

**Elders**

Daniel Adams  
Glen Adams  
Stan Bratcher  
Jeff Caviitt  
Mike Chance  
Dennis Fant  
Stan Glover  
Ken Hammes  
Mike Kiihnl  
Jim May  
Scott Ragsdale  
Keith Schramm

**Ministers**

James Anderson  
Patrick Barber  
Mike Ireland  
Brian Lewis

**Missions**

*Ghana*  
Nil Jackson  
Isaac Mensah  
Paul Oti

*Zambia*  
Roy Merritt

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*China*  
*Two families*

*West Pleasure*  
*Church of Christ*  
Jessie Drayton



**January 17, 2010**

*Morning Worship*

Welcome

Song Leader – Brandon Ragsdale

122 "The Love of God"

226 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Prayer Don Yates (*Alt. Luke Tillett*)

58 "A Charge to Keep I Have"

Lord's Supper

664 "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Contribution

663 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Telling Us Plainly

Mike Ireland

452 "Standing on the Promises"

Announcements

808 "Abide With Me"

Attendance Cards

Closing Prayer Si Tilton (*Alt. Charles Pittman*)

*Evening Worship*

Announcements

Song Leader – Matthew Brooks

745 "Humble Yourselves"

694 "Servant Song"

797 "Lord, We Come Before Thee Now"

Prayer Tim Kirby (*Alt. Jared Chance*)

524 "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

The Most High Rules

Mike Ireland

683 "I Am Mine No More"

"Reign In Me"

Closing Prayer Dale Brewer (*Alt. Steve Jones*)

*Welcome to West Side!*

We're glad to have you with us today. Let's glorify God and encourage one another as we worship together! Please fill out one of the attendance cards on the back of the pew in front of you. Prayer Request cards are available if there are any needs you would like to share with our elders or our prayer ministry. If you're visiting, we hope you will worship with us again soon.

Children's Bible Classes

Lambs (0-18 months) – Edu. Bldg., Nursery  
Ducks (18-24 months) – Edu. Bldg., Room 11  
Bunnies (Twos & Threes) – Edu. Bldg., Room 7  
Frogs (Threes & Fours) – Edu. Bldg., Room 6  
Fours, Fives, & Kindergarten – Edu. Bldg., Room 9  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 5  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 4  
3<sup>d</sup> Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 3  
4<sup>h</sup> Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 201  
5<sup>h</sup> Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 203  
6<sup>h</sup> Grade – Edu. Bldg., Room 204  
7<sup>h</sup>-8<sup>h</sup> Grade – Annex 201  
9<sup>h</sup>-12<sup>h</sup> Grade – Annex 203 & 204

Adult Bible Classes (Through May 2, 2010)

Sundays at 8:00 AM

Chapel: Intergenerational Adult

Teacher: Richard Jones

Topic: Hebrews & Old Testament Backgrounds

Sundays at 10:30 AM

**Annex 101: Ladies Class**

Teacher: Various ladies

Topic: Building a Household of Faith

**Main Annex: Intergenerational**

Teacher: Dennis Fant & Jared Dockery

Topic: Romans

**Annex 103: Home Builders (30s & 40s)**

Teacher: Phil Blansett

Topic: Exodus

**Annex 104: Intergenerational**

Teacher: Various men

Topic: Men and Women of Faith

**Annex 202: Roundtable Discussion**

Teacher: Si Tilton

Topic: Discussing Difficult Passages

**Auditorium: Intergenerational**

Teacher: Michael Brooks

Topic: Ezra, Nehemiah, and Malachi

**Edu. Bldg. Room 2: Young Adults (20s)**

Teacher: Glen Adams

Topic: Relationships and children

**Chapel: No College class until Jan. 2010**

Teacher: Robert McCready; Ray Lynn Woods

Topic: Dear God, What Am I Doing Here?



### ACCEPTING WHAT WE CAN'T EXPLAIN

God is so very good to us! 2009 was a wonderful year for the West Side church! Our numbers grew, existing programs expanded while new ones began, our mission and benevolent endeavors increased, our classrooms filled, our regular and special contributions set new records,

and dozens of other good things happened in our church family. We embark upon a new year with so much for which to be grateful and with greater responsibilities and opportunities than ever before. Thank you for all you do for the kingdom's sake. And thank you for choosing to be at West Side.

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Writing about the love of God is a lot like writing about the ocean: no matter how you describe it, the description always seems quite inadequate. With each there is a vastness that defies words. Consulting a Thesaurus won't help very much. Extra words won't bring greater clarity. The subject is simply too big for us, and we know it! Fortunately for us, the most important thing is not the description of God's love but the acceptance of God's love.

