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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

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1

The American Heritage Dictionary defines faith as (among other things) "belief that does not rest on logical proof or material evidence."

Is Christianity illogical, or is there material evidence for our faith? We, of course, assert that our faith *is* logical and based on material evidence.

To name one example, we were not present at the resurrection nor did we see the empty tomb of Jesus. However, people did see the empty tomb and more than 500 people saw the resurrected Jesus. So, yes, there is material evidence for our faith.

But, we do admit that the Christian life is based on what is unseen rather than what is seen. So, how do we strengthen our faith?

We read and take to heart the promises of God. His "exceeding great and precious promises" are the basis of us partaking in His "divine nature" (2 Peter 1:4).

Faith in promises not based on evidence is blind faith. Faith in promises based on evidence is biblical faith.

Instead of just *sitting on the premises*, let's start *standing on the promises* of God... and watch our faith soar!

In Christian Love,

Mike





Just Joshin'

Last Sunday we had a fantastic first week of our Vacation Bible School! Taylor Bell, one of our former ministers, gave the auditorium class a wonderful lesson over the parable of the talents found in Matthew 25

It's always nice having familiar faces back amongst us and that was also true for our teen class. One of my longest friends, Cameron Peters, led a great class for our middle and high schoolers. After singing songs, dancing, praising, and learning we closed the night out by having some cowboy themed treats.

It was a great number for our opening week, and I have no doubts that the next few can be even better! Be sure to invite your friends so we can pack the pews.

For our second week, July 20th, Chris Wright and Mike Kelley will be pulling the ole switch-a-roo with Chris teaching the adults and Mike teaching the teens on the Parable of the Soils! You won't want to miss it!

To God be the glory,

Josh

FOR THE RECORD

WEEK OF July 13, 2025

MORNING WORSHIP	217
VBS WEEK 1	155
CONTRIBUTION:	\$5,760
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$5,417



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MEN TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING:

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Zack Bentley

Scripture Reading: Wallace Smith

Scripture: Psalm 95:1-2

Preside Lord's Supper: Chris Wright

Left: Adam Jude

Right: Chris Love

Rodney Rochelle

Keith Harvill

James Jett

Zack Harvill

John Irvin

Norman George

Announcements: Gary Basford

Closing Prayer: Zack Harvill

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

SUNDAY EVENING:

Announcements: Rick Bruno

Scripture Reading: Wes Crowther

Song Leader: Gary Basford

Opening Prayer: Kenneth Jett

Lord's Supper: Gary Wright

Boyce Cannon

Closing Prayer: Mathew Wright

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

WEDNESDAY NIGHT:

Announcements: Gary Basford

Song Leader: Rodney Rochelle

Opening Prayer: Gary Bailey

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



IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT

Plans are underway to begin the process for an updated **pictorial church directory**. Please mark your calendars for **August 15th and 16th**. This is a Friday and Saturday. We would like each family to make plans to have your family included in the directory.

Each family will receive a free portrait and a copy of the directory. Sign-ups will begin July 27th and will continue until August 10th. At the time of sign-ups, each family will be given a church membership form or you can pick up a form from both foyers and have filled out when you make your appointment. This **MUST** be filled out and returned to us before portraits are made. Preferably please fill this out and return when you make your appointment.

There will be slots available each day starting at 10:00 am, and the last appointment of the day will be at 7:50 pm.

If possible, if you have college-age family members, please try to sign up early to make sure the Saturday slots are available. The company also offers the option for couples to include family members for their free portrait, but the directory photo will only include actual members.

If you have any questions, please contact Sheila Brady or one of the elders.

HAPPY TALES BIBLE RANCH
WEEK 1



UPCOMING EVENTS

There will be a short meeting after Bible classes today, July 20th, in room 104 for any ladies/teen girls that are interested in helping organize a **Ladies Day** for September.

Deadline to donate for **school supplies** is today, July 20th. Please give your money to **Joyce Boyd** or one of the elders.

Golden Agers will be having a cookout on July 24th at 6 pm at the pavilion behind the fellowship hall. Sign up lists are in both foyers.

Christmas in July Ladies Breakfast will be July 26th at 9:00 am in the basement. Amber Kelley will be our speaker. "Let Your Light Shine" is the theme. Please bring an ornament to exchange.

It is that time of year when we begin collecting for the **Magi Boxes**. Boxes are in both foyers and should be returned by August 31st.

The elders will be collecting donations from anyone who would like to contribute to send to Texas for the flood victims the next few weeks.

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** will continue our 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 pm. The next class will be Tuesday, July 22nd.



Sympathy to the family of **Norman Moss Sr.**, the brother of **Liz Spears**.

Sympathy to the family of **Mona Smith**, the mother of **Denise McCoy**, whose funeral was last week.

Sympathy to the family of **Donna Martin** whose funeral was last week.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Members: Violet Shelby (home), Lizzie Barber (home), Jackson Bates (home), Joyce Bruno, Melinda Sullivan, Deborah Peery, Faye Rochelle (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed), Floy Cochran (St. Thomas Hickman swing bed), Barbara Kelley (home), Woody Woodruff, Jewell Prince, Glenda Newsom, Brenda Carroll (home), Willie Powers, Sherrie Talley, Deborah Roberts, Bobby C. McCoy, Tommy McClanahan, Billy McCoy, 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: Dottie McClellan, Drew Elliott, 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, Linda Canady, Carmela Brown, Beverly Smith, Paul Harvill, 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.



"HAPPY TALES BIBLE RANCH" VBS began last Sunday night, July 13th, during evening worship.

Flyers and postcards are available to use to invite others. The other nights will be tonight, July 20th, next Sunday, the 27th, and the final night will be August 3rd for a **Back-to-School Bash!**

Adult & Teen Speakers for VBS

July 20th - Chris Wright & Mike Kelley
July 27th - JT Booker & Harrison Kelley