

Weekly Newsletter August 27, 2023



Service Opportunities

Donations Needed – The Women of J.O.Y. nursing home ministry is collecting items to distribute to the residents they serve. These include magazines that are not time sensitive (such as Texas Highways, sports and outdoor activities, etc.), puzzles with larger pieces (around 300 pieces), small hotel or travel-size toiletries, and pocket-pack tissues. Donations may be placed in the box near the Women of J.O.Y. table at the church entrance.

Let's help Casa! Casa de la Esperanza – the children's home we support in Anahuac, Mexico – needs school supplies and shoes for their children as they begin the new school year. You can help in one of two ways. You may bring new or gently used shoes (boys or girls, sizes 11, 12, 13, 1, 2, 3) and place them on the stage in the gymitorium, or you can give a cash donation to the church online or by check (with Missions – Casa school drive, on the memo line). The deadline to donate is August 27. For more information, contact David Kraatz.

Wednesday Adult Classes—6:30pm

Getting to Know the Real Jesus
Taught by Calvin Warpula
Gymitorium (note change of location)

But How Can I?
Improving Your Christian Attitude
Led by Becky Jones—Room 25A

Announcements

Grief Support Group – Sundays, 3:00-4:30pm. You may participate in person in Room 25A (Neighbors classroom) or online through Zoom. For more information, contact Janie Teague at 817-219 -1620 or janieteague@gmail.com.

Piecemakers Quilting Bee – Monday, August 28, 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Christian Service Center. Bring your sewing machine, accessories and a lunch. For more information, contact Betty Curbo (817-573-7535) or Jamie Skelton (817-279-3724).

Wednesday Night Diner – Resumes August 30, 5:30-6:15pm, in the Parlor. This week's menu includes Pizza, Salad, Dessert, and Drink for \$5. Kid-friendly items are also available for \$1. To RSVP, scan the QR code or sign up on the Sunday worship attendance slip.

Ladies' Monthly Potluck – Thursday, September 7, 6:00pm, at the Christian Service Center. Bring your favorite food, along with a copy of your recipe, for an evening of good eats and fellowship! If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Ann Hale (817-253-7107).

Save the Date – Legacy of Love kick-off dinner for women, ages 18-40 – Thursday, September 28, at 6:00pm in the church parlor. Guest speaker will be Beverly Ross. Mark your calendar and invite your friends.

Ladies, Mark Your Calendar – GCOC Ladies'
Day – Saturday, October 28, 9:00am-noon, in the
Fellowship Center. Cost is \$20 per person
(breakfast included). Guest speakers Megan Jones,
Alison Porter, and Suzanne Hawk from WE
Ministries will discuss personal, relational, and
spiritual growth in their presentation entitled, *I Am*the One. Join us for a great time of spiritual
enrichment and fellowship.

Food Pantry Totals

177 this past week6,376 served so far in 2023

Weekend Food Bags for Kids

227 provided this school year

1st Responders Lunch Totals

Closed for the summer 1,482 served so far in 2023

Attendance Report

Sunday, August 20

Sunday Bible Class—305
Sunday Bible Class Online—31
Sunday Worship Assembly—397
Sunday Worship Online—110
Youth—17
Life Groups—10

Wednesday, August 23

Wednesday Night Class—143

Worship Schedule

Sunday Bible Class—9:00am
Sunday Worship—10:15am
Wednesday Night Class—6:30pm

...be like a tree planted by the water that... does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green.

Jeremiah 17:8

Free Service Provided – Casey Click, who attends our worship services, is offering free counseling services through the Christian Service Center as a part of her master's degree program. She has limited availability this fall (Thursday afternoons/evenings), with more openings available next spring. If you know someone who could benefit from counseling, contact Casey via call or text at 254-592-6841.

Employment Opportunities – Foster's Home for Children in Stephenville has two positions open – Vice President of Development and Vice President of Physical Plant. More details are available on the GCOC information tables.

Student Ministry

Parent Meeting – Sunday, September 10, in the Teen Center, immediately following worship.

Prayer Requests

Members & Friends in Rehab/Hospital

Barbara Adams – PCU at Medical City, Joy Buchanan – LGMC, Larry Culp – LGMC, Willie Dean Hunter – Granbury Care Center, James Richey – MD Anderson

Members

Nita Benge, Jan Blattman, Susan Blevins, Elva Bustillos, Barbara Chrane, Betty Clark, Ruth Dailey, Harold Durham, Bobbie Gauntt, Kay Holly, Ann & Keith Jay, Diane Lindsey, Jack Little, Debbie Martin, Carolyn Mastick, Colleen Moore, Mary Beth Moore, Carol Morrison, Melaine Mullin, John Myatt, Perri Parker, Stan Queen, Loyd Randolph, Lynda Robinson, James & Joyce Royse, Don & Margaret Walker, Patti Woolard, Eve Woolverton

Relatives/Friends

Javier & Fatima Adame, Justin Almand, Yolanda Avery, Nancy Barnard, Gloria Burba, Kim Caraway, Casey Click, Pat & Gail Collins, Ed Connelly, Wade Cothrum, Rick Cotton, Carolyn Craig, Aaron Cranford, Gerald Denmark, Richard Gibson, Blair Gilbert, Royce Green, Richie Haught, Debbie Culp Hook, Henry Johnson, Charlie Mae Jones, Jim Kennedy, Nannette Kenney, Ellen Kirk, Eric Korth, Paul Loyd, Joe McCright, Amelia McCroskie, James McDowell, Lynn Merritt, Sharon Mireles, Billy Mullins, Justine Perkins, Sybil Pope, Glen Redman, Gil & Becky Sanchez, Sara Smith, Steve Smith, Bill Swann, Paul Wilborn, Shelly Young