In his book, *WHEN GOD INTERRUPTS*, Craig Barnes writes about the traumatic birth of his daughter. Both wife and daughter were in danger and surgery was necessary. Afterwards, he said he held his daughter for the first time and loved her even though she had done nothing to deserve that love. Then he wrote, "To be born again is to discover ourselves as infants in the gracious arms of God. There is nothing we can do to make God love us more. There is nothing we can do to make him love us less. We cannot manipulate God. He won't pay more attention to us if we figure out how to become his favorite child. We assume that God's love must be tied to something -- our performance, our sacrifices or at least our love for him. But Scripture is rather clear about this. God's love for us is rooted in his own merciful nature."

We don't really understand it and we certainly can't describe it. But we can accept it. In fact, every day is another opportunity to say with our lives what our lips cannot put into words. Every day is another opportunity for our hearts to feel what our minds cannot quite grasp.

Isn't it amazing! The very thing we cannot understand or explain is the very thing that means the most to us.

Mike W. Ireland

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Applications for Financial Assistance (Campaigns) are available at the Welcome Center for West Side members. *The deadline for Spring Break Campaigns 2010 is this Sunday, January 17, 2010.* Return your filled out form to the Missions Ministry, church office or Dutch Hoggatt.

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Contribution – January 31, 2010**  
This contribution will be used to retire our building debt. It is in addition to our regular contribution.

### In Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to Kathleen Brewer as her sister, Opal Harrison Pearce, passed away after a long illness in a nursing home in Lafayette, Louisiana, Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be a graveside service for her on Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Gum Springs Cemetery Hwy. 267, Searcy.

Jean Blansett's brother, Oscar Wiley of Marion, AR, died Thursday morning, January 14<sup>th</sup>. The funeral is Saturday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in West Memphis, Arkansas, at the Roller Citizen's Funeral Home on 201 Pine St. Burial will be at 3:00 p.m. in Searcy's Gum Springs Cemetery. Our condolence is extended to Jim & Jean Blansett and family.

### Thank You Notes

•The Barber Family would like to thank our Christian family for all the e-mails, cards, phone calls, and especially the prayers. Chet is doing well, and we hope you will continue to keep him in your prayers.  
In Christian love, The Barber Family

•Thank you to our church family for their cards, calls, and prayers during this difficult time. We have been strengthened and our hearts have been warmed with your caring words.  
Helen Salmon & the Choate Family

•Dearest West Side family,  
Losing Jake has broken our hearts, but our spirits have been renewed by all the kindnesses shown to our family. As I have said to many of you, we will never live in a place long enough to develop the kind of friendships we have in Searcy, and our West Side family has been there through all our joys and struggles to love and encourage us. Many have asked what they can do, and my first reaction has been that there is nothing concrete to be done that can change what has happened. But upon reflection, I have realized something that West Side can do to honor Jake and our family, and that is to love, teach, and encourage Melia, Jake's daughter, as she grows up at West Side. Again, thank you for being who God would have you be, Christians who are willing to put their teachings into action.  
Thankfully,

Andy & Kathaleen Miller -- Kali, Landon, Whitney & Carmen  
*The Miller's new address is:*

•Dear West Side Family,

Thank you for the emails, cards, phone calls and visits I have received because of my recent trip to the hospital. It sure lifted my spirit. I am feeling much better and plan to be back in services with my Christian brothers and sisters this Sunday. I am so grateful for such a wonderful church family.

Love, Kathy McAdams

•Dear West Side Family,

We want to thank you for the calls, cards, food, visits and especially the prayers that helped us through mother's illness and her passing. The Geneva Elam Family, Tom & Dawn Slough



# WEST SIDE YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**Area Wide Weekend** – The annual Area Wide Weekend will be February 5-7. Friday night we will go ice/roller skating in Little Rock. Saturday will be the movie, and Sunday will be the Super Bowl party at Downtown. Skating will cost \$15.00 plus you will need money for IHOP. Signups begin now. The deadline to sign up and pay is January 31. We will meet at West Side at 9:45 and return to the building after IHOP and hang out until 6:00 a.m. Details on the Saturday movie will be coming soon. The Super Bowl Party at Downtown will begin Sunday at 4:30. Bring 2 canned food items as your price of admission.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

♦ **Ladies' Night Out** - All of our ladies are invited on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to the home of **Debra Shelton**, phone 278-6135. This will be a movie night showing the movie *"Julie and Julia"*. Cost will be \$3 for food.

♦ **Zone 1 Get Together Lunch** – A meal will be prepared for the members in Zone 1 on Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. You are asked for \$2 per person to cover the cost of the meal. Please contact **LaDelle Davis**, **Janice Umberger**, or **Barbara May** if you have any questions.

