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<b>BRING A FRIEND AND ATTEND</b>			
<b>SUNDAY</b>		9:30 A.M.	
<b>BIBLE STUDY</b>		10:30 A.M.	
<b>WORSHIP A.M.</b>			Canceled
<b>WORSHIP P.M.</b>			
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			
<b>MID-WEEK CLASSES</b>			7:00 P.M.

Love one another with a pure heart  
fervently.

I Peter 1:22 KJV

**IN SEARCH**  
OF THE LORD'S WAY

"These were more noble...  
they searched the scriptures daily..."  
(Acts 17:11)

Sundays at 7:30 AM on KOCB—TV34

**SEARCH PROGRAMS:**  
July 19, "Christ is Our Hope"  
July 26, "A Friend to Jesus"  
August 2, "Why Jesus Died"  
August 9, "The Sacrifice"

**LAST WEEK'S RECORD**

Bible School	No Classes
Worship Service	53
Sunday Evening	No Services
Wednesday Evening	18
Contribution	\$4,007.60

Cleaning Team for this week is #6

You can find our worship service on:

Central's Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/centralchurchofchristshawneeok/>

Central's YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq8ft4soarDDSYok8ol9xpw?>

Central's Webpage:

<http://www.shawneecentralcofc.org/media.php/t=sermons>

If you would like to mail your offering in the mail to the church, you can mail it to:

Central Church of Christ  
P.O. Box 1228  
Shawnee, OK 74802

If you would like for someone to drop off communion supplies, pick up your contribution, or have any other needs please call the Church office at 405-273-3065, or you can contact one of our Elders or Deacons.

Our recorded worship services will be ready by 2:00 p.m. on Sunday you can find this on our Church website.



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**ELDERS:**

- Dennis Brodersen
- Paul Harris
- Steve Kelly
- Bob Perry
- Bob Stephens

**DEACONS:**

- Dale Beard
- Jim Cross
- Joe Curtis
- Tracy Gettle
- Keith Lawrence
- Ron Taffe

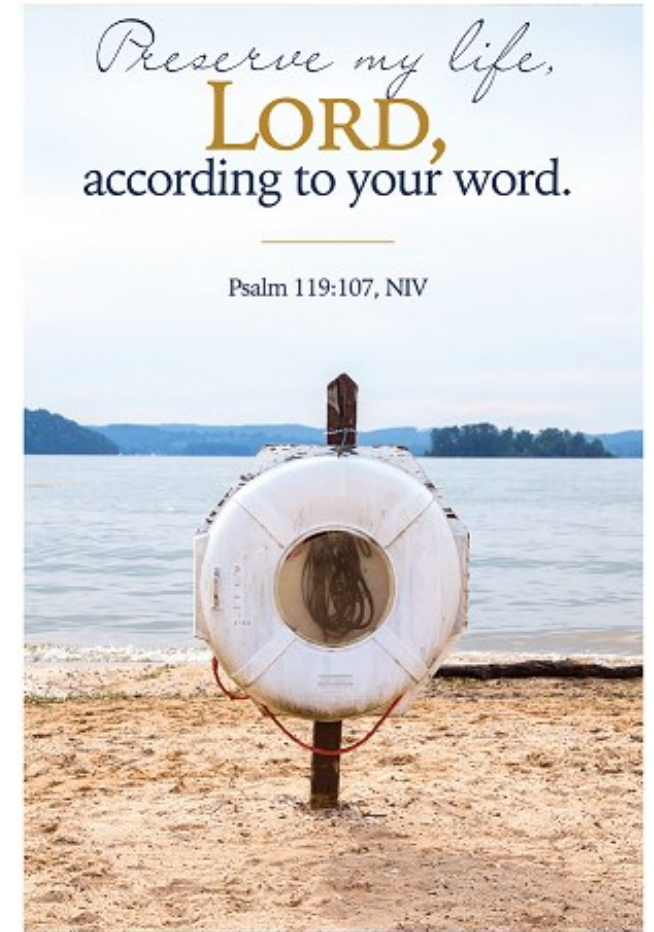
**Secretary:**

- Lois Carter

**MISSIONS:**

- Haiti Children's Home
- Hope Harbor Children's Home
- Liflyfield Christian & Adoption
- Nicaragua
- Search
- Southern Africa Bible College

# THE GOSPEL GUIDE



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## FOUR LITTLE STORIES WITH LOTS OF MEANING

(Bob Stephens)

1. Once all the villagers decided to meet together to pray for rain. When everybody gathered for prayer, only one little boy came with an umbrella. **That is Faith... in the power of prayer**

**Hebrews 11:6** And without **faith** it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him..

**Matthew 21:21-22** Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, "Go, throw yourself into the sea, " and it will be done. <sup>22</sup>If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."

