

## PROOFS OF OUR LOVE

Week of September 10, 2017

Bible Class	29
Morning Assembly	68
Evening Assembly	43
Wednesday Bible Class	36
Contribution	\$3277.00
Budget	1871.00
Over the budget for week	1406.00



## SERMONS FOR SUNDAY

**A.M. = BAPTISM AS FAITH**  
(Galatians 3:26-27)

**P.M. = BEWARE OF FALSE PROPHETS**  
(Matthew 7:15-20)

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**WEDNESDAY P.M.**  
**DEVOTIONALS**



**SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup> – Jamie Cobb**

**SEPTEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> – Gerald Bennett**

## WELCOME VISITORS

We want to personally thank you for joining us today. It is our prayer you leave our worship service with an uplifted spirit. Below is what you can expect during our services.

**SINGING:** Non-instrumental singing plays a great part of our worship services. We hope that you will find this to be an uplifting praise to the Lord. (Eph. 5:19)

**LORD’S SUPPER:** Each Sunday we observe the Lord’s Supper, which reflects on the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord Jesus, and the hope of everlasting life we now can live through Him. (I Cor. 11:23-26)

**CONTRIBUTION:** During the service, we as members are given the opportunity to give a portion of what God has given us. This money is used to support the church and to help spread God’s Word. (I Cor. 16:2)



## Schedule of Services

**Sunday:**

Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Assembly	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening	6:00 p.m.

**Ladies Bible Class:** (Sept-May)  
Tuesday 9:30 a.m.

**Wednesday Bible Class** 7:00 p.m.

<b>Preacher</b>	Gerald Bennett
<b>Song Leader</b>	Tommy Bennett
<b>Elders</b>	Gerald Bennett, Jamie Cobb
<b>Deacons</b>	Dave Donohoe, Russell Dukes Jr.



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## I BELIEVE IN MIRACLES

The word miracle is so loosely used in our modern conversations. The word that is translated from Greek to English in our Bibles is the word “dunamis”. The word miracle is not the true translation for that word. The meaning of the word is “inherent power, power residing in a thing by virtue of its nature, or which a person or thing exerts and puts forth.” Someone has well said, and I believe rightly so, that the power which we consider to be a miracle is of such a nature that not even an atheist could rationally deny it. And it is so translated in many of the places in the New Testament. The basic idea of the word is “power”. It is the word used in Matthew 22:29 “But Jesus answered and said to them, ‘You are mistaken, not understanding the Scriptures nor the power of God.’” Why didn’t we translate the word “power” as “miracle” in this verse. It is also used in Romans 1:4, “...who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord, ...” Why didn’t we translate it “miracle” in this place. Please look at your concordance and see where the word miracle is used. And then see where the Greek word that is translated “miracle” is translated “power”. I need to remind you of the saying that “words are vehicles of expression. They paint pictures in your mind. If they paint the wrong picture then you get the wrong meaning.” I wish I could give the source of that saying because it makes so much sense. When you see the word “miracle” replace it in your mind with the word “power” and you will have the correct picture.

One more place this word is used is Romans 1:16 which says, “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.” How about this for a word picture? “The gospel is the miracle of God for salvation to everyone who believes.” It is a miracle that we could be saved at all.

**THINK ABOUT IT!!!**

**GERALD**

# PRAYER LIST



”Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.” Hebrews 4:16

## OUR 249 FAMILY

**Melissa Bennett** will be working in Amarillo for several weeks, she will leave on Sunday afternoons and return on Thursday evenings.  
**Dave Donahoe** is recovering from back surgery, on August 24<sup>th</sup>. He will not be allowed drive for a month.  
**Ruth Powers** is out of town this weekend for a special Ladies event.

## CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:

Robert Aguirre, Janet Barnwell, Doris Brown (is now cancer free), Sharon Bradley, Sherlyn & Bill Cartwright, Jackie Crawford, Alcadio & Sherlyn Gonzalez, Stella Hamontree, Jane Moody, Luv Moore, Doris Peavler, Jason Powers, Aaron Walden, Daniel Williams and Robert Winston.

Those who have recently requested prayers: Ruth Powers for Vincent Davis her brother (liver biopsy), Betty Love for Bob Steach of Bedford, TX (biopsy this week). The Harold Family, The George Lopez Family, Lydia’s daughter Latisha Walden deployed to Dallas. John Williams the minister for the church that Tyrone preaches at is recovering from throat cancer surgery and will be having additional treatments.

**NOTE:** An Additional Prayer Request sheet has been placed in the foyer for you to pick up. Listing the names of those you have indicated need our prayers.



**LADIES BIBLE CLASS** meets each Tuesday morning at 9:30. They are studying Women of The Bible.

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**SUNNY GLEN CHILDREN’S HOME GROCERY TRUCK** came Wednesday and picked up their donated items from us. Thank you Linda Cobb for meeting them.

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### **PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED FOR OUR PANTRY:**

**Beanie Weenies, Crackers, Ramen Noodles, Travel Size Soap**

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**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY GET THE BIG PICTURE OF THE BIBLE**



As School resumes: Pray for the students, teachers, bus drivers and aides. And remember to drive safely in the school zones!

**Lauren Owen** granddaughter of Gerald & Judy left Wednesday to study at Harding University in Australia, this semester. We request your prayers for her safety during this time.



**Claudia, and Hector Gonzalez had to be rescued from the waters and their home was flooded. They lost the carpet and some of the furniture. And are in the process of cleaning up and restoring their house. Our prayers are with them.**

**Linda Cobb also had flood damage to her home and must deal with the cleanup as well.**

**The Hidden Valley Congregation and many of their members, Doris Droomgoole, Terry Peavler have also had water in their homes, many of us have family and friends dealing with the effects of Hurricane Harvey.**



**FOOD, FUN, FELLOWSHIP – has been rescheduled from the third Friday to the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in September. Which is September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. MENU: Fried Chicken (bring whatever you want and we will enjoy this time together). We need a Host for this fellowship and the next one. Please let Jamie know if you can host either fellowship.**

**A sign up is posted in the foyer.**

# GERALD’S GLEANINGS

It was another good day at 249 last Sunday.

As I say every week, we are always thankful to have visitors with us. Our visitors are our honored guests.

Judy and I made a trip to West Monroe, LA. last week. As we have been saying, our granddaughter Lauren Owen will be taking her first semester of her sophomore year for Harding University in Australia. She left on Wednesday and made it there around 5:00 p.m. our time Friday. She will be returning mid December. We are asking for prayers on her behalf. Thank you.

I do thank you for the way you respond to the sermons I am preaching. I will finish the sermons on the faith response to the gospel this Sunday. I will then begin a series of sermons on Knowing God.

I want to continue to encourage you to attend the Wednesday evening Bible class as we try to see the big picture of God working out His eternal purpose. What I am trying to get us to do is to think about God’s revelation to us from Genesis to Revelation.

I want you to know that I have your name on my prayer list each week. I mention by name before the Father’s throne everyone who is listed in our church directory. I pray for each one individually, and I pray for us as a church.

I love you!

Gerald