

NEWS & NOTES

New Members

Please welcome back to Park Avenue, **Neal & Spring Odom**, and their daughter, **Trinity**. Neal is the son of Neal & Judy Odom. Their current address is 7 Frank Circle, Denison, TX 75020

Thank You

We are both home from the hospital. We love our Park Avenue family. Your prayers, cards, and other kind thoughtfulness are gratefully appreciated. We are both feeling well & are on the mend.

Ernie & Kathy Sturch

Youth Ministry

- **Sunday, July 10:** Summer Connect from 5:30-7:30.
- **Wednesday July 13:** We will have youth group from 6:30-7:30 for those not involved in CTW night practices.
- **Thursday July 14:** Summer Thursdays Hangout from 12-3! More details to come!

The Chosen

Join us during the summer on Wednesday nights for Season 2 episodes of "The Chosen." We will meet in the Atrium at **6:30 PM**. All ages are welcome, and desserts will be served.

Handcrafted Items From Togo

In the Atrium there are more handcrafted items **made by Christian women in Togo**. Dela Afakule brought them to sell and the proceeds will go back into her ministry to women. Prices are marked on the item.

Prayer List—Mike & Barbara Hardy, Fred Cruce, Roy Galyon, Debbie Black, Kim Pendergrass, Peggy Clark, Kathy & Ernie Sturch, Sylvia Batts, Enola Newland

Ongoing Needs—Chris Reinsch, Shawn Landrum, Larry Long, Corky & Linda Armstrong, Sandra Aynes, Bobby & Peggy Slaughter, Kaile Williams (Norris), Neal Odom, Karen Brode, Bob Gower, Jim Scroggins, Ernest Sturch, Patrick Mullins, Ken Bell, Kathy Sturch

Homebound—Ray & Marsha Jones, JD Huffman, Dewey & Joyce Martin

Expectant Mothers—Ashley Briscoe, Brittni Calvert

Missions—Hammer & Dela Afakule (Togo), Mario "Pepe" Torre (Monterrey, Mexico), Jimenez family (Cartagena, Colombia), Cristian & Ana Corrales (Bucaramanga, Colombia)

Friends of Park Avenue—Craig Dennis (former member), Rebekah Taylor (great niece of the Russell's), Becky Sanchez (wife of Gil Sanchez, Director of orphanage in Mexico), Melba Ballou (former member), Greg Oliver (father of Karee Earnhart), Bill & Wanda Young (friends of Corky & Linda Armstrong)

Please notify the church office at office@parkavenuechurch.com for updates to the prayer list.

Christian Theatre Workshop

Registration is still open for CTW. **Day camp is July 18-22** from 9AM-3PM. The cost is \$50. Register at pacoc.net/ctw. Night practices for high school students begin this week. Performances will be on **Saturday, July 23 at 12 noon and 7 PM** and **Sunday, July 24 at 4 PM**.

Christian Theatre Workshop—Volunteers Needed

Any adults wanting to volunteer during the week of CTW, please contact **Janaga Trotter** 903-624-4466 or **Kathy Pryor** 903-821-4606. Volunteer areas are—**Crafts, Games, Kitchen, Sewing, Nightly Dinners for HS students, and Backstage Help During Performances**. Come and be a blessing and be blessed all at the same time!

Children Learn to be Cheerful Givers!

There will be an opportunity for children to give an offering each Sunday as they exit for Bible class. A receptacle will be standing by the **East Atrium Doors**.

Children's Clothing Drive

Park Avenue is gathering donations of children's clothing for families in need at **Turning Point** in Durant. This is a wonderful opportunity to clear out your closets in time for the new school year. Drop boxes will be located in the Atrium and ARK. Please spread the word and bring clean items in good condition by Friday, July 29th.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING DRIVE

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For The Record—July 3, 2022

Worship	441
Offering Goal	\$19,461
Received	\$24,398

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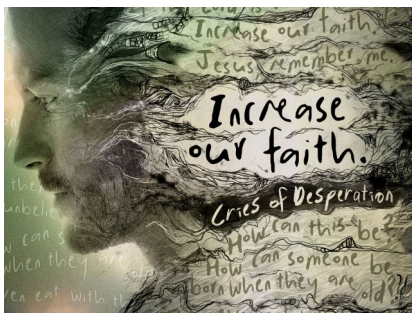
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Todd's Take

Good morning and welcome to our worship. To all our guests, we are glad to have you with us. Members and guests, please complete a digital communication card that can be accessed on the church app or by scanning the QR code below.



Today I will continue the series "Cries of Desperation" looking at an episode in the ministry of Jesus recorded in Luke 17:1-10. This is a cry from the apostles in reaction to some brief

teaching of Jesus on responsibility and forgiveness. At first glance, their cry of desperation, "Increase our faith," seems out of place. Jesus' teaching doesn't seem to have anything to do with faith, so the reaction seems odd. However, as we will see this morning Jesus' instructions are calling his followers to act and conduct themselves in ways that are very counter intuitive. Jesus does that a lot, and this cry actually

recognizes the need for a deeper faith to truly trust that the way of Jesus is the way to life even when it doesn't seem to be. Without faith it is impossible to please God, and faith means trusting and obeying even in the face of what seems to us as self-defeating and illogical behavior.

Christian Theater Workshop is nearly upon us. In fact, this week our principle characters will begin their rehearsals, and next Monday will begin the day camp. We currently have 121 children registered for CTW and are looking forward to a great week. Thanks to all our volunteers who put in countless hours to make this happen. Mark your calendars for performances of Promised Land on Saturday, July 23 at noon and 4 pm and Sunday, July 24 at 4 pm. Come out and support our kids as they share with us the story of Moses and the great deliverance of God.

REGISTRATION OPEN!

CTW 2022

DATE: JULY 18-24 COST: \$50

Performance Times:
Saturday, July 23—12 Noon & 7 PM
Sunday, July 24—4 PM

Sunday Schedule
Adult Bible Class
 9AM Atrium
Worship
 10:00 AM
Children Dismissed to Bible Classes at
 10:45-11:30AM
 0 - 3 Year Olds—Nursery Area
 Pre K-6th Grade—Family Life Center
Youth Group Activities
 5:30-7:30PM
Discipleship Making Communities (DMC's)
 Meet at various times and locations. Contact Lantz Howard for more information.

Scan the QR code below for links to the communication card, news, and giving.



SHEPHERDS

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