.J. Weems | Zeke Wood | William Campbell | Paul Payne |  |
| Opening Prayer | Charlie Thompson | Rick Zant | Joe Carpenter | Billy Fergurson |  |
| Song Leader | Charlie Hodgkiss | Paul Payne | Dalton Phillips | Stephen Arnold |  |
| Announcements | Bobby Graves | Rick Zant | Michael Fry | Bobby Graves |  |
| Lord’s Supper | Jason Brown | | | | |
|  | Kevin Wood | | | | |
|  | Michael Whitten | | | | |
|  | Wylie Dykes | | | | |
|  | Eric Woods | | | | |
|  | Bobby Graves | | | | |
| Closing Prayer | James Weems | Travis Ball | Bradley Cochran | Eddie Don Pickering |  |
| Usher | Craig Zant | | | | |
| Communion Preparation | Tim & Daria Parks | | | | |
| Sound Board | Eddie Elmore | | | | |
| Sunday Evening | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 |  |
| Opening Prayer | Michael Whitten | Wylie Dykes | Charlie Hodgkiss | Paul Payne |  |
| Closing Prayer | Ken Robbins | Stephen Arnold | Tim Parks | Chad Graves |  |
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| Wednesday | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 |
| Devotional | Rick Zant | Bobby Graves | Michael Fry | Charlie Hodgkiss | William Campbell |
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Please remember these in your prayers: Cristy Brazeal, our brethren in Mexico, Brenda Rodgers, Travis Palmer, Micah, Jennifer & Gus Fry, Val Spiller, Billy Davis, Martha Fox, Kristi Taylor, Allan Rogers (Cristi Burnett’s brother), Warren & Betsy Skeen, Dene Cochran, Edna Parks (Tim Parks’ grandmother), Connie Ball, Dee Carpenter (Joe & Margie Carpenter’s daughter-in-law), Lynda Zant, Sharon Mills.

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August Birthdays

1 – Cristi Burnett

8 – Travis Ball

9 – Betty Eudy

11 – Jill Hodgkiss

12 – Cindy Dykes

13 – Chance Booker

16 – Sherry Kyle

17 – Baran Killough

18 – Ryan Pickering

19 – Charlott Pickering

20 – Edd Fry

21 – Alyssa Parks

22 – Jay Dykes

24 – David Brown

25 – Jason Brown

25 – Pam Fry

27 – Janice Cochran

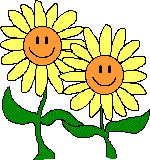
**August Anniversaries**

8 – Mark & Tawana Stewart

24 – Nick & Sally Becerra

24 – James & Cassi Weems

27 – Brad & Janice Cochran



Sunday Bible Study 9:00 am

Worship 10:00 am

Worship 5:00 pm

KPLT Radio Program 96.3 FM 9:00 am

Wednesday

Bible Study 6:00 pm

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**Feeling Good About Yourself**

Our attitude toward others is often a reflection of how we feel about ourselves. One author described it this way: “We are never more discontented with others than when we are discontented with ourselves.” Most will admit that we tend to feel better about others when we feel good about ourselves.

There is nothing inherently evil about a good self-image. While self-centeredness must be avoided, there is a vast difference between self-centeredness and good self-esteem. God created us to feel good about ourselves within the parameters of our relationship with Him. He sent His Son into the world so that we might have opportunity to live “the full and abundant life” (Jn. 10:10). God does not rejoice in our failings or find some sort of pleasure every time our feet get knocked out from under us and we find ourselves bruised and battered by life’s challenges. Quite to the contrary, God hurts when we hurt. Being the perfect reflection of the Father (Hb. 1:3), Jesus is our great high priest who sympathizes “with our weaknesses” and “has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin” (Hb. 4:15).

God’s revealed truth is our Creator’s blueprint for living a joyous life, both now and in the life which is to come. The “do’s and don’ts” of the Bible were not given for the purpose of inflicting pain, but bringing happiness. Even under the Old Testament, God identified His reason for giving rules and ordinances. Moses revealed God’s true intention for the Law, saying,  
“And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require from you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the Lord’s commandments and His statutes which I am commanding you today for your good?” (Dt. 10:12). Every parent knows the meaning of “for you good.” As children, we may have tried to bend the rules now and then only to discover, in the long run, that they had, indeed, been given for our good and ultimate happiness.

As much as anything, the instructions of God, as provided in His inspired word, ought to provide us with a sense of security and well-being. Our Father in heaven cares enough for us to set boundaries. When we follow His teaching, good feelings are produced. Many have made the mistake of turning things around by insisting that one must feel right in order to do right. But, actually, there are many occasions in which we must do what is right and trust that the feeling will follow.

We are created in the image of God. He loves us so much that He gave us the gift of His Beloved Son so that we might entertain a strong hope of living forever in His glorious presence. Such thoughts as these will influence the way we feel about ourselves and those around us. A sense of His great love frees us from self-hate and stirs within a genuine sense of good will toward others.

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