Prayer Concerns

~Noe Espinoza's dad has Stage 4 prostate cancer that has spread to his bones. He is currently receiving treatment. Please be in prayer for the Espinoza family.

~Continued prayers for **Deana Frazier**, currently homebound due to eye procedure restrictions.

~Melody Loveland's consultation to see about her hernia is in mid-December. Please keep Melody in your prayers.

~Remember all those traveling this holiday season.

~Please keep praying for **Megeste and Josette Pierre** and the situation in
Haiti.

~Please pray for **Larry Loveland's** mom, now in hospice care.

~Bella Stotts is at Audrey Grace House. Please continue to pray for her and send her an encouraging note if you have a chance.

Bob Hoyle is in hospice care and appreciates our prayers.

~Remember to pray for peace and comfort for **Ann Perez (Nash)'s** family.

Those unable to join us:

- ~Barbara Buchanan
- ~Bobby Davis
- ~Ethel Gumm
- ~Ron and Geraldine Hill
- ~Bob Hoyle
- ~Dwight Painter
- ~George Woodfin

If you have a prayer request to put in the bulletin, please email it to westgatecofc @gmail.com, call 325-692-2300, or write it on an attendance card.

Ongoing prayer concerns:

- ~Deana Frazier
- ~Steve Henderson
- ~Nell Hopper
- ~Melody Loveland
- ~Jim Prather
- ~Eric Robinson
- ~Steve Smith
- ~Jim and Joyce Waddell
- ~Mickey Walker

Missionaries:

~Doug & Marge Reeves—Sunset International Bible Institute, Lubbock, TX

~Megeste & Josette Pierre— Christian Family Center, Port-au-Prince, Haiti (in DR currently)

~Keith & Grace Gafner—

Eldoret, Kenya

~Larry & Hollye Conway— Nairobi, Kenya

~Scott, Shirley, Stephen, and Sean Raab—Belgium



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Westgate Church of Christ

Welcome Members and Guests



Love Grub Wednesday Night

Don't miss the Nov. 20 Love Grub, as it promises to be delicious! Join the crowd at 5:45 p.m. this Wednesday for Raising Cane's chicken (with Cane's sauce of course), homemade sides, and Rice Krispies Treats for dessert! If you can help by making Rice Krispies Treats, the ingredients will be available to be picked up in the kitchen after services this morning. Please pitch in some money that evening to cover the cost of your meal if you can. Gluten-free and dairy-free options will be available. Stay for Bible class, starting at 6:45 p.m.



Friendsgiving Potluck Next Sunday

Next Sunday, Nov. 24, everyone is invited to a potluck dinner after morning services. Please bring a main dish and side dish OR a main dish and dessert. This is not limited to Thanksgiving-type foods, just bring whatever you like to make!

Volunteers Needed for Thanksgiving Meals

Westgate could use your help blessing families and individuals with Thanksgiving meals. Slots are available on the sign-up sheet in the hall for people to cook turkey, green bean casserole, rolls, or pies. You may be thinking that sounds difficult, but don't worry—the Carneiros make it really easy! On the day before Thanksgiving, ingredients for the meals will be ready to be picked up at the Carneiros' house. Each part needs to be cooked and taken back there (hot) on Thanksgiving morning for assembly and delivery. If you're going to be out of town, you can sign up to make a pie ahead of time. See Manny or Barbara if you have any questions.

***If you know of anyone in the congregation who could use a cooked Thanksgiving dinner, or if you would like one, please let Brady or one of the elders or deacons know.

Sermon Title: Westgate Traditions

Scripture: Matthew 15: 1-9

Then some Pharisees and teachers of the law came to Jesus from Jerusalem and asked, "Why do your disciples break the tradition of the elders? They don't wash their hands before they eat!"

Jesus replied, "And why do you break the command of God for the sake of your tradition? For God said, 'Honor your father and mother' and 'Anyone who curses their father or mother is to be put to death.' But you say that if anyone declares that what might have been used to help their father or mother is 'devoted to God,' they are not to 'honor their father or mother' with it. Thus you nullify the word of God for the sake of your tradition. You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you:

"These people honor me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me.

They worship me in vain;

their teachings are merely human rules."



Happy Birthday:

Nov. 20: Sydney Powell Nov. 21: Kelly MacDonald



Our Calendar:

Nov. 17: Children's Program Practice 4 - 5:30 p.m., Youth Devo at the Horners' house 6 - 8 p.m.

