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## A Word About Harding's New President

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Karen Brown

I've made an effort to stay out of brotherhood politics lately. It usually leads to grief. However, there is some news that I thought some of you might find interesting, so I am passing it along ... with my two cents thrown in for free!

Harding University recently named its new president, only the fifth in the university's history. Bruce McLarty, formerly the university Vice President for Spiritual Life and before that the minister at the College Church of Christ at Harding, is universally respected in terms of character. Even those writing articles criticizing the university for his selection agree that "McLarty's obvious strengths of integrity and character are known to all" and they furthermore state, "No one's arguing that McLarty is not a good, honorable, kind, generous, faithful and devoted man with a deep love for Christ. That's indisputable." However, his selection as president has engendered a great deal of strife. Why? If you skim the criticism it amounts to this:

1. *McLarty has a background as a minister more than as an academic.* Some believe that a religious university is not adequately led by a man whose primary work in life has been as a minister. This shows a bit of prejudice against the men who work in wooden pulpits rather than ivory towers.
2. *McLarty's appointment shows "that Harding is committed to maintaining its current ideology and vision."* Or another complaint: "The message is clear: like Freed-Hardeman and Oklahoma Christian, Harding will see as its primary and exclusive constituency the center-right Churches of Christ in the South and Midwest." The main complaint is that Bruce McLarty is going to continue the basic principles of the churches of Christ (think baptism and a *cappella* singing). No one is suggesting that he is an old cranky preacher far to the right of the majority of our brotherhood. He is "center-right," and that offends some people.

*My Two Cents:* Harding is a university associated with the churches of Christ. Why would they pick an extremist in any direction as president instead of a "center-right" kind of guy? Having heard his sermon at Affirming the Faith 2011 on "The Mission of the Church in Christ," I have to tell you I'm impressed. He stated: "Management is making sure things are done right. Leadership is making sure that we are doing the right things in the first place." Congrats to Dr. McLarty and to Harding on his selection.

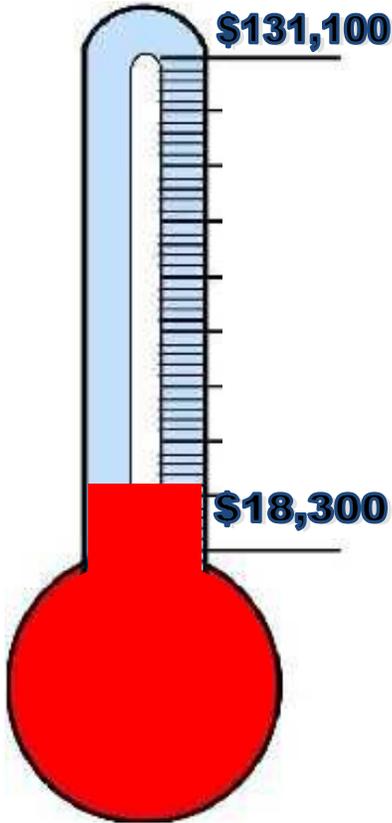
by Benjamin Williams

**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



# LET'S BUILD IT TOGETHER

## MOVING TOWARD OUR PLEDGE GOAL

The goal thermometer on the left will be periodically updated to reflect our progress toward our Pledge goal of \$131,100 toward our new auditorium. You can also view the progress on our webpage.

Please have your pledge cards returned by next Sunday, Nov. 25th.

## E-MAILS

Every now and then the church office will send out an email to all members informing us of an event or service cancellation (snow/ice). An email was sent out in late Oct asking us to try and attend on Oct 28th for a meeting about the building expansion. If you did not get that email, that means either (1) the office does not have an email address for you, (2) it is incorrect in our computer, or (3) it came back to us undelivered. Some email accounts will think our emails are 'spam' and not something you wish to read. If you add the church's email address to **your** address book it will accept those emails. (This is especially true in the case of AOL users). Please let the office know if you did not receive this latest email so we can update our mailing list and let people know of sudden events. Thank you—Karen. (our address is [office@glenpoolchurchofchrist.com](mailto:office@glenpoolchurchofchrist.com))

### Tuesday, Nov 20th

Due to the holiday our Wednesday night service will be moved to Tuesday night.

