Welcome to Central Church of Christ



December 24, 2023

TO OUR GUESTS

We are honored that you are here today. We are a church family who seek to be followers of Jesus and to be true to the Bible. We hope you will find our worship spiritual and uplifting. Our wish is to get to know you and that you feel welcome here.

Schedule of Services <u>SUNDAY</u>

Bible Class 9:30 am
Worship 10:30 am

1st & 3rd Sunday each month, potluck lunch and afternoon service.

2nd & 4th Sunday each month, evening service & sandwich supper at 6:00 pm.

WEDNESDAY

Bible classes at 6:00.

"He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

Luke 1:33

THE BIBLE SAYS...

KING SOLOMON SAID... "The Lord is watching everywhere, keeping his eye on both the evil and the good" (Proverbs 15:3). Occupying a high perch on a living room shelf, appearing to keep watch over our granddaughters, their mother began telling them the story about the "Elf on the Shelf." Apparently, the story goes that Santa's elves fly to the North Pole each night of December to report to Santa if children have been behaving (or misbehaving). The elves then fly back and hide in a new spot for the children to find them the next morning. As far-fetched as this may be, children seem to embrace the notion of receiving gifts only if they behave. Most of us remember feeling a bit more motivated to "be good" and "do good" during the month of December. This feeling was centered around our hope in what might be waiting for us under the tree on the great and magical Christmas morning.



This is an opportunity for parents and grandparents to instruct their children about the grace of God and our faith in Him. God is watching over us and will judge us for the deeds we have done whether good or bad (2 Corinthians 5:10). His reward is not based on human merit—for we all stand in need of His grace (Romans 3:23). Our eyes are fixed on Him, not because of suspicion or doubt but because of an evidenced faith (Hebrews 12:2). Though the day of our reward is unknown (Matthew 24:36), the glorious reward of the faithful Christian will never lose its attraction or anticipation. For, this is the great and awesome second coming of the Lord, when all those who call upon the name of the Lord will be saved (Joel 2:31).

THE LORD IS COMING

Stacy McCasland

News and Notes

Rudy Melendrez and Richard Combest both got good reports after their recent heart catheters.

Please pray for Joann Hayhurst as she continues to have health problems.

Noe Jackson's funeral service was here at the building last Friday.

Jerry Evans, long time Tulia resident, had a heart attack last week.

Toby's father, Charlie Brown, is scheduled for back surgery on January 2. Please be praying for him.

Dear Church Family, Stacy and I are so thankful for you. We appreciate the money that was given to us and also humbled by it. Each of you has become an important part of our lives and we love you so very much! We hope to always shine the light God has granted us! In Him, Stacy and Lisa

Activities

We will not have an evening service or sandwich supper tonight.

We will have a devo and fellowship next Sunday evening, December 31, starting at 6:00. Please bring your favorite snacks and games.



No birthdays this week. Please let us know if we have overlooked anyone.

Prayers

Our Family: Gaye Young, Ray Jennings, Sharla

Moudy

Assisted Living: Ramona Raymond, Linda

Hodges, Lanelle Dovel

Extended Family: Mark James (Ross's brother), Bill Huff, Margaret Huff, Duane Tracy, Randy Tracy (Debi Huff's family), Kandi Stewart (Tommy Stewart's daughter-in-law), Kevin Daniel (Jim Ober's nephew), Dony House (Judy Leatherman's nephew), Nelda Elliff (Becky's sister-in-law), Patsy Baggett (Calvin's grandmother)

As Always: Our military men and women Our Missions: Bible Chair, High Plains Children's Home, AIM, Sunset School of Preaching

Children's Bible Class Teachers Wednesday night, December 27 - Lanette Sunday morning nursery, December 31 - Debbie

Worship Leaders Welcome: Song Leader: Scripture: Message: Lord's Supper: Don Young

Today December 24 Brian Bailey **Toby Brown** Carson McDaniel Stacy McCasland Terry Cash

Larry Stewart Richard Combest Closing Prayer: Ross James

December 31 Brian Bailey Toby Brown Calvin Klein Stacy McCasland Don Young Terry Cash Larry Stewart Richard Combest **Bobby Moudy**

Next Week

Records 12/17/2023

Tulia Bible Class: 44 Tulia Worship: 71 Kress Bible Class: 20 Kress Worship: 22 Total Contribution: \$3,578

Budgeted Contribution: \$3,595

Our Shepherds

Toby Brown Larry Stewart Daryl Tucker

Our Deacons

Brian Bailey **Richard Combest Ross James** Kevin Leatherman **Bobby Moudy** Danny Tucker

Our Minister Stacy McCasland