Nov. 20: Love Grub 5:45 p.m. Nov. 22 - 24: Youth Group Fall Retreat at Solid Rock Camp 5:30

p.m. Friday - 11:30 a.m. Sunday Nov. 24: Church Friendsgiving Potluck, Children's Program

Practice 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Nov. 26: no Ladies Bible Class

Nov. 27: no Bible classes

Nov. 28: Thanksgiving Day, Thanksgiving Meal Delivery

Dec. 1: High School Hangout, Children's Program Practice 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Dec. 4: Love Grub **5:45 p.m.**

Dec. 7: Breakfast with Santa

Dec. 8: Church Christmas Party and Children's Program 6 p.m.

Dec. 10: last Ladies Bible Class before Christmas break 10 a.m.

Dec. 15: Christmas Candlelight Service 6 p.m.

Dec. 18: Youth Group Christmas Party

Dec. 22: no Bible classes, regular worship services 10 a.m.

Dec. 25: Christmas Day, no Bible classes

Dec. 29: no Bible classes, regular worship services 10 a.m. Jan. 1: no Bible Classes

Getting to Know You...

Gene & Sheila Robertson & Amy Robertson

Gene and Sheila have been married just over 5½ years. Their wedding was officiated by Don Morrison at South 11th and Willis Church of Christ.

Gene was raised in Marietta, OK. He attended Hardin-Simmons University for one year. He has two daughters and two grandchildren. His daughter Amy lives at the family home. Gene and Amy have lived in Abilene for about 5½ years. He ran Robertson Ham stores in several locations, managed several lumberyards, and worked for Lowe's Home Improve-



ment Stores for 23 years. Gene's faith has been influenced by earliest Sunday School teachers, Mrs. Jay Hill and preacher Rowland. Brother Curt Niccum's lessons have explained so much to Gene. They say it has been a blessing to receive knowledge like they have in Abilene. His favorite verse is Matthew 7:7. Gene's hobbies are target shooting and reloading and hunting hogs.

Sheila was raised in Baird, TX. She is a graduate of Abilene Christian University. She has two stepchildren and three grandchildren with her late husband. She has lived in Abilene about 40 years. Sheila worked for the Texas Department of Mental Health and Disability for almost 32 years. Her faith was influenced by her mother, Lucille, and Bible school teachers. She likes to work in the yard and to read. Romans 8:28 is a verse that gives Sheila encouragement, and Psalms 56:8 is one of her favorite verses.

Amy was born in San Angelo, TX. She was in Seattle, WA, for about 4 months when she was 8 while receiving a bone marrow transplant. She has lived in Eldorado, Sherman, Dumas, Hamilton, Sonora, and San Angelo. Amy graduated business school in San Angelo, and worked at an insurance agency and at Lowe's Home Improvement Store in San Angelo for 4 ½ years. She likes drawing, coloring, and reading. Amy's mother, Kathleen, was the inspiration for her faith. Romans 7:1 is an encouraging verse for her.



Children's Ministry News

• November Memory Verse — John 14:6 — "Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

free to grab one per child, and make sure to return the bag (and everything inside) to the basket after the service.

Make plans to join us for Breakfast with Santa on December 7!

Busy bags are in the back of the auditorium! Feel

Good

News

fun!

Tool Shed games!

Christmas Program practice

Youth Ministry News

Join us for a Youth Devo at the Horners' house tonight from 6 – 8 p.m. Dinner will be provided.

The Fall Retreat is this weekend! We will be at Solid Rock Camp in Eastland Friday night through Sunday morning. We will leave from Westgate at 5:30 p.m., and be back on Sunday morning at 11:30 a.m.

We will have no Wednesday night class on **November 27.**

High Schoolers, please join us for a high school hangout on **Sunday**, December 1!

Please continue to pray for our students this fall!



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Services at Westgate: Sundays—Bible Class 9:00 a.m., Worship 10:00 a.m., 5 p.m. Tuesdays—Ladies Bible Class 10 a.m. Wednesdays—Bible Class 6:45 p.m.

Offering:

November 10: Contribution: \$5,337.39 eGive: \$4,392.00 Total: \$9,729.39 Budget: \$**7,169.00**

Be A Blessing: \$20.11

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Elders: Randy Bibb, Eric Gumm, Jim MacDonald, John Powell, Steve Stovall, Troy Tom, Aaron Winter

Deacons: Manny Carneiro, Jon Cogburn, Adam Lott, Chris Meeks, Matt Waldrip

Nursery Duty:

Hayley & Madeline Webb



Nov.: Matt Waldrip **Dec.**: Manny Carneiro