### Thursday, Nov 22nd

Thanksgiving

### Sunday, Dec 2nd

Christmas Party after evening services, Soup & Sandwiches

### Monday, Dec 3rd

Ladies Meeting at 6:30

### Sunday, Dec 9th

Elder's and Deacon's meeting at 3:30

### Saturday, Jan 12th

Chili Cook-off

### March 8th-10th

Spring meeting with Jim Baird

**upcoming events**  
 work dinners fellowship meetings  
 retreats picnics games parties

## IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Our sympathy goes out to the White family in the passing of Lonnie's mother, Fonda Manley. Her services were last week.
- Glenna Estep had a stroke last week and is having trouble swallowing and slurred speech. She is in St John's hospital in Tulsa room 948. Update—she is improving and being put on blood thinners, she may get to go home on Monday.
- **Our friends and family:** Dan & Edna Jones; Shelia Byers (cancer); Glenna Estep (cancer); Suzanne Stamps; Judge Morris (cancer); many others.
- **Service men and women:** Brian and Amber Hunt; Junior Moctezuma (Alma's brother);

## LADIES

- Monday Dec 3rd at 6:30 is our Ladies meeting
- If any one wants to be added to or taken off the communion preparation schedule please let Susan Yeager know before Dec 1st.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year's Christmas Party is Sunday Dec 2nd after evening services. Please bring soup and sandwiches and desserts. Also, if you wish to play the gift exchange game bring a wrapped gift costing \$5.00 or less. (This is not the dirty Santa game). If you have any questions please see Selene.

## THANKSGIVING BASKETS

A list of items needed for the Thanksgiving Baskets is posted on the bulletin board. Please sign your name by the items you will bring—these items need to be brought to the building by this evening (there is a box in the fellowship room for them).

## GOALS

- **Fisher Patterson** can say the names of the 4 Gospels
- **Kennedy Patterson** can say the Steps of Salvation, the 4 Gospels and the 5 books of Law
- **Colin Aycox** can say the books of the Old Testament

## YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **Meghan Causby** was elected as the cross country team motivator and team leader by her class mates.
- **Makenzie Causby** will be going to the Junior All State Choir, she is the first 7th grader to go.

Great job everyone!

## CONGRATULATIONS TO

Nyla Nunley and Bert Shelby, they both had great grandsons born recently. Bert is asking for prayers for her great grandson, Luke Skyler, he was born a little to soon and is having breathing problems. (sorry this didn't make it in last weeks bulletin—no room)

## DON'T FORGET

Don't forget that we will have our Wednesday night class on Tuesday night this week because of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

## HANDS OF COMPASSION

We collected \$372.00 for the Hands of Compassion work. They thank you very much.

## SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Nov 18 **Lost Sheep & Lost Coin** - Bruce Rothell  
Nov 25 **Rich Man and Lazarus** - Larry Potter

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Melinda Jones, Nov 25	Zac Caldwell, Dec 5	Scott Lack, Dec 11
Earline Lierly, Nov 27	Karen Brown, Dec 5	Jerry Morgan, Dec 12
Fisher Patterson, Dec 1	Susie O'Neal, Dec 6	Henry Lack, Dec 12
Topper & Melissa Causby, Dec 1	Angela Grows, Dec 8	Kimber Perry, Dec 14

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## Attendance: Last Week

Sunday Bible Classes	118
Sunday AM Worship	155
Sunday PM Worship	87
Wednesday Bible Classes	80

## Contribution

Sunday Contribution	\$4,376.34
Budget	\$3,559.00
Over Budget	\$25,559.51
Building Fund	\$294,700.

## Men To Serve

### Sunday Morning

Song Leader	Bobby Hill
Opening Prayer	Darrell Burcham
Closing Prayer	Mike O'Neal
Scripture Reading	Jack Lierly
Lord's Table	Lonnie White Steve Rucquoy Robert Hill Steve Aycox

<b>Ushers</b>	Chris Mulkey Larry Potter
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**Lock Building** Lonnie White, Jim Yeager

### Sunday Evening

Song Leader	James Hamilton
Opening Prayer	Carl BUrrus
Closing Prayer	Sonny Pulliam
Scripture Reading	Ryan McCafferty

### Wednesday Evening

Opening Prayer	Matt Caldwell
Closing Prayer	James Hamilton
Song Leader	Randy Brown
Invitation	Jerry Buller

## Communion Preparation

11/4	Donna White
11/11	Renee Witchchurch
11/18	Susan Yeager
11/25	Barbara Girod
12/2	Selene Williams
12/9	Lilia Rothell
12/16	Bayla Burrus
12/23	Becky Byers
12/30	Debbie Witchchurch

**Next Quarterly  
Ladies Meeting**  
Monday, Dec 3rd  
6:30 PM



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SEARCH  
OF THE LORD'S WAY**®

"These were more noble...they searched the scriptures daily..." (Acts 17:11)

### Search Programs:

Nov 18—Let God Be God  
Nov 25—Do We Need God?

Sundays at 7:30 a.m. KWHB  
TV47 or Cable Channel 7

## Sunday Morning Sermon

The Persuasion Business  
*Galatians 1:10-11*

## Sunday Evening Sermon

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