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## The Challenge of the Resurrection

**ELDERS**

Carl Burrus  
 Jesse Byers  
 Bobby Hill  
 Bill Path

**MINISTER**

Benjamin Williams

**PRISON MINISTER**

Bill Hamrick

**DEACONS**

Matt Caldwell,  
**ASSOCIATE MINISTER,  
 YOUTH & EDUCATION**

Keith Riggs,  
**OUTREACH**

Bruce Rothell,  
**MISSIONS**

**SECRETARY**

Karen Brown

Nothing in history can be proven the way we can prove something in a laboratory. However, the resurrection of Jesus is a historical fact much more fully attested to than most other events of ancient history we take for granted. Every effort to account for the birth of the church apart from Jesus's resurrection flies in the face of what we know about first-century history and culture. If you don't short-circuit the process with the philosophical bias against the possibility of miracle, the resurrection of Jesus has the most evidence for it.



The problem is, however, that people do short-circuit the investigation. Instead of doing the work of answering these very tough historical questions and then following the answers where they lead, they bail out with the objection that miracles are impossible. N. T. Wright makes a scathing response:

*The early Christians did not invent the empty tomb and the meetings or sightings of the risen Jesus. ... Nobody was expecting this kind of things; no kind of conversion experience would have invented it, no matter how guilty (or how forgiven) they felt, no matter how many hours they pored over the scriptures. To suggest otherwise is to stop doing history and enter into a fantasy world of our own.*

I sympathize with the person who says, "So what if I can't think of an alternate explanation? The resurrection just couldn't happen." Let's not forget, however, that first-century people felt exactly the same way. They found the resurrection just as inconceivable as you do. The only way anyone embraced the resurrection back then was by letting the evidence challenge and change their worldview, their view of what was possible. They had just as much trouble with the claims of the resurrection as you, yet the evidence—both of the eyewitness accounts and the changed lives of Christ's followers—was overwhelming.

by Timothy Keller

"For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me." (1 Corinthians 15:3-8)

**SUNDAY**

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

**WEDNESDAY**

Bible Classes for All Ages 7:00 pm



## WE NEED YOUR HELP

Men and women - your help is needed on Sunday, May 4th at 2:00! If all goes as planned (remember Murphy's Law?) we will be needing to move out the current pews in the auditorium to make way for our new chairs.

If you will recall a few weeks ago it was mentioned we had an opportunity to purchase these chairs at a reduced cost - which we did. Now they will be arriving on Monday or Tuesday, May 5th or 6th and we need a place to put them!

A church in Sapulpa will be picking up our pews on Sunday, May 4th and that is where you come in -- we need your help! The song books will also need to be taken up, along with the pencils and cards and personal items.

There will be NO services that Sunday evening -- we will have no place to sit!

Thank you!!!

### **Sunday, April 20th**

There will be no classes during our evening service

### **Wednesday, April 30th**

5th Wednesday singing - no class

### **Sunday, April 27th**

Fellowship meal after evening service, group Path

### **Friday, May 2nd thru Sunday, May 4th**

The Truth About Origins Seminar by Brad Harrub at Oologah High Sch.

The youth will attend on May 3rd -- see Matt for questions

### **Saturday, May 10th**

VBS work Day at 10 am

### **Sunday, May 11th**

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

### **Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Ladies Salad Supper at Deb Path's home. The van will leave the church building at 5:30

### **Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

Fellowship meal / Graduation Celebration, group Burrus

### **Sunday, June 8th thru Saturday, June 14th**

Frog Road Camp session

### **Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**

Marriage Seminar for the young adults from our congregation. Details to follow.

### **Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, July 23th-25<sup>th</sup>**

Vacation Bible School

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

## IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Our sympathy is extended to Rachel Figueiredo and her family after the passing of her grandmother, Edna Capers.
- Debbie Whitchurch's mother-in-law, Marcella Whitchurch, had her mastectomy surgery; she is home and doing well.
- Cathy Burcham's mother fell and broke her hip. She had surgery on Monday and is doing well.
- Toni O'Neal was in a car accident Wednesday. She is sore, but doing fine.
- Nick Bennet has requested our prayers on his behalf - he is suffering with pancreatitis (he is the nephew of Donna & Lonnie White).
- **Service men and women:** Jenna Sullivan; Jacob Littlebear; Josh Triay (Becky's nephew)
  
- **Our friends and family:** Dan Jones; Shelia Byers (cancer); Suzanne Stamps; Sue Gilbert (Leasa's mother); Linda Patterson (stroke); Dolores Scherman (at home now); Jeannene Thomas (cancer); Barbara Vaughan; Barbara Pinkston (cancer); & others.

