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**SUNDAY** 10:30 A.M. Canceled  
**WORSHIP A.M.**  
**WORSHIP P.M.**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**MID-WEEK CLASSES** 7:00 P.M.

In Him we live, and move, and have our being.  
ACTS 17:28

**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:**  
October 4, "The Church Jesus Built"  
October 11, "Just a Christian"  
October 18, "The Church of Christ"  
October 25, "Membership in the Church"

Record for October 04, 2020

Bible School No Classes  
Worship Service 71  
Sunday Evening No Services  
Wednesday Evening 23  
Contribution \$3,977.10

Cleaning Team for the week of October 11th: Team #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/UCq8ft4soarDDSOk8ol9xpw?>

Central's Webpage:  
<http://www.shawneecentralcofc.org/media.php/t=sermons>

If you would like to mail your offering, mail it to:

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

If you would like for someone to bring you 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:**  
Paul Harris  
Steve Kelly  
Bob Perry  
Bob Stephens

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Dale Beard  
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# THE GOSPEL GUIDE



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### Building a Hospital at the Bottom of the Hill

Did you know that for every three churches that have some kind of divorce recovery ministry only one church has a healthy marriage ministry? Does this mean that churches are more interested in marriages that have fallen apart than in marriages that need help before they fall apart? I hope not.

*There was once a village with many children. They regularly would go to the top of the hill right outside of the city to meet and play. But the hill, the cliff, was steep and dangerous. And very often a child would fall off the cliff and suffer injury or death. The problem was so great that the leaders of the city came together to discuss what should be done. After a great debate, the city leaders decided to build a hospital at the bottom of the hill. In that way, an injured child would be able to get medical attention more quickly.*

So, what about prevention? Why is there more effort in churches to help individuals and couples AFTER life-altering events than to help them BEFORE the hurt? The answer—recovery ministries are more popular. And, prevention ministries are often seen as “admission of failure” on the part of the families of the church. Wow. What a way to ignore the problem of marriage struggles and divorce.

I believe it’s time to promote healthy marriage and healthy parenting before the recovery ministries are needed. It is true that 50% of marriages will end in divorce. This includes marriages in our churches. And, those other couples, the ones that won’t divorce, almost all of them will have struggles of average to major intensity. Let’s stop ignoring the problem. We have built too many hospitals at the bottom of the hill.

Dr. Bob Whiddon, Jr.

**“ Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate”.**

**Mark 10:9**



Leona “Carol” Brodersen left this life at the age of 71 on Saturday, October 3, 2020, in Shawnee, OK, surrounded by her family. Funeral services will be Saturday, October

10 at 10:00 am, at Walker Funeral Home in Shawnee.

Carol was born on August 3, 1949 to Anita and Ervin Hinson in Oklahoma City. She married Dennis Brodersen, her husband of almost 50 years, on December 12, 1970. They shared three daughters and six grandchildren.



### IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

We have no members currently in the hospital.

We ask you keep the **Brodersen family** in your prayers with the loss of **Carol Brodersen**.

**No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree Bear good fruit. Each tree is recognized by its own fruit.**

**Luke 6:43-44**

**MEMORIES OF OUR LIVES,  
OF OUR WORKS,  
AND OF OUR DEEDS  
WILL CONTINUE IN OTHERS.**

**ROSA PARKS**

### HUMILITY

The story is told of two brothers who grew up on a farm. One went away to college, earned a law degree, and became a partner in a prominent law firm in the state capital. The other brother stayed on the family farm.

One day the lawyer came and visited his brother, the farmer. “Why don’t you go out and make a name for yourself and hold your head up high in the world like me?” The brother pointed and said, “See that field of wheat over there? Look closely. Only the empty heads stand up. Those that are filled always bow low.”

Said differently, “The branch that bears the most fruit is bent the lowest to the ground.”

Humility is like a slippery watermelon seed. Once you get it under your finger and you think you have it, it slips away from your grasp.

*Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up. James 4:10*

### OUR CHURCH FAMILY SHUT-INS

*“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another.”  
John 13:34*

**Harold Carothers**—Shawnee Care Center, #109

**Thelma Divine**—Brookdale, #132

**Rachel Hall**—Avonlea Cottage, #4

**Lola Mullinax**—1712 Grace Court

**Geraldine Outlaw**—221 N. Pesotum

**Jean Pointer**—Colonial Estates, #27B

**Winona Seikel**—Brookdale, #102

**Dorothy Strickland**— Colonial Estates, #53

**Emma White**—43 Doyle

**Beverly Woodard**—Legacy (Rose Manor), #413

**Billie Horton**— Bel-Fair, 216 A

### LOOKING AHEAD

**Sunday morning worship service will be at 10:30a.m. With Logan Edmison as a guest speaker.**

**Wednesday Night services 7:00pm**

### TIPTON HOME



Our Tipton Home collection for the month of **October** is **Liquid HE Laundry Detergent** Please place these items in the barrel in the foyer. Thank you.

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



Be still, and know that I am God.

Psalm 46:10 KJV

### CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

**All these members and friends have continuing health concerns or other special circumstances. They appreciate your interest and prayers.**

**Don Mack  
Boyd Cheney  
Carla Dame  
Carl Weeks  
Chad Beard  
Blake Carter  
Vivian Cross  
Debbie Taffe  
Frank Romberg**

**Emma White  
Thelma Divine  
John Sullivan  
Joan Reeves  
Fredith Hanifan  
Sandon Hilditch  
Diane Lawerance  
Rita Romberg  
Harold Carothers**

**Sandra Pollard  
Hayden Leonard  
Debra Campbell  
Selene Williams  
Thearlene Morris  
Beverly Woodard  
Dorothy Strickland**