



Feeling Insecure?

Do you ever feel insecure? Many feel insecure about their abilities. Some will say “*I just am not capable of doing that.*” Others feel insecure about their marriage and wonder if it will last. Several feel insecure about their financial future and whether or not they will have enough money to live on once they retire. Yes, it continually gnaws away at us deep within our hearts. It can even make us feel unstable. But what do we do when we feel insecure?

When our insecurities abound, we trust in God. Moses initially felt very incapable of God choosing him to lead the children of Israel (Exodus 3, 4). God said, “***But I will be with you***” (Exodus 3.12). What did God say to Joshua when he became the leader of God’s people? God told Joshua, “***Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you***” (Joshua 1.5). Jesus told us, “***I will never leave you or forsake you***” (Hebrews 13.5). Knowing God is with us should make us “***strong and courageous***” (Joshua 1.6, 7, 9, 18). When insecurities arise, we need to always remember that God is our Rock (Psalm 18.2). It is God who leads us, guides us, and gives us strength. Thus, when feelings of anxiety and insecurities abound, let us turn to God, and cast all our cares and anxieties upon Him (I Peter 5.7), and trust that He can handle it all. God loves you!

Gary

Can God Use Me?

Luke 1.5-7

- 1) Have you ever wondered, “*Could God use me to accomplish His purposes?*”
- 2) Why do we so quickly rule out the possibility of God using us?
- 3) Did you know that God uses imperfect people to accomplish His will?
- 4) What kind of people do you think God uses today?

God Accomplishes His Purpose Through...

I) Those Who Are _____ (Luke 1.5-7).

- A) God used a godly couple named Zechariah and Elizabeth to bring the one into the world who would prepare the way of the Lord (Luke 1.6; Mark 1.2, 3).
- B) If we want to be the kind of people God can use, we need to be _____.
 - 1) How do we become that?
 - 2) We must _____ God and _____ His commandments (John 14.15).

II) Those Who _____ (Luke 1.8-13).

- A) The text teaches that John’s birth was an answer to Zechariah and Elizabeth’s _____ (Luke 1.13).
 - 1) How long had they been praying for a child?
 - 2) Since Elizabeth was too old to conceive, she and Zechariah had _____ left.
 - 3) Mary thought that she could not conceive because she was a _____ (Luke 1.34).
 - 4) Gabriel told Mary, “*For _____ is impossible with God*” (Luke 1.37).
- B) We should continue to prayer even when it seems _____ for our hopes to be fulfilled.

III) Those Who _____ His Will.

- A) How did Mary _____ to Gabriel’s message (Luke 1.38)?
- B) God can accomplish the impossible through those who are _____ to be used by Him.

IV) Those Who Have _____.

- A) At first, Zechariah did not believe the angel (Luke 1.18).
- B) Zechariah and Elizabeth were people of _____; are we (Ephesians 3.20)?

V) Those Who _____ Him.

- A) Luke 1 is filled with _____, _____, and _____.
- B) If we want to be the kind of people through whom God does His work, we also must be people who _____ Him.

Conclusion: Do you desire to be used by God today?

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Camp Blue Haven - Sign-ups are now open for returning campers. Open to upcoming 5th graders and up. First time campers sign up is January 15th at 9pm. Make sure you are online that night at 9pm as new camper slots fill up quickly! <http://www.campbluehaven.com>

Leadership Training For Christ. If you would like to sign up see James Bowie. LTC is open to 3rd-12th grade. If you are interested in being a helper/coach for an event see James. Background check required for all adults.

Dates to remember: Feb. 20 for hotel money, March 11, for scholarship and pre convention events, and April 15-16, convention dates. <http://www.NTLTC.org>

BLOOD DRIVE

We will be hosting a blood drive at Western Hills **today**, January 16, from 8AM to 11:30 AM. There are signs and posters around the building that have a slot for you to sign up to donate or you can call Les Keele. Your help is desperately needed as the local blood supply is critically short.

