

## Feeling Unloved?

Has there ever been a time in your life where you did not feel loved? Maybe you feel unloved right now? There may be seasons in life when love feels like it has packed its bags and walked out the door. You can be surrounded by people and still feel invisible. You can be married and still feel unwanted. You can pray and still feel unheard. Often, you question, “*Did I do something wrong?*” or “*Why does no one love me?*” What do you do? Do you know that the scriptures offer instruction?

When you feel unloved, be honest with God. Do you remember how David questioned whether God was still with him? In **Psalm 13.1**, David said, “*How long, O LORD? Will You forget me forever? How long will You hide Your face from me?*” David, the man after God’s own heart, felt forgotten. He felt unloved. He felt abandoned. As David, when you do not feel loved, take it to God. God can heal the pain. Honesty with God is the doorway to healing. When human relationships fail, God reminds us of who we are—“*See what kind of love the Father has given us, that we should be called the children of God; and so we are*” (**1 John 3.1**). God told the children of Israel when they felt abandoned, “*For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but My steadfast love shall not depart from you*” (**Isaiah 54.10**). Jeremiah reveals God saying to us, “*I have loved you with an everlasting love, therefore I have continued My faithfulness to you*” (**Jeremiah 31.3**).

When human love fails, God reminds us that His love is eternal. Thus, when you feel unloved, don’t suffer, don’t get depressed, don’t go it along. Take it to God because God can heal your hurting.

When you do not feel loved, move toward others instead of isolation. Often, we tend to withdraw and keep to ourselves. We feel like no one loves us, so we pull away from others. We may stop answering texts, stop showing up when others gather, and stop letting people in. But God designed healing to happen with the help of others. There

will be someone to remind you of what is true. There will be someone to pray when you cannot. There will be someone to sit with you in silence. There will be someone to speak to you when your heart is experiencing pain. You do not really need a crowd, just a few people who will bring the love of Christ to refresh and renew you.

You may not feel loved today. But you are loved—deeply, fiercely, eternally—by the One who has never stopped pursuing you. Will you trust God and be reassured that He loves you knowing that He will never leave you nor forsake you (**Hebrews 13.5**)? God is love!

Gary



# Strength For The Weary

Psalm 121.1-8

- 1) Have you ever been totally exhausted?
- 2) Where do you find strength when fatigue overcomes you?
- 3) Even the strongest people can run out of strength.

## Isaiah Reveals To Us That...

### I). God's \_\_\_\_\_ Is \_\_\_\_\_ (Isaiah 40.28).

- A) Isaiah begins with a question that almost sounds like a gentle rebuke.
- 1) It is Isaiah's way of saying: "You already know this—but you have forgotten in your exhaustion."
  - 2) What does Isaiah remind them?
- B) Your exhaustion is not a sign of God's absence.
- 1) Then what is it?
  - 2) Do I realize God is always there?

### II). God Gives Strength To The \_\_\_\_\_ (40.29).

- A) God meets us not only at the \_\_\_\_\_ of our performance, but also at the \_\_\_\_\_ of our capacity.
- 1) God does not simply observe our weakness—He steps into it with power.
  - 2) When our \_\_\_\_\_ is gone, when our \_\_\_\_\_ feel thin, when our \_\_\_\_\_ has leaked out through the cracks of life, God moves toward us rather than away.
- B) Your weakness is not a \_\_\_\_\_ in God's kingdom.

### III). \_\_\_\_\_ Strength \_\_\_\_\_, Even At Its \_\_\_\_\_ (40.30).

- A) Isaiah makes it clear:
- 1) \_\_\_\_\_—the symbol of \_\_\_\_\_—will grow \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2) \_\_\_\_\_—the picture of \_\_\_\_\_—will stumble and fall.
  - 3) Human strength, no matter how impressive, has \_\_\_\_\_.
- B) Notice the progression:
- 1) \_\_\_\_\_—emotionally drained.
  - 2) \_\_\_\_\_—physically or spiritually drained.
  - 3) \_\_\_\_\_—even the strongest humans eventually run out.
- C) You were never designed to run on your strength indefinitely.

