

From The Ministers Desk

Ten Little Christians

Ten little Christians standing in line; one disliked the preacher, then there were nine.
Nine little Christians stayed up very late; one overslept Sunday, then there were eight.
Eight little Christians on their way to heaven; one took the low road and then there were seven.
Seven little Christians chirping like chicks; one disliked the singing, then there were six.
Six little Christians seemed very much alive, but one lost his interest and then there were five.
Five little Christians pulling for heaven's shore, but one stopped to rest and then there were four.
Four little Christians each busy as a bee; one got his feelings hurt, then there were three.
Three little Christians knew not what to do; one joined the sporty crowd, then there were two.
Two little Christians, our rhyme is nearly done, differed with each other and then there was one.
One little Christian can't do much, 'tis true; brought his friend to Bible study and then there were two.
Two earnest Christians, each won one more; that doubled the number, then there were four.
Four sincere Christians worked early and late; each won another and then there were eight.
Eight splendid Christians, doubling weekly as before; seven Sundays later, they had 784!

In this little jingle, there is a lesson true, you belong either to the building or wrecking crew!

May we seek to build up the church faithfully and lovingly and not grow weary or lose heart (cf. Gal. 6:9). **Growth happens one soul at a time!**

Donald

Sermon Topics:

AM: "What Does It Mean to Be a Christian?"
Acts 11:25-26

PM: Shepherd Group Meetings

Hispanic Studies: JJ Espinoza

Class: Los Hechos

Sermon: "La Mujer en La Familia"
Proverbios 31:10-31

Notes: _____

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Poteau church of Christ

Reaching Up, Reaching Out, Reaching IN

Elder on Call for November: Randy Lum 918-647-7859



Welcome to the Poteau church of Christ!

If this is your first time to worship with us, please know that we are thrilled to share in your journey of faith. We invite you to join in the singing of praises, praying, studying from God's Word; to enjoy the warmth of just being together with fellow seekers. Our prayer is that you will feel the love & grace of God during your worship experience this morning. We are honored to have you as our guest today and look forward to meeting you after our worship service. May God bless you richly and deeply.

DEACONS:

Danny Baker -Worship
Ben Bentley -Missions
Russ Campbell -Fellowship
Joe Harbuck -Building
Don Johnston -Building/Vans
Philip Kirkes - Youth
Bob Marchant -Benevolence
Brad McMillin -Missions
Tim Olive -Youth & Budget

ELDERS:

Winfred Ashley
Randy Lum
Dick Moore
Rick Parker
Rendall Thompson

MINISTERS:

Donald Cherry -Pulpit
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Paul Fletcher -Youth
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Or go to www.poteaucoc.org for prayer requests, our audio & video sermons and classes as well as upcoming events.
You will also find online study tools and other information to help you grow stronger in your faith.
We're also 'Live-Streaming' the 9:30 a.m. Bible Class, our 10:20 a.m. Worship Service and the 6:00 p.m. Evening Service.

By The NUMBERS

Week of November 5, 2017

Worship Attendance-AM	239
Bible Class	168
Auditorium Class	76
Jr. High & High School	22
College age 18-25	9
Women's Class	23
Hispanic Class:	4
Prison Class:	30
NewLife Behavior Ministries	35
Wednesday Attendance 11-8-17	
Wed. Ladies class	
Wed. College Age	
Wed. Adult Relationship Class	

Week of November 5, 2017

Contribution	\$8,313.
Budget -Weekly:	\$7,385.
Contribution-YTD	\$299,904.
Budget -YTD:	\$316,610.
Over/(Under):	(\$16,706.)

Monthly Events

First Sunday - Cake & Ice Cream for birthdays & anniversaries after evening worship.

First Sunday - Elders, Deacons and Minister's meeting after evening worship service.

Every Sunday - Elder's Prayer Meeting after worship service.

Second Sunday - Shepherd group meetings after evening service.

Third Sunday - Deacon's Meeting after evening worship service.