ASSOCIATE MINISTER: The elders would like to announce that they are currently searching for a new associate minister. A committee has been formed and they are gathering resumes. If you know of someone who would like to apply, they can get the information from our website.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASS

Wednesday, January 19, will be taught by Greg Ball. The topic is: ***Be Unified.***

Wednesday, January 26, will be taught by Dan Kille. The topic is: ***Be Worshippers***



PRAYERS for the family of Peter Brown. Peter's father passed away in Lubbock, Texas just before Christmas.

Please remember Deatra Keele and the family of Bob Tinius in your prayers.

Please pray for Katelynn and Jimmy Bolt as they begin the process of fostering to adopt a child.

We have many in our family hurting for many reasons. Please remember them this week as you pray.

New Addresses:



Sid and Shelley Wisinger, 3604 Upper Lake Circle, Granbury, TX 76049

Leann, Cassidy & Curtis Fisher, 1003 Bryant Street, Benbrook, TX 76126



BOOKS ARE IN: If you ordered The Life of Christ Commentary Set in the first order, your books are in. Please see Lisa to pick them up in the office.



WESTERN HILLS WALKERS:

If you would like to start walking with us come to the building Wednesday mornings at 10 AM. We will be walking in the parking lot and/or the building depending on the weather. This group is open to all men and women. If you would like to know more see Betsy Strother.

FOOD BANK STATISTICS FOR DECEMBER 2021

**162– Families Served
\$463.26 – Cost to WHCOC
6,795 lbs. – Estimated Weight of Food**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Grief Recovery - Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM in Room 107
Small Groups resume today, January 16

SHEPHERDS

Greg Ball 214-801-7375
 Russ Bartee 817-938-5825
 Jay Crook 817-991-3162
 *Dan Kille 817-793-7493
 Chuck Meyer 817-448-0060
 Tom Pauley 817-370-5515
 Ross Tomlinson 682-429-1983
 John Walton 817-441-0000

**Shepherd of the Month*

MINISTERS

Gary Williams: 662-321-3208
Pulpit Minister
 James Bowie: 817-944-4492
Youth Minister
 John Boudtaroth: 817-891-2132
Laotian Minister
 Ken Intharansy: 817-501-6838
Laotian Minister

DEACONS

Jon Bartee: 817-889-2686
 James Bowie: 817-944-4492
 Brandon Duncan: 903-603-1059
 Jay Garner 817-205-2070
 Doug Lowrey: 817-249-0238
 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 - **Steven Johnston**

Song Leader - **Matt Sloan**

Song - **How Great Is Our God**

Song - **How Great Thou Art**

Prayer - **James Bowie**

Scripture - **Luke 1:5-7**

Song - **Come Share The Lord**

Communion - **Ben Meyer**

Dismiss children 3 years - Kindergarten to Children's Bible Time

Song - **I Sing The Mighty Power Of God**

Can God Use Me? - Gary Williams

Song - **There Is Power In The Blood**

Prayer for the Contribution - **Ben Meyer**

Song - **Awesome God**

Announcements - **Dan Kille**

Shepherd's Prayer & Dismissal - **Dan Kille**

CONTRIBUTION: *No collection plates will be passed during worship service today. Instead we ask that you drop your contribution in one of the white boxes as you enter /exit the auditorium. You may also give online or mail your contributions to the building.*

CHILDREN'S BIBLE TIME: We offer a children's class on Sunday mornings during the sermon for kids ages 3 years through Kindergarten. The song leader will dismiss the children at the appropriate time to be escorted to the Bible Time room in the east hallway. We also have an attended nursery during the entire service for those 2 years & under.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, Jan. 17

Gen. 49-Ex.1

Tuesday, Jan. 18

Ex. 2-4

Wednesday, Jan. 19

Ex. 5-7

Thursday, Jan. 20

Ex. 8-10

Friday, Jan. 21

Ex. 11-13

Saturday, Jan. 22

Ex. 14-16

Sunday, Jan. 23

Ex. 17-19

LAST WEEK

Bible Class:	85	Wednesday:	
AM Worship:	138	Contribution:	\$ 9,294.62
PM Worship:	44	Budget:	\$14,193.04

