

May
May 12 Devotional at Wellington Health & Rehab; 3:00 p.m.
May 16 Men’s Fellowship & Bible Study; 6:00 p.m.
May 19 Devotional at Wellington Health & Rehab; 3:00 p.m.
May 19 Teen Devotional at Harris’ home; 4:30 p.m.
May 26 Devotional at Wellington Health & Rehab; 3:00 p.m.
May 26 Midwest Youth for Christ
June
June 2-8 Silver Maple Camp Early Session; ages 9 - 18 years

MEN’S FELLOWSHIP & BIBLE STUDY
Men of the Church, join us this Thursday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room for a night of great food and fellowship. Please respond to Wes so food can be planned appropriately. You can call, text or email Wes at (918) 607-8489 or husk-erwes1@gmail.com or you can tell him you are coming.

WELLINGTON HEALTH & REHAB DEVOTIONALS
May is our month to hold devotionals at Wellington Health & Rehab. They will be every Sunday in the month of May at 3:00 p.m. Please add to your calendar and plan to attend.

YOUTH DEVOTIONAL AT HARRIS’
There is a teen devotional for 6th - 12th grades at the home of Rex & Jeanne Harris. Be there at 4:30 to do outdoor activities, eat dinner and have a devotional.

MIDWEST YOUTH FOR CHRIST
The next Midwest Youth for Christ will be May 26 at Emporia Avenue Church of Christ in Wichita. We need a volunteer to drive the van. If you can do this see Tom Norris.

HONDURAS MISSION TRIP JUNE 2024
Wes, Rex and Tyler are raising funds for the Honduras mission trip. If you would like to contribute, please give donations to Wes, Rex or Tyler. Funds pay for all trip expenses and supplies. See Wes with any questions.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH SCHEDULE
May
May 12—Linda Wartick May 19—Starla Turner
May 26—Jennifer Palacio
June
June 02—Audra Hudspeth June 09—Linda Wartick
June 16—**Need Volunteer!** June 23—Starla Turner
June 30—Jennifer Palacio
July
July 07—Audra Hudspeth July 14—Linda Wartick
July 21—**Need Volunteer!** July 28—Jennifer Palacio

FROM THE PREACHERS DESK
Answering Stereotypes

If it were not for some shadow of truth, stereotypes wouldn’t exist. But just because they exist, doesn’t mean that we have to be guilty of using them to easily and conveniently label people.

In fact, I believe that it’s wrong altogether to use stereotypes, for the simple fact that no matter what the stereotype, even if it’s true of some, it most certainly will not be true of all.

All demographics of people fall victim to being stereotyped and followers of Jesus are no exception.

Of all of the stereotypes that exist about Christians, the one that I think that I have run up against the most is the stereotype that Christians believe they are better than other people.

I think it’s important to have an answer for people when we run up against this belief. We need a good defense that isn’t defensive.

What I typically do, and this is by no means a template for what you should do, is explain as gently as possible that I don’t believe that I’m better than anyone else, in fact, I explain that it’s because I understand how desperately flawed I am that causes me to seek to follow Jesus as much as I can so that, in the process of following Him, I might become more like Him and less like myself.

When I can tell people are skeptical, I often then share some of my personal story. I explain who I was without Jesus and who am I today because I now follow Him.

How do you respond when you are mislabeled or misunderstood? However we respond, we must respond in ways that are kind, gentle and humble. If we aren’t those things, chances are we’ll never get a chance to continue the conversation, and what we say, no matter how good and true will be lost.

This week we’ll see Paul and Barnabas mislabeled and misunderstood in a profound way and there are many things we can learn from their experience and response.

1 Peter 3:15 - ***but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;***

Much love!

Wes LeFlore (918) 607-8489 or husk-erwes1@gmail.com

FAMILY NEWS
Rita Carroll had a heart cath last week and now scheduled for open heart surgery on May 17th. Please keep her and David in your prayers.
Prayer List: Tom & Louise Kirkwood, Tim Evans, Gary Bodine, David & Rita Carroll, Bob & Beth Brownlee, Richard Wartick, Eliza Conwell, Larry Helton, Carrie Harris, Julie DeSoignie, Kylie Lock

CHILDREN’S CORNER
Our Theme for Children’s & Teens Bible Classes this month is “The Church Grows.” Here is a peek at this month’s lessons, the Big Picture Question and the memory verse.

May 12—Paul Became a Christian (Acts 9)
May 19—Paul Became a Missionary (Acts 13-14)
May 26—Jesus Can Forgive Anyone (II Corinthians 5)

Big Picture Question:
Q: Who Can Be Saved?
A: Anyone who trusts in Jesus can be forgiven of their sins and be right with God.

“For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.” —John 3:17

WE STILL NEED A FEW MORE TEACHERS!
We still need teachers for the classes listed below. If you can teach one of these classes this quarter, please sign up in the west hallway or see Kendall.
Sunday: 1st/2nd; 3rd-5th **Wednesday:** PreK-2nd; 3rd-5th

SILVER MAPLE CAMP REGISTRATION
Youth, if you are planning to go to camp this summer, registration is open and ready to go. The fee this year is \$225.00. The church will be paying half of the fees, so you will need a camp codes to receive that. You can also save \$25.00 by registering early. Dates for camp this year are:

Early Session: June 2-8—Ages 9-18
1st Session: July 7-13—Ages 9-13
2nd Session: July 14-20—Ages 12-18
3rd Session: July 21-27—Ages 9-18

There are two day camps being offered for 7-9 year olds. The first one is Wednesday, July 10 from 9:00 to 4:30 and the second one is Wednesday, July 24 from 9:00 to 4:30. Please see Jennifer for your camp code.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Vacation Bible School is coming up this summer. Mark your calendars for July 21-24. Please pray and make plans to participate.

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THOSE WHO SERVE			
<u>SUNDAY, 10:30 AM</u>	<u>May 12</u>	<u>May 19</u>	<u>May 26</u>
<u>Opening Prayer</u>	B. Turney	E. Newberry	L. Turney
<u>Song Leader</u>	D. Pierce	D. Pierce	D. Pierce
<u>Communion Talk</u>			
<u>& Prayer</u>	T. Norris	J. DeJarnett	K. Dodds
<u>Contribution Prayer</u>	W. Pierce	W. Pierce	W. Pierce
<u>Collection & Count</u>	E. Newberry	E. Newberry	E. Newberry
<u>Ushers</u>	L. Turney	L. Turney	L. Turney
	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett	J. DeJarnett
<u>Closing Prayer</u>	R. Harris	R. Harris	R. Harris
<u>Deacon in Charge</u>	L. Lewis	L. Lewis	L. Lewis
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<u>ATTENDANCE</u>			
SUNDAY—May 5			
Bible Class.....			54
A.M. Worship.....			113
Contribution.....			\$4,315
WEDNESDAY—May 8			
Auditorium—18		Teens—4	
Bible Hour—14		Total—36	

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 study for stories, crafts and learning about Jesus.