

July 18, 2023



In Our *Prayers*

Please remember these friends in prayer:

Ukraine	
Hald Dawes	
Marilyn Storm	
Rae-Jean Burke	
Duane Wood	



For Our Home Centered

Bill & Suzanne Parker	LaRue Ingram
Dean Lunsford	Lonnie Maytubby
Deana Smith	Lyeal Amos
Duane Wood	Margaret Blackerby
Dwaine Bradley	Rhea Todd
Eunice Lassiter	Shirlee Ruedy
Hald Dawes	Vera Ruffner
Katherine Jordan	Verona Burke

The Regional Office is Moving

Our Regional Minister Rev. Pam Holt shared the news in a recent Regional Roundup Newsletter that the regional office, which has been located at the Disciples Center next to First Christian Church FCC, will be moving. They have digitized all their records, many were handwritten, and are in the final stages of clearing out the office. While sorting through the records the staff discovered several nuggets of delightful stories such as the region used to host regular fish fries and ice cream socials. But they discovered many stories of the amazing ministries that have taken place in Oklahoma. In 1956, Tulsa hosted a Regional Assembly with 4,200 registrations!

So, you might be wondering, “Where is the Regional Office moving?” As Rev. Holt describes it, they will be everywhere. All over the Region. Beginning August 15th, the Regional Church Staff will be 100% remote. They might be officing from their homes, but they will be taking the office with them wherever they travel to across the state. With the use of technology these days, there is little that they can’t do from home or while traveling across the state. Regional Ministers Pam and Michael will continue to drive from church to church as needed to be in person with those requesting their help. Since the office is now in the “cloud” then the office travels with them wherever they maybe offering ministry across the state of Oklahoma.

Some of their historical documents will be stored in a climate-controlled storage unit in Oklahoma City. However, between now and August 15th, all the remaining boxes will move out and the office cleared out. The Regional Board will be selling office furniture and then in September the Regional Church will be hosting a worship service to celebrate the ministries that have been centered here. Everyone throughout the region will be invited to this “Closing of the Disciples Center Service.”

There is more exciting news coming out of the Oklahoma Region. The Regional Assembly is doing something new next year, and you can join other Disciples on a cruise for Assembly at Sea! The Region is planning an Intersections trip to New York City. The trip, modeled after the youth immersive trip “International Affairs,” is actually for adults 21 and older and will have a focus on immigration and the work of the nation in relation with others. This includes a visit to the United Nations, Ellis Island, Tenement Museum and the 9/11 Museum, and a Broadway show. Let me know if you want more information. There is also going to be a family camp opportunity in the cooler weather of September where parents or grandparents can go to camp with their kids. This intergenerational camp experience will bring families together through play, prayer, study and worship. Also, join the Region as we enjoy some BBQ at Western Oaks Christian Church on August 12th as Rev. Josh Bell kicks off his new chaliceresources.com website.

The Regional Office may be going remote, but the Region is full of energy and continues creating new stories of exciting ministries.

Blessings,

Daniel

WOCC Back to School Bash

For Western Oaks Elementary School, Western Oaks Middle School, and PC West

Saturday, August 5, 1-4 p.m.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Friday, August 4 – 1:00 – 4:00

Set up – (10 volunteers)

Saturday, August 5 – 10:00 – 12:00

Final Set up (10 volunteers)

Saturday, August 5 – 1:00 – 4:00

“The Bash” – All hands on deck

Wear your T-Shirt. Tell everyone “We love you, and we’re glad you are here.” HAVE FUN!

Saturday, August 5 – 4:00 – 6:00

Final Cleanup (15 volunteers)

Needs: We need 8 bar stools with backs to use in our Barber Shop. Please call Cindy at the Church office if you can make such a loan.

Other: If you are unable to sign up to help with a particular activity and/or cannot be there, you may always donate online or with a check to WOCC, noting “Back to School Event” in the memo section.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL WOCC VOLUNTEERS SHOULD PARK OFF PREMISES ACROSS THE STREET IN THE STRIP SHOPPING CENTER OR AT DEVILLE SHOPPING CENTER ON AUGUST 5. OUR TRAFFIC AND PARKING CREW CAN HELP MAKE THIS HAPPEN

Upcoming

EVENTS

July 28 - Aug 2

General Assembly

Daniel, Julia, & Pat Brown are representing WOCC.

August 5

Back to School Event

August 12

BBQ with Josh Bell

for all elders & region

Sept 24 & Oct 1

Reconciliation Offering

New Audio/Video Technician and Nursery Attendant NEEDED

Rich has so graciously volunteered his time and energy to help with morning worship by running the power points for worship and overseeing the youth helping to run the soundboard.

However, he has decided not to continue and so we are seeking someone new to help out with technology during worship.

We are also now seeking a nursery attendant to work on Sunday mornings during worship at 9am and 11am and during Sunday school.

Do you know of anyone who might be interested in either of these positions? Have them contact the church office with a resume.

Diapers & Wipes Shower

Let's shower them with diapers & wipes galore!

Join us for a Diaper and Wipes Shower Honoring

Koa Reign Hart

Son of Skylar Frank & Jevon Hart

Sunday, July 23rd

10:00 in the West Narthex

After his baby dedication during the 9:00 service



National Corn Hole Champions

Just to let you know, Tony and I won National Cornhole Mixed Doubles Championship. Lost first round. Came back and beat the leader two games 21-7, 21-16.

