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Worship & Bible Study:

SUNDAY

Worship 9:00 AM
Bible Study 10:15 AM
Worship 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 PM

Family Line:

931-729-9846



Mike's Minute

If you instruct the brethren in these things, you will be... nourished in the words of faith and of the good doctrine which you have carefully followed.

1 Timothy 4:6

In his 1729 book, *A Serious Call to a Devout and Holy Life*, William Law gives us the keys to a spiritual and productive life...

"Nourish your soul with good works, make it wise with reading, enlighten it by meditation, make it tender with love, sweeten it with humility, humble it with penance, enliven it with Psalms and Hymns, and comfort it with frequent reflections of future glory."

The Christian life should be one of continual revival. We long for global revival to sweep the earth, national revival to canvas our country, local revival to renew our congregation. All well and good.

But we can do what it takes to create *personal* revival each and every day.

We can grow in wisdom by reading God's Word. We can grow in enlightenment by meditating upon and memorizing Scripture. We can revive our spirits by learning to treat others with tender agape love. We can fortify our soul with hymns and songs. We can build our hope by reflecting on the beauty of heaven.

For personal revival to take place, we only have to open God's Word and let it do its work in our lives.

Revive us again? Yes, please. But we must do our part. If we want supernatural revival, we must cooperate with God. He will do the super if we will do the natural!

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

In a world where bad news plagues us almost every day, we can become easily downtrodden. We can feel hopeless. We can feel angry. I'm sure many of you have been hearing about the riots and acts of violence taking place in Los Angeles. While these reports can cause us to feel all sorts of negative emotions, we must take a step back and examine how the Bible expects us to respond as Christians. Firstly, we must recognize the reality of suffering. Jesus reminds us in John 16:33, *"In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."* We must recognize the pain others are facing and stand in solidarity with them, offering empathy and support. Prayer is a powerful way to respond to these sorts of crises. By praying for those affected, for healing, for peace, and yes, even by praying for those who might be the cause of it, we are actively bringing God's presence into these situations. 1 Timothy 2:1-2 calls us to pray for everyone, including leaders, that peace and godliness may prevail. We must also realize that there is an existing hope amongst our feelings of hopelessness. In Romans 8:18, Paul says, *"Our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us."* Even when the news is grim, we remember that God's ultimate victory is assured, and our hope remains in Him.

As a community of believers, we can support each other through prayer and encouragement. Hebrews 10:24-25 urges us to spur one another on toward love and good deeds, especially in difficult times. So, let's encourage one another and continue to be a light that shines amidst the darkness.

To God be the glory,

Josh

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF June 8, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	252
CONTRIBUTION:	\$6,177
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417

HOW WE HONOR OUR FATHERS

My father passed away in 1996. My maternal grandfather left this earth in the 1960s. My dad's dad died in the mid-1970s. Yet, I plan on honoring my "fathers" today in a special way. While we are worshipping and praising the Lord, I plan to thank the Lord for the influence my father and my two grandfathers had on my life.

It might surprise you to know that the Bible is full of examples of how godly people continued to honor their fathers (and mothers) even after their deaths. One example is Joseph, son of Jacob. His life's story is found in the last half of the book of Genesis. When Joseph was on his deathbed, he made a request that when the Exodus occurred, his family would take his body back to the Promised Land and bury him (Genesis 50:25). Four hundred years later, when the Exodus happened, Joseph's "sons" honored their "father" by doing what he had asked (Exodus 13:19; Joshua 24:32).

Thanking God for the good things our fathers provided is certainly a good and scriptural thing to do (Philippians 1:3-4). This is one way we can honor our dads (Ephesians 6:1-3).

Larry Fitzgerald
Woodlawn church of Christ
Abilene, TX

THANKS DAD

William woke up at his usual time on Sunday morning and headed for the kitchen. As he walked down the hall, he remembered that it was Father's Day. But this would be a different Father's Day than all the ones before because this would be the first one in which his 18-year-old son, who was away at college, would not be around. As he sat reading the paper, his wife brought his breakfast along with a card in a big tan envelope. He opened the card to read:

Dear Dad,
Sorry I can't be with you this year for Father's Day, but I wanted to write and thank you for a few things...

- Thanks for taking the time to teach me about life.
- Thanks for catching me before I fell.
- Thanks for letting me fall so I could learn to get up.
- Thanks for showing me how a man should treat his wife.
- Thanks for teaching me how to work hard.
- Thanks for showing me a man can be strong without being mean.
- Thanks for praying in front of me.
- Thanks for baptizing me.
- Thanks for teaching me about Jesus.

"Hear, my children, the instruction of a father, And give attention to know understanding" (Proverbs 4:1).

Jay Launius
Maud, TX

GOSPEL MEETING

Humphreys County church of Christ
Waverly, TN

Speaker: Isaiah Peeler
June 22nd - June 25th

Sunday- 9:00am Bible Study

10:00am Worship

6:00pm Worship

Monday-Wednesday 7:00pm

Twomey church of Christ

Homecoming & Fellowship Meal

Sunday, June 29th

Special Guest Speaker: Joe Bates

10:00am Worship

11:30am Fellowship Meal

Singing Service to follow Fellowship meal

40th Anniversary of the church



Make plans now for our 5th Sunday on June 29th as Mark McFarlin will be our speaker for the day. Worship at 9 am, Bible study at 10:20am and potluck to follow in the Fellowship Hall. Afternoon service will be about 12:30pm.

MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Darin Cochran

Opening Prayer: Rodney Rochelle

Scripture Reading: Chris Love

Scripture: Psalm 103:11-13

Preside Lord's Supper: Roy McCoy

Left: Wallace Smith

Right: Zack Harvill

Boyce Cannon

Ken Copley

Dwight England

Vance Willis

Marty England

Mike Worley

Announcements: Darin Cochran

Closing Prayer: Woody Woodruff

Van Driver: Jack Green (931-994-8317)

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Randal Halbrooks

Scripture Reading: Wes Crowther

Scripture: Romans 14:13-15

Song Leader: Jeff Rose

Opening Prayer: Buddy Chandler

Lord's Supper: Edwin Wright

Gary Wright

Closing Prayer: Ronny Pitman

Van Driver: Jack Green (931-994-8317)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Rick Bruno

Song Leader: Ronny Pitman

Opening Prayer: Wayne Prince

Van Driver: Chris Love (931-994-7855)

Memorial

A contribution has been given in memory of **Clay Chandler** by **Ed & Melinda Sullivan**.



Stay in touch with us on social media:

Facebook: Fairfield church of Christ - Field Family

Instagram: fcocfamily

Website: fairfieldcofc.org



Upcoming Events:

The **Golden Agers** will be going to **Junk Yard Dog** Thursday, June 26th. They will leave the building at 5:30 pm. Sign up lists will be out soon.

Ladies Craft night will be held Tuesday, June 17th in room 104 at 6:00 pm.

REMINDER: Please make sure if you enter the building during the week that the doors are locked when you leave, and pull on the doors to make sure they are secured.

The **Men's Prayer Breakfast** meets Tuesday mornings at 6:00 am in the **Fellowship Hall**.

If you enjoy **quilting**, several ladies meet each Thursday at 9:00 am in the basement to make quilts.

The Tuesday evening **Ladies' Bible Class** led by **Jan Campbell & Joyce Bruno** has begun a summer study on "**Slowing Down and Getting to Know God Better.**" This group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month in room 104 at 6:00. The next class will be this Tuesday, June 24th.



JUNE

15th - Puppet Show, during evening service in Lift-Off

17th - Middle/High School Devo, 6:30 – 8:30 at the Field House



Sympathy to the family of **James Coates**, father of **Ginger James** and brother to **Phil Coates**. His service was Wednesday.

Sympathy to the family of **Janey Gilbert**. Her funeral was Friday.

Sympathy to the family of **Sue Ann Horner**, aunt of **Paul Gilbert**. The funeral is/was Saturday.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Jewell Prince (home after knee replacement surgery), Glenda Newsom (broken shoulder), Gary Wright (home--can have visitors), Bobby Dunn, Brenda Carroll, Willie Powers, Sherrie Talley, Deborah Roberts, Bobby C. McCoy, Tommy McClanahan, Billy McCoy, Floy Cochran, Ed Sullivan, Jane Washington, Rita Sullivan, Marlin Lawson, Deborah McClellan, Terry Duncan, Dorothy Noonan, Dana McCaleb, Lelia Mae Poore, Dorothy Weatherspoon & Jo Ann Totty

Friends & Family: Lorrie O'Guinn (hospice), Drew Elliott (cousin of Erik Hassell), Lois Gilbert (hospice), Tanya Rochelle, Mark Tune, Jimmy Rivers, Sunny Anglin, Jett Owsley, Brent Burt, Janet Barber, Glenda Coates, Mildred Rochelle, Amalia Rose Shaw, Edna Copley, B.Y. Peery, Doug True, Davy Baker, Lottie (Terrell) Williams, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Beverly Smith, Paul Harvill, Lorrie Davis O'Guin, Ronnie Carroll, Ryan Edwards, Deborah Johnston, Willie Lawler, Mike Avery, Pat Garrett, Cory Patterson, Carolyn Nash, Laura DeLong, Ila Faye Jenkins, Kathryn Purcell, Becky Carroll, Bryan Williams, Mary Spears, Kevin Chandler, David Stewart & Donna Gaspard

Life Care: Willie B Coates, Debra Clark (mother of Sharon Clark Burns), Carolyn Phillips, Cynthia Butler, Hester Moss, Sue Davidson, Wilma Green

The Bridge, Columbia: Hattie Mayberry

If you have a **prayer request**, please write it on a blue card and drop it in the wooden box in either foyer.

The Fairfield Relay for Life team is taking orders for t-shirts. Samples are in the library if you are interested. See Cindy or Sheila to order. Deadline to order will be June 22nd.



Plans are underway for "**HAPPY TALES BIBLE RANCH**" VBS which will begin on Sunday night July 13 during evening worship. Sign up lists are in both foyers for volunteers for Trailblazers (teachers) and Wranglers (assistants) and also a t-shirt list. Deadline to order shirts is JUNE 29th. Flyers and postcards are available to use to invite others. The other nights will be July 20th and 27th, and the final night will be August 3rd.