

May
May 20 Church workday; 9am to noon; help us get ready for VBS
May 21 Ladies Afternoon at the Harris home; 4:00 p.m.

June
June 04-07 Vacation Bible School
June 10-17 Honduras Mission Trip

CHURCH WORKDAY
There is a church workday scheduled for Saturday, May 20, from 9:00 to noon. We need help getting things ready for VBS. Please see Lynette or Kendall for more details!

LADIES MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
On Sunday, May 21st, you are invited to the Harris home for an afternoon of fun. Come around 4:00 p.m. We will have a scavenger hunt, walk the trails and cook out.

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 May’s lessons.

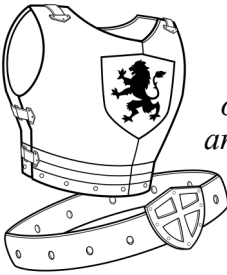
May 07—People Rejected Jesus (Luke 4)
May 14—People Were Amazed By Jesus (Luke 4)
May 21—Peter Worshiped Jesus (Luke 5)
May 28—We Are Saved by Faith in Jesus (Hebrews)

BLESSING BOX MINISTRY
Thank you church for helping us restock our pantry! Donations are still appreciated. Donation boxes are located in the foyer and the west hallway. You are also welcomed to fill up the Blessing Box on the west side of the building. Thank you for your continued support of the Blessing Box Ministry!

“I thank my God in all my remembrance of you.”
—Philippians 1:3

**2023
VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL**

“Keepers of the Kingdom”
June 4th -7th



*“Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness.”
Ephesians 6:14*

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK
Road-Trip Reflections
The LeFlore’s set out Sunday afternoon, April 23rd, and headed east. We made our first stop in Hot Springs, Arkansas and stayed at one of only two hotels that we’ve been able to locate that will allow seven people in the same room. We explored Hot Springs National Park the next day, which, I explained to the children used to be something similar to the Pool of Bethesda account from John chapter 5. I don’t think that people went there that couldn’t walk with the hopes of being healed by the hot spring water, but I was surprised at the amount of ailments the establishments claimed could be cured with hot water and steam. We went from there to Mammoth Cave National Park just outside of Glasgow, Kentucky. It was here that we had to tell the children to not make a fuss when the park rangers talked about the age of the cave. It was also here in the depths of the cave that the scripture came to mind, from Psalm 138:8-10,
⁸ If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, behold, You are there. ⁹ If I take the wings of the dawn, if I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, ¹⁰ even there Your hand will lead me, and Your right hand will lay hold of me.
In other words, there’s nowhere in the world or beyond where God cannot see me and where He is not with me. Then I went from spiritual to anything but when we had to go through a very tight section of the cave called, “Fat Man’s Misery.” As I write this, I’m sitting in bed in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee while the rest of the house sleeps. I tend, in hindsight, to choose to remember mostly the good from trips like these, so in the heat of the ongoing moment, I’ll share with you what I’ll likely choose to forget later. I get frustrated too easily. I yell too much. I am selfish. This is the short-list of things that I recognize and am actively trying to overcome. I will say this though, I have prayed some of the most earnest prayers of my life on this trip! I’ve been begging God for help. Help for me as a parent and husband. Help in raising my children to be more like Jesus and less like me. As Kendall was loading up the kids in the van today, I was paying for our purchases at Buc-ees. The cashier was a sweet lady who was saying some very kind words about my family, and I can’t remember what I said, exactly, or maybe she just saw the strained look on my face, but I was quickly reprimanded. She said, “Listen young man, children are a gift from the Lord” (Which is a quote from Psalm 127:3). I told her that I agreed and that I needed to be reminded of that from time to time and thanked her for doing so. We made small talk for a couple minutes as I hoped she didn’t ask me what I did for a living and thankfully she didn’t.

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FAMILY NEWS:
Marvin Kline—is home and his surgery went well. Please continue to pray for his strength and his recovery.