There were 10,000 athletes competing in all sports in Pittsburgh! We beat the New York entrant!

I'm trying to be humble. 🙏📺

I placed 5th in Women's Doubles! And got Bronze in the Women's singles. Then lost to the Silver 21-19! And lost to the Gold-medal winner first round. 8 in the bracket!

I surprised myself! Threw 5 consecutive games! Tony got 7th in Men's Singles and 5th in Men's Doubles.

Charlene Majetic



Tony and Charlene Majetic



Join us for Games at the Church Thursday, July 20th

Meet at Western Oaks at 2:00p.m.
in the youth room for board games and snacks.

Bring your favorite board game!

Western Oaks Christian Church



The youth raised \$235.68 at their Lemonade Stand.

The money will be used to purchase bottles of water for the Blessing Box.

We have enough money to buy 2360 bottles of water for the Blessing Box.

FELLOWSHIP FUN

“Rock the Community”

Kids and Adults- Help us paint kindness rocks for our Back to School Event. We will have paint markers and patterns to look at as we fellowship and paint rocks.

**Sunday, July 30th
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.**

We will have snacks and drinks, and all the supplies for fun and fellowship!



Kind

Ephesians 4:32

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”
-Ephesians 4:32

Church Staff

Senior Minister: Rev. Dr. Daniel U'Ren
 Associate Minister: Rev. Julia Jordan Gillett
 Music Director: Andrew Orr
 Pianist: Rosa McCroskey
 Praise Band Leader: Ben Frantz
 Praise Band: Natalie Griffin and Zach Jones
 Nursery Attendant: Janet Harper
 Admin Assistant: Cindy Cannon
 Sound Technician:

office@woccdoc.org



I want to give a special thank you to everyone at Western Oaks for all of the cards and prayers you sent my way during my physical difficulties. I don't know what I would have done without my church family.

Lisa Sloan

Attendance	Vimeo Live	Facebook Live	Facebook Live	Daniel's YouTube	TOTAL online Worship	9:00 am	11:00 am	TOTAL on campus Worship	Giving	General	Blessing Fund
7/2/2023	5	17	43	3	68	20	50	70	7/2/2023	\$3,285	\$0
7/9/2023	16	9	48	3	76	21	43	64	7/9/2023	***	

*Online attendance taken from respective website reports of number *** Financial info counted in following week
 ** Technical difficulty prevented online worship.

“Loving God, Serving our Neighbor”



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Be the Neighbor Mission Trip

Day 1



Daniel blessing the mission trip on Sunday morning.



Rearranging sleeping rooms at South Hill Christian Church in Fort Worth



Group picture at New Covenant



Celebrating Bailey's birthday



Julia's group: Alorah, Bailey and Liam went to Ridglea Christian Church to work in the gardens. People in the neighborhood can rent a plot of land for \$30. Ridglea also has 4 plots of land that they give the produce to Westaid Food Pantry.



Aidan went with a group that worked at Opal Farms named after "the Grandmother of Juneteenth". Ms. Opal Lee and the food grown on the farm goes to help several food pantries and neighbors.



In the afternoon the entire group went to Catholic Charities and did a simulation on how to spend money for a single mom and her child for one month.

Day 2

Liam, Bailey, and Alorah were with Julia and a group at Neighborhood Needs distributing groceries to families.



The other group was at WestAid Food Pantry getting bags and boxes of groceries ready for the food distribution on Wednesday.



The total group activity in the afternoon was going to Kids Who Care Musical Theatre where we interacted with children and youth from Australia and two other countries by playing games and watching performances.

Day 3



Day 3 we were so busy adding frozen meat and vegetables to the boxes and distributing them that surprise, surprise Julia did not get any pictures until the end. The group Aidan was part of went to Neighborhood Needs and helped them prepare sacks and empty food trucks where 230 families had been served the previous day.

In the afternoon, the entire group went to the Welman Project a non profit organization that collects and distributes school supplies to teachers at no cost. They have a vintage shop in the front of the store that pays the rent. We helped prepare packets for teachers.



Day 4



Aidan and Liam went back to Neighborhood Needs to prepare bags and unload food trucks to be ready for

Alorah, Bailey and Julia went to The People's Garden at Ridglea Christian Church. This is a teaching garden with a variety of styles of gardens. People work in the garden and are taught about composting and when to plant. Seeds are given to anyone interested and the produce goes again to WestAid Food Pantry for distribution.



We visited TCU in the afternoon and the girls sorted and tagged gently used prom dresses at University Christian Church. The dresses will be sold at greatly reduced prices to help everyone

The rest of the group went back to Ridglea to package a snack bag that includes water for those who come by during the week.



Finally, the entire group ended our time at the Presbyterian Night shelter. The facility is unique to Fort Worth, because an entire family may stay together at the shelter. We played with the children from 5pm to 7pm while parents or guardians were able to take a break.

Day 5

We packed up and said goodbye to Mark and John who led all our sessions with Be the Neighbor. Our times of reflection were thought provoking and caused us to also look at what we might do when we return home! We are grateful to have great partners with New Covenant Christian Church and Crown Heights Christian Church.

Before coming home, we stopped at Whirlyball in Hurst, Texas.

Let's be a blessing together!
Julia

