

# Church of Christ

## Rocketdyne Road

*“Every member a minister...through service”*

SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

AND WHO KNOWS  
BUT THAT YOU  
HAVE COME TO YOUR

*Royal Position*

FOR SUCH A TIME  
AS THIS?

ESTHER 4:14



Hershel Luck is at the Arbors in Joplin and plans are to transfer him to Seneca House early next week. Evelyn Martin is out of ICU and back at GranVilla. Debbie Carriger is having tests. Clarence Garman had surgery Wednesday. Cheryl Marion will have hip replacement surgery Tuesday, Oct. 2. Pray for our homebound, our widows and live-alones, those on our sick list and for all our brothers & sisters.

## Relationships Matter

presented by  
**Jerry & Lynn Jones**

**November 4 - 7**

Make plans now to attend. You will be blessed.



*Dale Blackburn* will celebrate his 81st birthday on Sunday, October 7. His address is 1501 Pineville Road, Apt. 10, Neosho.

## Songbooks

We are disposing of our old song books. These song books are on a cart in the family room. If you would like one or more for use at your home, please help yourself. If you know of a church that might use some, see Bob or Jim.



**Curtis Cullen  
Haylie Culp  
Nathan Culp  
Dustin Elder  
Eric Feldman  
Shane Pogue  
Travis Taylor**

## Rebelling Against Low Expectations

The youth group and I are studying a book written by teenage brothers called *Do Hard Things*. Their goal is to encourage teens to rebel against the low expectations society tends to put on teenagers. They believe that God has made the teen years to be a launching time into adult life rather than only have fun and relax as culture tries to demonstrate over and over again.

I wonder if every "group" isn't weighed down by false expectations. We tend to hold back because we think we are either too young or too old to do something. We don't get involved in a ministry because we are single, or married with no children, or we have children and we just don't fit into that ministry any more. Our culture has allowed us to have excuses for everything that keeps us from being active in God's work.

Is God okay with us giving in to these excuses? I'm not sure He is. Maybe we have a lot to learn from Esther and her response to her Uncle's mentoring.

"For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. AND WHO KNOWS WHETHER YOU HAVE NOT COME TO THE KINGDOM FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS?"

Tye

## Sympathy

We express our sincere sympathy to Caridyne and Nancy Richardson on the passing of Caridyne's mother, Agnes Richardson, on Saturday, September 22.

## Directory Update

We need to update our directory. Please pick up a form in the family room today, fill it out and give it to Carol or Susan. Thank you.

Neosho Public Schools  
Character Trait For October

## RESPONSIBILITY

Making good decisions about what you do and say while taking care of yourself and being accountable for your decisions

## Encouragement and Counseling Ministry

We have been exploring the story of Ruth. It begins with Naomi traveling with her husband and two sons to another culture. Her husband died then within a period of time she also lost both of her sons. She returned to her homeland and home town, Bethlehem, with her daughter-in-law, Ruth.

Naomi reported to family members and friends how her devastating loss had left her feeling bitter and without hope for things being better in the future. Yet, Naomi and Ruth formed a strong attachment, displaying kindness and honor while "looking out for one another." Their persistence and self-discipline became known by a kinsmen redeemer, Boaz. They influenced history and Ruth became a part of the lineage of Jesus, the redeemer for all of us.

Granted, devastating loss seems too high of a price to pay in our brief life time; however, scripture and historical literature are filled with personal testimonies of outstanding accomplishment, personal growth and inspiration following tragic and unexpected loss. I greatly appreciate Denny sharing the message of Ruth with us.  
Ralph

### Coming Events

October 5-6 ~ Real Men - Going Back To Roots

Friday-6:30 pm, Saturday-9 am

For men & boys - Hillcrest

October 13-14 ~ Church of Christ Weekend

Silver Dollar City

(for discount call 800-417-7770, Offer #6402)

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Andrew Jones on being inducted into the Crowder College chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. Phi Theta Kappa is the national honorary scholastic society for community college students who achieve a cumulative grade point average of not less than a 3.5.

# JUST 4 YOUTH!

SNT - 7 to 9 pm at the building. Volleyball & devo

Fall Retreat - October 26-28 at Sky Ranch

Cost is \$50. Registration is due October 10



### GOD IS MOVING AMONG HIS CHILDREN!

We had a total of **38** children last Sunday. Thank you Auntie Joy for our first lesson in Psalm 23.

Join us this week. We will have our special guests Auntie Jennina and Uncle Z along with the puppets.

Kids, don't forget our first memory verse in Psalm 23. **The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.**

Don't forget to bring a box of stuffing for our donation station.

See you in worship  
Mi Mi Lu and Pa Pa H

Always remember  
**JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN**

and we are His children.

We love you too!

*Workers for next week:*

*Security - Jason Stipp*

*Teachers - Beth Foster, Nancy Trichler*

*Helpers - Dale Naden, Marla Davis,*

*Xander Woodward, John Grigsby,*

*Nathan Lewis, Karen Bass, Peri Reagan*

## Assignments

Sunday, September 30, 2012

### Morning Worship

Prayer ..... Jim Murray  
Shepherd's Prayer .... Clyde Hopper

### Lord's Table

**Prayers:** Brent Marion

Mike Hutchison, Ralph Cope  
Daniel Witcher, Micah Davidson  
Kent Hounsshell, Cody Casady  
Alan Woodward, Logan Stark

### Next Sunday

Prayer ..... Lonnie Swaffar  
Table Prayers ..... Jon Reagan  
Shepherd's Prayer . David Hutchings

### Lord's Table For Next Sunday

Richard Elder, Clark Francisco  
Jim Blankenship, David Garman  
Andrew Marion, Quinton Platner  
Bryce Beeson, Jim White

### Wednesday, October 3

Song Leader... Jimmie Douglass  
Prayer..... Al Beaver

**GREETERS**  **SCHEDULE**

*October 7*  
Team 1



**Fair Haven**

**Pantry Needs**

Cookie Mix

### *September 30*

Shirley Tice, Jeanne Lessman

### *October 7*

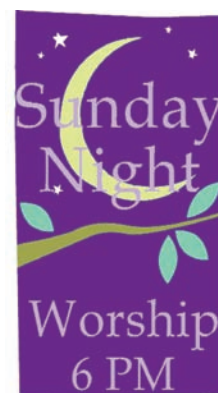
Diane Haught, Dorothy Williams



**Singing Practice  
Tonight At 5:30**

with  
**Jimmie Douglass**  
**Matt Engels**  
and  
**Wade Williams**

**Join Us For**



### Our Elders

Kenneth Cope  
Jerry Davis  
Clyde Hopper  
David Hutchings  
Ben Lane  
Earl Reynolds  
Jack Stafford  
Ray Stipp

### Our Deacons

Randy Bass  
Jonathan Davis  
Myron Lessman  
Brian Lewis  
Brent Marion  
Kael Powers  
Pete Ramon  
Jon Reagan  
Rod Whorton  
Rick Wolfe  
Alan Woodward

### Our Ministers

Denny Kruse  
Ralph Madill  
Tye Zola

### FAMILY GATHERINGS

**Sunday Morning Bible Study .....9:30**  
**Sunday Morning Worship .....10:30**  
**Sunday Evening Singing Practice .....5:30**  
**Sunday Evening Worship .....6:00**  
**Wednesday Evening Bible Study .....7:00**

### Our Purpose

**To praise and glorify God**  
**To spread the gospel of Jesus Christ**  
**To show our love by serving each other**  
**and the world**