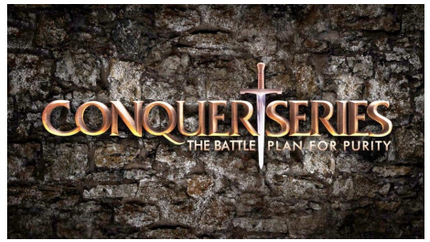
CONQUER SERIES

The Conquer Series is being offered again for men, fathers, and teen sons who are dealing with sexual temptations and or sexual addiction. It's designed to help any man in an addiction or who continues to struggle with thoughts that come in recovery. The series will begin in March 2020. Visit conquerseries.com for more information. To sign up or ask questions, contact **Brent Wilhite** or **Mike Keese** or please email ccocmenshealth@gmail.com. Please don't remain silent any longer. As help is only a word away.



FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS



Gale & Dana Hanna have served our congregation for years hosting foreign exchange students. We have an opportunity to join them in this act of hospitality and meet a real need by hosting students from all over the world for a semester or a full school year. If you are interested, please contact Gale for information and valuable experience.

CARDS FOR AMBER

The Rock House is collecting cards for Amber Guyger. These can be placed in the marked box outside the church office. We will be mailing these to her in Texas. Please leave the envelopes open. We loved Botham, and we want Amber to become a follower of God.



LAST WEEK

Attendance 2/16/2020:
Worship—1238/ Bible Classes—962
Children's Worship— 59
Worship p.m.—391/ Worship 7:15 p.m.—27

FINANCES

Budget for 2/16/2020.....$45,500.00
Giving for 2/16/2020.....$40,399.38
Budget through Week 25.....$1,178,000.00
Giving through Week 25.....$1,252,690.47

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BIBLE CLASS INFORMATION

Visitors! (and members): If you missed our Bible Class brochure in the Welcome Center, you can use your phone to access a complete list of classes and their locations. And if you don't know how to get to those rooms, just ask us and we'll show or take you there. Classes start at 9:45 a.m.

Scan here for our Bible Class information.

February 23, 2020

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Worship Service
8:15 a.m./10:45 a.m.
Song Service – Tom Ritchie / Chris Randolph
Welcome – Barry Rucker
Song – "God Himself Is With Us"/ "Mighty to Save"
#226 – "How Great Thou Art"
Prayer – John Stone / Finis Bailey
#910 – "Boundless Love"
Song – "Where Cross the Crowded Ways"/
"More Precious Than Silver"
#764 – "When We Meet in Sweet Communion"
Lord's Supper & Offering – Andy Ritchie/Mavis Baldwin
#951 – "Majesty"
Scripture – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8,11 – Morris Seawel /
Ed Higginbotham
Song #669 – "This is My Father's World"
(Children's Worship dismissed during this song, 8:15 only)
"Ecclesiastes & The Meaning of LIfe" – Jordan Guy
Song – "The Joy of the Lord"
Shepherd's Prayer – Brett Watson/John Baines

Worship Service
5:00 p.m.
Song Leader – Ryan Simpson
Welcome – Greg Brooks
#200 – "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah"
Song – "My Eyes are Dry"
Prayer – Malcolm Parsley
Song – "Lord, Take Control"
Scripture Reading – Acts 16:25-34 – Doug Langston
"The Power of Praise"– Patterson Morgan
#780 – "Won't it Be Wonderful There"
#983 – "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"
Lord's Supper served in Room 100
Closing Prayer – Gene Luna

7:15 p.m. Worship Service
Song Service – Todd Gentry
Lord's Supper – John Lim
"Seeing the Face in the Crowd" – Tom Ritchie
Shepherd's Prayer – Steve Baber

NEW HERE?

Welcome! For your convenience, training rooms are located in the back of the auditorium. An attended nursery is located on the east side of the building.
Children's Worship is located on the west side of the building.

NOEL'S CHARGE TO ELDERS AND DEACONS



At the February 15th Leaders Breakfast, elders, deacons, and ministers met to discuss two main topics.