2. When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. **That is Trust.... Do we trust God like that?**

**Romans 8:28** All things God works for good for those who love and **trust** him.

**Proverbs 3:6** in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

3. Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but we still set the alarm clock! **That is hope—In what do we have hope?**

**1 Peter 1:3** Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living **hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

**Romans 8:24-25** For in this **hope** we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we **hope** for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

**Romans 12:12** Rejoice in **hope**, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

4. On an old man's shirt was written, "I am not 80 years old! I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience!" **That is attitude.... What attitude should we exhibit?**

**Philippians 4:8** Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

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**1 Thessalonians 5:16-19** Rejoice always, pray continually, Give thanks in all circumstances: for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not quench the Spirit

What do we learn from the stories above?

- Hold onto our faith in God through all things
- Learn to trust in God in all things
- God has given us a great hope through Christ
- We must keep our attitude game strong!

## IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

**The Path family** request prayers. Shortly after the birth of Baby Roland, **Kristin** began having some heart issues. She is undergoing test as doctors try to figure out what the issues are. They are home at this time and not having to be hospitalized. Continued thoughts and prayers are appreciated.

**Chad Beard**— Is at home and continues to heal from having surgery.

**Beverly Woodard**— Has asked for prayers for some struggles she is having.

In every thing ye are enriched by Him  
in all utterance, and in all knowledge.

1 Corinthians 1:5 KJV

Please join us Wednesday  
at 7:00 for another great  
lesson by Bob Perry.



## Patience

*Patience is letting your motor idle when you feel like stripping gears.*

*Chrysostom said that a patient man is one who, having the resources and opportunity to avenge himself, chooses to refrain from the exercise of these.*

Patience" is enduring or waiting, as a determination of will. It's not merely enduring trials as a matter of necessity. "Patience" is a strong determination of will, to victoriously overcome the negative things we confront, according to God's will.

*"So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience" (Col. 3:12).*

Patience is just one part of the "heart" we put on as Christians. But it is something that we must put on.

Patience is a deliberate and willful attitude, resulting in several godly behaviors.

". . . walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with **patience**, showing tolerance for one another in **love**, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the **bond of peace**" (Eph. 4:1-3).



## DRIVE BY BABY GIRL SHOWER FOR JESSICA ALLEN

We have another baby coming. Jessica and Ethan Allen are expecting their new arrival in early August. Due to the Covid -19, this will be a drive by shower. Let's shower this young couple (and new members) with Central Love.

DATE: Sunday, July 26

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

MEET: At the church building

Baby Girl Allen is registered at Target and on Amazon. If you would like to contribute to a group gift, see Lindsey Borcharding or Mary Kelly.

## CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

Chad Beard, Carol Brodersen, Debra Campbell, Harold Carothers, Blake Carter (great grandson of Sue Merritt), Boyd Cheney, Joe Curtis (brother-in-law of Joe Akins), Thelma Divine, Fredith Hanifan, Sandon Hilditch, Diane Lawrance, Thearlene Morris, James Reeves, Carl Weeks, Dorothy Strickland, John Sullivan, Debbie Taffe, Emma White, Beverly Woodard, Hayden Leonard, Reggie Ford (brother to Lois Carter), Ron Cole (son in law to Paul and Paula Harris), Carla Dame (daughter of Betty Emery), and Ann Bivins, Don Mack, Selene Williams, Kristin Path, and Sandra Pollard.

All these members and friends have continuing health concerns or other special circumstances.

They appreciate your interest and prayers.



## NOTICE TO ALL MEMEBERS AT CENTRAL

In compliance with state statutes governing Not For Profit corporations, the members at Central will hold their annual meeting immediately following the Sunday morning worship service, July 26, 2020.



## TIPTON HOME

Our Tipton Home collection for the month of July is Kleenex. Please place these items in the barrel in the foyer. Thank you.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday morning worship service will be at 10:30a.m.  
Wednesday Night services 7:00pm