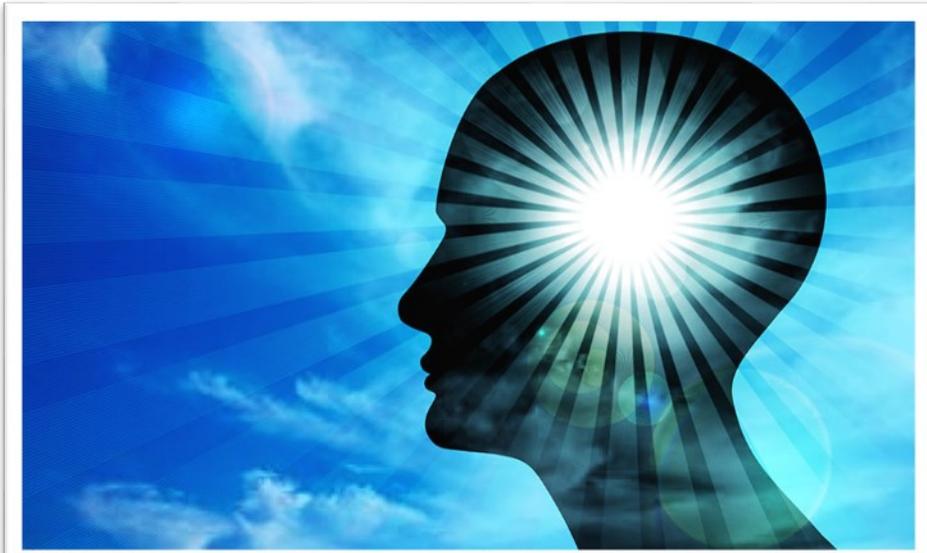




## How's Your Conscience?

Do you have a good conscience? For a Christian, one's conscience may be compared to a window that lets in the light of God's truth. The Bible speaks about several different types of conscience that may be found in people. In **Titus 1.15**, unbelievers are said to have a **"defiled conscience."** A defile conscience occurs when one persists in disobeying the Word of God. In doing so, the window gets dirtier and dirtier until the light cannot enter. A second conscience mentioned is a **"seared conscience"** (**I Timothy 4.2**). This type of conscience occurs when one has resisted doing God's will to the point that it is no longer sensitive to what is right and wrong. Or what about the **"evil conscience"**? One so poisoned that it approves things that are bad and accuses when a person does good.

One's conscience depends on knowledge. A **"good conscience"** is one that accuses when we think or do wrong and approves when we do right. Did you know that it takes exercise to keep your conscience strong and pure. In **Acts 24.16**, Paul said in view of the coming resurrection of both the just and the unjust, **"So I always take pains to have a clear conscience towards both God and man."** Paul worked at having a conscience that would not offend God or man in anything; so that he would be found blameless at the judgment seat of God. If we do not work to maintain a clear conscience, our conscience tends to weaken. Usually, it results in failing to grow in spiritual knowledge and obedience unto God.



A good conscience is of great benefit to the believer. It fortifies us with courage because we know that we are right with God and man, so we do not need to be afraid. A good conscience gives us peace in our hearts; and when we have peace within, we can face battles without. We can remove the fear of what other people may know about us, say about us, or do to us (Psalm 118.6; Matthew 10.28). Conscience alone is not the test of what is right or wrong. Our conscience is only a safe guide when the Word of God is its teacher.

Paul said he had to work to maintain a good conscience. How do I do that? First, I must deal with sin in my life and confess it before God. **I John 1.9** says **"If we confess our sins, He [God] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."** We must keep the window clean. Thus, we must spend time in His Word and "let the light in." We must also maintain a good conscience because a good conscience makes for a strong backbone and a courageous witness. May your conscience be clear so you can freely tell others of Jesus.

Gary

## In View Of Jesus' Return

James 5.7, 8

- 1) Jesus is coming again! Are you ready?
- 2) The apostle Paul tells us what will happen when Jesus appears (I Thessalonians 4.16, 17).
- 3) What should our conduct be knowing that Jesus will come soon?