### IV). \_\_\_\_\_ In God Is Strength \_\_\_\_\_ (40.31).

- A) Those who wait on the LORD will renew their strength.
- 1) How do we "wait on the LORD"?
  - 2) Do I rely upon God?
- B) What does God do for those who hope in Him?
- 1) He gives you strength to \_\_\_\_\_ your problems.
  - 2) He gives \_\_\_\_\_ to sustain your strength.

Conclusion: Do you need to bring your weariness to God today?

# CONNECTION

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Good morning WH family!

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I'm hooked, I admit it. I have recently started playing the NY Times "*Connections*" game on my phone. The challenge: you're given 16 random words that at first look like they have absolutely nothing in common. But as you think, sort, and reflect, you begin to notice patterns. Suddenly, that one strange word you couldn't place fits perfectly into a group you didn't expect. What looked disconnected and totally unrelated turns out to be linked in a surprising and meaningful way.

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In many ways, the church is like that game. On Sunday mornings we look around and see people of different ages, backgrounds, careers, personalities, interests, and much more.

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At first glance, it may appear that we don't have much, if anything, in common. But just like in the *Connections* game, when we take the time to look deeper, talk, and truly get to know one another, the links and connections begin to appear.

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We discover that the person sitting three rows back shares a similar life challenge. Someone we've never spoken to has walked through the same valley we're in right now. Another person has a skill or experience that complements our own. Someone else needs encouragement in the very area where God has strengthened us.

Paul reminds us, "For we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another." (Romans 12:5) In other words, our connections aren't accidental—they are God-designed.

Just as the *Connections* game becomes easier as we learn how to look for patterns, building relationships in the church becomes richer when we intentionally seek out what we share rather than what separates. Something powerful happens when we move from simply attending the same service to actually knowing the people around us.

This week, try playing a real-life, Jesus-like version of *Connections*:

- Talk to someone you usually might only wave at.
- Sit with a person or family you've never sat with before.
- Ask someone about their story.
- Share a prayer request—or ask how you can pray for them.
- Invite someone to lunch, coffee, or a conversation.

You may discover that the people you assumed were in a completely different "category" actually share a meaningful connection with you—one placed there by God Himself.

And the more we discover those connections, the stronger, healthier, and more joyful our church family becomes. Try it! – You'll be blessed.



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Steve Taylor	817-291-2065
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Arthur Torrez	817-721-2726

## MORNING WORSHIP (10 AM)

**Welcome** - Steven Johnston

**Song Leader** - Russ Jones

**Song** - Shout Hallelujah!

**Song** - When We All Get To Heaven

**Song** - The Days Of Elijah

**Opening Prayer** - Joe Tomme

**Scripture** - Psalm 121:1-8

**Song** - Worthy Is The Lamb

**Lord's Supper** - David Birdow

**Prayer for Contribution** - David Birdow

**Song** - He Gave Me A Song

**Strength For The Weary** - Gary Williams

**Song** - Do You Know My Jesus

**Announcements** - Les Keele

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

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**Giving**

**Attendance**

**Attended Nursery:** After communion, we have an attended nursery available for age 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, January 12

Psalm 127; Genesis 25; Matthew 6

### Tuesday, January 13

Genesis 26; Matthew 7

### Wednesday, January 14

Genesis 27-29; Matthew 8

### Thursday, January 15

Genesis 30; Matthew 9

### Friday, January 16

Genesis 31; Matthew 10

### Saturday, January 17

Psalm 131; Genesis 32-33; Matthew 11

### Sunday, January 18

Psalm 64; Genesis 34; Matthew 12

## Last Week

Bible Class	136	On-Line Sunday	25
Worship	230	On-Line Wednesday	8
Thai - Lao	37	Wednesday	92
Worship PM	57	Contribution	\$ 10,233.69
		Budget	\$ 15,372.28