♦ **Family Movie Night** – Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup> in annex at 7:00 p.m. The movie will be the recent Disney/Pixar hit, *Up!*

♦ **Annual Sweetheart Banquet** – Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> in the annex. Theme: Valentine Bonanza

"Dust off that cowboy hat and keep humin' that theme song to the classic TV show 'Bonanza.' You and your cowgirl are WANTED at the Annex Ranch. Yippee-i-o we are havin' a Valentine's Bonanza for all cowboy and cowgirl couples. If'n you're drawn to pointy snakeskin boots and chaps your even welcome to wear them. So cowboys ask your pardners and come on to the West Side Valentine Bonanza on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. The chuck wagon spread and entertainment is only 20 bucks a couple." Save the date and sign up and pay to **Dan** or **Tammy Dawson**.

♦ **Mexican Potluck** – Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup> in annex

## **Baby Showers**

♦ Ladies are invited to a baby shower honoring Kristina Chance on Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. in the annex. "It's a girl, but try not to think of pink!" *Selections: Walmart and Target.*

♦ You are cordially invited to a baby shower honoring Melani and Matt Blansett, son of **Wiley & Lyn Blansett** and grandson of **Jim & Jean Blansett**, Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the home of Sheri Shearin. *Selections: Everett's; Heart and Soul; and Babies' R Us.com* It's a boy!

♦ **PA VBS Informational Meeting** – Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>, 3:30 p.m. in the chapel.

## *REMEMBER IN PRAYER*

♦ **J.H. Wylie** has been placed in Hospice Care. He is bedfast but seems to be slowly improving.

♦ **Pat Oliver** will have out patient surgery in Little Rock on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>.

♦ **Merle Hunter** is home and doing well. She is doing some home exercises to strengthen herself. She enjoyed receiving the cards and phone calls and hopes to be back in church service soon. She thanks you for all the prayers and concern.

♦ **Dorothy Reaves** was moved to Byrd Haven Rehab, room 102 on Friday.

♦ **Kathy McAdams** is home now and doing better.

♦ **Devon Stewart's** cousin, Sonya Scoggin in UAMS, has not done well after having stomach surgery in mid December. Additional surgery was scheduled for Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>.

♦ **Tom Key**, husband of Nancy Key, has been diagnosed with leukemia and is in UAMS. Tom & Nancy are former members. Tom is Derrel Holden's nephew.

### *Our Church Family in Need of Prayer*

J. H. Wylie; Natalie Clark; Gregory & McKenzie Stewart; Shirley McDonald; Janie Butler; George Schraudt; Dot Thompson; Brenda Spurlock; Iris Jones; Bob & Mary Windisch; Harvy Robins; Nellie Sewell; Marjorie Carman; Gene Simmons

### *Unable to Attend Our Worship Service*

Dorothy Reaves; Bill & Ruth Hickmon; John Prock; Johanna Stanford; Frances Horton; Sarah Rogers; Hermina Moser; Becha Nalley; O.C. Baker; T. R. & Doris Garner; Dr. Robert Brown

### *Pray for these Family and Friends*

Reed Oliver (friend of Terry Williams); Jim Harris (**Helen Harris's** son); Freda Jones (mother of **Tam Caple**) lymphoma; Donald Richards (brother of Jo Ann McAdams); Pat Larue & Diane Atkins (friends of Johnny & Patti Ferguson); Nancy Ratliff (daughter of Dick & Joyce Johnson); Ada Abbott (mother of Diane Garrison); Emma Boyd (mother of Judy Glenn); Brooke Hubbell (niece of Cliff & Jan Roberts); Michael Post (grandson of Wyatt & Iris Jones); Linda Perero (mother of Joseph Perero); Nancy Fisher (daughter-in-law of **Maurice & Montine Fisher**); Charles Holden (Searcy Healthcare, son of **Derrel & Zella Holden**); T. R. Higbee; Dorothy Goodnight (grandmother of Madison Kacir); Leona Hill (sister of Helen Harris); Donald Vescovi (Oakdale Nursing Home); Jeremy Jernigan (grandson of **Helen Harris**); Lyn Jones (Marveta Foutch's niece); Ann Cook (**George & Dottie Schraudt's** daughter); Carolyn Cox (**Deanna Bruce's** mother); Pat Chance (Mike Chance's mother); Sarah Murphree (severe injuries); Danna Cofer, cancer (mother of Jason & Daniel Cofer); Glenda Kelley (mother of Debbie Dodds); Mike Lincoln (stroke)

### *Pray for the Safety of Our Military*

David Hansell (brother of Brenda Spurlock); **James** Wylie (son of Randy & Melinda Wylie); Travis Eddleman (son of Terry & Stephanie Eddleman); Mickey Paone (son-in-law of Ron & Rachel **Gibbs**); Joe Jernigan (grandson of **Helen Harris**); Tracy Oliver (son of **Don & Pat Oliver**); Ashley Reames (grand-daughter of **Mary Lue Reames**); Ellis Kacir (brother of Madison Kacir); Robert Reynolds (relative of Derrel & Zella Holden)

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**Weekly Schedule**

Sunday

Bible Classes (Adults) .....8:00 A.M.  
 Morning Worship .....9:00 A.M.  
 Bible Classes (All Ages) .....10:30 A.M.  
 Searcy Healthcare Worship .....9:30 A.M.  
 Evening Worship ..... 5:00 P.M.  
 Christian Soldiers (2 yrs. – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) ..... 5:00 P.M.  
 Lads to Leaders (4th grade – college) Fall-Spring..5:00 P.M.