### In View Of Jesus' Return, Christians Are Exhorted To Be...

#### I) \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 21.34).

A) Why do we need to be careful of the way we live?

- 1) We need to take precaution because of \_\_\_\_\_ is giving the warning.
- 2) We need to take precaution because of \_\_\_\_\_ the warning is given.

B) Jesus warns of three particulars concerning maintaining our spirituality.

- 1) First is the \_\_\_\_\_ such occurs.
  - 2) Second, the heart is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 3) Third is \_\_\_\_\_ we are to \_\_\_\_\_.
- (a) \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (c) \_\_\_\_\_.

C) Why did James give this exhortation?

#### II) \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5.7, 8).

A) Few things in the life of the believer are more difficult to practice than patience.

B) The word translated "**patience**" literally means "*to be longsuffering towards people.*"

C) Why did James give this exhortation?

D) James says to be patient "**until the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.**"

E) What example does James give of patience? (James 5.7)

F) Why the exhortation to \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_?

#### III) \_\_\_\_\_ (I John 2.28).

A) We must be prepared for the coming of our Lord.

B) John instructs us to \_\_\_\_\_ in Him.

1) How do we abide in Christ?

2) Christ must be in our \_\_\_\_\_ as well as our \_\_\_\_\_.

C) What does the word "**confidence**" mean?

1) It means "\_\_\_\_\_."

2) Is it possible to have assurance and confidence in our relationship with our Lord?

D) The apostle John says, "**I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may \_\_\_\_\_ that you have eternal life.**"

E) How would we be \_\_\_\_\_ at Jesus' second coming?

1) Not only being ashamed but notice that our shame is "\_\_\_\_\_."

2) If you are not \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ, it will cause tremendous shame at His appearing.

**Conclusion:** Do you need to give your devotion to Christ today?

# C O N N E C T I O N

**C** Good morning and welcome to July church family! Can you believe it? We are already in  
**O** the second half of 2025! (How many more shopping days until Christmas????)

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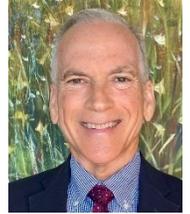
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This week in our “*Looking UP!*” Summer Series, we are blessed to have with us John Latham from the Covington church of Christ. John was with us in our summer series two years ago and led us in a wonderful service of praise in song. John was attending the Brown St. church in Waxahachie at that time and was introduced



to me though our former members, Randy and DeeDee McCoy.

In our “*Looking UP!*” series, John will be the first focusing on not only “looking up” but also “lifting up” our voices in praise and singing to God.

*Psalm 68:4 (ESV)*

*Sing to God, sing praises to his name; lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts; his name is the LORD; exult before him!*

John and his wife, Phyllis, are blessed with three children and three wonderful grandchildren. After moving to Hill County, John now serves as a deacon at the Covington Church of Christ where he has been teaching adult Bible classes, serving as one of the worship leaders, and preaching occasionally. John is an active-duty member of the Texas State Guard and serves as the First Brigade Chaplain. He derives much joy and satisfaction in the opportunity to preach the Word to service members who would otherwise never hear the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. John holds a Master of Arts in Christian Counseling from Amberton University.

Make plans to be with us Wednesday night for this special evening of praise, you'll be blessed!

--Les Keele

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Tom Pauley	817- 370-5515
*Ross Tomlinson	682-429-1983
John Walton	817-441-0000

\*Shepherd of the month

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Les Keele: <i>Associate Minister</i>	817-808-0566
James Bowie: <i>Youth Minister</i>	817-944-4492

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John Boudtaroth	817-891-2132
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Zach Brookshire	817-296-9918
Brandon Duncan	903-603-1059
Jay Garner	817-205-2070
Ben Meyer	817-673-8557
Robert Scott	817-246-0911
Matt Sloan	405-471-3404
Steve Taylor	817-291-2065
Buck Thomas	817-733-2620
Arthur Torrez	817-721-2726

## MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

**Welcome** - Steve Taylor

**Song Leader** - Matthew Sloan

**Song** - Faithful Love

**Song** - Here I Am To Worship

**Song** - Lord, Take Control

**Prayer** - Arthur Torrez

**Scripture** - James 5.7, 8

**Song** - 'Tis Midnight, and on Olive's Brow

**Lord's Supper** - Ronny Tucker

**Prayer for Contribution** - Ronny Tucker

**Song** - The Battle Belongs To The Lord

**In View Of Jesus' Return** - Gary Williams

**Song** - There's A Great Day Coming

**Announcements** - Les Keele

**Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal**- John Walton

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**Giving**



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**Attendance**



**Attended Nursery:** After communion, we have an attended nursery available for ages birth to 3 years and a mother's nursing room.

