Prayer Concerns

~Chris Willerton has been moved from the hospital to Hendrick Rehab for a few days. He can have short visits from 4 to 5 p.m. Please keep praying for his recovery.

~Melody Loveland's appointment with the specialist is this Wednesday. Please pray the doctor will have a good solution for her.

~Please add Cara Hill to your prayer list. She has been dealing with frequent illnesses and has had difficulty recovering.

~Remember Savanna Smith, the granddaughter of Paul & Marian **Piersall**, in your prayers. She had surgery to fix a brain bleed due to AVM. She is in Ft. Worth, has a new doctor, and is getting stronger by the day. Prayers are being answered.

~Continued prayers for **Noe Espinoza's** dad, battling cancer. ~Kali Langston is doing much better after having kidney stone removal surgery recently. Thanks for your prayers.

~Deena Mathews, daughter of **Ed** Mathews, was admitted to the hospital earlier in the week. Please keep Deena to your prayers.

~Keep praying for **Deana Frazier** and the long recovery involved with her eye issues.

~Please pray for those who are missing loved ones this holiday season.

Those unable to join us:

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

Ongoing prayer concerns:

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

Missionaries:

Raab—Belgium

~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

Holiday Schedule

Sunday, December 15:

Bible Classes 9 a.m.

Worship 10 a.m. No **5 p.m.** service

Christmas Candlelight 6 p.m.

Wednesday, December 18:

Youth Christmas Party 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 22:

No Bible Classes

Worship 10 a.m. Worship 5 p.m.

Sunday, December 29:

No Bible Classes

Worship 10 a.m.

Worship **5 p.m.**

January 5:

Bible Classes **6:45 p.m.**

Wednesday, December 25: No services or classes at

the building

Wednesday, January 1: No services or classes at the building

> Please note: We will not have Bible Classes the next 2 Sundays!



westgatecofc.com December 15, 2024

Westgate Church of Christ

Welcome Members and Guests





Marriage Retreat Registration

Registration is now open for the Marriage Retreat on January 24 – 26, at Arrowhead Retreat Center outside of Glen Rose, Texas. Jonathan Cogburn, a deacon and former marriage and family therapist, will be our facilitator. The cost is \$200 per couple and is due by January 8. Look for registration envelopes in the

main hall. Fill out your information, enclose payment (\$100 deposit or the full \$200), and place the sealed envelope in the lockbox on Brady's door.

Christmas Candlelight Service Tonight

Make plans to meet back up at the building tonight at 6:00 p.m. for the annual Christmas Candlelight Service. Feel free to invite your friends and family to this special night of worship.

Picture Day Today

Steve Templeton will be taking pictures again today. He will be in the first classroom you come to as you leave the auditorium and go down the west hall. If you are a new member or you need an updated picture, please head that way right after services this morning.



Christmas Favorite Things Party Saturday

Attention all women of Westgate: an exciting event is coming this Saturday, Dec. 21, at **6:30 p.m.** at the home of Hayley Webb. Come enjoy a fun, casual gathering! Bring one wrapped gift containing a favorite item with a \$25 value to contribute to a gift exchange. Also, bring a favorite appetizer or dessert to share! See the invitation on the back of the bulletin for more information.

Sermon Title: Waiting Well Scripture: Isaiah 40: 27-31

Why do you complain, Jacob? Why do you say, Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord; my cause is disregarded by my God"? Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.



Happy Birthday:

Dec. 15: Autumn Meeks Dec. 20: Kailyn Clements,

Lydia Lyon

Dec. 21: AJ Bell



Happy Anniversary:

Dec. 17: Randy & Jule Bibb, Mark & Lydia Lyon

Dec. 18: Kevin & Christie Pruitt, Marshall & Kathrvn Boerio Dec. 20: Al & Jan Cogburn



Our Calendar:

Dec. 15: Picture Day (Sunday a.m. after services), no Sunday 5 p.m. service, Christmas Candlelight Service 6 p.m.

Dec. 18: Youth Group Christmas Party **5:30 p.m.**

Dec. 21: Ladies' Christmas Favorite Things Party – Hayley Webb's house – 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 22: no Bible classes, regular worship service 10 a.m., regular Sunday evening service **5 p.m.**

Dec. 25: Christmas Day, no Wed. PM services or classes

Dec. 29: no Bible classes, regular worship service **10 a.m.**, regular Sunday evening service **5 p.m.**

Jan. 1: New Year's Day, no Wed. PM services or classes

Jan 8: Love Grub 5:45 p.m.

Jan. 18 - 20: Youth Group

Mystery Trip

Jan. 22: Love Grub 5:45 p.m. Jan. 24 - 26: Marriage Retreat

Worship Buddies

Starting **today**, the nursery will move to the cradle roll room and will only be available for babies and toddlers under age 3. If you have a child aged 3, 4, or 5 (if they haven't entered Kindergarten), we are starting a fun new program called Worship Buddies, where your child can be paired with a family to sit



with during the service. We have some families and teens who would love to take care of your child and give you a little break. If you are interested in participating, whether getting your preschooler on the list or being a helper family watching a child, please text or talk to Kami Winter.

Ladies Bible Class Break

Last Tuesday was the last Ladies Bible Class meeting of the semester. Class will resume at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 14. In addition to studying The Gospel of John by Melissa



Spoelstra, the ladies work on service projects, share prayer requests, and laugh a lot. They would love for you to join them in 2025; visit with Clair Arche if you have any questions.

Church Nursery Workers To Be Awarded

Ladies Committee Sign-Ups

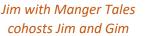
Ladies, be sure to check out the 2025 Ladies Committee sign-up sheets in the hallway across from the kitchen. Descriptions of each committee are posted at the top of the board. There's something for everyone, from helping with the Graduation Celebration to nursery duty to making pies for new members.



Children's Ministry News

- December Memory Verse: John 3:16 -"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."
- Busy bags are in the back of the auditorium! Feel free to grab one per child, and make sure to return the bag (and everything inside) to the basket after service.







Youth Ministry News

Make plans to join us for our Youth Group Christmas party on Wednesday, December 18. Instead of having normal Wednesday night class that evening, we will be hosted by different families for a progressive dinner with great food, activities, and a white elephant gift exchange. Meet at Westgate at **5:30**, and bring a gift of up to \$15 value!

Due to the Christmas holiday, we will not have youth class on Sunday, December 22; Wednesday, December 25; or Sunday, December 29.

Please mark your calendars for our annual Mystery Trip, which will be January 18 - 20, over the long MLK Day weekend.

Please continue to pray for our students as they finish up this semester!

Emory Winter showing off the latest style. Who needs face paint when you have cookie frosting?

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.

Church office: (325)692-2300 westgatecofc@gmail.com

Offering: December 8:

Contribution: \$5,434.17 eGive: \$5,150.00 Total: \$10,584.17

Budget: \$**7,169.00** Be A Blessing: \$20.08

Lead Minister: Brady Horner (325-260-1903) pbhorner@gmail.com Youth Minister: Clay Howell (615-879-0983) sch16a@acu.edu **Children's Education Coordinator:** Emily Clute (325-269-9806) eclute123@gmail.com

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:

Alison & Elise Colburn



Dec.: Manny Carneiro Jan.: Jon Cogburn

