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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:

Marissa Norman (11), Lee Stewart (14)

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THIS MONTH'S ADMINISTRATING ELDER

Keith Siebert-keith@5sserviceco.com

VACUUMING SCHEDULE

Aug 13: Charley Elliot & Tyberius Tooley
Aug 20: Russell & Dee Haffner

WEED-EATING SCHEDULE

Aug 20: Adolphus Wells & Josh Pesina

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 8.2.2026

BIBLE CLASS: 234
AM ASSEMBLY: 280
PM ASSEMBLY: 215
WEDNESDAY: 191
CONTRIBUTION: \$13,158

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ELDERS:

Brett Gerhardt
David Hopkins
Keith Siebert
Mark Speir

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Ross Haffner

ASSOCIATE PREACHER:

Bryce Mayfield



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Steven Lloyd, Assoc. Director



DON'T TOUCH THAT!

Ross Haffner

Have you ever heard the saying, “Two wrongs don’t make a right”? Though the principle is very simple, many still try to justify bad behavior with more bad behavior. An example appears in the Old Testament account of David’s reign as king of Israel. 1 Chronicles 13:7-10 reveals the sad account of Uzzah’s untimely death.

The first mistake is described in 1 Chronicles 13:7. The Ark of the Covenant had been taken from Israel, and it was finally going to be brought back to the Temple where it belonged. The Scriptures tell us they decided to use a new cart to carry the ark, despite the fact that only the Kohathites of the tribe of Levi were to carry it with staves (Deut. 10:8; 1 Chron. 15:15). While a new cart was likely chosen out of respect for the mercy seat of the Lord, or perhaps for convenience, their actions were still unauthorized.

In the next verse we find David and all of Israel worshipping God “with all their might.” They had assumed that God would accept this worship and bless the efforts of bringing the Ark of the Covenant home. Many today worship God in whatever way they choose and assume it to be acceptable. A prevalent doctrine teaches that since God “knows our hearts,” He will be pleased with any form of worship (right or wrong). In the minds of these false worshippers sincerity

alone is enough. Unfortunately for them, God has revealed that He is not pleased with these efforts in the following verses.

The next mistake was Uzzah’s. When the oxen stumbled and caused the Ark to begin to fall, Uzzah used his hand to hold it up. 1 Chronicles 13:10 explains that God was angry with Uzzah and took his life. Because Uzzah was sincere and his motives were pure, many have wondered why God would kill him. We should remember God had plainly commanded how this should be done, and that command was ignored. Uzzah’s and David’s actions could not be tolerated.

Certainly, we must be sincere in our actions and worship to God, but sincerity must be coupled with truth (John 4:24). We can be sincerely wrong. There are many who believe they are helping people and teaching the truth when they are actually the blind leading the blind (Matt. 15:14). God does not accept sincerity alone. Those who ignore and disobey the law will receive their just reward at the judgment (2 Thess. 1:6-9).

We must not assume we are doing right based on our feelings, judgments, or what the preacher tells us. Only the word of the Lord can direct us properly (Col. 3:17). Let us examine ourselves in the light of His word, so we will know how we ought to live.

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August 9, 2026

“Many are the afflictions of the righteous:
but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.”

Psalm 34:19

WORSHIP	MORNING	EVENING
ANNOUNCEMENTS	Branyon May	Branyon May
PRAYER	Branyon May	
SONG DIRECTOR	Alan Putnam	David Nuckels
PRAYER	Roger McCown	Sam Hatchitt
SCRIPTURE	Jamie Harris	
POWERPOINT	Seth Gibson	Seth Gibson
SERMON	WHAT TO REMEMBER WHEN YOU ARE TEMPTED	HABAKKUK: WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU DON'T AGREE
SCRIPTURE	DANIEL 1:3-9	WITH GOD
	Ross Haffner	Ross Haffner
LORD'S SUPPER	Mark Speir Randle Harris Randy Jennings Rico Sanchez Robert Wright Blake Norman Carson Siebert Michael Baker Jerrold Johnson Bill Garnett	Mark Speir Blake Norman
CLOSING PRAYER	Charlie Cauley	Kevin Ross

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS & SHUT-INS

Rusty Altizer, Jacquelyn Fox , Tom Hanks,
Martha Smith, Mary Jo Stewart, Clarence Whetstone

CONGREGATIONAL WORKS: YOUTH PROGRAM

We have many opportunities for our youth throughout the year for study, fellowship, edification and benevolence.

- Host a devotional
- Fund activities
- Pray for our youth

COORDINATORS:
Bryce Mayfield
Mark Speir

ACTIVITIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY:	9:30 AM	Bible Class
	10:30 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
WEDNESDAY:	7:00 PM	Bible Class & Devotional
		Songs: Sam Hatchitt
		Devotional: Charlie Elliot
		Prayer: Troy Kennedy
		PowerPoint: Seth Gibson
SATURDAY:	9:00 AM	Young Men's Day

UPCOMING EVENTS

- AUGUST:
 - Young Men's Day (15th)
 - Bro. Charles Cauley Memorial Service (22nd)
 - CONNECT Young Professionals & College Devo @Gerhardt's(28th)
 - Stump the Preacher: Q&A (30th)
- SEPTEMBER:
 - 1st Sunday Worship & Fellowship Meal (6th)
 - Congregational Game Night (11th)
 - Tuesday Morning Bible Classes Begin (15th)
 - WVBS Legacy of Service Dinner @SW Annex(18th)
 - SWSBS Student Lectures @ Lake Country cofc (18th-20th)
 - Southwest Annual Ladies' Day (26th)