Single-side in-ear mono earbuds with personal receivers are available for those with hearing difficulties. Please see the sound booth at the back of the auditorium for assistance.

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### Monday, July 7

2 Kings 20-21; Psalm 82; 2 Kings 22

### Tuesday, July 8

Psalm 101; 2 Kings 23-25

### Wednesday, July 9

Psalm 45; Song of Solomon 1-6

### Thursday, July 10

Song of Solomon 7-8; Ecclesiastes 1-4

### Friday, July 11

Ecclesiastes 5-8; Psalm 73

### Saturday, July 12

Ecclesiastes 9-12; Malachi 1-2

### Sunday, July 13

Malachi 3-4; Luke 1

## Last Week

Bible Class	143	Wednesday	98
Worship	251	Contribution	\$ 11,392.46
PM Worship	52	Budget	\$ 14,216.88

## Times of Assemblies

Bible Class:	9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship:	10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship:	5:00 PM
Wednesday Evening:	7:00 PM

## DIRECTORY UPDATES

**With the gradual transition from our old directory to the new directory, we are making a concerted effort to collect the accurate information on our membership. Please check your listing in the new directory and notify the office of any changes or corrections. Also, please locate the clipboard in the foyer and disclose all attending family members' birthdays. We never want to omit someone from our celebrations. Thank you.**

### NEW MEMBERS

Please Welcome  
Danton and Cassidy Tunnell  
8409 Whitney Drive  
Forth Worth, Texas 76108  
214-808-1199 (Danton) 817-357-7020 (Cassidy)

### LADIES' DAY PLANNING



**JULY 9**

FOLLOWING OUR  
SUMMER SERIES

There will be a meeting in the front of the auditorium with **Stephanie Sanchez** to begin preparations for our Ladies' Day to be held on **September 20.**

She will be providing committee sign-up sheets and presenting her vision for the day which is entitled: **Wedding Rings**

#### **What You Can Be Doing Now:**

- ◇ Praying for the planning and execution
- ◇ Reading *Walking To The Promise Land* by Lori Boyd which can be ordered from Amazon, Christianbook.com, and barnesandnoble.com or courses can be taken at mathetis.org
- ◇ Consider where you can best put your talents and skills to use

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## OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

Hello,

My name is Jeff Pennington. I am working with a Chinese International student whose parents are currently doing ministry in their home country of China.

They are former seminary students of Sunset International Bibles Institute in Lubbock.

Their son Michael is a student at Fort Worth Country Day and needs a Christian host home for his sophomore year.

I am hoping I can connect with you later this afternoon or tomorrow afternoon to see if you know any families in your congregation that might be interested in this ministry, or families who may also be connected to Fort Worth Country Day.

Looking forward to connecting with you.

Jeff Pennington  
StudyWise Homestay Ministry  
817-925-8518

Attached is bio of our student.  
Please see the office for the bio.

### CHILDREN'S BIBLE HOUR

CBH will resume on **September 8**.  
Have a fun and safe summer!

### FOOD BANK STATS

**JUNE:**  
**178 – Families Served**  
**\$465.77 – Cost to WHCOC**  
**4559 lbs – Estimated Weight of Food**

### SUMMER BIBLE CLASSES

**SUNDAY MORNING:** AUDITORIUM:  
DAVID BIRDOW: FAITH, FLAWS AND  
FORGIVENESS:  
LESSONS FROM KING DAVID

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT:**  
SUMMER SERIES: LOOKING UP  
THIS WEEK: JOHN LATHAM FROM  
COVINGTON TX.