Sunday Morning - Women's Outreach Class @ 9:30 am. taught by Marilyn Ashley in the MPB.

Sunday Evening - The ladies meet for prayer meeting in the auditorium after evening service.

Sunday Morning and Wednesday night - College age students - 18-25 - meeting in the MPB.

Wednesday Nights - Mid-Week Manna - 5:15 before Bible Study

Wednesday Nights @6:30 - Fishers of Men - Class in the Auditorium

Wednesday Night@ 6:30 - Relationship Class in the gym.

Wednesday @ 6:30 -Ladies' class: taught by Sue Dunlap, in the GAP classroom.

Second Thursday Game Night - @ 6:00 p.m. in the MPB.

Elders Prayer List

Health: Tim Cauthen (in rehab/doing better); Nancy Frier (recovery/no cancer in lymph nodes); Jack Baker (eye surgery, recovery); Robyn Starcher (health issues); Jackie, Robyn's friend (cancer); Gary Hinton, Martha Bell's friend (heart valve replacement recovery); Carl Lockhart (heart and lung problems); Christian, friend of Roberta Turpin (victim of mugging, facial surgery); Sally Nixon (shingles); Evelyn Smith (back pain); Regina (eye problems); Nora Faye Lum (pulled muscle); Gladys Flemming, Brenda Campbell friend (stroke); Crystal Eaves and son (crones disease); Victoria Salcedo (brain tumors); Kelly Mitts (sinus infection); Mila Delyn Nix (newborn, organ problems); Mark Lashley (recovery, two neck surgeries); Carlos Carson (back pain); Sandy Keys (tumor on brain stem); Carter & parents (organs misplaced, Heterotopy); Karen Daugherty (stroke); Darlene Seaman (heart tests, blood pressure); Jess Hurllocker (Hospice care); Winnie Bowen, Ted and Mary's mother (Hospice care); Dory Fletcher (favorable results treatments); LeeAnn (health); Sue Carty, Benny's sister (needs liver transplant); Our loved one's in the nursing home, and Our Alzheimer's patients and their caregivers.

Miscellaneous: Tracy Wright, niece of Judy and Sue's is in Puerto Rico with five others from the Muskogee VA hospital for 2 weeks to work; Tara McGee Family (Strength & Guidance).

Cancer: Jerita Minyard, Rodney Schumann, Cindy Wallace, Joe Wise, Mia Miller, Sandra Lum, Don Bentley, Angela Collett (Mandy), Angela Watts (Hugo), Shirley Holter, Pat Price, Larry Didway, Malita Tracy, Michelle Glassburner, Karen Taylor, Ginger Muncy and Mike Baker.

Prisoners Prayer list: Shane Calico, Dwight Cross, Bryan Kirby, Bill Largen, Raymundo Madrid, Chris Moss, Justin Moss, Jeff McCarley, Tanelle Turner, Joey Wolfe, Cecil Woodward.

Update List on Our Sick

- Charlotte Rowe had open heart surgery on Wednesday at Mercy. Surgery went well. Family is requesting no visitors or phone calls, she needs to rest.
- Bobby Martin had colon surgery on Monday. Doctors said it was self contained in one area. Good news. God is good!
- Kaelin Blasdel had a brain tumor removed which caused her to be temporary paralyzed. She is in therapy now and taking some steps. Keep the prayers going. She is the daughter of Charlie & Pat Hill.
- Gina Rogers' dad, Ralph LaRosa had exploratory surgery, they found several blockages in his legs. Keep him in your prayers.
- Regina Lewis will have cornea surgery on December 13th in Fayetteville. Keep her in your prayers.
- Shirley Hollan, Brenda & Loretta's sister has throat cancer. Waiting on Doctors to decide on what treatment will be done. Prayers for good results.
- Micki Gravlee went for a consultation with doctor on her stomach and esophagus. Waiting on results. Keep her in your prayers.
- Jayce Jump broke his hip at school and will be in a wheelchair for 6 weeks.
- Mila Nix's issues are being monitored and all is well. Nothing serious most likely will grow out of it.
- Steve Doshier is recovering and also he has lesions on his liver.

