

October 1 – First Sunday Fellowship immediately following morning services. Bring your favorite foods & join in the fun! Evening services will be at 1:00.

October 5 – Stapling Session at 9:00 a.m. at the church building. We will be assembling maerialt for the missionaries in Africa.

October 7 – Ladies' Day at Northside church of Christ in Bonham. Speaker is Jean Tolbert.

There are several Gospel Meetings in the area this month. Please check the bulletin board in the foyer for more information.



TABLE TREATING
 + **CHILI EATING** after evening services on Sunday, Oct. 29th. There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for items to bring. Be sure to bring your hamburger meat by Wed., Oct. 25th, + put it in the freezer in Rm. 13! **Our evening service will be at 5:00 on Oct. 29th!**

Beginning the first Wednesday in September all ladies will meet in the old auditorium for Bible class with Yvonne Butler as the teacher. The class will study God's plan for redeeming mankind, from the book of Exodus.

There is a Wednesday night men's class in Room 13 with Wylie Dykes teaching from the book of James.

An adult class meets in the Auditorium on Wednesday evenings with Charlie Hodgkiss teaching the book of Romans.

Thank you to all those who helped teach and assist with the Bible classes for our younger children during our Wednesday evening summer speaking series. We are appreciative to Amy Zant Perez of the Creekside Congregation in Greenville for organizing the class materials and sharing it with us. Thanks also to those who provided cookies for the classes. It was a congregation wide effort to make this happen and all are appreciated.

9) In the event of a threat to a city, what is the responsibility of the watchman and the people in these verses?

10) Why was God angry with the "shepherds" of Israel in verses one and two?

11) What did God promise to do to Mount Seir (Edom) in these verses of this book?



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Syble, you are in our prayers!

Scripture Reading Plan for October 2023

October 3	Ezekiel 25, 25, 26
October 4	Ezekiel 25, 26, 27
October 5	Ezekiel 26, 27, 28
October 6	Ezekiel 27, 28, 29
October 7	Ezekiel 28, 29, 30
October 8	Ezekiel 29, 30, 31
October 10	Ezekiel 30, 31, 32
October 11	Ezekiel 31, 32, 33
October 12	Ezekiel 32, 33, 34
October 13	Ezekiel 33, 34, 35
October 14	Ezekiel 34, 35, 36
October 15	Ezekiel 35, 36, 37
October 17	Ezekiel 36, 37, 38
October 18	Ezekiel 37, 38, 39
October 19	Ezekiel 38, 39, 40
October 20	Ezekiel 39, 40, 41
October 21	Ezekiel 40, 41, 42
October 22	Ezekiel 41, 42, 43
October 24	Ezekiel 42, 43, 44
October 25	Ezekiel 43, 44, 45
October 26	Ezekiel 44, 45, 46
October 27	Ezekiel 45, 46, 47
October 28	Ezekiel 46, 47, 48
October 29	Ezekiel 47, 48, 48

Questions:

- 1) What was the first foreign nation against which Ezekiel was instructed to prophesy in verses one and two?
- 2) What bad news about Jerusalem did the people of Tyre assume to be good news for them in verses one and two?
- 3) For what city outside of Israel did God instruct Ezekiel to "take up a lament" in verses one and two?
- 4) Who was Ezekiel instructed to speak God's Word to in these verses of this book?
- 5) What attitude or belief on the part of Pharaoh King of Egypt brought him under God's judgment in verse three?
- 6) What did Ezekiel prophesy about the greatness and wealth of Egypt in these verses?
- 7) What formerly great nation is described as a comparison for Egypt in these verses?
- 8) To what powerful animals did Ezekiel liken Egypt in his lament in these verses?