## 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

## FRIENDS AND FAMILY PRAYER REQUESTS

NAME	REQUESTED BY	CIRCUMSTANCE	PRAY FOR
Rob, son-in-law of	Sharon Pippin	Had a doctor's appointment Tuesday to see if the growths in his esophagus have grown and what can be done. They are also doing a biopsy. On the 19 <sup>th</sup> , he goes to a specialist for the blood clots in his leg and stomach.	He is not a Christian and needs prayers for his soul and his health
Rachelle Jordan	Food Bank Client	Is wanting to draw closer to God. 3009 Las Vegas Trail, Fort Worth, Texas 76116.	Her to live her life to lead her family to God
Hazel Bird, mother of	David Birdow	Has been able to "ring the bell" along with her husband on their cancer treatments. Hazel is struggling with respiratory issues and is awaiting the results of her latest cancer scans.	Her respiratory issues to be resolved and for her scans to come back "all clear"
Dave Slaughter, friend of	Jonny and Amy Bartee	Has been diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer and is undergoing chemo treatments.	Success from treatments to live healthy life
Matt Smith, nephew of and grandson of	Ray Doshier and Clara Boudreaux	Has returned home safely from his trip to the Ukraine.	Thanks to God for safe travels
Jon Silcox, husband of	Tracie Silcox	Is suffering from cancer and had surgery December 30.	Good outcome
Jonathan Ball, son of	Greg and Janelle	Father-in-law passed away on December 12.	Comfort for the family
Candis Cheshire	Visitor to WH	Has wanted to return but has been prevented by illness and emergency surgery. When she is recovered, she would like to visit again. 9109 Wind Rush Drive, Apartment 618, Fort Worth, Texas 76116.	Healing and return to good health
Delma Balderas, mother of	Misty Martinez	Is suffering from rheumatoid arthritis in her legs.	Healing
Ewan,	Senior at Weatherford Christian	Has cancer and the chemo is not working. The only alternative is a touchy surgery.	Doctors' skill and guidance for treatment and surgery
Tyler, friend of	Alex Bartee	His grandmother was having cancer surgery and things did not go well. She is currently in ICU.	Comfort for the family

## FRIENDS AND FAMILY PRAYER REQUESTS: Continued

NAME	REQUESTED BY	CIRCUMSTANCE	PRAY FOR
Marie, a friend of	Lisa Wilson	Is now free of cancer.	Thanksgiving to God
Sherry Scott, mother of	Robert Scott	Health issues.	Healing
Paula, sister of	Patti Mussellman	Cancer has returned and the chemo is not working. They are switching to a brand-new drug.	Doctors' skill and knowledge; new drug works and will eradicate the cancer
Nic Smith, son of,	Linda DiRocco	More symptomatic with his MS and he is already on the best medicine.	Doctors to find ways of negating his symptoms
Jeff Holland, nephew of	Judy Birmingham	Bladder cancer has returned.	Doctors to determine best course of treatment
Tracie Jones, wife of	Russ	Health issues.	Healing
Shane Grantham	Michael and Kitti Davis	Suffers from cancer.	Healing
Brook, neice of	Misty Martinez	Will have rods placed in her hip this summer to correct dysplasia from birth.	For her to handle the pain while awaiting surgery
Becky Stark, cousin's wife of	Adam Powers	Emergency surgery to remove brain aneurysm.	Healing

## MEMBERS PRAYER LIST

NAME	CIRCUMSTANCE	PRAY FOR
Sam Anderson	Will be having tests in Dallas sometime this month. 11137 Castle Oak Lane, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Good Results
Bob Willyerd	Has returned home on palliative care. 3704 Guadalupe Road, Fort Worth, Texas 76133	Comfort
Wayne Gary	Had surgery on his right eye Tuesday, December 30. 9912 Edmund Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76126	Healing
Thonglouth Manylou	In the passing of her husband, Thienxay, and her leg is in extreme pain. 55913 Lakeview Court, Fort Worth, Texas 776137	Comfort and healing
Charles Stephan	Has moved to Willow Park Rehab, Room 411. 633 South Kate Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Healing
Patricia Emerson	Cancer has returned. 6536 Wooddale, Fort Worth, Texas 76148	Remission and healing
Kitti Davis	Is suffering from Parkinson's. 812 Ala Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76108	Healing
Lorenza Fernandez	Is taking care of Emilio and herself. 232 Lochness Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Strength to assist Emilio
Emilio Fernandez	Has had another fall. He has good and bad days but sleeps through most of them. 232 Lochness Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	Healing and strength to walk
Rob Donahue	Needs a job. 4529 Starlight Drive, Benbrook, Texas 76126	God to provide the perfect situation for him
Mary East	On hospice at Mark and Karen's home. 101 Rambling Trail, Weatherford, Texas 76087	Strength for Mary and guidance for Mark and Karen

