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December 7, 2014

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THE WITNESS OF FRIENDS

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Benjamin Williams

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 WORSHIP

James Hamilton,
 WORSHIP

Bruce Rothell,
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SECRETARY

Karen Brown

When actor-comedian Robin Williams took his life, dozens of celebrity friends paid tribute to the man called the greatest impressionist of his time. In fact in the days that followed his death, it seemed like there was an endless line of hilarious stories that his celebrity friends recalled of Williams. Many people wondered how a man who brought so much laughter and instantaneous happiness to others, suffered from depression himself. Depression is a sickness misunderstood by many. But, the gift of humor of Robin Williams was truly appreciated by friends and fans alike.

When it comes to conveying the essence and importance of a person, there's no substitute for a friend. After the resurrection of Jesus Christ, His followers who were also His closest friends, not being able to hold in, shared the greatness and saving power of Christ with everyone they encountered. *"We have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us."* 1ST John 1:2 His friends were all about witnessing Christ, for they understood their purpose and fully believed that man was without hope if he did not believe in Christ and be baptized.

In Acts 4:13, we see Peter, John and the other disciples boldly addressing the people, and the response of the leaders: *"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus."* The boldness of the disciples was not the result of training or education, but was a direct result of spending much time in the presence of Christ. And as a result they possessed the same passion and concern as Christ did for the eternal destiny of men and women.

Today, whether we have been highly educated or not, we should be compelled to speak with the same boldness as the early disciples. The gospel of Christ has always been more powerfully presented by the witness of His friends. As we spend time with and talk with our friends, let us not fail to tell them of the greatest Friend man has ever known, the Friend who laid down His life for others (John 15:13).

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



SNOWMEN

As a follow up to our successful Thanksgiving basket project, we are currently receiving requests for children in need of a gift or two for Christmas. The children or their parents have supplied their information (likes, dislikes, sizes, etc.) and the individual requests are being attached to the Christmas tree in Ben's office. If you would like to help a child out by purchasing a present or donate funds, speak with Selene Williams. Please have the unwrapped gift returned to Ben's office by Wednesday, Dec. 17th.



CHRISTMAS PARTY

There will be a gathering after evening services in the fellowship room for a Christmas party. Please bring sandwiches, finger foods, snacks, etc. If you wish to participate in an ornament exchange bring a wrapped ornament costing no more than \$5.00. Group Hill is responsible for setting/ cleaning up.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Due to the high cost of postage, sacks have been decorated and put in the old foyer area if you wish to distribute Christmas cards to fellow church members. There are about 91 sacks - if you don't have a sack let Karen know.

PRAYERS

Michelle Bright Lyons had a mastectomy last month and now will be taking chemo and possibly radiation treatments which will start in approximately 4 weeks and will last 4 months. She will have an MRI on the remaining breast and arm pit area to eliminate concern there. Those of you who were members at the Sapulpa congregation many years ago will remember Tom and Janie Bright - this is their daughter.

Sunday, Dec 7th

Christmas Party after evening service at Ben & Selene's home (4th grade and up)

Christmas party in the fellowship room after PM services - group Hill

Sunday, Dec 14th

Corporate Meeting 3:30

Wednesday, Dec 24th

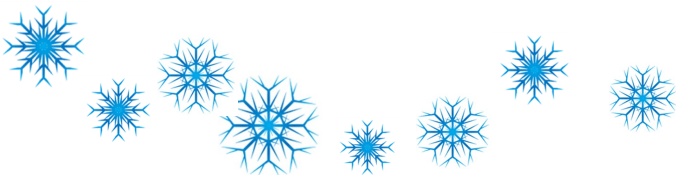
No Mid-week service the week of Dec 21st

Wednesday, Dec 31st

We will have a service (singing) in the auditorium, no classes

IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Update: Vickie Crawford's mother, Esther Dixon, has a brain aneurysm, the doctors are adjusting her medicine, she is at home now.
- Barbara Vaughan's son, Scott, has a mass in the back of his throat, they are doing a biopsy. (I have not been able to contact Barbara for an update, or test results)
- Jerry O'Shields is home from the hospital after his heart attack, they will be treating him with medicine.
- Chris and Leasa Mulkey could use our prayers and encouragement after the postponing of the court date that would hopefully put the placement of Lainey back in their and Misty's care.
- **Service men and women:** Jenna Sullivan; Jacob Littlebear; David Guten (Afghanistan);
- **Our friends and family:** Suzanne Stamps; Sue Gilbert (Leasa's mother); Jeannene Thomas (cancer); Barbara Vaughan; Eric Vaughan (heart); the Mulkey family; Larry Isaacs (chemo); Bryant Calip (chemo); Maggie Ryan (cancer); Daniel Cessor (cancer); James Hultman (cancer); Maile Reedy (kidney transplant); Darcy Ives (cancer) & others.



NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to announce that David and Sandra Tenison have placed membership with us. Welcome to the Lord's church in Glenpool!

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Scott Lack, Dec 11	Ryan Pulliam, Dec 18	Susan Yeager, Dec 25
Jerry Morgan, Dec 12	Ben Williams, Dec 18	Topper Causby, Dec 26
Henry Lack, Dec 12	Selene Williams, Dec 20	Tammy Rothell, Dec 27
Steven Wetzel, Dec 14	Lenora Hamrick, Dec 22	James & Paula Hamilton, Dec 29
Keith Riggs, Dec 15	Eddie & Debbie Whitchurch, Dec 22	Sandy Rucquoy, Dec 29
Randy & Karen Brown, Dec 16	Kaci Martinez, Dec 23	Daniel Caddell, Dec 30



Lucas Williams knows the names of the 4 gospel books. Good work Lucas!

There will be a Youth Christmas party (4th grade and up) at Ben and Selene's home this evening. Please bring an unwrapped gift costing no more than \$10.00. See Selene for questions.



CORPORATE MEEING

On Sunday, Dec 14th there will be a Corporate Meeting at 3:30; officers and trustees for 2015 will be elected. This is an open meeting for all members of the Glenpool church of Christ. All Elders and Deacons are asked to attend.

OUR NEW SIGN

A few of you have inquired about the sign out by the driveway and are wondering why it isn't working. A pipe was laid for the electrical wires, but the wiring was never installed. So we are waiting for that to be installed.

LADIES

If you would like to be added or taken off of the communion schedule, please give Susan Yeager a note on or before Sunday, Dec 14th.

CORRECTED DIRECTORY UPDATES

The directory update for the Robert Hallsted family has an error on it - please either pick up a new and corrected family sheet (in the foyer) or correct the one you already picked up. The correction is their Anniversary date, which is Sept 18th. So sorry for the error!

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Attendance: Last Week

Sunday Bible Classes	136
Sunday AM Worship	169
Sunday PM Worship	77
Wednesday Bible Classes	74

Contribution

Sunday Contribution	\$4,789.73
Budget	\$4,185.00
Over Budget	\$7,395.88
Building Fund	\$4,744.23

Men To Serve

Sunday Morning

Song Leader	Robert Hallsted
Opening Prayer	Jerry Morgan
Scripture Reading	Hayden Bullinger
Closing Prayer	Jesse Byers
Lord's Table	Matt Hamilton
	Jeff Bullinger
	Carl Burrus
	Randy Crawford
	Todd Khoury
	Johnny Riggs

Greeter

Dennis & Kay
Jerry & Nola

Ushers

Bob Simmons
Bob Hecht

Lock Building

Bruce Rothell and Bobby Hill

Announcements

Keith Riggs

Sunday Evening

Song Leader	Robert Hallsted
Opening Prayer	Darrell Burcham
Closing Prayer	Harry Reeve
Lord's Table	Jeff Bullinger
	Carl Burrus

Wednesday Evening

Song Leader	Jerry Buller
Opening Prayer	Bobby Hill
Closing Prayer	Jesse Byers

Communion Preparation

12/7	Selene Williams
12/14	Bayla Burrus
12/21	Lilia Rothell
12/28	Becky Byers
1/4	
1/11	
1/18	
1/25	



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

Search Programs:

Dec 7 - In Spirit and Truth
Dec 14 - Why Am I Here?
Dec 21 - The Gift of Love
Dec 28 - A Doer Who Acts

Sunday Morning Sermon

Waiting: "The Groaning of Creation"
Romans 8:18-21
Benjamin Williams

Sunday Evening Adult Class

Pastoral Epistles
Benjamin Williams