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# Bulletin - October 11, 2026

## For The Church

### Spiritual Discipline: Witness

The very last thing Jesus told his followers was, “you will be my witnesses” (Acts 1:8). A witness is simply someone who tells what they saw or heard or experienced. A witness tells the story of what happened to them. Anyone who follows Jesus has a story to tell. And no story is boring or uneventful. Every disciple has the very life of God pulsing through his or her body. Every disciple has been set free, released, redeemed, forgiven, made new and inhabited by the Holy Spirit. All disciples have stories of God’s work in their lives that are meant to help set others free. Testifying to this good news requires no strategy or program. It depends on responding to the Spirit’s nudge to open your mouth and heart for the sake of others.

The discipline of witness is the desire to reveal the life-changing love of Jesus to others. To witness means modeling and telling of the difference Jesus has made in one’s life. Paul, the first great missionary of the church, told his story in a myriad of ways, suiting his message to his audience. In Athens, Paul argued with Greeks, quoting philosophers and using apologetics to present the good news of Jesus (Acts 17). In Corinth, Paul lived in community with Priscilla and Aquila. He supported himself by making tents so he could stay long enough to plant a church. In Rome, Paul spent two years in his own rented house “and welcomed all who came to see him. Boldly and without hindrance he preached the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 28:30-31).

Witness to the life-changing Jesus happens on the job and in the everyday comings and goings of life. The litmus test for witness is not simply an ability to explain the good news. It is the way you live the good news.

## In Our Prayers

Pam Aldrich  
Crystal Emery (Gloria’s mom)  
Linda Guthrie  
Betty Peptone (David’s Sister)  
Clay Mason  
Miguel Devore

Mrs. Rose (Nancy’s Mom)  
Natalie Lippholdt  
Loree Boyle  
Ty Cornwell  
Terry Nash (Vanessa’s stepdad)  
Don Hornbaker

Kylie Taylor  
Family of Helen Coffey  
Landon Marks

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Youth Group [Tonight]**

We will have youth group tonight at 7 PM at the church building.

### **Young Family Ministry [Tonight]**

Everyone is invited tonight to our young family ministry which will double as our annual pumpkin carving family night. Bring your kids or grandkids and come enjoy dinner and pumpkin activities!

### **Bible Hour And Ladies Class [Wednesday]**

There will be ladies class this Wednesday at 9:30 AM. Wednesday night Bible hour will meet this week at 6 PM.

### **Save the Date:**

October 11 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)

October 11-13 - SMC Men's Retreat

October 24 - Memorial Service for Helen in Elmore City, OK

November 8 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)

November 13-15 - SMC Fall Teen Retreat

### **Birthdays**

Hadley Long - Today

## **Worship Order**

Welcome Table: Orrin & Meagan Feril

Greeters: Zeb & Jessica Carter

Sound System: Jayce Feril

Song Leader: Richard Brensing

Gathering: #266 – Majesty

Welcome: Chris Mansel

Scripture Reading: Jerry Kinnamon (1 John 2:1-2)

Song: #469 - Faith is the Victory

Song: #364 - Come, Share the Lord

Communion: Carl Feril (Aaron Rudy, James Harmon, Joe Cornwell)

\*Song: #528 - I Know My Redeemer Lives

Lesson 1: Zeb Carter

Shepherd's Prayer: Tomo Turner

Song: #480 - Blessed Assurance (vs. 1)

Lesson 2: Zeb Carter

Song: #470 - Victory in Jesus (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Shawn Batten

\* During the final verse of this song, children will be dismissed for Bible Hour.

