

# Welcome! We're glad you are here! Sunday - November 19, 2023

# Family Enrichment Workshop December 1-3, 2023

Special Guest Speaker: Jordan Moore



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# **MSYG EVENTS & INFO**









Wed. December 6 5 pm in the FH





# HER YOUTH & FAMILY EVEN





2023 - 2024

# Workshops & Info

December 3: Workshop (Times TBD) January 21: Workshop, Speech Dress Rehearsal,

Reaistration fees due. & Preconvention event deadline









# Water is Thicker than Blood

by Dave Miller

The human relationships that exist between individuals who are physically kin to each other can, indeed, be precious and beautiful. In fact, God was responsible for creating the family framework (Genesis 2:24). Ideally, He intends for people to experience the warm, tender ties of blood kin and the multiple blessings associated with such ties. Perspective is lost, however, when physical ties are permitted to interfere with obedience to God. God's point is missed when a higher premium is placed on physical family than on spiritual family, when a Christian fails to relish to a greater degree association with the family of God—the church. The Bible teaches that Christians should not he sitate for a moment to relinquish fleshly relationships if it becomes necessary to do so in order to put God first (Luke 14:20,24). Commenting on the status of His own blood relatives, Jesus declared: "Whoever does the will of My Father in heaven is My brother and sister and mother" (Matthew 12:50). He recognized that the stringency of His teaching would disrupt family relationships, and so He stated that "a man's foes will be those of his own household" (Matthew 10:36). He even went so far as to relegate physical ties to the comparative level of hatred when contrasted to the priority of spiritual ties: "If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple" (Luke 14:26). Such explains why, during the Mosaic period of Bible history, Aaron was not permitted to mourn the deaths of his two sons (Leviticus 10:6). Such explains why the wives, and even some children, perished along with Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, as they apparently were unwilling to oppose the blood ties of kinfolk who sinned (Numbers 16:27,32-33). Such explains why the people were to show no pity for their relatives who promoted false teaching, but were to lead the way in the execution process (Deuteronomy 13:6-11). Yes, the family ties of blood kin can be extremely wonderful, providing unending security and acceptance, and frequently fulfill an important, divinely intended function. But these same blood ties can be the very thing that diverts a Christian from the strait and narrow, discouraging one from standing strongly and firmly on the solid bedrock of truth and right. It is imperative that God's church be put first—even above family (Matthew 6:33). First allegiance and loyalty must be given to those who have been cleansed by the blood of Christ by passing through the waters of baptism (Ephesians 5:6; Titus 3:5; Hebrews 10:22). For with God, water is thicker than blood.

# CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

#### Recent/Urgent Requests

- Pat Ann\* No more cancer! Praise God!
- Connie Bartell\* prayers, encouragement
- Caitlin Crider back brace, upcoming surgery
- Sherry Davis\* compression fracture, PT
- Renee Decker hospice (Lester\*)
- Terry Jennings\*- home PT/recovery
- Josie Locklin\* fractured vertebrae
- John King family passing (Susan St. CoC)
- Dan Mense heart surgery (Pat's brother)
- Ashley Ray\* ACL surgery, recovery
- Damiyah Scott surgery, recovery (J.Carter)
- Troy Spradlin\* prayers, encouragement
- Caden Thompson premature baby (J.Carter)
- Louie Vaughn knee surgery, recovery

#### **Grieving a Loss**

- Terry Baxley\* passing of Darlene
- Brooklyn Bostwick\* loss of mom, Kandi
- Sarah Davis & family\* -loss of Gigi, Norma
- John Hart Ellis\* loss of wife
- Gary Good\* loss of sister
- Hatcher family\* loss of mom, Rachel Sullins
- Doug Lee & family\* loss of mom, Betty
- Linda Loftin\* and family loss of Jim\*
- Elsa Nunes\* loss of brother, Guillermo Deir
- Scott Shanahan loss of Scott's father, Kevin
- Gloria Vonada & family loss of Troy\*

