#### March

Mar 19 Devotional at Homestead Assisted Living at 3:00 p.m. Mar 21 Men's Hiking and Rock Climbing; Wichita Mountains Mar 26 Devotional at Homestead Assisted Living at 3:00 p.m. **April** Apr 01 Levi & Lydia's Wedding; 1:00 p.m.

#### MEN'S HIKING AND ROCK CLIMBING

Men, please join us as we make a trip to the Wichita Mountains in Southwest Oklahoma on Tuesday, March 21 to hike and rock climb through a series of caves. We will leave at 5am and return that evening. See Wes for details.

## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP & BIBLE STUDY

There will be a Men's Fellowship & Bible Study Thursday, March 30th at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room. Please RSVP to Wes so he can plan for food.

#### YOU'RE INVITED

Levi Turney & Lydia Smith would like to invite you to join them as they tie the knot on April 1st at 1:00 p.m. The wedding will take place at Silver Maple Camp, 4817 SE 100st, Kingman, KS

### SUPPORT HONDURAS MISSIONS

If you would like to contribute to the short-term Honduras mission trip, please see Wes, Rex or Tyler. We purchase many items to take with us to give to the people we minister to, including, but not limited to, Bibles, soccer balls, tools, etc. This trip is June 10th - 17th.

## **BLESSING BOX MINISTRY**

Thank you church for your continued support of the Blessing Box ministry. Our current needs are canned goods.

Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you. —Deuteronomy 16:17

## **CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE**

March Mar 12—Audra Hudspeth Mar 26—Audra Hudspeth

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#### If you can volunteer, see Darlene Cooney!

# 2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THEME

"Keepers of the Kingdom" June 4th -7th See Brian or Lynette Turney to volunteer!

#### FROM THE PREACHERS DESK The Same Tired Question

Sometimes it's hard to answer the same question time and time again.

Whenever I talk about foreign missions, one such question comes up, in one way or another, every time. The question is, "Why are we helping people in another country when there are plenty to people to help here?"

Sometimes the question is asked as a simple curiosity. Sometimes the question is motivated by something different. There are people in my own family who have said to me, "I don't agree with helping people in other countries. I think we should only help people here."

Most people aren't so blunt, especially when they know that I am a strong supporter of foreign missions, but occasionally, I face a little bit of resistance.

In these instances, I do my best to not be defensive, but to explain that helping people in need in other countries in the world is commanded by the Lord Jesus Himself, and that is my chief reason for supporting and going on foreign missions.

I also explain that most of the money that the church gives to missions is here, in our country. I explain that for the church, it's not one or the other, but both. We believe in helping people wherever there is a need and wherever there is opportunity, and again, not because it's our idea, but because it's a Biblical command.

I've also learned that there is a myriad of reasons why people react the way they do to the idea of missions, whether foreign or domestic. It's at this point that I remind myself that at one time I wasn't for or against missions, I was indifferent. But instead of giving you a list of reasons to support missions, allow me to share something personal.

When I was twenty-seven, I had, for lack of a better phrasing, a reawakening, a great personal revival and repentance. In the midst of this time in my life, I was searching for God in every way that I could and in everything at the church that was being offered, so I decided to try getting involved in missions when I was invited to do so.

There is no way to describe what the Lord did to me in the next years through missions both foreign and domestic. The best explanation is simply to say that He transformed me. I don't pretend to understand the supernatural, but the Spirit, like the wind, has had His effect on me.

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**Prayer List:** Larry Helton, Janice Shoemaker, Beth Brownlee, Brian May, Helen Norris, Pat Brundage, Eliza Conwell, Julie DeSoignie, Russell Day, Marilyn Bartlow, Scott Percival, Kylie Lock, Darlene Larson

### **EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY**

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Thelma Edwards. Her services are planned for Thursday, March 23 at 11:00 at Cornejo's. Thelma worshiped with us and served as our custodian several years ago. Keep her family in your prayers.

We express our deepest sympathy to the family of Russell Day. His services are Friday, March 24 at 10:30 a.m. at the building. There is visitation Thursday from 2-7pm at Cornejo's. The family will be present from 5-7pm. Keep them in your prayers.

## WOMEN WALKING WITH GOD

Women Walking with God is scheduled for April 14 from 5-10 p.m. and April 15 from 8am to 4pm. We are taking a church van and want to fill it up! (And we will gladly take more in other vehicles.) The elders are covering half our registration fees, so the entire day and a half is only \$32.50! For more information, see Kendall LeFlore or sign up in the foyer. Please **RSVP** by April 2.

### **CHILDREN'S CORNER**

Our Spring Theme for Children's & Teens Bible Classes is "From Heaven to Earth" as we enter the New Testament and begin studying the life of Jesus. Here is a peek at this month's lessons, the Big Picture Question and the Bible verse to practice.

March 19—Jesus was Baptized (Matthew 3, Mark 1) March 26—Jesus was Tempted (Matthew 4, Luke 4)

Big Picture Question:

Q: What did Jesus do to save us?

A: Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead.

This Month's Bible Verse:

John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" John 1:29

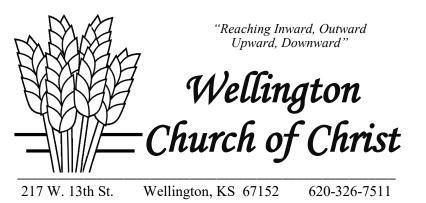
At the heart of mission work, whatever that means to you, is caring about other people. When I focus on others, I have the freedom to stop thinking about myself. And somewhere in the midst of losing myself, I find the Lord. And I would never change that. And I will never stop. To steal the words of John the Baptist from John 3:30, *He must increase, but I must decrease*.

#### Much love!

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THOSE WHO SERVE						
<u>SUNDAY, 10:30 AM</u>	<u>March 19</u>	<u>March 26</u>	<u>April 02</u>	<u>April 09</u>		
Opening Prayer	A. Shields	N. Bradbury	J. DeJarnett	E. Newberry		
Song Leader	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	A. Shields	A. Shields		
Communion Talk						
<u>&amp; Prayer</u>	N. Bradbury	M. Kline	R. Harris	N. Bradbury		
Contribution Prayer,	A. Hines	A. Hines	T. Hudspeth	T. Hudspeth		
Collection & Count	A. Shields	A. Shields	L. Turney	L. Turney		
<u>Ushers</u>	D. Carroll	D. Carroll	A. Hines	A. Hines		
	J. Willson	J. Willson	J. Rayl	J. Rayl		
Closing Prayer	R. Harris	R. Harris	M. Kline	M. Kline		
Deacon in Charge	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	A. Hines	A. Hines		
SUNDAY—March Bible Class A.M. Worship Contribution		••••••		80		
WEDNESDAY-		т 2				
Auditorium—20		Teens—3				
Bible Hour—10 Total—33						
ELDERS Rex Harris I Tom Norris	Marvin Kline	Bible		<b>SERVICE</b> 9:30 a.m10:30 a.m.		
Aaron Hines	Kevin Dodds Leroy Lewis Wade Pierce	Bible		v 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.		
MINISTER Wes LeFlore						



ORDER OF WORSHIP
March 19, 2023

Call to Wors	hip			
Song	"Here I Am to Worship"			
Song #71	"As the Deer"			
Prayer				
Song #18	"Faithful Love"			
Communion Prayers				
Contribution Prayer				
Contribution Collection				
Song #76	"How Great Thou Art"			
Lesson				
Song #909	"There's a Fountain Free"			
Prayer				

Every Sunday during the sermon we offer Children's Church to boys and girls ages 3 years through 2nd grade. They will meet in the Fellowship Room for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.