Tuesday

(Tuesday) Golden Years (55+, Sept. – May) ..... 10:30 A.M.

Wednesday

Ladies Bible Class .....September – April ..... 10:00 A.M.  
 Bible Class .....4:00 & 7:00 P.M.  
 Small Groups .....7:00 P.M.

**Record for the Week of January 10, 2010**

9:00 A.M. Worship.....808 Christian Soldiers.....40  
 Bible Class.....590 Lads to Leaders.....61  
 5:00 P.M. Worship..... 368 Total P.M. ....469  
 This Week's Contribution.....\$ 16,767.55  
 Contributions to date in 2010.....\$ 32,884.60

*Serving this Sunday*

Nursery

Morning Worship: Debbie Harrison; Cindy Hunter; Rita Fant  
 Evening Worship: Kay Nix; Margie Dugan

Greeters

January 17, 2010: Jim & Jean Blansett; Sue Adams; Dale & Pat Brewer; Cory Jumper  
 January 24, 2010: Phil & Karen Blansett; Debbie Beneby; Jay & Deanna Bruce; Randall & Wilma Winters  
 January 31, 2010: Jane & Jeff Cavitt; Janie Butler; Mike & Carla Chance; Mallory Bennett

Medical Personnel

Tim Pitt; Judy Glenn; Deborah Ireland; Kelly Caple; Robert Benton

Sound

Morning & Evening Worship: Tony Young

Video

Morning Worship & Evening Worship: Dutch Hoggatt

~ MEN TO SERVE ~

Sunday, January 17, 2010

9:00 A.M.

Elder in Charge Jeff Cavitt

Deacons in Charge Mark Elrod, Donnie Clay

Song Leader Brandon Ragsdale

Opening Prayer – Don Yates (*Alt. Luke Tillett*)

Closing Prayer Si Tilton (*Alt. Charles Pittman*)

Lord's Table Rodney Gooden Maurice Moon

Gail Mote Shannon Toy

Bobby Nix Larry Harrison

Clay Kiihnl Preston Haynie

*Alternates* Jack Kinningham David Bearden

Kim Metheny Don Oliver

Trent Dodds Brandon Dodds

Jason White Sean Birdwell

Pick Up Cards Drew Pitt Wade Pitt

Luke Pace Reid Pace

Ushers: Mark Elrod: Terry Craig; Don Yates

Searcy Healthcare Song Leader – Charles Martin

5:00 P.M.

Elder in Charge Dennis Fant

Deacon in Charge Eric Camp

Song Leader Matthew Brooks

Opening Prayer Tim Kirby (*Alt. Jared Chance*)

Closing Prayer Dale Brewer (*Alt. Steve Jones*)

Lord's Table Caleb Kiihnl; Eric Schol

*Alternates* Ron Ware; Buddy Muirhead

Sunday, January 24, 2010

9:00 A.M.

Elder in Charge Jeff Cavitt

Deacons in Charge Mark Elrod, Donnie Clay

Song Leader Brian Lewis

Opening Prayer – Buddy Muirhead (*Alt. Rob Schmittou*)

Closing Prayer – Sam Keichline (*Alt. Fred Picker*)

Lord's Table David Martin Daniel Cofer

Freddie Foutch Jerry Wells

Tim Pitt Dan Dawson

Terry Craig Kent Rollmann

*Alternates* John Howell Linn Hartman

Stu Varner Walt Epperson

Randy Kiihnl Phil Blansett

Eric Tice Tyler Curtis

Pick Up Cards Walker Hendricks Braden Dodds

Brad Bruce Benjamin Moore

Ushers: Mark Elrod: Jay Bruce

Searcy Healthcare Song Leader – Nate McCoy

5:00 P.M.

Elder in Charge Dennis Fant

Deacon in Charge Eric Camp

Song Leader Mark Pruitt

Opening Prayer Don Robinson (*Alt. Eddie McAdams*)

Closing Prayer Ryan Nix (*Alt. Ralph Bennett*)

Lord's Table Alan McAdams; Cody Brown

*Alternates* Rex Watson; Wiley Blansett

If you are unable to serve, please contact the church office at 268-2951 on weekdays or the Deacon in Charge on the weekend.