#### Assisted Living / Shut-Ins / Rehab

- Dennis Brice hospice (Gary Coleman\*)
- Sherryn Canniff \*- homebound
- Sherry Davis\* The Blake (Davis/Napier\*)
- Donna Dudley-Life Care Center (S. Davis\*)
- Annie Favorite Haven (Mary Lou's mom)
- Bobbie Garcia\*- Fort Walton Beach
- Linda Mann\* Shut In
- Larry McDaniel\*-Santa Rosa Rehab
- Ina Ruth Miller\*
- Ruth Phillips\*- Shut In
- Jim Pitts Daphne, AL
- Lillian Raines\* Victorian Manor
- Mary Salinas\* Victorian Manor
- Faye Smith Shut in (JEnglish mom)
- Marlene Smith (Fulton\*)

# Students in College

- Savannah Smith Haley Bartell
- LizAnn Webb Seth Crider
- Stephen English Nick Webb
- Lily Weathersbee Caitlyn Frizzell •
- Jackson Lash
- Reed Wilson
- Lexi Wildes Caleb Owens

# Other Requests / Health Issues

- Sharon Ates upcoming surg. (Gallagher\*)
- Gerry Baldwin health (J.Pace sister)
- John & Gale Broadfoot health
- Robbie Bullard-aneurysm/defect valve (Lee\*)
- Janice Carter\* mobility, prayers
- Robert Collins foot problem (J.Pace cousin)
- Keturah Dickey MS (K. Longmire\*)
- Laura Elliot (S. Lee\* mom)
- Myrna Fuller\* pulmonary fibrosis
- Steve Fulton pain, health difficulties
- Gary Good\* tests
- Dixie Gorham heart failure
- Scott Graham\* back pain
- Jackie Hamilton-test results, pray (McGriff\*)
- Edwina Harris health (J.Pace sister)
- Steve Hartzog health issues(Alonna's friend)
- Kenna Jackson (Kristina P's\* friend)
- Yvonne Loomis prayers, health (Nunes\*)
- Martin family\* prayers
- Vicente Martinez kidney transplant
- Donald McGriff\* health, prayers
- Mary McGriff\*- recovery, sciatic nerve
- Ron Miller- esophagus infection (Ina Ruth\*)
- Jeffery Norman transplant list (Nunes\*)
- Patsy Prince (Burnham\*)
- Otis & Eleanor Pollit (Gallagher\*)
- Kara Ritchie blood disorder (M.Scott\*)
- Glenn Rose heart problems (Garcia\*)
- Rodger Schwitzerlett (Gallagher\*)
- Donnie Turner- (Helms\*)

#### **Military**

- Nick Bartell Ft. Walton Beach
- John Bartell Washington, DC
- Spencer England Japan
- Javanta Johnson NAS Jacksonville Airforce
- Spencer Gable New London, Groton, CT
- Amya Huey\* Italy
- Ni Mack Kansas

#### **Mission Works**

- Shanahans\* Mission Italy
- Eliezer Perez San Lorenzo, Paraguay
- Trevor Smoot Domestic Missions
- Sebastain Garcia Brazil
- SRC Correctional Institute

# **Expectant Mothers**

- April Estain January 2024
- Hannah Newcomb April 2024

- Mike Anderson (Warrington)
- Darrell Bozeman\*
- Misty Bray\* (Bird\*)
- Jimmy Calhoun (Mike Scott\*)
- Mark Carlson (C.Davis\*)
- Tish Clark (Hatcher\*)
- Jack Davis\*
- Pat Deforest\*
- Sheryl Downy surgery (Burnham\*)
- Eddie English (R.English\*)
- Timothy Ezzell former member
- Chris Hendrix (Baxley\*)
- Ricky Jenning (McGriff\*)
- Lisa (Dixon) Johnson (McGriff\*)
- Tierney Lancaster rare blood (Baxley\*)
- Evergena Larkin final stages (McGriff\*)
- Marie and Jeff Lorentz (J. Bartell\*)
- Peter Machon (Torpey\*)
- Darrel Mason (D.Hill\*)
- Connie Moore (Fulton\*)
- Karen Parker (Spradlin\* friend)
- Ariel Perry throat (Hatcher)
- Karen Pollit (Gallagher\*)
- Al Sherdan bladder/prostatic cancer (Coen)
- Brooks Ann Singley\* waiting on results
- Mary Lee Smith (McGriff\*)
- Meg Stojanik (Hatcher\*)
- Reynold Voeltz (Boughton's friend)
- David Walther brain (English\*)
- Kellie (Wiggins) Ward (former mem.)
- Daisy Jean Williams (J.Pace)

