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Grief Ministry 101

A small church can implement several principles that will allow them to be aware of the needs of others and be prepared for crises that arise.

Be Sensitive to the Needs of Others – Everybody grieves differently. People will respond to crises differently. What may be a crisis to one person, may not be to another. The grief process will be different for every individual and you cannot predict how one might respond. The best thing we can do is be alert to the needs of the griever and be ready to respond when they need us. We should always say something to a person dealing with grief. They need to know we care, but we should refrain from giving advice unless it is absolutely necessary. If a person asks for advice we should oblige with caution.

Ask Women to Minister Before a Crises Arises – A preacher or elder may be comfortable ministering to a grieving woman, but the woman may not be comfortable with that situation. If a woman does ask for another woman to counsel with we usually have to scramble around until we find someone. Churches should strive to ask faithful women in advance if they wouldn't mind being called on if a situation arises. This way the congregation would know who to call and the person being called would not be caught off guard.

Educate Members - When a person experiences grief many people choose between saying the wrong thing or saying nothing at all. Grievers would like us to say something. They want us to acknowledge their grief even if we don't have the right words. It's sometimes difficult to know what to say, but it doesn't have to be that way. By just spending one or two class periods addressing the needs of grievers we can radically change how our congregation ministers to these individuals.

Continue to Minister in the Months and Years After a Crisis – We

are good at ministering to individuals in the days and weeks following a crisis, but then we often move on to other needs and projects within our congregation. A person who has lost a loved one wants them to be remembered. If we never mention their name again they may get the impression we have forgot about their loved one. Ministering in the months and years following a tragedy can be as simple as mentioning a name or recalling a favorite story or memory. It may seem insignificant to you, but it could mean the world to a person living with loss.

> adapted from an article by Scott Elliott www.resurrectedliving.wordpress.com

ELDERS Carl Burrus Jesse Byers **Bobby Hill**

EVANGELIST Benjamin Williams

PRISON MINISTER Bill Hamrick

DEACONS Jeff Bullinger Matt Caldwell **Chris Patterson Bruce Rothell Lonnie White**

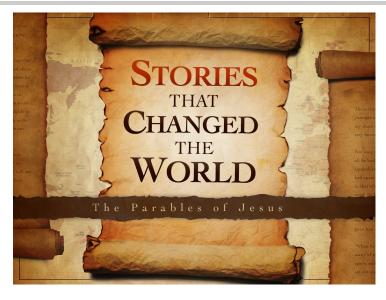
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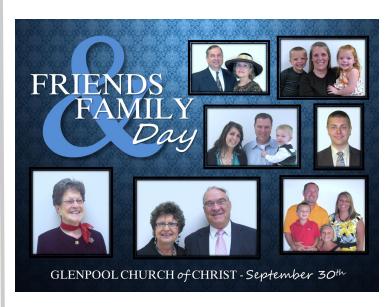
SUNDAY

Bible Classes for All Ages 9:30 am Morning Worship Assembly 10:30 am Evening Worship Assembly 5:00 pm

WEDNESDAY

Adult Class (Fall/Spring) 10:00 am Bible Classes for All Ages 7:00 pm





Starting in the Fall, we will be having a special class on the Parables of Jesus on Sunday mornings. Rather than one teacher, several men from the congregation will be taking a turn teaching of these beloved parables. Here is the schedule:

- 1. Sept 2 Intro to Parables Benjamin Williams
- 2. Sept 9 **Unforgiving Servant** James Hamilton
- 3. Sept 16 Good Samaritan Carl Burrus
- 4. Sept 23 Workers in Vineyard Jerry Buller
- 5. Sept 30 **Prodigal Son** Benjamin Williams
- 6. Oct 7 The Sower Robert Hill
- 7. Oct 14 Wicked Tenants Jerry Morgan
- 8. Oct 21 **Unjust Steward** Jack Lierly
- 9. Oct 28 **Ten Virgins** Randy Brown
- 10. Nov 4 The Talents Chris Patterson
- 11. Nov 11 Wheat and the Weeds Robert Hill
- 12. Nov 18 Lost Sheep & Lost Coin Bruce Rothell
- 13. Nov 25 Rich Man and Lazarus Larry Potter

LADIES

Hope Harbor Gals would like to introduce their new program L.I.G.H.T.S. This group of women are active in service projects to benefit Hope Harbor Children's Home. They are looking for volunteers to assist in various activities. More information is posted on the bulletin board or you can contact Sharon Milligan via email at ezmsharon@aol.com.



