

SOUTHWEST CHURCH OF CHRIST

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MAY BIRTHDAYS:

Carter Campbell (16), Lori Barr (18)

Hailey Scherffius (22)



THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER

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VACUUMING SCHEDULE

May 20: Bonni Peeks & Taylor Speir

May 27: Keith & Phyllis Siebert

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

May 27: Ralph & Brian Felps

WORSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITES

SUNDAY: Bible Classes 9:30 AM, Worship 10:30 AM & 6:00 PM

TUESDAY: 10:00 AM (Sept.-May), Men's & Ladies' Bible Classes

WEDNESDAY: Bible Classes, 7:00 PM

RECORD FOR 5.9.2021

BIBLE CLASS: 123
AM ASSEMBLY: 150
PM ASSEMBLY: 105
WEDNESDAY: 135
CONTRIBUTION: \$9,030

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ELDERS:

Brett Gerhardt

Bill Siebert

Mark Speir

PREACHER:

Cody Westbrook



Steven Lloyd, Director
Clay Bond, Assoc. Director



THE PROBLEM WITH COMPLAINING

Cody Westbrook

If we are honest, we would all admit that we struggle with complaining from time to time. The bible identifies complaining as a worldly exercise and commands Christians to avoid it. Paul wrote, "Do all things without complaining and disputing, that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world" (Phil. 2:14-15). The children of Israel stand as a perfect example as to why complaining is problematic. Exodus 16 records one of many occasions upon which they complained. Notice some reasons from that context that complaining is wrong.

- Complaining is rebellion. Exodus 16:2 says, "Then the whole congregation of the children of Israel complained..." The word "complained" is more than slight discontentment. It implies outright rebellion. It is obstinance and faithlessness (cf. Ps. 78:17,22).

- Complaining makes one irrational. The children of Israel said to Moses, "Oh, that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and when we ate bread to the full! For you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger" (Ex. 16:3). They remembered

the food in Egypt but forgot about the whips and the work.

- Complaining is an affront to God. Though the people directed their complaints toward Moses and Aaron, really their complaint was against Jehovah (Ex. 16:7).

- Complaining is a lack of faith and appreciation. Exodus 13-18 covers a period of approximately 2 months. In that time the children of Israel had seen redemption and had even sang about it (cf. Ex. 15). They knew what God had promised (Ex. 6:6-8) and what He had done for them, yet they still complained.

- Complaining is often about what we want instead of what we need. Exodus 17:3 identifies an important point—the people had livestock. So, when the people complained of hunger in Exodus 16, it was not that they literally had no food to eat. The problem was that they did not have the food they wanted to eat. Psalm 78:18 says, "And they tested God in their heart by asking for the food of their fancy."

We would do well to learn from the example of the Israelites not to complain but instead to be grateful and content in whatever situation we may find ourselves (Phil. 4:11).

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May 16, 2021

“Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”

- John 14:27

WORSHIP

MORNING

EVENING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jack Tisdale

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PRAYER

Bill Siebert

SONG DIRECTOR

Austin Cauley

Charlie Cauley

PRAYER

Mark Speir

Anthony Scherffius

SCRIPTURE

Dan Cook

SERMON

THE MOST HIGH RULES
DANIEL 4:17

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Cody Westbrook

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LORD'S SUPPER

Ed Grumbles
Anthony Scherffius
Tom Genduso
Phil Savage
Winston Kinser

Ed Grumbles
Greg Campbell

Greg Campbell
Josh Pesina
Daniel Hall
Sam Hatchitt
Charlie Cauley

CLOSING PRAYER

Tom Genduso

Alan Putnam

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & SHUT-INS

Ola Brown, Edith Farris, Rosemary Garrett,
Jeannette Hansen, Rosemary James, Charlene Johnson,
Caroline & Jon Little, Nell McCown, Ginny Oswald,
Angela Young

A complete prayer list is available on the credenza, our website, and on the Lightpost app.
Please contact the church office to make requests

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY:

9:30 AM
10:30 AM

Bible Class
Morning Worship

12:00 PM
6:00 PM

3rd Sunday Youth & Family Day
Evening Worship

MONDAY:

6:30 AM

CWS Chapel & Bible Class (Ladies)

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 PM

Bible Class & Devotional
Songs: **Jesse Moser**
Devotional: **Justin Parks**
Prayer: **Alan Putnam**

SATURDAY:

Institute of Creation Research Trip (Dallas)

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

- 3rd Sunday Youth & Family Day (16th)
- Institute of Creation Research Trip (22nd) Dallas
- Connect Dinner & Devo (25th) (Callie & Tara's)
- Questions & Answers (30th)

JUNE

- 2021 Graduation Celebration (H.S./College/Grad School)(6th)
- Camp Hensel (13th-18th)
- Servant's Academy (Week of June 27th)