



THOSE TO SERVE August 25, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper:

Scripture Reading:
 Closing Prayer:
 Power Point: Tim Spain
 Greeters (side):
 (back):

DAILY BIBLE READING SCHEDULE

- August 25 Lamentations 3:37-66; Lamentations 4; Lamentations 5:1-22
- August 26 Ezekiel 1-4
- August 27 Ezekiel 5-8
- August 28 Ezekiel 9-12
- August 29 Ezekiel 13-15
- August 30 Ezekiel 16-17
- August 31 Ezekiel 18-19



ON TRACK MEALS

This year we are going to try something a little different for the On-Track meals. Each Wednesday night, a different small group will be responsible for providing the meal once about every 4 weeks. If it is your group's turn, you (as a group) are responsible for the planning, buying, cooking and serving of the meal that week. You are welcome to turn in receipts for reimbursement of the food cost. This allows for creativity in planning and fixing the meal, and a chance to interact with our kids. We anticipate feeding 30-35.

What to Serve

There is a sign-up sheet on the information station that has the dates of when each small group will serve. Please record what you will be serving that day so that other groups will know, and we won't have the same thing in back-to-back weeks. There is also a notebook with On-Track recipes you are welcome to use in the kitchen area. You are welcome to prepare the meals at home and bring them, or to use the kitchen here at the building, whichever works best for your group.

Why are we doing it this way?

It is a large task to coordinate and fix meals every single week, and it takes large amounts of time and energy. By putting each group in charge of one meal a month, it allows for that task to be shared where it is not on the shoulders of any one person. As a group, you can decide who will work each time you are serving, so even those in the group may only need to help once every couple of months. Plus, this allows for some creativity among the excellent cooks we have, as you can plan the menu from the ground up. You are free to prepare On-Track staples, but you are also welcome to introduce something new and different.

Our Decision

The original plan was to have Trudy's Café help provide our meals. While we love that Valerie and staff serve our community through Trudy's Café, they already deliver food to the afterschool programs between 3:00-4:00. Since we are not starting On-Track immediately after school, whatever the kids would eat at the schools, they would eat again at On-Track. Since most of the kids will be eating Trudy's Café frequently, we decided to continue to offer our kids a full, fresh ←←← meal each Wednesday night.

This year we would like to invite the congregation to eat supper with us at On Track each week. Consider eating each week, and then when it is your turn to serve, you can "pay" for the meals by donating your time, energy, and supplies. The kids will receive a good full meal made with love, and it allows the church to fellowship with one another, get to know the kids, and easily feed your family without the rush.

-Tim Spain, On Behalf of the Youth Committee

P.S. We will continue to need desserts each week. Thank you to all of you that faithfully provide those.

ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

Date	Time	Event	Location
August 25-28, 2019		<i>Relationships Matter</i> Event	West Dyersburg church
September 7-8, 2019		Youth Group Outing	Heber Springs
September 29— October 2, 2019		Harding University Lectureship	Searcy, AR



ON TRACK MEALS 2019

Fall Serving Schedule (the room the small group meets in):

Room 6: Sept. 11, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 11

Ron's Office: Sept. 18, Oct. 9, Nov. 13

Ladies Prayer Group/Coffee Room: Sept. 25, Oct. 23, Dec. 4



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SUNDAY SERVICES

9:30 am — Bible Study
 10:30 am — Worship
 6:00 pm — Small Group Discussions

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

6:30 pm — Bible Study

Worship Service August 25, 2019

Welcome
 "Blue Skies and Rainbows"
 643 "Sowing the Seed of the Kingdom"
 "I Want to Be a Worker"
Shepherd's Prayer
 575 "Days of Elijah"
 287 "There Is a Redeemer"
Communion
Contribution
 15 "Step by Step"
Scripture Reading
Sermon
 909 "There's a Fountain Free"
Family News
 705 "A Common Love"
Closing Prayer



THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Worship Leader: Tim Spain
 Lord's Supper: Kevin Dobbins
 Scripture Reading: Jim Robertson
 Sermon: Ron Newberry
 Closing Prayer: Jimmy Smith
 Elder Available After Worship: Jimmy Smith
 Children's Church: Nancy & Tim Spain
 Attended Nursery: Maggie McCage
 Nursery Next Week: Annette Dobbins
 Greeters (side): Jeff & Sissy Nicks
 (back): Mike & Paula McCage



PRAYER LIST

OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Mary Johnson, Vernelle Sellers, Vallie Burden, Anita Nicks, Aaron Tittle.
OUR COMMUNITY: Yates Graham, Scott Albright, Hudson Hayes, Debbie Jordan, Mary Hepler, Debbie Bowling, Evelyn Williams, Carl Ivey, Michelle Cook (Brian Clark's boss), Shawn Weaks, Jean McCullough
OUR RELATIVES & FRIENDS: Erica Albritton, Alan Jones, William Gardner, Hazel Williams, Terry Grady, Louis Woods (cousin of Aaron Tittle), Adam & Jennifer Cooley, Katie Harris, Clinton Battles, Jason Elliott; Kimberly & Giovanni Rodriguez, Tresa Mudd (Autumn Garrigus's mom), Dwight Baggett, Philis Wilkinson (Amy Hawkins' mom), Bob Yates, Thomas Aker, Brenda Green
THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY: Jay Thomas, Thomas Booker, Chris Mays, Rebecca Gooch, Claire Lloyd, Brady Moore, Dakota McCord, Matt Hester, Clayton Fowler, Brady Moore, Chris Floyd, Eb McCage
MISSIONS WE SUPPORT:
 Baja California, City of Children, China, Guyana, Zambia.



"If you would not be forgotten, as soon as you're dead and rotten, either write things worth reading or do things worth the writing." That's the sage advice of Benjamin Franklin who did both. Franklin was a scientist, an inventor, a statesman, a printer, a philosopher, a musician, and an economist. United States historians honor Ben Franklin as one of our Founding Fathers and as one of America's greatest citizens.

Through his scientific endeavors in the 18th century, Franklin learned that plaster (calcium sulfate) sown in the fields would make things grow. He informed his farming neighbors, but they did not believe his advice to be credible. They argued with him trying to prove logically that plaster could be of no use at all for growing grass or grain.

Unable to convince them otherwise, Franklin allowed the matter to drop and said nothing more about it. Early the next spring he went into the field and sowed some grain close by the path where men would walk. He traced some letters with his finger and put plaster into them. He then sowed his seed in the field.

A couple of weeks passed and the seed sprang up. His neighbors who frequently passed that way were very much surprised to see some of the plants were a brighter green than all the rest of the field. Then they noticed a pattern of letters and the letters formed words. In large letters was the sentence, "THIS HAS BEEN PLASTERED."

Benjamin Franklin did not need to argue with his neighbors any more about the benefits of using plaster in their fields. As the season went on and the grain grew, these bright green letters rose above all the rest until they were obvious to even the casual observer – "THIS HAS BEEN PLASTERED."

Has it ever occurred to you that there is too much arguing and debating and wrangling over the Christian principles and doctrines? We can argue and dispute all day long and make little progress in convincing others that the Christian life is superior in every way to their lifestyles. We can argue that fidelity in marriage is superior, that high moral standards are preferable, that a lofty model of integrity is finest way to live and fail to convince those who oppose us regardless of our exceptional "arguing" abilities.

I like sage advice from those like Benjamin Franklin. However, I prefer advice from others in spiritual matters. Consider the following Scriptures:

In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven (Matt. 5:16).

Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us (1 Pet. 2:12).

Keep reminding them of these things. Warn them before God against quarreling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen (2 Tim. 2:14).

Might we learn that the best way to "convince" our friends who are not spiritually minded that godliness is preferable on multiple levels is not to argue with them about the merits of Christianity but merely to show them with our lives? Sowing a little love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control in our world and letting the produce of the fruit of the Spirit be seen will do more than all our arguments and debates could ever do.

- Ron