# 2023 Recently Baptized / Restored / Identified

- Jada Crider\* Baptized
- Brittany Parker\* Baptized
- Dawson Hitchcock\* Baptized
- Matthew & Ashley Gingerich\* Baptized
- Olivia Gingerich\* Baptized
- Lanie Scott\* Baptized
- Ashley Scott Buckley\* Baptized
- Sharon Parker\* Baptized
- Scott Graham\* Baptized
- Gary and Sherian Good\* Identified
- Jan Holmes\* Identified
- Mike and Addie Frahm\* Identified Terry & Judy Jennings\* - Identified
- Josh & Stephanie Jennings\* Identified
- Jeremy & Amber Dunaway\* Identified
- Allen & Heather Overton family\* Identified John & Holley Raley family \*- Identified

Philip and Lanya Lester family\* - Identified

Tara Henry - June 2024





# **SERVING WITH HONOR**

# SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

### **MORNING**

Opening Prayer	Chris Davis
Song Director	Mason Chandler
Sermon	Troy Spradlin
"Unfi	ltered Faith (Part 2)"
Scripture Reading	Jake Newcomb
Ro	omans 6:1-6 and 17
Closing Prayer	Rick Bird

# **Serving Communion (Left - Right):**

Matthew Henry	Allen Overton
Jeremy Dunaway .	Jared Lee
Coope	r Jennings (Balcony)
Comments	Casey Bearden

#### **EVENING**

Opening Prayer	Josh Owens
Singing	Blake Hatcher
Scripture	Judsen Jennings
	Revelation 6:9-11
Comments	Casey Bearden

# Worship Service and Preparation:

Stephanie Wilson
Connie Bartell
Eddie Longmire
Rick Bird

# **WEDNESDAY EVENING**

Song Director	<b>Brody Crider</b>
Opening Prayer	. Philip Lester

# <u> WEEKLY ATTENDANCE REPORT:</u>

Sunday Bible Class 108
AM Worship 176
PM Worship 115
Wed. Night Bible Class 140
Contribution \$17,627
Weekly Budget \$11,280
2023 Average Contribution \$9,539

TIMES OF SERVICES:
Sunday AM Bible Class 9:00 am
Sunday AM Worship 10:00 am
Sunday PM Classes, Worship . 6:00 pm
Wednesday PM Bible Class 6:30 pm

# **Visitors:** Thank you for coming! You are our honored guest!

For more information about the church, spiritual topics, our classes, and activities, there is a tract rack at the entrance of the auditorium for your convenience. Or, ask any member for assistance.

Please take a moment to fill out a visitors card, or sign our guest book so that we might have a record of your attendance. Thank you!

# **MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS ADMINISTRATION**

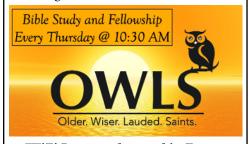
- Deadline for all bulletin items is Thursday, by noon.
- If interested in utilizing the library, please reserve with Blisse or Lisa.
- **Apologetics Press Study Bibles** available for purchase - see Blisse.
- Reminder: If you use online giving, please consider covering the processing fees as part of you contribution.

#### **BENEVOLENCE**



# **EDUCATION**

- Adult and Children Bible classes available on Sundays @ 9 AM and Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM.
- Willing to teach? See Chris Davis!



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