

The Messenger

Westside Christian Church

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Parsons, KS

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- **May 1**-Flower Power
- **May 3-5**-Kiamichi Men's Clinic
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- **May 22**-Prayer Meeting
- **May 22**-5th Sunday Sing here
- **May 30**-Memorial Day-office closed

- June 4**-Clothing Exchange
June 5-10—Junior High 1
- June 6-9**-Explore-OCC

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Prayer

Such a powerful tool, yet the online communicator with the God of the universe. Really, prayer, is the work of the soldier.

We communicate with God through it, we get connected with His spirit by it and it is the tool that God uses to fashion our attitude and spirit.

Jesus is found often praying in the Gospels. Sometimes teaching about prayer and sometime simply "giving thanks". I am sure it is what got Jesus through the day and it is what will help us too when we do it.

I am so thankful we have men of prayer leading us in this church. At our board meetings we kneel and pray and then joke about getting back up. We pray at a monthly meeting, the fourth Sunday of the month and we just had a "Westside Day of Prayer". Prayers being lifted up on behalf of this church group for 24 hours straight.

One of the matters of Prayer has been missions. And in our last board meeting we all agreed it is time to give more to missions. We want to honor God by putting into our monthly giving from the church a \$200 budget toward missions. This is a step of faith on our part. We don't have \$200 a month to give, but we as leaders feel it is time for us to give to God's ministry. Any designated funds toward missions will go up and beyond this budgeted amount.

Please be in prayer about our finances here at the church. Please be in prayer about our leadership. Please pray for our worship leaders and musicians that they may lead us into an attitude of worship. Pray that our Sunday School teachers will teach the word of God boldly and faithfully. And furthermore pray that we would all be more bold in spreading God's good news about salvation to our community and the world abroad.

Prayer, an act of faith, a call for God's power to be unleashed and a call for God's work to be done in our hearts as well as in our community. Pray today.

I am also looking forward to Easter Sunday morning where we can have breakfast together and enjoy fellowship and worship celebrating the Resurrection of the Son of God.

I pray that I will see you Sunday morning.

Your minister and brother in Christ.

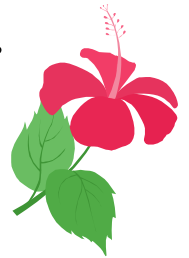
Flower Power

Sunday=Next

Sunday, May 1st is Flower Power Sunday. On

Flower Power

Sunday we bring plants or monetary contributions to help the curb appeal of our facilities through the summer. Please bring 4 packs, 6 packs or some 4 inch pots of bedding plants. Suggested varieties are:



Impatients

Dianthus

Profusion Zinnias

Petunias-wave or supertunia

Begonias-dark leaf-white or pink

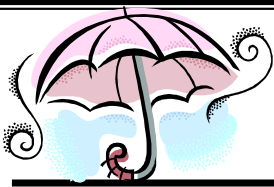
Vinca

Donations are also accepted for mulch, potting soil, etc.

If you would like to help care for the flower beds this summer, please ask Karen Osgood for more information.

Clothing exchange news

The Clothing Exchange will be held May 6th and 7th from 9-12. Please mention to people that you meet that we are now open on Friday morning as well as Saturday. We can use help sorting and organizing the clothing on Thursday, May 5th and we like to have plenty of people available to help our guests find what they need when they are here on Friday and Saturday. All help is appreciated!



Shower for Rachel and Antonio-There will be a shower for Rachel Baty and Antonio Velasquez in the fellowship hall at the church on **May 1st at 3:00**. Everyone is invited! They are registered at Walmart. For more information, call or text Michelle Murray.

Kiamichi Men's Clinic-Sometimes referred to as "The Greatest Gathering This Side of Heaven"-The Kiamichi Men's Clinic was started in 1949 as a training convention for young preachers. In a year or two it was changed to include all men who were interested in "making their lives count more effective for Christ in their homes and churches". This continues to be the theme each year. Some of the best preaching and singing you will ever hear occurs on Christ's 40 acres campground at Honobia, OK. This year's dates are **May 3,4,5, 2011**.



We have several that are planning to go to the Clinic this year so check with Doug or Ralph Heady if you are interested in going! There is more information on the bulletin board in the lobby.



Mother's Day Dinner-Mother's Day is May 8th and our men will be providing a Mother's Day dinner after church in appreciation of everything moms do for us! If you are a guy that would like to help with the dinner, contact Doug or one of the elders. If you are a mom or are bringing your mom, plan to stay after the service that Sunday morning and enjoy the good food and visiting that our men provide.