Responses

- Dawn Hawkins asking for prayers to show appreciation by living a life that's pleasing to God.
- Lisa Grady is asking for strength for herself and Ron as they go thru some difficult times. Prayers for both.

Notice

- Rick Parker's Shepherd group will need to bring finger foods tonight for their meeting.
- Wednesday Bible classes will **all** meet in the auditorium November 22nd for a combined fellowship.
- Wednesday 29th, is the 5th Wednesday, the service will be conducted by the your men of our congregation. All classes will meet in the auditorium.
- There will be no a Mid-week Manna on Wednesday, November 22nd and Wednesday, December 27th because of the Holidays.
- Church group messaging system: text "@Poteau" to #81010.
- If there are any church members that are in need of a Thanksgiving basket, please contact the office no later than November 15th.**

Ladies Trip!

There will be a trip to Siloam Springs, Ar. on Thursday, November 16th. You will be leaving at 7:30 am and returning sometime that evening. Sign up sheet on the bulletin board, need a count for the Vans. Contact Anne Marchant or Shirley Martin if you have questions.

Senior Saints Banquet

Senior Saints Banquet, December 2, 5:00pm in MPB. Mark your calendar and get ready to have a very good time and excellent meal. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board if you plan on attending. Also if you would like to help in the kitchen or set up tables or clean up, please contact Heather Garner.

Shepherd Group meeting

Rendall's Shepherd group will have their annual Bonfire/Weenie Roast this evening at Ted and Nina's. There is a list on the bulletin board for food to bring. Please bring your lawn chairs. If you need directions, contact Ted, Nina or Rendall.

Youth and College Age News

- Please help us keep the new 18-25 Year Old Ministry going strong! If you are in this age group please strive to make it to Bible class on Sunday mornings at 9:30am, Wednesday night Mid Week Manna at 5:30 and Wednesday night Bible class at 6:30pm! We need your presence and involvement! So proud of all who are getting involved! You all are a blessing! Let's all encourage these young adults to get involved!
- To all our church members: If you would like to provide a meal after any Sunday morning church here at the building or have the college age group over to your house on a weeknight or weekend sometime please see Jamie Olive and set up a time and date. Thanks to all who have been so generously giving there time, effort and food to support and help our young adults meet together regularly!

Upcoming Youth Events

November 29: "5th Wednesday Youth -Led Worship" For all young men grades 1st-12th. We will be preparing for this on each Wednesday in November. The boys can either lead a song, prayer or read a Scripture in the auditorium the night of the 29th.

December 2: "Senior Saints Christmas Banquet" We will need at least 10 servants from the youth group to help serve the Senior Saints at their banquet that night from 4:30pm-8:30pm.

December 8-9: "Southern Christian Home Christmas Youth Rally Week-end" We will leave on that Friday evening for Morrilton, AR and stay the night in one of the cottages at the home. We will give out Christmas presents and have lunch with the children on Saturday and then return to Poteau.

December 31st: "New Years Eve Hang -Out" We will go the Trampoline Park and then the Bowling Alley and then come back to the church building for a while. You will need a ride no later than 12:30am January 1 because that is when it will be over.

January 12-14: "Winterfest" Arlington, TX. You will need to get out of school that Friday. We will leave at 10am that Friday morning. Bring clothes and "get-ready stuff" for two days. No need for bedding or a towel, we will be staying in a hotel. The cost is \$50 per person that will cover fees and lodging and some meals. You will need an additional \$25 for meals on the road. We will be back to Poteau Sunday Jan.14th at 3 or 4pm.

February 9th: "A Night to Shine" We will go to the West-ark Church of Christ in Ft. Smith to help serve at a prom for special needs students.

Here We Grow Again!

Eddie Martinez was baptized on November 5th.

Give Eddie a big hug!