## NORTH HEIGHTS CONGREGATION

The North Heights congregation in Bixby is hosting a Faily Seminar April 26th-27th. See the flyer posted for time and session titles.

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

A Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, May 3rd at the Western Hills Golf Course. All proceeds from this tournament will be given to Frog Road Camp to help develop or maintain the camp. "Hole Sponsorships" are also available for any amount (give this to Ben or Bobby). Come have fun playing golf and help the camp - kill two "birdies" with one stone!

## SPRING QUARTER AUDITORIUM CLASS

April 20 - Confession - Ben Williams

April 27 - Baptism - Matt Caldwell

May 4 - The Church - Carl Burrus

May 11 - Faithfulness, Growth, Maturity - Bill Path

May 18 - Evangelism - Jerry Morgan

May 25 - Restoration after Baptism - Randy Brown

## CONGRATULATIONS

Bob & Betty Simmons are the proud great grandparents of Joshua Simmons born April 13th. He was born to Ricky and Megan and has two brothers, Isiah and Judah. All are doing well. Congratulations to all.

## FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Sunday, April 27th is our next Fellowship Meal. This will be after evening services with soup, sandwiches and salads. Group Path is responsible for setting up and cleaning up.

## TRUTH ABOUT ORIGINS SEMINAR

The Oologah congregation is hosting the "Truth About Origins Seminar" on May 2nd-4th. The speaker will be Brad Harrub. (This seminar is not just for the youth.)

An outing is being planned for the older youth to attend this seminar on Saturday, May 3rd. Matt Caldwell will be giving out information on this event in the very near future. See him for questions.

There is a flyer posted on the bulletin board.

## JIM & BARBARA PINKSTON

If you wish to help Jim & Barbara with their medical expenses please give the funds to Jerry Buller and let him know it is for the Pinkstons. Thank You.

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Temper Jenkins, Apr 20  
Harry & Mary Reeve, Apr 20  
Colton Treat, Apr 21  
Barbara Girod, Apr 21  
Nyla Nunley, Apr 23

Stephanie Bullinger, Apr 25  
Susan Kress, Apr 25  
Jake Yeager, Apr 30  
Paula Hamilton, Apr 30  
Jim & Susan Yeager, May 1

Marcia Hill, May 1  
Reid Figueiredo, May 2  
Betty Jo Heltzel, May 2  
Larry Potter, May 4  
Mike & Susie O'Neal, May 5

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## Attendance: Last Week

Sunday Bible Classes  
Sunday AM Worship  
Sunday PM Worship  
Wednesday Bible Classes

107  
143  
72  
78

## Contribution

Sunday Contribution \$4,171.99  
Budget \$4,185.00  
**Under Budget** <\$1,102.92>  
Building Fund \$30,829.48

## Men To Serve

### Sunday Morning

Song Leader Randy Brown  
Opening Prayer Jack Lierly  
Scripture Reading Harry Reeve  
Closing Prayer Bobby Hill  
Lord's Table Jeff Bullinger  
Randy Crawford  
Larry Potter  
Jerry Buller

### Ushers

Topper Causby  
Johnny Riggs

### Greeter

Dennis Robinson

### Lock Building

Bob Simmons; Jim Yeager

### Sunday Evening

Song Leader Randy Brown  
Opening Prayer Doyle Tuggle  
Closing Prayer Steve Rucquoy  
Lord's Table Jeff Bullinger  
Randy Crawford

### Wednesday Evening

Song Leader Bobby Hill  
Opening Prayer Jerry Buller  
Closing Prayer James Hamilton

## Communion Preparation

4/6 Steph Bullinger  
4/13 Nola Buller  
4/20 Janice O'Shields  
4/27 Shirley Hill  
5/4 Angela Growns  
5/11 Renee Whitchurch  
5/18 Mickey Hecht  
5/25 Barbara Girod

## Next Quarterly Ladies Meeting

Sunday, June 1st  
3:30 pm



**IN SEARCH**  
OF THE LORD'S WAY®

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

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

### Search Programs:

April 20 - Love and Law  
April 27 - Do You Love Me?  
May 4 - Salvation in Christ  
May 11 - Staying Saved  
May 18 - ASK, Seek, Knock

## Sunday Morning Sermon

Luke's Five Necessities:  
"It Is Necessary to Be Raised"  
Luke 9:18-22

## Sunday Evening Sermon

The Parable of the Talents  
Matthew 25:14-15