

# Glenpool Church of Christ

## WHAT IS EVANGELISM?

Evangelism is one of those words which gets used only in churches, so I thought I would take a moment on Evangelism Sunday to define this word for us. Our word **evangelism** comes from the Greek term for gospel or “good news.” It describes the act of publishing the good news or in some way proclaiming the gospel. In simplest terms, evangelism is putting our faith in God’s salvation through Jesus into words and actions.

**1. Evangelism Glorifies God.** “Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples” (Psalm 96:3). Above all else, God is worthy of glory and his works should be spoken of in reverence. Evangelism is one way that we tell the world of God’s amazing love for us all. Whether anyone responds to that message or not, God is glorified in the telling of the great gospel of his kingdom. The story of his works is not a message which should be hidden.

**2. Evangelism Continues the Work of Christ.** “He said to them, ‘I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose’” (Luke 4:43). Before Jesus died as our Savior and was raised up as our Lord, he was first a prophet and proclaimer of the message of the kingdom. God rules his universe and is rescuing it from sin by Jesus himself. Jesus brought this message to his world as we must take it to ours.

**3. Evangelism Makes Disciples.** “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you” (Matthew 28:19-20a). The goal of evangelism is not church growth or merely a one time profession of faith. The goal of evangelism is to make a disciple, a word which here means a “learner” or an “apprentice.” The good news of the gospel draws a person into the process of being shaped by God into a new creature.

**3. Evangelism Is THE Work of the Church.** Paul built up churches so that “through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known” (Ephesians 3:8). There is much that a church may do, but there is one work the church must do. In everything we do, the church asks the question, “Does this work magnify God and show his love to all people?” Whether in acts of kindness, worship, or teaching, the church is the instrument of God in this world to show forth his saving gospel.

So on today, our first ever Evangelism Sunday, I ask each of you to consider your part in the glorious work of sharing the gospel. How are you a living testament to the work of God in his kingdom? How are you letting the light of Christ Jesus be seen in all that you do?

*By Benjamin J. Williams*

## Belong. Learn. Serve.

July 16, 2017

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#### MISSIONS

Zac Tenison,

#### YOUNG FAMILIES

Edwin Whittlesey,

#### EDUCATION

### SECRETARY

Yvonne Collett

# Evangelism SUNDAY

## TODAY IS EVANGELISM SUNDAY

### We will have the following agenda:

Morning Class Session – Who and why we should evangelize?

Morning Sermon – The Planted Kingdom - Matthew 13:1-9

Evening Session – How do I evangelize? – Techniques for every Christian to evangelize daily

## VBS IS COMING UP—REGISTER TODAY!



VBS is right around the corner: July 26-28  
Make sure you register your child today. To ensure they receive the right t-shirt size.  
To register, go to [glenpoolchurchofchrist.com](http://glenpoolchurchofchrist.com).

## COOKIES FOR VBS

Please bring cookies for VBS. We did not have any left over from camp this year. Cookies may be dropped off at the tub in the foyer.



## YOUNG FAMILY DINNER

Young Families meet today for their monthly fellowship dinner together after evening services. The theme this month is Christmas in July!

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- If you know of a child that will need school supplies this year please give their name and a list of items they will need to Johnny Riggs by July 19th.
- A list of supplies that will be needed will be posted on the bulletin board (and in bulletin) on July 23rd. These supplies will need to be brought to the church building by Wednesday, August 2nd.



### Sunday, July 16

Young Families Dinner Today

### Wednesday, July 19

Summer Series - speaker, Bill Path

### Wednesday-Friday, July 26-28

Vacation Bible School

### Wednesday, July 26

Summer Series - speaker, Johnny Hinton (29th & Yale)

### Sunday, July 30

Fellowship Meal—Tenison

### Sunday, July 30

Area Wide at Park Plaza (Central Campus)