Friday, August 24th

Men's Dinner

Saturday, August 25th

Youth Devo at the Hamilton's home

Sunday, August 26th

Education meeting at 4:00 pm

Sunday, August 26th

Fellowship meal after evening service—group Byers

Wednesday, Sept 12th

Wednesday morning Bible class will begin

Saturday, Sept 29th

Hope Harbor's annual Open House & Kids Day

Sunday, Sept 30th

Friends and Family Day

5th Sunday Meal and early evening service; Group Williams

IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Our Sympathy goes out to Susie O'Neal in the passing of her father, Dale Calvert. He passed away Wed. morning and his services were this past Saturday.
- Our sympathy goes out to Rita Risley in the passing of her sister, Elaine Gray. She passed away Wed. morning and her services will be Monday in Missouri.
- Steve and Glenna Estep will be in Houston this week. They had put a stint in her right kidney and they are now going to put one in the left kidney; she also has a blood clot in her right leg and will be taking shots in her stomach for the blood clot.
- Sherry Mulkey's mother is home from the hospital and doing much better; her father suffers with Alzheimers. Sherry has gone to help them for a while.

DIRECTORY

Would the following families please meet Karen in the kitchen area after services to have their pictures taken for the photo directories — the Tuggles, the Wadkins, and the Bains. As soon as these pictures are taken new directories will be printed for each family. If anyone else wants a new picture taken—please do it today! Thanks!

FELLOWSHIP MEAL

- Aug 26th after the evening service
- Group Byers is responsible for set/clean up
- "Theme" is Baked Potatoes & Fixings
- Entertainment will be a watermelon carving contest. Bring your <u>already</u> carved watermelon on a tray and set it on one of the tables.

YOUTH DEVO

Youth, make plans to attend the youth devo at the home of James & Paula Hamilton on Saturday, Aug 25th at 4:00 pm. Their address is 11700 s68th St, Beggs, OK (maps will be available). Bring lawn chairs and water guns if you have them. There will be a water balloon fight, burgers, watermelon and will roast hot dogs and Marshmallows (if the burn ban is lifted).

MEN'S DINNER

- A Men's Dinner has been planned for Friday, Aug 24th beginning at 6:00 pm at the church building. Chopped brisket will be provided; you can bring side items if you wish. After the meal there will be a presentation and discussion of up-coming events; afterwards you are welcome to stay and play dominos or other games before going home. See one of the elders for questions.
- Please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board by Sunday, Aug 19th so we will know how many to prepare for.

EDUCATION MEETING

A meeting has been scheduled for Sunday Aug 26th at 4:00 for anyone interested in our educational department. This includes teachers, helpers, anyone that works with or would like to work with art work, teaching materials, the supply room, decorating bulletin boards and hallways, goals, etc. Help is needed in all of these areas, will you help?

MANNFORD

We were able to send \$1,800.00 to the Mannford congregation to help those that lost their homes in the fires.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Linda & Michael Fitzpatrick, 19 Jonathan Hamilton, Aug 20 Paul & Dorothy Ennis, Aug 20 Bob & Mickey Hecht, Aug 21

Dean & Dolores Scherman, 22 Stephanie Yeager, Aug 23 Jerry & Janice O'Shields, Aug 25 Ralph Causby, Aug 30 Tyler Whitchurch, Aug 31

Tracy Patterson, Sept 8

Jeanne Thomas, Sept 10

Spencer & Stephanie Yeager, 10

GLENPOOL church of Christ

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Attendance: Last Week		Contribution		
Sunday Bible Classes	112	Sunday Contribution	\$4,583.00	
Sunday AM Worship	166	Budget	\$3,559.00	
Sunday PM Worship	105	Over Budget	\$17,279.47	
Wednesday Bible Classes	83	Building Fund	\$97,078.60	

Men	o Serve	
Sunda	y Morning	•

Song Leader Randy Brown **Opening Prayer Larry Growns Closing Prayer** Sonny Pulliam Ian Hill

Scripture Reading Lord's Table

Robert Hill Steve Rucquoy Keith Riggs

Mike O'Neal

Ushers Matt Caldwell

Dakota Perry

Sunday Evening

James Hamilton Song Leader **Opening Prayer** Jack Lierly Closing Prayer Johnny Riggs Scripture Reading **Dennis Robinson**

Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer Larry Growns Closing Prayer Darrel Burcham Song Leader Jerry Buller Carl Burrus Invitation

Lock Building Matt Caldwell and Bobby Hill

Next Quarterly Ladies Meeting

Communion Preparation

Susan Kress

Nyla Nunley

Marcia Riggs

Shirley Hood

Earline Lierly

Rita Risley

Cathy Burcham

Autumn Caldwell

Tonya Davidson

September 6th

6:30 PM

8/5

8/12

8/19

8/26

9/2

9/9

9/16

9/23

9/30



Sundays at 7:30 a.m. KWHB

TV47 or Cable Channel 7

Search Programs:

Aug 19—Problems in Worship

Aug 26—Worship in Song

Sept 2—Hearing the Gospel

Sept 9—Believing in Jesus

Sept 16—Repentance

Sunday Morning Sermon

Sowing Tearfully Jeremiah 8:21-9:1

Sunday Evening Sermon

SERIES: "Curse God And Die" - Part 2 Our Frustration With God And His Response 1 Kings 19:1-2, 4