## FAMILY PRAYER REQUESTS

NAME	CIRCUMSTANCE	PRAY FOR
Nathan Rutledge 6/29/2025	He broke his hip and is at home healing. 1213 Trammell Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Quick recovery
Wayne Lipham 06/10/2025	Is dealing with some eye issues that will require cataract and lens surgery. 6104 Silver View Lane, Fort Worth, Texas 76135	Procedures, recovery, and healing
Fern Martin 06/06/2025	Fern has moved to assisted living and her husband, Tony, has passed. Sister Fern sends greetings & her love for the congregation. The Vantage At Cityview, 6301 Overton Ridge Boulevard, Apartment #379, Fort Worth, Texas 76132	Comfort; peace
Nancy Wright 06/05/2025	Was taken to the ER June 4, with an infection in her chest area. She has returned to the rehab facility. 8601 Cook Ranch Road, Apartment 350, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing and recovery
Betty White 5/28/2025	Is home under the care of her daughter. They request no visitors at this time, but cards are always appreciated. 9609 Westpark, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing
Betty Kille 5/22/2025	Chemo is hitting hard this go round. 4112 Arroyo Trail, Fort Worth, Texas 76135	Strength, healing
John Wright 5/20/2025	Requests prayers at this time. 3921 Pershing Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas 76107	Guidance
Wayne Gary 5/13/2025	Is having focusing issues with his eyes due to fluid. 9912 Edmund Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing
Bridgett Yawn 04/30/2025	Is recovering at home but is not improving like they would like. 9213 Idaho Street, Joshua, Texas 76058	Healing, strength, and peace
Kitti Davis 04/21/2025	Has Parkinson's. 812 Ala Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Healing
Charles Stephen 04/25/2025	Has returned home but is still on IV antibiotics. 633 South Kate Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Healing
Patricia Emerson 02/05/2025	Cancer has returned. 6536 Wooddale, Fort Worth, Texas 76148	Treatments and healing

## FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND NEIGHBORS PRAYER REQUESTS

NAME	REQUESTED BY	CIRCUMSTANCE	PRAY FOR
Jane Wilson, mother of	Mindy Markum	Is in the hospital and remains very confused from a UTI.	Healing and strength 06/30/2025
John Poulsen, husband of	Mary Ann Poulsen	Remains in Ignite Rehab. He is not doing very well.	Increased health 06/29/2025
D'Anne Beall		Is experiencing back pain and has squamous cell cancer which will be removed with surgery on July 7.	Decrease in pain and healing from cancer 06/27/2025
Trent, friend of the sister of	Amanda Garner	Has lost his wife in a tragic accident. He has two college age children. He has said that he wants to use this time to grow closer to God.	Comfort for the family and that his relationship with God becomes richer and fuller 06/27/2025
Linda, friend of	Lisa Wilson	Has broken her hip and has other medical issues that may impact her hip recovery.	Hip to heal despite medical issues 06/11/2025
Philip, son of	Patricia Emerson	Had blood clots removed from lungs.	Continued health and recovery 06/08/2025
Carol Sue Baker, friend of	Mary Jo Winters	Has been placed on hospice.	Comfort 06/08/2025
Andrea Wilkins, Granddaughter of	Judy Johnson, former member	Is at high risk for a heart attack. In addition to the discovery of a nodule on her lung, she will have a thyroid biopsy coming up soon.	Preventive care to avoid a heart attack, treatment for the nodule, and good results from the biopsy 06/05/2025
Mark Anderson, friend of	Charles and Carol Meyer, Sr.	Has renal cancer.	Healing 06/04/2025
Ethel Melendy, former member	Frankie Smith	Has been moved back home and is now on hospice. Please send cards. 4915 Watering Trail Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78247	The family 5/28/2025
Debbie Rohmer, neighbor to	Karen Taylor	She is at home healing from an infection from her knee replacement.	Healing 7/03/2025
Michial Green, nephew -in-law to	David Willmington	Passed away May 31, 2025.	His wife, children, and the extended family 5/13/2025
Alex Farnsworth, friend of	Rickey Wilson	Has cancer that is spreading in the lining of his lungs.	Healing 04/13/2025
Ricky McLane, brother of	Mary Ann Poulsen	A tree fell on his house and he sustained an ankle fracture and dislocation. He had a plate and screws put in on May 22. Also needs prayers on fixing his house.	That they can get the house to a livable condition and healing 5/8/2025
Joe Ruiz, grandson of	Patricia Neislar	Is cancer free but will need to be tested every 3 months.	For him to stay in remission 5/02/2025
Barry Willmington, brother of	David Willmington	Has been diagnosed with a type of blood cancer and remains in the hospital following treatments.	For treatments to be successful 04/21/2025
Dorene Helton, sister-in-law of	Vickie and Monty Bowers	Has received the results from her latest scan and the results are fantastic! There are no signs of the previous cancer. She will continue her chemo for three more sessions.	Thanksgiving to God and continued improved health 04/07/2025
Shane Grantham, step-brother of	Kitti Davis	Has cancer.	Healing 04/16/2025
Jon Silcox, step- father of	D.J. Keller	Was diagnosed with stage 3 colon cancer.	Healing 3/22/2025
John Saxton, cousin of	Adam Powers	Has had a relapse of his brain cancer.	Remission and healing 03/23/2025
Lisa Harriman		<b>UPDATE:</b> Had surgery on April 28. 400 North Tacoma Street, Farmington, Arkansas 72730	Please pray for her continued treatments; strength, peace of mind 09/11/2024



