



August 2021 Newsletter

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Promotion Sunday

Sunday, August 1

Students, children & preschoolers will move up to their next Sunday School classes.

Sunday School Worker Appreciation Dinner & Training

Sun, Aug 1, 6:00 pm

Community BBQ (7010 TX-78, Sachse)

All 2020-21 and 2021-22 Sunday School teachers and directors (adult, youth, children & preschool) are invited to join us for dinner and training (led by BGCT staff).

ESL Ministry

Do you know of someone who could use English as a Second Language classes? Evaluations will be held on Wed 8/11, 8/18 & 8/25 at 7 pm. Students only need to come to one evaluation to be placed in the correct class. Classes will begin on Wed, 9/1.

Movie Night

Sun, Aug 15, 6 pm, Multi-Purpose Center
Make plans now to join us for a free church-wide movie night to watch *Blue Miracle*. Invite a friend to join us for the movie and free popcorn.

Men's Cornhole Tournament

Sun, Aug 22, 7 pm, Multi-Purpose Center
Guys, join us for a cornhole (bean bag toss) tournament, ice cream, and prizes for winners! Register on Realm or contact the Church Office to sign up.

SKA Registration

Sonshine Kids Academy Mother's Day Out is now registering children ages 6 months-5 years. Go to www.nbcgarland.org, click on Ministry Opportunities, and Sonshine Kids Academy for more information or to register online. You can also call the church office and ask to speak to Kelly Chronister.



As I write this article, summer is drawing to a close—not in terms of the calendar or season, but because most of our summer ministry activities are now in the rearview mirror. Camps, VBS, and Mission Trip are all behind us. In fact, we just returned from Texarkana a few days ago, having spent the better part of five days in that city to the east. I never realized that it actually straddles the border—with part of the town in Texas, the other in Arkansas. ONE city in TWO states! I can't imagine how confusing that must be for law enforcement, code compliance and tax assessment...but I guess they've figured it out.

With your prayers—and His blessings—we enjoyed favorable weather in a city known for heat and humidity, completing our sizable construction efforts with a day to spare. *My thanks to all, adults and students, who worked so hard to finish the work before us!* You should have seen them working hard for Him and representing you; it was a blessing. Special thanks to **DAVID CLARK**, who planned and coordinated the trip...**KEVIN DUNHAM**, who created architectural plans for both major projects and guided the massive fence effort from start to finish...**RICKY FLETCHER**, who led the group building a bathroom extension and backroom mezzanine at the Mission Texarkana thrift store...**DELL & PATSY LEWIS**, who kept our team well-fed (and quite spoiled). I could say something about so many more, but let me simply say THANKS to those who participated; thank you for investing sacrificially to show His love to and through a ministry serving those who are so often overlooked and ignored. May we never forget Jesus' teaching about loving the least of these (see Matthew 25:31-46).

School resumes much earlier this year than in the past—a schedule that I'm still struggling to embrace—so let's pray for teachers, students and administrators as they return to the classroom. Pray for safety from COVID infection, a return to some sense of normalcy, and a strong year of learning. Pray also for those who will finally be able to return (yay!) to their volunteer service at Weaver Elementary; *may we impact that campus with His love this year!* No matter who you are, you can make a difference in someone else's life, if you're simply AVAILABLE and FAITHFUL. ***So, how does the Lord want to use YOU in your sphere of spiritual influence?***

As always, know that it's a privilege to be your pastor...

Recent Giving

July 4—\$22,377.10

July 11—\$17,609.40

July 18—\$13,020.81

July 25—\$12,071.78

Weekly Need: \$15,683.00

Recent Bible Study Attendance

July 4—153

July 11—147

July 18—153

July 25—148



August 2021 Calendar

Sun, Aug 1—Promotion Sunday

Cindy Jones' 12th Anniversary

Sunday School Worker Appreciation Dinner & Training (6:00 pm)

Wed, Aug 4—Deacons Meeting (6:00 pm)

Thurs, Aug 5—Food Pantry/Clothes Closet (1:00 pm)

Sun, Aug 8—Adult Directors' Meeting (9:00 am)

Wed, Aug 11—Finance Committee Meeting (6:00 pm)

ESL Evaluations (7:00 pm)

Sun, Aug 15—Kelly Chronister's 2nd Anniversary

Church-Wide Movie Night (6:00 pm)

Tues, Aug 17—Ladies Book Club (6:30 pm)

Wed, Aug 18—Missions Committee Meeting (6:00 pm)

Reaching Upward Together Prayer Time (7:00 pm)

ESL Evaluations (7:00 pm)

Thurs, Aug 19—Food Pantry/Clothes Closet (1:00 pm)

Sun, Aug 22—Men's Cornhole Tournament (7:00 pm)

Wed, Aug 25—ESL Evaluations (7:00 pm)

Sat, Aug 28—Wedding Shower for Celeste Villarreal & Josh Bayless

Happy Anniversary

This month, we celebrate Cindy Jones' 12th Anniversary as Ministry Assistant and Kelly Chronister's 2nd Anniversary as Sonshine Kids Academy Director. Thank you for all you do for Northlake!

Ladies Book Club

*Tues, August 17, 6:30 pm, Sarah Wyatt's House
10717 Nantucket Dr, Rowlett*

Ladies, come prepared to discuss the book, *The Centurion's Wife* by Janette Oke & T. Davis Bunn.
Bring a snack or drink to share.

New Member

Northlake welcomes our newest members!

Austen Bell
Baptized July 18

August Meetings

Wed, Aug 4—Deacons Meeting (6:00 pm)
Wed, Aug 11—Finance Committee (6:00 pm)
Wed, Aug 18—Missions Committee Meeting
(6:00 pm)



Reaching Upward Together Prayer Time

Wed, Aug 18, 7:00 pm, Worship Center
Join us as we seek God's face in prayer corporately. We will pray together for our church, our community, and other specific needs.

Wedding Shower

Sat, Aug 28, Time TBD

Please join us for a wedding shower honoring Celeste Villarreal & Josh Bayless. The couple is registered at Amazon, Target, and Bed, Bath & Beyond.

Weaver Volunteers

This year, volunteers will be allowed back in public schools! Volunteers can help in a variety of ways (such as tutoring students, making photocopies, cutting out shapes or other lesson prep work, lunchroom help, office or nurse help, school-wide functions, etc). If you are interested in serving an hour a week volunteering at our partner school, Weaver Elementary, please sign up on your Connection Card or contact the Church Office.

Thank You

The Missions Committee would like to thank you for supporting Weaver Elementary School by providing uniforms and backpacks. We were able to donate over 200 items thanks to your generosity!

Team Kid

Wednesdays at 7 pm, Room E-208
1st—5th graders are invited to join us each week for Team Kid beginning August 4.