Prayer List: Janice Shoemaker, Marvin Kline, Richard Wartick, Rita Carroll, Eliza Conwell, Darlene Larson, Brian May, Larry Helton, Helen Norris, Pat Brundage, Julie DeSoignie, Kylie Lock

EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY
We express our deepest sympathy to Pat Brundage on the death of her son David. David passed away Friday morning. Graveside services are Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m. at the Milan Cemetery

GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENT
Daniel Garver, son of Charles & Deanna Garver, will be graduating from Cowley County Community College on Saturday, May 6th and from Belle Plaine High School on May 13th at 10:00 a.m. There is a come and go celebration for Daniel May 13th from 12:00 to 2:00 at their home at 707 N Washington. Laney Dillon would like to extend an invitation to everyone to her graduation party on Saturday, May 20th from 2-4pm at 908 S. Washington in Wellington. She will graduate from Wellington High School Sunday, May 21st at Seller’s Park. Tanner Dillon is receiving his Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science at Kansas University and continues his studies in their Law School.

WESTVIEW BOYS HOME MISSION TRIP
The dates for our Mission Trip to Westview Boys Home are August 6th - August 12th. If you are interested in joining us for the week, or part of the week, please let Wes know.

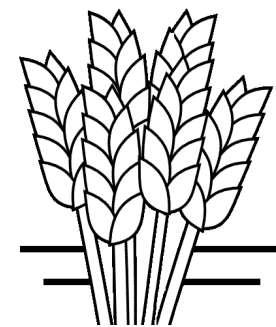
CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHEDULE
May
May 07—Kaitlin Francisco May 14—Linda Wartick
May 21—Audra Hudspeth May 28—Jordyn Clark

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It’s so difficult to live proactively and not merely reactively. In other words, it’s easier to just hope for the best and not learn and not grow and not seek wisdom from the Scriptures and help from God when the going gets tough. But as followers of Jesus, we must. We must always fight the temptation to be less than what He desires us to be, which is, just like Jesus. I’m a forever distance away from being anything like Jesus, but I’m closer than I was when I started!
Much love!
Wes LeFlore (918) 607-8489 or huskerwes1@gmail.com

The Art of Defense, Part 1
Acts 7:1-15

THOSE WHO SERVE				
<u>SUNDAY, 10:30 AM</u>	<u>May 07</u>	<u>May 14</u>	<u>May 21</u>	<u>May 28</u>
<u>Opening Prayer</u>	J. DeJarnett	A. Shields	L. Turney	L. Lewis
<u>Song Leader</u>	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	K. Dodds	K. Dodds
<u>Communion Talk</u>				
<u>& Prayer</u>	N. Bradbury	R. Harris	D. Pierce	T. Norris
<u>Contribution Prayer.</u>	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	C. Francisco	C. Francisco
<u>Collection & Count</u>	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	W. Pierce
<u>Ushers</u>	D. Clark	D. Clark	D. Clark	D. Clark
	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett
<u>Closing Prayer</u>	R. Harris	R. Harris	R. Harris	R. Harris
<u>Deacon in Charge</u>	L. Lewis	L. Lewis	L. Lewis	L. Lewis
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<u>ATTENDANCE</u>				
SUNDAY—April 30				
Bible Class.....				60
A.M. Worship.....				103
Contribution.....				\$2,486
WEDNESDAY—May 3				
Auditorium—21		Teens—4		
Bible Hour—6		Total—31		

ELDERS		SCHEDULE OF SERVICE	
Rex Harris	Marvin Kline	<i>Sunday</i>	
Tom Norris		Bible Classes.....9:30 a.m.	
		Worship.....10:30 a.m.	
DEACONS		<i>Wednesday</i>	
Nathan Bradbury	Kevin Dodds	Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.	
Aaron Hines	Leroy Lewis	Bible Class.....7:00 p.m.	
David Pierce	Wade Pierce		
Alan Shields			
MINISTER			
Wes LeFlore			



“Reaching Inward, Outward
Upward, Downward”

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 7, 2023

Call to Worship

Song #144 “O Worship the King”

Song #800 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Prayer

Song #381 “Years I Spent in Vanity”

Communion Prayers

Contribution Prayer

Contribution Collection

Song #622 “Ring Out the Message”

Lesson

Song #904 “Have You Been to Jesus”

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.