

FLAGS

At high noon on April 22, 1889, over 50,000 people lined up looking to gain a 160-acre plot of land out of the two million acres available in Oklahoma. As the race took off, people would race off on horseback, in wagons, and on foot to claim a piece of land. As they made their way across the plains, they would take a designated numbered flag and place it in the ground of where they wanted to establish their homestead. There were even a number of the people who participated in the run who entered the unoccupied land early and hid there until the legal time of entry to lay quick claim to some of the best choice homesteads. These people came to be identified as "Sooners", while the "Boomers" ran across the land and would plant their flags in what they claimed as theirs. Regardless of how it was done, that flag meant something. It meant that land belonged to someone. It let everyone know that property was claimed.

If you think about it, people have been doing that throughout history. When an explorer discovered a new land, they would place their flag, or the flag of their nation on that land. The flag would tell anyone who saw it that the land had been claimed by someone. Even the moon has had a flag planted on its ground. Other times, the flags represent who had won the land as well. In battle, the victor's flag would be what is raised to signify the victory and to lay claim to who is in charge. Flags also hold a lot of weight even on land that is not its own because of the people who claim and support them. If an Olympic athlete acts very unprofessional, crude, and rude, his actions do not only stain himself but the flag that he represents. The flag that someone has on their sleeve in a foreign land can tell a community if that person is there to help or hurt them even.

The actions we choose to make in life are much like that flag. When someone sees how you act and react to situations, it should be like a flag that everyone sees that tells them you belong to Jesus. Jesus said in **Matthew 5:14-16** "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

When you follow Jesus, you represent who he is. Your actions show other people what Jesus is like. The way you speak to others and treat others can also teach the world about the love of God. Therefore, it is important to represent Him well. As a follower of Jesus, you have the opportunity to glorify him with the way you behave in your daily life. Remember whose flag you are flying under and think of what your actions say about who God is.
Andrew Spivey

YOUTH & FAMILY


As we begin to step into fall and winter, it always seems that this time of the year is extremely busy, and that is also the case at Nashville Road. Aside from our normal events such as **TNT** and **Ladies Bible Class** every other Tuesday at 6:30, we also have many other events for our youth and families. We have our **Youth and Family Retreat** coming up on Friday, October 11 to Sunday, October 13. Our Theme will be "Changing the Lens", and we will have lessons focused on how to read and grow in our Bible studies by focusing on Biblical Narratives. We will also be touring the Creation Museum and Ark Museum while we are there.

We also have our **Fall Fest** on Saturday, October 26, starting at 10 A.M., where we will have food, games, events, and trunk or treating. Make sure to bring out your families and invite friends. On Sunday, November 10, after worship service we will have a **Veterans Appreciation Event** with a Potluck meal. Then on Tuesday, November 26, at 6 P.M. we will have our **youth caring and sharing**.

Let us also not forget about our **Lads to Leaders** meetings on Sundays at 3:30 along with our singing class starting at 4:15 on Sundays followed by our Truth Seekers before evening worship! I would like to thank our elders and deacons, along with all our families and members who help make these moments of spiritual growth and fellowship possible and to help influence our youth and families to build stronger relationships with God. I would also like to take a moment to encourage all our parents, grandparents, guardians, and mentors to consider getting your youth involved here at Nashville Road. We have many great events and classes throughout the year to keep them spiritually fed and to help build lifelong Christian relationships.

**Do they not go astray who devise evil?
Those who devise good meet steadfast love
and faithfulness. Proverbs 14:22**

COORDINATED BIBLE CLASS STUDIES
Sunday Read – Genesis 44
Wednesday Read – Genesis 45

Questions for last week's reading of; 
Genesis 42-43

Questions:

- 1. Who did Joseph put in prison until his other brothers brought Benjamin to Egypt?
- 2. Why do you think the brothers did not recognize Joseph?
- 3. What was in the brothers' sacks when they got home?
- 4. How were Joseph's brothers seated when they went to his hours to eat?
- 5. Which two brothers said they would be responsible to get Benjamin back home?

UPCOMING EVENTS

** 4:15 Singing class every Sunday**
Sept 29th Day of Prayer & Giving
5th Sunday Singing/PM services

- Oct 1st Ladies Bible Class @ 6:30 pm
 - Oct 2nd Fall Series begins with Mike Tidwell
 - Oct 9th Fall Series with Mike Tidwell
 - Oct 11-13 Family Retreat in KY
 - Oct 15th – TNT @ 6:0pm.
 - Oct 15th – Ladies Bible Class @ 6:30pm
 - Oct 17th – Senior Group meets @ 5:00pm.
- TNT will be held in the fellowship room. Ladies Bible Study will be in the high school classroom.