A panel of **Paul Pollard**, **Keith Cronk**, and **Nick McNabb** discussed the role of deacons, and **David Burks** outlined the task of leadership in implementing the "Vision for the Road Ahead."

Addressing himself especially to new elders in his closing remarks, **Noel** used the last verse from Esther to underscore two vital principles of leadership: influence and caring.

First, the essence of leadership is "influence," the ability to move people to action. But influence can be pernicious if you don't truly care about the people you lead. In the Book of Esther, it is Mordecai who embodies both influence and caring, and thus gains honor:



"Mordecai . . . was . . . preeminent among the Jews, and held in high esteem by his many fellow Jews, because he worked for the good of his people and spoke up for the welfare of all the Jews" (Esther 10:3).

If you want to be able to influence members of College Church to do God's will, Noel said, be sure to use your influence for the good of their souls and the welfare of the church.

STEVE ATKINS: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE SCRIPTURE?



Steve Atkins, a member here since 2016, remembers "the first verse I memorized as a child": "And he said to them 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men'" (Matthew 4:19).

"Growing up I was surrounded by men and women who loved God and shared their lives with children in desperate need of a loving family. Little did I know that this verse would foreshadow my entry into the mission field of both Asia and South America to share Christ with those in desperate need of God's loving family."

PRAYER & PRAISE

PRAYER CONCERNS

Carol Hendon & Joan Palmer's mother, **Anna Carter**, fell and broke her hip and had a heart attack while in Florida. She had hip surgery in Florida, and currently remains there in the hospital. Letters can be sent to: Seagate of Gulfstream, J-208, 2000 S Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach, FL 33435; **Nancy Collins** is in Searcy Healthcare and would appreciate visits and calls; **Louise Ganus** is in Unity Health ICU.

THE INVOLVEMENT OF CLARENCE WILSON



Many things fall under the banner of our **Involvement Ministry**, including "communion for shut-ins." Since 1993 that job has been largely in the hands of one man: **Clarence Wilson**. You may know him as a former Harding employee, and some may realize that before his 25-years with the university, he was a missionary in Nigeria, along with his wife, Patty, where he helped found the School of Biblical Studies in the city of Jos.

When family concerns forced the Wilsons to come back to Searcy, Clarence had to start all over. In Jos, his administrative, academic, and speaking ability were vital to the success of the church. In Searcy, not so much.

Calling upon skills learned in his youth, including self-reliance, Clarence went to work in maintenance at Harding and moved on.

It was at this pivotal moment that, at the suggestion of Patty, he began his communion ministry, sharing her concern for those who could not take part in worship. For 27 years Clarence has spent three hours on Sunday afternoons in homes, hospitals, and rehab centers, administering the Lord's Supper to patients and family members. Eventually he became the deacon in charge of that service and got a helper, Bob Allen.

Clarence carries on despite suffering from Post-Polio Syndrome, an incurable condition that will eventually leave him immobile. He perseveres because the blessings of the Lord's Supper are manifold. Yes, it reinforces Christ's presence for the shut-ins, the disabled, the elderly.

But when Clarence comes through the door, one hand gripping his cane, the other holding his communion kit, they also know they have not been forgotten by their church. As one grateful shut-in would say at the sight of Clarence: "Now I know it's the Lord's Day!"

Such a bland word, "involvement," but for Clarence—and so many others—it can mean everything.

SENIOR SERVANTS

The ESP (Empowering Seniors Program) meeting for this month will be this Thursday, Feb. 27, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 100. **Howard Norton** will be the speaker, and his topic is, "Don't Let The Old Man In!" I hope you will make plans now to attend what will be an encouraging and inspiring presentation. Refreshments will be provided as usual.

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

Parent's Night Out will be this Friday, February 28, 5:30-8:30 p.m. for children of all ages! Please sign up on the Children's Ministry Facebook page, or email **Kerri Behel** at behelfamily@yahoo.com.