### Sunday, August 13

Leadership Meeting at 3:00 pm

## IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS

- Tonya Davidson will be having back surgery on Monday.
- Chris Mulkey will be having another back surgery on Tuesday.
- Ken Collins fell and is in Saint Francis, Rm 4317.
- Jared Collett had surgery on his knee to remove a large bone spur.
- Brooklyn Wetzel will be in a hip brace for a few months. Please keep her and her parents, Jennifer and Steven in your prayers.
- Matt Newman, friend of Josh and Brianna Harris has a mass on his brain and will be doing a biopsy to find out more. Matt is a new father—please remember him and his family in your prayers.
- Kelly Balaskovitz, friend of Jared and Yvonne Collett, recently was told she would need to restart chemo again. She has already had a double mastectomy. She has a young family and would appreciate your prayers.
- **Long Term Prayers Needed:** Eric Vaughan (heart), Kathy Henry (breast cancer), Ruth Henry, Ken Collins, Bob Howard, Christopher O’Neal (Rosalie’s grandson), Stephanie White (pain), Dolores Scherman, Alan Trimble (ALS), Rosalie O’Neal, Barbara Vaughn, Shelby Family, Billie English (cancer), Linda Arroyo (brain cancer), Jackson Horvath (deformed heart), Jackson Lilly (lymphoma), Hunter Hargrove (cancer), Cindy Johnson’s mother (poor health)
- **Service Men and Women:** Jenna Sullivan; Jacob Littlebear, Megan Russell, Cory Caldwell; Lee Caldwell



## SIGN UP

Christ Quest youth rally in Arkansas on August 4, 5, 6. Due date to sign up is July 16. See Haden Brill for more details. **Sign-up sheet is in the hallway.**

## AREA WIDE

Sunday, July 30th, Park Plaza (Central Campus) has a Call to Worship—Area Wide Singing event. Several are planning to attend. For more information, contact Haden Brill.



## GUESTS WITH CHILDREN

God put the wiggle in our little children and we **love them** for it, but just in case...

- There is a cry room available if needed. Please exit through one of the double doors in the back and the cry room is on your right. (It has a big picture window where you can still be a part of the service).
- There is also an attended nursery for those little ones that have not yet gone into preschool. If you exit through one of the doors in the back an usher can direct you to that room.



## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Savanna Bain, July 20  
Stephanie White, July 26  
Jane & Larry Potter, July 27  
David & Julia Talley, July 27  
Karen Myrick, July 29

Wes Wadkins, July 30  
Dennis & Kay Robinson, July 31  
Sherri Carr, August 1  
Jack Myrick, August 2  
Tucker Davidson, August 4

Lawrence Neal, August 5  
Carl Burrus, August 6  
Matthew Caldwell, August 6  
Melissa Causby, August 6  
Dana Kent, August 7

### SUNDAY AM WORSHIP

Song Leader	Edwin Whittlesey
Opening Prayer	Randy Brown
Table	1. Wes Wadkins 2. Dennis Robinson 3. Bobby Hill 4. Darrel Kent 5. Randy Crawford 6. Jeff Harris
Scripture Reading	Zac Caldwell
Closing Prayer	Bob Howard

### SUNDAY PM DEVOTIONAL

Song Leader	Edwin Whittlesey
Opening Prayer	Carl Burrus
Table	1. Bobby Hill 2. Dennis Robinson
Closing Prayer	Zac Tenison

### WEDNESDAY DEVOTIONAL

Song Leader	Matt Caldwell
Opening Prayer	Ben Williams
Devotional	
Closing Prayer	Haden Brill

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Contribution	\$5,115
Budget	\$4,755
Over Budget	\$11,959

### LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Sunday Bible Classes	163
Sunday AM Worship	222
Sunday PM Worship	83
Wednesday Bible Classes	81

### COMMUNION PREPARATION

7/16	Susan Yeager
7/23	Jessica Khoury
7/30	B.J. Neal
8/6	Tonya Davidson
8/13	Autumn Caldwell

### NURSERY ATTENDANTS

7/16	Tonya & Toni
7/23	Debbie & Autumn
7/30	Sarah H. & Rebecca H.
8/6	Tammy C. & Dana
8/13	Jennifer W. Renee

### SUNDAY MORNING

Bible Classes / 9:30 am  
 Worship / 10:30 am

### SUNDAY EVENING

Devotional & Classes / 5:00 pm  
**WEDNESDAY**  
 Devotional & Classes / 7:00 pm

### Sunday Morning Sermon

“The Planted Kingdom” (Matthew 13:1-9)  
*Benjamin Williams*

### Sunday Evening Devotional: Psalm 148

**Sunday Evening Classes:**  
 Lessons on Evangelism