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to explore new insights, and their passion to live out a life focused on Jesus in their communities.

In Acts 15 the church met together with disciples from across their world. They talked about things that were creating problems in churches, trusting Paul and Barnabas with a message of acceptance and support for new believers among the Gentiles.

Not long after the two of them had successfully traveled through the area affected, Barnabas and Paul had a fight over who was allowed to return on a second journey with them. The disagreement was such that they refused to travel together, each taking a team and traveling their own way.

Christians will not always agree. They never have always agreed over procedure. It doesn't mean that faith doesn't move forward, they just don't do things exactly the same.

The common ground is their passion for God and his people, a desire to lift up the name of Jesus, and living lives consumed in that purpose.

May we all, throughout our Christian walk, be filled with the same passions.

Grace and peace,

Carl

Where belonging to God means belonging to each other.

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The Day Is At Hand

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March 11, 2018

Janet and I drove to Little Rock, Arkansas, to meet with about 40 other ministers who feed our souls. We spent two nights, feasting together over shared meals and exploration of God's revelation.

Preachers like to preach, so this was set up like TED talks, each speaker given 10 minutes to make their points before the next speaker was invited to speak. We sat and listened - intrigued, challenged, and touched by the passionate retelling of God's work among his people.

While I opted to listen without taking part in the rotation, I was blessed to hear those who have challenged me through their writings and our conversations over the years.

Meals together, conversations shared with some we see only every few years, and embracing those whom we are only just meeting face to face, these were the joys that we experienced.

Yes, I was pretty much the old dog in the room, about all of the speakers were considerably younger than me. I was encouraged to hear the integrity with which they approach the Scriptures, their willingness

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SUNDAY: Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am
Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am
Worship Service—10:45 am
WEDNESDAY: Varies by Time of Year (*refer to Bulletin News*)
ELDERS: Richard Brensing, Teddy Gingrich, Terry Sallee,
George Shelton, Tom Turner
DEACONS: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril
TREASURER: Richard Brensing

WORSHIP ORDER FOR MARCH 11, 2018

SONG LEADER: Gary Hornbaker
GATHERING SONG: No. 23—Our God, He Is Alive (vs 1)
WELCOME: Tom Turner
SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Timothy 1:9-10 (Fred Johnson)
SONGS: No. 608—He Gave Me a Song
No. 47—Holy, Holy, Holy (vs 1, 4)
No. 474—Thank You, Lord
No. 480—Blessed Assurance
No. 797—Lord, We Come Before Thee Now (vs 1, 4)
PRAYER: Orrin Feril
SONG: No. 325—Boundless Love
COMMUNION: Chris Mansel
Teddy Gingrich
Jerry Kinnamon
Joe Cornwell
MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril (Romans 13:11-12)
SONG: No. 874—Walking Alone at Eve
LESSON: Carl Feril (*Children's Bible Hour*)
SONG: No. 907—Hark the Gentle Voice (vs 1)
PRAYER: Garland Mansel

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WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship and hope that you will come again!

EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING

This Tuesday, March 13th, the Early Childhood Screening program will be held here from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. We are pleased that our building is able to be used for this community service.

MEN'S RETREAT

The Stafford Church of Christ is hosting a Men's Retreat on Saturday, March 24th, starting at 8:00 am. Karl McLarty from Searcy, AR will be speaking on "Men's Role." Cost is \$30; please RSVP to Carl or Tom for meal planning.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

No activities are planned for this week or next, but starting March 28th, Wednesday evenings will be devoted to Vacation Bible School preparation. Please come at 7:30 pm each week and help prepare for this special event for our community children!

WOMEN WALKING WITH GOD

The Women Walking with God conference hosted by the North-side congregation in Wichita will be April 13-14 at Hartman Arena. The theme this year is "Trust His Path."

Website: www.womenwalkingwithgod.org

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Orvalee Aldrich—March 11	Meagan Feril—March 12
Misty Blakeslee—March 13	Joe Cornwell—March 15
Gary Hornbaker—March 15	Adam Holmes—March 16
Katherine Suiter—March 17	

PRAYER REQUESTS

Ned Marks - after a visit to a cardiologist last week, he is now on some new medication and doing better
Stan Aldrich—in the hospital in Hays last week for respiratory issues; doing better
Carl Dudley (Gladys' brother) - moved to Rehab at Hutch Regional last week
Gladys Hornbaker—health concerns
Gayle Sears (Marla's friend) breast cancer
Eddie Baker (Gayle Byer's friend) - health issues
George Shelton—eyesight issues
Diane Campbell—broken leg; MS; requests our prayers
Jim Walton (Stafford) - throat cancer
Katherine Suiter—cancer
Crystal Easley (Terry & Linda Welch's daughter) - cancer
David Ivy (Marilyn's brother) - Emphysema
Jim Sorensen (Tara's brother-in-law) brain cancer
Marilyn Sprawka (Don Rugan's sister) - cancer
Jenny Walker (Carol's sister)
Roger Dick—ongoing cancer treatments
Theo Birkett (Tara's mother)
Jim Soukup (Gingrich's son-in-law [Shari's husband])
June Cornwell—Kenwood Plaza
Glennys Sallabedra (Tom's mother) - Stafford Leisure Homestead

Teddy & Carol Gingrich had their farm sale yesterday

Memory Work for 2018—Romans 13:11-12

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