



Northside Church of Christ

2500 Parrish Street, Waco, TX 76705

Building a community of Faith, Hope and Love; Where people meet Jesus and learn to walk with Him.

Schedule of Services: Bible Class 9:30am; AM Worship 10:30; PM Worship 6:00; PM Wednesday 6:00

Date: Sunday, February 18, 2018

Hide and Seek

The Bible says, “and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden” (Genesis 3:8). Do you remember playing hide and seek? We used to play “Sardines” where one person hides and the group searches for the one. Instead of chasing the hider to base, you hide with that person. This game sets apart really good finders; they notice the details, the tendencies, and they walk very quietly.

Do you think God would be a good finder? He’s the best of all time for one reason... He never lost you in the first place! Do you think you can hide from God? The presence of the Lord is powerful and often overwhelming in scripture. It is seen in prophets or spokespeople. It is evident in angelic messengers. The Israelites followed God’s presence in the wilderness, a cloud by day and fire by night. His presence resided within the Tabernacle above the Ark of the Covenant and eventually in the Temple.

However, God’s presence reaches much farther than that. He’s not limited by time and space, an omnipresent being: all places at all times. This is not good for people running from Him, like Jonah (Jonah 1:3,10). On the other hand, for those who actually seek His presence, it can be a great blessing (Matthew 6:33). If we seek Him we might find he’s not really all that far away (Acts 17:27-28).

The scary part of hell is not the fire and heat; it’s being away from God’s presence for eternity (2 Thessalonians 1:9). The sad thing: He seeks us diligently while we hide from Him. The happy thing: when we choose to seek Him instead, He’s there in plain sight.

Thoughts from Chris Wheat

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That the Works of God Might Be Displayed

Introduction (John 9:1-5)

- The most interesting character in Forrest Gump is the _____...
- The question: Is life simply one large _____, a giant game of chance?
- Jesus addressed the “Why?” question when he encountered a man born _____...

The _____ (9:1-2)

- This man’s whole life was characterized by this _____...
- Was his blindness a _____ of the man’s sins, or the sins of his parents?
- What was the cultural _____ for centuries? Remember Job’s “friends”? (Job 4:7-11)
- Do sin and suffering always have a cause-and-effect _____? (Luke 13:1-5)
- This view may seem strange to us at first but maybe we’re not so different...
- “What have I done to deserve this?” “That isn’t fair!” The Just World _____...
- God essentially tells Job the answer is beyond his _____ (Job 40 & 41).
- Job accepts that _____, altering his mental state and choices (Job 42:5-6).
- Habakkuk decides to fully _____ God without a full answer (Habakkuk 3:17-19).

The _____ (9:3)

- Jesus was asked about the _____ of human suffering.
- Jesus chose to tell them about the _____ of human suffering!
- Jesus answer _____ with our tendency to set priorities in our lives.
- In the _____ we have the right to “life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”
- What does Paul teach us about handling the thorn in the flesh? (2 Corinthians 12:7-9)
 - First, ask God to _____ you from pain. It’s right and natural and human!
 - Second, tell God that no matter what you want Him to be _____ in your life...

Journal for the Journey

- Does life have meaning, or is it all just a meaningless game of _____?
- Whatever happens in life holds with it the _____ of being used for God’s glory.
- The journey ahead is _____ but travelled hand in hand with Jesus.
- Surely it is a life in which the works of God can be displayed powerfully in our lives...

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Kaison, Phil & Lillian Bancale's great grandson, is going to Austin Friday, February 23rd for more tests.

Eugenia Olson was in the hospital last weekend. She is home now.

Anita Carter is staying with her daughter for a while.

Mark Hardwick, Kenny Willis' cousin has bladder cancer.

Bea Stewart had open heart surgery last week.

Jesse Serrano, friend of the Wheats, is in the hospital in Austin, could lose his fingers.

Cherie Winget, is having gall bladder issues.

