



Tuckston United Methodist Church

A Place to call Home

June 8, 2010

ARE YOU A WADI?

A Wadi is an intermittent stream or water source that may be dangerously overflowing or dry depending on the climate at the moment. The idea here is that travelers in a caravan would approach the place where water had been found before, but would find the fountain dried up or the stream lost in the sand; and when they looked for refreshment, they found only disappointment.

We are warned not to be a Wadi in living out our faith, but to be an ever flowing stream of justice and righteousness. If someone only sees you living your faith in the climate of the moment, they may be spiritually discouraged like those looking for physical refreshment who only found disappointment.

Be an ever flowing stream in your faith, righteousness, and judgment. You will be used by God as an encourager, model and hero in the faith.

Your choice: a Wadi or ever flowing Stream.

PRAYERS FOR BRAZIL TEAM

Pam Allen, Brett Allen, Travis Ebbert, Hilda Fletcher, David Fletcher, Deidre Kell, Lauren Kell, Donnie Kell, Michelle Kunce, Dennis Revell, Janet Rowland, Jency Showker, Mark Young, Richard Zepp

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

This is the big day. Please pray for the travel of the team, first by bus, then a flight to Miami and another flight to Belo, Brazil. We need all out luggage!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

Turn our hearts and minds to the things that the Lord has planned for us in this place. Let us be rested as we get to know our work place and new friends.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

Today we will really get down to work. Pray we will all be safe in every job. Let the Brazilian workers see Jesus in us.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11 - JUNE 17

Pray we stay well so we can work hard on the church we are building. We need strength and patience every day. Pray for our interaction with the children, as we lead Vacation Bible School; help us to show the joy of the Lord.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

Pray that as we say goodbye and pack up, we will continue to encourage the church. Pray they will grow spiritually. Give us safe travels on our flights.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

Pray for our overnight flight protection. Pray our entry through customs will be without problems. Our biggest prayer is that the joy and enthusiasm that we felt in Brazil will not diminish.

YOUTH STUPH

Summer means many things: School's Out, Flip Flops are the norm, Re-establishing your Xbox or PS3 dominance, etc.. But, as a church we want to highlight that Summer means Missions is in full swing. We have many opportunities to serve and plans for a Missional Renaissance! Whether you are participating in our Youth Mission trips or just read this section to see what we're doing; please be in prayer for our students as they reach out to our world as the hands & feet of Christ!

Hinton Rural Life Mission Trip

June 6th -11th

Alana Blankenship	Jackson Blankenship
Tanner Bowman	Leanne Daniels
Ben Giles	Griffin Giles
Thomas May	Katie Pilson
Jordan Pringle	Nathaniel Wooten
Kyle Yeargin	
Stephen Sauls - Chaperone	
Maria Bowman - Chaperone	
Nicole McGivern - Chaperone	

Mississippi Choctaw American Indian Mission

July 17th - 24th

Rachel Bowman	Brooke Brewer
Kimberly Case	Rebecca Case
Leanne Daniels	Griffin Giles
Alex Licht	Brandi Long
Brittany Long	Daniel May
Nguyen Nguyen	Rebecca Schofield
Mallory Spratlin	Lexie Wood
Stephen Sauls - Chaperone	
Shelley Black - Chaperone	
Nicole McGivern - Chaperone	

Covenant with me to pray for these students and chaperones. These trips are NOT going to exotic places with cool Passport stamps. We are leaving the world of Air-Conditioning and heading out into rural America. These students aren't putting travel notches in their belts... they're following Christ into the world in hopes of simply being servants. What an awesome testament to the faith of Tuckston and God's Kingdom!!

Michele's Kids Corner

Please continue to be in prayer for this year's VBS, *Galactic Blast*. Pray that through it all, God will be glorified, and that our children will grow into a closer relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Continue to be in prayer for our directors: Kimberly Howard, Kim Costello, and Anna Crook, and for all of our volunteers. Our children are Praising God as they are learning that Our God is wonderful; our God is incredible; our God is amazing; our God is magnificent; and our God is awesome! Join us in Praising God!