## YOUTH EVENTS

**January 11**  
**Open to 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

LTC Sign-Up

Participants and Coaches

Meet in the fellowship hall after morning  
worship

**Study Joshua, Judges, and Ruth**

[www.ntlc.org](http://www.ntlc.org)

**January 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**Open to 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Winterfest Fort Worth

Cost: \$30 per person

[www.winterfest.org](http://www.winterfest.org)

## MEN'S AND LADIES' BIBLE CLASSES

Tuesday, January 13

## DIRECTORY UPDATE

Susan Dufrene  
2800 Broadmoor Drive  
#320  
Fort Worth, Texas 76116

Eva Torrez  
520 Samuels Avenue  
Apartment 5209  
Fort Worth, Texas 76102

Please update your "at home" directory.

## CORPORATE MEETING

Sunday, February 8

Evening Services

We ask that all who are able, please attend.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

January 15, 2026

IHOP

Cherry Lane

7:00 AM

## BABY SHOWER



Honoring  
Maggie Meyer Catteau &  
Baby Redmond

Sunday

January, 25

2 PM – 4 PM

Maggie is the daughter of  
Chuck and Julie Meyer.

They are registered at  
Amazon.

## PRAYER LIST UPDATES

Beginning January, 2026, we will be reviewing the lists and removing those that are over 30 days old. If you wish to keep one on the list or give us an update on the situation, please contact the office.

# CAMP BLUE HAVEN NEWS

## RETURNING CAMPER REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER 2026

**RETURNING** campers (attended previous summer) must register between January 1 - 14<sup>th</sup> to be guaranteed a spot in the session they attended last summer. Hoping to change sessions? See FAQs on our website [www.campbluehaven.com](http://www.campbluehaven.com).

### 2026 Session Dates:

- 1<sup>st</sup> June 7 - 13
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. June 14 - 26
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. June 28 - July 4
- 4<sup>th</sup>. July 5 - 17
- 5<sup>th</sup> July 19 - 25
- 6<sup>th</sup> July 26 - August 7

### Session Prices:

- 1 Week Session (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>) \$300
- 2 Week Session (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>) \$550

**NEW** Campers (did not attend previous summer) will register beginning January 15<sup>th</sup> at 9 PM Central Time.

Should you have any questions, please see James or Leah Bowie.

## THANK YOU

It's with love in my heart that I thank my Church family for the prayers, calls, and visits. My full recovery is taking time but with continued prayers I have faith I will have a good recovery.

In Christian Love,  
Shirley Bennett

## LADIES' CLASS ANNOUNCEMENT

January 13, 2026  
Seasons Of Our Lives: Summer  
Teacher: Betsy Strother

# JANUARY CELEBRATIONS

- 1 Souli Thammavong
- 3 Jeff Kirkpatrick
- 4 Ket Vivongsack
- 5 Robin Stephan
- 5 Susie MOUNGNAMVONG
- 7 Brandon Duncan
- 9 Thune Lanphouthacouli
- 9 Susan Dufrene
- 10 Mary Ann Poulsen
- 12 Beverly Lipham
- 13 Greg Ball
- 16 Jonathan Bartee
- 18 Danton Tunnell
- 21 Julie Meyer
- 25 Mary Helen Bowie
- 26 Fern Martin
- 27 Penny Sue
- 29 Ellen Bartee
- 29 Gary Williams

## CHILDREN

- 1 Trace Witherspoon
- 4 Eli Brookshire
- 4 Abel Brookshire
- 6 Annalise Germany
- 9 Asher Rutledge
- 18 Harlo DeKoker
- 28 Arthur Bowie
- 31 Heidi Gonzalez
- 31 Thawin Nguyen

## REMEMBER ME

- 7 Louise Beagle
- 14 Charlie Beagle
- 17 Bridgett Yawn

## ANNIVERSARIES

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|----|------------------------------|------|
| 1  | Jim and Phou Durkee          | 1990 |
| 9  | Trey and Mindy Markum        |      |
| 31 | Laumou and Aelly Khamthongdy | 2017 |