Scott Brucksch will have a kidney transplant in May.

Remember all affected by the shooting in Parkland, Florida.

Billy Eubank went back to assisted living in Whitney.

If anyone could stop by and visit **Shela Havard** for a short time it would be appreciated.

PRAY FOR

➤ Sherry Wollard, Danny Paschal, Evar Johnson, Larry Havard, Sr. Joyce Ross, Cotton & Charlotte Lindloff; Arthur Mae Maloy; Shela Havard, Lottie Washington. David Banda, Dick & Barbra Decker, Ed Fields, David Anderson, Karen Freyer, Bea Stewart, Sherlynn Erwin, Karen McKenzie, Glenda Tynes, Wendell Davis, Ronnie McDaniel, Nita Winget, Kim Bond, Leo Kirkland, James Lewis, Ronnie Branstetter, Emma Greenawalt, Eve Rasberry, Gene & Bobbie Southerland, Betty Mars, Horace Litton, Jane & Sam Munn, Allison Whited, Jackson Pratka, Charlotte Griffin, Lorene Allen, Tyran Williams, Donna Blahuta, Karen Weaver, Joe Cook, Joyce Cunningham (cancer), Dixie Frost, Kim Bledsoe (cancer) Tommy Cross (cancer), Sherril Polansky (cancer), Cora & Sonny Gore, Mark Hardwick.

OUR SHUT-INS

The Atrium of Bellmead Betty Johnson, Ruby & Billy Evans & Anita Carter **Lake Shore Estates** Eugenia Olson

OTHER NEWS

We will have homemade BBQ on the bun for the **Wednesday Night meal** starting at 5:30pm.

There is a signup sheet for chips and dessert.

Saturday, February 24th we will have a ladies meeting from 9 – 11 in the FAC. Please come.

If you try to visit Larry Havard Sr please call first and then knock real loud on the door and give him a few minutes to open the door.

Registration for Camp starts in mid April.

THEME FOR CAMP

July 14-21 Find your way with Jesus

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 3rd FAC reserved for Cheyenne's birthday.

March 3rd Ladies Day and lunch at New Road Church of Christ. Flyer on board in foyer.

March 11th Change time (spring forward)

March 16th-18th retreat: Sent by Jesus.

March 25th Pot Luck after morning worship. No evening services.

March 25th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

April 1st Easter, bring filled Easter Eggs to hunt.

April 5th – 7th FAC reserved for garage sale.

April 21st FAC reserved for Eastern Star. (Donald Holland)

April 27th-29th Rett's **Girls** Retreat.

April 29th Pot luck after morning worship. No evening services.

April 29th Singing at The Atrium of Bellmead at 1pm.

May 19th area wide singing here at 5pm. Snacks after.

May 27th Pot Luck after morning worship. No evening services.

August 4th FAC reserved to Kenny Willis for reunion.

Children ages 2-7 are invited to the front of the auditorium during the singing of Jesus Loves Me for children's time.



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10:30 Assembly

Welcome

Song Order:

Prayer: Phil Bancale

Song Order:

Communion:

Camp Neff	Nelson Moore
Truman Burrow	Mike Olson

Song Order:

1014 - "Jesus Loves Me"

Children go to the front of the auditorium.

Song Order:

Sermon by Chris Wheat

"That the Works of God Might Displayed"

Invitation Song

(Opportunity for responses to the message)

Closing Prayer: Grover Summers

**If you are visiting with us we extend you a warm
welcome!**

	<u>Week of Feb 11</u>	<u>Monthly Average</u>
Bible Class	<u>55</u>	<u>56</u>
AM Worship	<u>78</u>	<u>95</u>
PM Worship	<u>0</u>	<u>38</u>
Wednesday PM	<u>61</u>	<u>46</u>
Contribution	<u>\$2,074</u>	<u>\$2946.50</u>

Northside Leadership

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Words of Wisdom



Some people speak from experience; others, from
experience, don't speak.