# JULY FUN DAYS

## MEMBERS' BIRTHDAYS

- 1 CARL GREEN
- 2 RAY DOSHIER
- 4 NILATH KIMLINH
- 5 DEATRA KEELE
- 7 MARY ANN WAGNER
- 8 FERN GREEN
- 10 KATELYN BIRDOW
- 11 LEAH BOWIE
- 12 COURTNEY KIRKPATRICK
- 15 WAYNE LIPHAM
- 17 PAM STOM
- 20 EMILIO FERNANDEZ
- 20 EVA TORREZ
- 25 AMY BROOKSHIRE
- 27 VINCENT EVERETT
- 30 KAYLA KIRKPATRICK

## CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAYS

- 2 RHETT BOLT
- 6 TRUMAN TOMME
- 6 ELLA TOMME
- 7 EMMETT GARNER
- 12 EDEN RUTLEDGE
- 26 LIONEL MENDOZA

## REMEMBER ME? BIRTHDAYS

- 9 WANDA HOUSTON
- 11 BUD WILCOX
- 30 JACKIE JASO

## ANNIVERSARIES

JIMMY AND KATELYN BOLT	1	2014	11 YEARS
GREG AND JANELLE BALL	1	1977	48 YEARS
JOHNNY AND NANCY WRIGHT	11	1964	61 YEARS
MILT AND JUDY BIRMINGHAM	22	2022	3 YEARS
MATTHEW AND JILL SLOAN	28	2007	18 YEARS

# New Summer Quarter Schedule:

## Adult Sunday Morning Bible Class:

Taught by David Birdow in the auditorium. He will discuss "Faith, Flaws, & Forgiveness: Lessons from King David."

## Wednesday Night Bible Class:

We will have a guest speaker presenting on "Looking Up." This lesson will be broadcast live on our YouTube channel for those who are unable to attend.



## LOOKING UP WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

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JULY 2	JOSHUA RODRIGUEZ	KELLER, KELLER, TEXAS
JULY 9	JOHN LATHAM	COVINGTON, COVINGTON, TEXAS
JULY 16	DES STEYN	BIRDVILLE, HALTOM CITY, TX
JULY 23	RUSSELL FRANTZ	GRAPEVINE, GRAPEVINE, TEXAS
JULY 30	JEFF HUBBARD	NORTH DAVIS, ARLINGTON, TEXAS
AUGUST 6	TERRY HARRISON	NY AVENUE, ARLINGTON, TEXAS
AUGUST 13	LARRY KEELE	LAWRENCEBURG, LAWRENCEBURG, TENNESSEE
AUGUST 20	TBD	
AUGUST 27	ELI HINOJOSA	NORTH TARRANT, FORT WORTH, TEXAS