

August Events:

August 17: Ladies' Planning Meeting at FOP 2:00 p.m.

August 18: Dairy Queen after Sunday Night Service

August 24: Birthday Party for Theo Seyler

August 30: Young Adult Group Meeting

Today's Announcements:

- ◆ Ladies Planning Meeting is scheduled for this **Saturday at 2:00 p.m.** at the FOP Restaurant in Nutter Fort. See Flyer on the table in foyer.
- ◆ **August 18th --Following Sunday Night Service**, Ice Cream at Dairy Queen on Main Street.
- ◆ A first birthday party for Theo will take place at **Compton Park at 12 noon on August 24th**. If you plan to attend, please let Phill or Natalie know so they can plan accordingly.
- ◆ The Eplers are planning a game night for the Young Adult Group at their home on **Friday night, August 30th at 6:00 p.m.** Dinner will be provided.
- ◆ Thank you to Clinton Rowand for teaching the Wednesday night adult class.

Notes of Interest:

- ◆ *Kalen Craig will be turning One on August 25th.*
- ◆ *Barrackville COC Gospel Meeting starts August 18th thru August 21st. They invite anyone to come hear a lesson from God's word.*
- ◆ *Lois Reed, Heather, and Jessica have all been out sick for a few weeks.*
- ◆ *Evelyn was out last Sunday with illness.*
- ◆ *Prayers for those college students returning to classes.*
- ◆ *Prayers for the West Reach Team of the College COC in Searcy who are on a mission trip to Zambia in southern Africa for the next several weeks.*

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How to Lose Your Kingdom

"So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against the Lord, even against the word of the Lord, which he kept not, and also for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to enquire of it And enquired not of the Lord: therefore he slew him, and turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse." (1 Chronicles 10:13-14).

Saul lost his physical life and his physical kingdom because of his unfaithfulness, not keeping the word of God and for seeking guidance from mankind (a witch/medium) instead of God Himself. He also lost his spiritual life and spiritual kingdom for the same reasons. Is there an application for us? You bet!

God rewards His people for their faithfulness. Hebrews 11:6 tells us that we must have faith to please God and that He rewards those "who diligently seek Him." Saul had not been diligent about anything concerning Godly things. We must seek first the kingdom of God (Matthew 6:33) to stay in the kingdom.

We must keep God's word until the day we die. We can't treat the Bible as a suggestion book. Saul received commands to annihilate the Amalekites. He was to kill men, women, children, young, old, animals, basically anything moving. Yet, he kept back the choice animals and the king. He did the parts he agreed with. That's not keeping God's word at all. There are times that mankind keeps what they want of the Bible and ignores the rest. We can't keep our "kingdom" that way. That is how we alienate ourselves from God. It's our choice. God doesn't change.



Times of Service

Sunday:

Bible Study 9:30 am

Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 6pm

Wednesday:

Bible Study 7 pm

Elders: Raymond Anderson, Don Riffle, & Wayne Hartman

Deacons: Gene Wright & Robbie Buffington

Saul went to a medium for some advice, prophecy, his future, etc. The scriptures say this was another reason that God killed him and had taken his kingdom. He didn't look to God for His wisdom! This also should tell us that God hadn't given up on Saul in that Saul could've stopped doing what he was doing and seek God. He may not have kept his physical kingdom but he definitely could've saved his spiritual one. We also can't look to mankind for the way in which we should go. Man doesn't have the capability to direct his own steps. God will hold us responsible for supplanting a human's wisdom for His.

Value and treasure your spiritual kingdom! Live for the reward/inheritance. It is going to be so worth it.

Chris Moore
Clarendon, TX



August Card Distributor: Kristina Riffle

August Greeters:

Baptismal Garments: Rachel West

Bible Class Locations

Adults– Main Auditorium

Young Adults (20s-30s)- Mark's Office

Children & Teens– Downstairs

Cradle Roll– Downstairs

Summer Events 2024

August 17: Ladies' Planning Meeting

August 18: Dairy Queen after Sunday Night Service.

August 19: First Day of School for Harrison County Schools (Grades 1-12)

August 24: Theo's Birthday Party.

August 30: Young Adult Group-- Game Night at the Eplers.

Our Record:

<u>Sunday Morning Assembly</u>	70
<u>Sunday Bible Class</u>	46
<u>Sunday Evening</u>	30
<u>Wednesday Bible Study</u>	21
<u>Contribution (Budget \$4,000)</u>	\$2475

August Birthday /Anniversary List:

1- Helen Potts; 6- Terri Vilain; 8- Blair Kolar; 10- Gene & Joyce Wright (A); 10- Allison Eskew; 12- Dale E. Lee; 18- Kaitlyn Vilain; 25-Jonathan Hartman; 25- Alan Shreves & Kalen Craig; 28- Nathaniel Harper & Theodore Seyler; & 31-Cindy Buffington

Prayer Requests:

For Our Congregation:

- Shut-in Members: Helen Potts, Ken Fortney, Judy Gardner, and Becky Britton*
- **Allen & RuthEllen Wilmoth:** Health issues.
 - **Jerry Maxwell and family:** Passing of Yvonne.

For Our Family & Friends:

- **Ernie Parson's (Hannah Epler's father).**
- **Teresa Kipp (Kathy Cross's friend).**
- **Raymond and Debbie's neighbor:** Having cancer treatments.
- **Jerida Floyd (Rex & Cheryl's Brother-in-Law).**
- **Burlin Strange (Angie Collins' Uncle).**

- **Lois Jenkins:** Having a difficult time.
- **Becky Britton:** Health issues.
- **Alice (Leah Sleath's Mother):** Mobility issues.
- **Hannah Epler & Baby Judah:** Baby is due in September.
- **Wayne Hartman:** Medical tests.
- **Tammy and Mark Wise.**
- **Barbie McDonald (Mark's friend).**
- **Family of Daniel Critchfield:** Daniel was killed in a motorcycle accident. Raymond gave the eulogy at the funeral this past Saturday. Daniel was related to former members of the congregation.
- **Friends of Rachel West:** Rachel has two friends who had early births and request prayers for the babies' health and development.

If you have a prayer request or need to put something in the bulletin– Please email it to hgptchurchofchrist@yahoo.com or write it down and give it to Karen Seyler before Thursday.