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members

January 16, 2021

NAME	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Katelynn & Jimmy Bolt	As they begin the process of fostering to adopt a child	God's will and peace
Carolyn Williams	Carolyn is now at home and feeling much better	Continued improvement
Louise Beagle	Prayers for better health	Comfort and improvement
Joyce Franz	Has gone home from Baylor All Saints. 6024 Westridge Lane #301, Fort Worth, TX 76116	Recovery
Nancy Wright	Had a medical procedure Jan. 11 hoping to give her relief from back pain	Comfort and healing
Gary Traylor	Will be going on hospice next week Please shower him with cards this week	Healing, comfort, peace
Michelle Glenn	Walt passed away December 15.	Comfort for Michelle and the children
Jodi Gentry	Is adjusting to new medication dosages. 408 Rim Rock Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76108	Better days and improvement
Joe Gentry	Is dealing with the day to day care and treatment of Jodi. 408 Rim Rock Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76108	Strength, patience, and understanding
Shirley Bennett	Has moved temporarily to Bridgemore, room #136, should be there 4-6 weeks	Comfort, recovery and strength
Cheryl Omer	Is in Colonial Gardens Memory Care of Fort Worth. 6939 River Park Circle, Fort Worth, TX 76116 Cheryl Omer has tested positive for covid Visiting at this time is for family only	Healing, comfort, and peace for Roger and their children
Lucille Patterson	Has gone to her daughter's house to recuperate	Healing and comfort
Lisa Williams	Lost her mother last week	Comfort & strength for the family

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family & Friends

January 16, 2021

NAME	REQUESTED BY	SITUATION	PRAY FOR
Therese and Paul Jaworski Sister and brother in law of	James Yawn	They are both suffering from covid	Healing
Allison McLeroy Daughter-in-law of	Kristie McLeroy	Is suffering with an infection	Comfort and healing
Ryan Edmond Son of	Sandy Edmond	Has gone home from the hospital	Healing and comfort
Deanna Ford, sister of	Roger Omer	Recovery is going well, lump on ovaries was benign	Strength and recovery
Bill Lawrence Former member	Betsy Strother	Will have open heart surgery Jan. 18 Pray for his wife Elaine as she cares for him after surgery	Successful surgery, healing for him
Tricia Nolan Sister of	Paula Pauley	She is in the hospital in Baytown with "covid belly"- covid has attacked her gut instead of lungs causing an intestinal block - can't do surgery due to the covid complications.	Healing, comfort and peace
Bubba Irvine Cousin of	Adam Powers	Has cancer and is not doing well	Healing and comfort
Gary Stevens, brother-in-law of	Les Keele	Is at home and feeling some better	Gary's healing, strength, and peace and wisdom for his doctors as they treat him
McKenna Martin, great - niece of	Wayne and Linda Tong	Has been diagnosed with severe scoliosis. Her surgery has been cancelled indefinitely	Comfort and peace
Kyla Anderson, cousin of the son-in-law of	John and Auna Walton	Is a 23 year old who has been diagnosed with lymphoblastic leukemia. She has begun chemo and the prognosis is good.	Successful treatment, peace, and comfort

January Birthdays

4 Niam Susie
Muongnamvong

5 Robin Stephan

7 Louise Beagle

7 Brandon Duncan

11 Evelyn Woolsey

12 Beverly Ponder

14 Charlie Beagle

16 Jonathan Bartee

17 Bridgett Yawn

21 Jenny Marshall

22 Julie Meyer

25 Mary Helen Bowie

26 Fern Martin

27 Karen McIntyre

29 Ellen Bartee

30 Cheyenne Crook

31 Morene Popchoke

Children

7 Chyler Reynolds

13 Jonathan Price

16 Terrance Marshall

18 Harlo DeKoker

19 Talan Ngo