Save the Date:

Desserts with Dad (or someone special)

Join us on **Wed. June 23 from 6:30-7:30 PM** in the fellowship hall. Our children are invited to come with their dads or someone else who is special in their lives for a special evening together. Please RSVP by calling the church office 706-353-1311 or emailing me at michele45@bellsouth.net.

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION

Our love and appreciation for every visit, prayer, card, phone call and the food that was sent to us during Bill's illness and loss of his brother, David. Your loving care has certainly made this journey easier as we always felt covered by your prayers and knew God's presence. To TLC, your meal was such a help. It was delivered on the day that Bill lost his brother, just at a time when we needed nourishment and rest. Thank you, Dr. Sheila and Wiley, for your constant support and loving care. You all have blessed us so much. Sincerely, Carrie and Bill Wall

Thank you so much for bringing food over. In the evenings the new baby gets fussy and we have so much to do to get Kylee (2) to bed that dinner gets pushed aside. We really appreciated it. Love, the Cass Family.

Thank you to those who provided all the wonderful help for the graduation luncheon: Pam Allen, Linda Basinger, Shelley Black, Jeff Boswell, Joe and Maria Bowman, Angela Brewer, Bret and Tracy Fowler, Mary Licht, Michele May, and our Wonderful Youth.

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to Eli Ingram in the death of his sister-in-law, Joan Ingram.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Bill Arrington's family in his death on June 6. Funeral arrangements will be made available as soon as we receive them in the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Three new Stephen Ministers and two new Stephen Leaders



were commissioned on Sunday, June 6th. The new Stephen Ministers are Phyllis Carney, Bill Howard, and Jon Liston. The new Stephen Leaders are Anne Morrison and Ron Seerley. Phyllis, Bill, and Jon have completed 50 hours of specialized training in Christian caregiving and join a team of 13 Tuckston Stephen Ministers.

Anne and Ron have completed the initial 50 hours of training as Stephen Ministers as well as additional leadership training at a week-long national conference.

Stephen Ministers provide confidential one-on-one Christian care to people experiencing a crisis or going through a difficult time. They meet weekly with their care receivers to listen, encourage, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual support. Caring relationships last for as long as the person's need persists.

Please pray for our new Stephen Ministers and Leaders asking that God bless their ministry and work through them to bring hope and healing to those they serve. Pray also for the continued ministry of Tuckston's other Stephen Ministers (Hilda Fletcher, Michael Laporte, Kent Lawrence, Joyce Moseley, Brenda Smith, Jim Williams, Jim Wren) and Stephen Leaders (Ann Allen, David Fletcher, Karlene Lawrence, Judy Williams)

Father, God, help us to not see ourselves more important than we are. Help us to become less and less so that Jesus can become more and more important in our lives. Help us to grow in our relationship with You. Fill us with the power of Your Holy Spirit so that in everything we do we will shine with the love of Jesus. Thank you for Your love, grace, and mercy in our lives. In Jesus' name. Amen.

YOUTH - DON'T FORGET!!

June 14 - Six Flags Trip!

June 20 - Father's Day - Love on Your Papa!

June 29 - July 1 - Crossfire!!!!

DISCIPLE



Our 2009-10 class celebrated the successful completion of the Disciple 1 Bible Study on May 12, 2010 with a fellowship picnic dinner, Covenant service and Holy Communion with Senior Pastor Sheila and Pastor Wiley. Eleven students received Certificates for successfully completing the year-long study. Our next study begins in August when the Wed. night suppers resume.

To learn more about 'becoming Disciples through Bible study, contact Bob Dean at (706) 850-0114.

TUCKSTON FINANCES - APRIL 2010

Budget		Y-T-D
Received	\$ 74,338	\$ 280,291
Spent	\$(76,316)	\$(287,369)
Receipts over(under) Spending	\$(1,978)	\$ (7,078)
Building Fund		
Paid on Loan	\$19,918	\$ 55,786
Loan Balance, End of April		\$1,259,843

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The deadline for article submission in the bulletin is noon on Tuesday. The deadline for the newsletter is the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

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