FALL SERIES 2024

This year's Fall Series with **Mike Tidwell** as our guest speaker, will be 4 Wednesday evenings @ 7:00 pm. beginning on October 2nd through October 23rd and 1 Sunday morning October 27th. Series theme is;

"You Never Mentioned Him to Me."

****On Wednesday evenings, Nursery -6th grade will have class. High School will be in the auditorium.**

ORDER OF SERVICES
SUNDAY
September 29, 2024
9:00 AM

BIBLE STUDY
(Classes for Nursery – High School upstairs)

Song Leader..... Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Fate Evans
Auditorium Lesson.....Andrew Spivey

10:00 AM SERVICE

Welcome..... Charlie Seals
Scripture Reading.....Josh Johnson
Song Leader.....Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Bob Brown
Lord's Supper.....Ken Veale
Servers.....C. Newby, C. Suddarth, M. Lyle
J. Cherry, D. Johnson, J. Sever

Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Kevin Siler

Fifth Sunday Singing

5:00 PM SERVICE

Welcome..... Charlie Seals
Song Leader..... Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Bob Sever
Sermon.....Andrew Spivey
Lord's Supper.....Jonathan Senn
Closing Prayer.....David Thompson

WEDNESDAY
October 2, 2024
7:00 PM

Welcome.....Charlie Seals
Song Leader..... Matt Ellis
Opening Prayer.....Tony Butler
Lesson..... Andrew Spivey
Closing Prayer.....Tim Strickland

Ushers for September... T. Cummins, A. Williamson
Communion Care for September.....B/T Brown

Door Greeters – West Door.....T/J Cummins
East Door.....L/J Clark
Visitor's Desk Volunteer.....Sherry Perry

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE, PLEASE CALL
Alex Sherrill.....615-289-9935
Church Office.....615-452-3431

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Bible Study 9:00 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m. - Wednesday Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

SICK LIST

Anita Cato is home now and doing better. Janice Johnson is home now and will continue with therapy. Ethan Huffard son-in-law of Carl & Pam Newby is home and has begun chemo treatments. Virginia Long, sister of Gary Stallcup, has improved. Paul Gruber neighbor of Bob & Sherry Sever has been diagnosed with bladder cancer. He is now undergoing a new drug therapy through the end of August. Larry Bailey, son of Tina Bailey a former member, has cancer and has had surgery for the tumors. He will begin chemo soon.



PRAYER LIST

Maddie Andrews; James & Mary Spivey; Charlie Cliburn; Ottis Cothron; Sara Hosman; Anita Cato; Shauna Lockett; Tony Perry; Jean Knowles; Zach Tooley; Mary Ann Reinhart; Faye Hart; Shelby Ross; Sandi Jones; Lena Baggett; Maxine Cothron; Pat Watson; Frances Catron; Charles & Jackie Williams; Pat Crump; Ethan Huffard son-in-law of Carl & Pam Newby; Heather Lemley daughter of Michael & Cathy Lemley; Jean McCurdy mother of Olivia Nelsen; Elaine Reynolds, friend of Christie Coleman; Alan Greene, nephew of Carl & Pam Newby; Bethany Shoulders, granddaughter of Evelyn Harris; Samantha Hager, friend of June Thompson; Bryan Grissom cousin to Joyce Clark & Robbie Glover; Vycki Puckett, daughter of Jack & Anita Cato; Ty Tyler son of Ann Tyler; Wade Kennedy father of Diana Stephenson; Ida Lou Sherrill, mother of Alex Sherrill; Taylor Lackford, niece of Brenda Veale; Dustin Lackford, nephew of Brenda Veale; Larry Conley, friend of Wanda Proctor; Harold Cole, friend of Lena Baggett; Bobbie Carter, sister of Janice Johnson; Walter Wooten, brother of Wanda Sherrill; Aza Topik, grandson of Charlie & Wanda Seals.

SHUT-INS

Jean Deaton; James Spivey.
 Melba Hill; NHC 140 Throne Blvd. Gallatin, rm 2010
 Jane Hughes, 126 Seabury Dr., Greenville, SC 29615.

We depend on families and friends to help us update this list. Please notify us of any changes.

OUR RECORD THIS WEEK

Bible Study.....	101
Morning Worship.....	150
Sunday Evening.....	69
Wednesday Evening.....	78
Contribution.....	\$6,201.00
Youth Group Account.....	\$3,780.00

Elders

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David Johnson.....	615-300-9084
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David Thompson.....	615-598-6621

Deacons

Carl Newby	Jonathan Senn	Brent Smith
Eric Stephenson	Adam Williamson	

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