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Sunday Morning	1	8	15	22	29
Scripture	SEE	NOLAN	BUTLER	FOR	SCRIPTURE
Read by	Dale Henry	James Weems	Baran Killough	Eli Grose	Eddie Elmore
Opening Prayer	Tim Parks	Rick Zant	Michael Fry	Bobby Graves	Tim Parks
Song Leader	Kerry Dykes	Bobby Graves	Mike Whitten	Stephen Arnold	Paul Payne
Announcements	Tim Parks	Rick Zant	Michael Fry	Bobby Graves	Tim Parks
Lord's Supper	Craig Zant				
	Ricky Cooper				
	Roger Boyd				
	Rick Zant				
Closing Prayer	Bradley Cochran	Eddie Don Pickering	Travis Ball	Bill Sanders	Chad Graves
Usher	Wylie Dykes				
Comm. Prep.	Tim & Daria Parks				
Sound Board	Tim Parks				
Sunday Evening	1	8	15	22	29
Opening Prayer	Mike Crews	Charlie Hodgkiss	Wylie Dykes	Joe Carpenter	Kerry Dykes
Closing Prayer	Paul Payne	Billy Fergusonson	Grayson Path	Mike Whitten	Stephen Arnold
Wednesday	4	11	18	25	
Devotional	Bill Sanders	Michael Fry	Charlie Hodgkiss	Mike Crews	
Week of	1	8	15	22	29
Bus Driver	Tim Parks	James Weems	Ashley Grose	Sheri Arnold	Dale Henry

Please remember these in your prayers: Cristy Brazeal, our brethren in Mexico, Brenda Rodgers, Whiz Creighton, our military personnel, Martha Fox, Cindy McGee, Sharon Mills, Buddy & Barbara Taylor, Lee Spencer (Harvey Spencer's father), Travis Palmer, Dene Cochran, Bobby Tatum, Peggy Parsons, Warren & Betsy Skeen.

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October Birthdays

- 4 – Donna Moseley
- 6 – Bobby Graves
- 9 – Nolan Butler
- 11 – Cord Butler
- 12 – Bill Sanders
- 14 – Eloida Munoz
- 15 – Judy Graves
- 19 – Craig Zant
- 23 – Inelda Proctor
- 24 – Jeff Ballard
- 25 – Jr. Chaidemenos
- 27 – Taylor Kyle
- 31 – Mark Stewart

October Anniversaries

- 1 – Harvey & Mary Lynn Harvey
- 15 – Craig & Anita Zant
- 13 – Eddie & Renee Elmore
- 25 – Charlie & Judy Hodgkiss



Sunday		
Bible Study		9:00 am
Worship		10:00 am
Worship		1:00 pm
KPLT Radio Program 96.3 FM		9:00 am
Wednesday		
Bible Study		6:00 pm
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Seeking God’s Approval

We are all creatures that need approval. We may have different tolerances for rejection but at some point, we all need approval and validation. The question we need to ask ourselves is, “Whose approval am I seeking?” If I am seeking God’s approval, then I am setting myself up for a healthy relationship with Him.

If I am seeking God’s approval in my life, then there are certain things that I am doing. I am putting the kingdom first. “But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you” ([Matt. 6:33](#)). I am trying to live according to His righteousness. ([Rom. 10:3](#)). I am also seeking those things that are above. “Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth” ([Col. 3:1-2](#)). I am thinking on those higher moral things to keep myself oriented on that which God thinks about. “Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything is worthy of praise, dwell on these things” ([Phil. 4:8](#)). I need to be aware that my life should be pleasing to Him and not myself. Those things don’t have to be opposite, but it needs to be intentional. “Therefore we also have as our ambition, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him” ([2 Cor. 5:9](#)).

Why would I put God’s approval ahead of the approval of mankind? Not only because He is my creator, but there are several other reasons. God has my best interest at heart. “The Lord... is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance” ([2 Pet. 3:9](#)). He has been proven faithful. “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful” ([Heb. 10:23](#)). He has shown us His loving kindness ([Eph. 2:7](#)). He has forgiven us. “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” ([1 John 1:9](#)). HE has given us grace, “not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity” ([2 Tim. 1:9](#)). He has promised us a reward that only He can deliver. “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you” ([1 Pet. 1:3-4](#)). Let us look to God for approval on the things that would bring glory to Him and a blessing to our lives. If our lives are searching for God’s approval, we will be rewarded.

– Josh Blackmer