Stock the Pantry for Hidden Haven

- We will collect these in the office and then take them down to Hidden Haven when camp season opens!
- *Styrofoam cups
 - *Styrofoam plates
 - *Styrofoam bowls
 - *Paper towels
 - *9 in. clear plastic cups
 - *Crunchy Peanut Butter
 - *Cake mixes (white, choc and yellow)
 - *Flour
 - *Sugar
 - *Ranch dressing
 - *Anti-bacterial soap
 - *Dawn dish soap
 - *Paper Baking cups
 - *Pinesol

Food for Thought-Food for Thought is the Parsons Ministerial Association's outreach to the students of LCC during Finals week. We provide beverages and snacks to help ease their way through the tough times! Our time for service is May 13th from 8-10. If you would like to provide beverages or snacks, or if you would like to be at LCC to help Doug hand these out, let Doug know!



Hidden Haven Christian Camp 2011

Registration forms are available in the lobby!

Junior High 1	June 5-10
Junior 1	June 12-16
Get Acquainted	June 19-21
Overnighter	June 21-22
Wilderness	June 23-July 1
Junior High 2	July 10-15
Junior 2	July 17-21
High School	July 24-29
Ladies' Retreat	September 16-17
Men's Retreat	September 23-24

Prayer Concerns

Those with cancer:

- Amy Steig
- Doug Heiskell
- Marcus Jackson
- Walt Keely
- Lisa Hays
- Tammy Naffzinger
- George Allen

Shut-ins:

- Sherm Morgan
- Connie Gilbert

Missions:

- Scott Springer

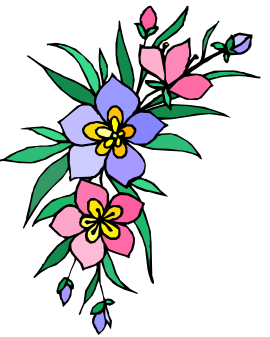
Hidden Haven
Farrans
Cookson Hills

Other concerns:

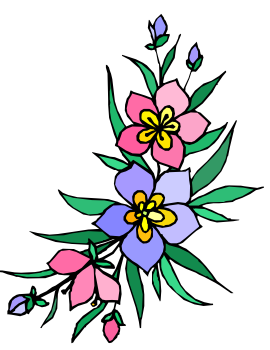
- Brenden Coulter
- Praise for Brooke's MRI
- Rocky Stamer
- Lynn Stewart
- People affected by week-end storms

If you would like prayer requests printed in the bulletin, please write them down and place them in the offering plate, place them on the desk in the office or email the office. Thanks!

May 2011	1	8	15	22	29
Communion Preparation	Jennie Hoppes Paula Weidert	Jennie Hoppes Paula Weidert	Jennie Hoppes Paula Weidert	Jennie Hoppes Paula Weidert	Jennie Hoppes Paula Weidert
Children's church	Michelle Murray	Michelle Murray	Michelle Murray	Michelle Murray	No children's church
Elementary En-counter	Terri Stice	Terri Stice	Terri Stice	Terri Stice	Terri Stice
Greeters: Front Doors Inside Lobby	Sue Peters Karen Osgood	Clarinda O'Brien Ranee Baty	Ranee Baty Fergusons	Gene Robinson Annette/Juanita	Youth
Nursery	Clarinda O'Brien- Patrick O'Brien	Shirley Lunday- David Baty	Eric and Tara Smith	Terri Stice-Abbie Stice	Karen Osgood- Lucas O'Brien
Communion	Ralph Heady	Jeff Ferguson	Howard Weidert	Thad Osgood	Youth
Ushers	David Stice Bruce Rea	Joe Moyer Ralph Heady	Jeff Ferguson Steve Passwater	Clive Murray Howard Weidert	Youth
Serving the Lord's Supper	Clive Murray Antonio Velasquez David Baty Steve Passwater	Bruce Rea Sam Atherton Kenneth Lunday Josh Passwater	Gene Robinson Thad Osgood Howard Weidert Andrew Passwater	Jeff Ferguson Ralph Heady David Stice Ryan Pratt	Youth
Benediction	Jeff Ferguson	Doug Baty	Sam Atherton	Gene Robinson	Youth
Shut-Ins	Ralph & Betty Heady	Lundays	Joe Moyer	Thad Osgood	Doug Baty
Nursing Home				Elmhaven West 2:00 Elmhaven East 2:45	



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