

Privileged To Serve In Public Worship

Announcements: Jim Gammon

Scripture Reading: AM- Blake Grimes PM- Brad Trull

Song Leader: Bo Graham

Opening Prayer: AM-Chris Lowry PM- Jess Leonard

Closing Prayer: AM- Tom Trull PM- Charlie Thomas

To Serve Communion: Ron Davis Robert Osborne
Lawson Lovelady Seth Bolstad
Dwayne Lovelady Caden Thomas

Sermons: Anthony Scherffius

AM- "God Meant for Good"-Genesis 50:20

PM- 5th Sunday Questions & Answers

Sound: Alan Haack

Greet Visitors: Ayden Samford

Count Contribution: Chandler Osborne Jared Cockrum

Attendance Cards: Ethan Graham Jason Graham

Wednesday, September 2, 2026

Scripture Reading: Jim Gammon /II Corinthians 11:16-33

Devotional: Terry Littlejohn

Bible Class: Hebrews: "Ye Are Come Unto Mt. Sion"- Chandler Osborne

Records for week of August 23, 2026:

Attendance: Bible Class: 82 Worship PM: 83
Worship AM: 121 Wed: 8/19: 86

Contribution: \$7478



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Tyler Thomas, Tom Trull

Preacher: Anthony Scherffius

Bible Study & Worship

Sundays: Bible Class 9:00am
Worship 10:00am
Worship 5:00pm

Wednesdays: Bible Class 7:00

THE SIMPLICITY OF TEACHING THE GOSPEL TO CHILDREN

By Anthony Scherffius

During the Restoration movement in the United States, one preacher, Walter Scott, put a focus on not just evangelizing men and women, but also children. When Walter Scott began evangelizing on the Western Reserve (Ohio) in 1827, he would gather groups of children after school, hold up his hand, and teach them a simple five-point outline of the gospel, pointing to each finger: 1. Faith, 2. Repentance, 3. Baptism, 4. Remission of sins, and 5. Gift of the Holy Spirit.

He then told the children to go home and teach it to their parents—and to invite them to the meeting that evening. The method opened doors in entire communities and helped produce hundreds of conversions in a short time. Scott later emphasized that the heart of it was faith in Jesus as the Christ, the “Golden Oracle.”

All too often we have we tend to complicate things. The Bible teaches how Jesus would have all the little children come to Him, and He would teach them things concerning the Father and His will. Not only would Jesus teach them about God, He taught it in such a way that even the children could understand it!

When we proclaim the Christ, are we able to explain it to a child? Are we able to discuss the eternal plan of God even to a five year old? That is the beauty of the Good News! The Bible, although the inspired mind of Jehovah God, is designed and God-breathed in such a clear and simplistic way so that man may know what to do to be saved. Jesus says “*you can know the truth and the truth*

will set you free” (John 8:32). As one preacher put it, you need help misunderstanding it. We ought not to help people misunderstand the Scriptures. It is said the Bible can be described as its own acronym: “*Basic Instructions Before Leaving Earth*.” Notice how the first word describes the rest of the map for the soul, “basic.” The Bible is clear.

Something we must consider is the value of teaching children. Although children are innocent from the womb, they must be taught for multiple reasons even from childhood:

1. If you start young, it will be on their hearts and when they grow old they will not depart from it (Proverbs 22:6).

2. Children, though innocent, can and will eventually fall (Romans 3:23).

3. They are great evangelism tools for teaching households and having an impact on their parents/guardians/adults (2 Kings 5:2-4; Matthew 18:1-4; Luke 2:46-47).

There is great value in teaching children the simplicity of the New Testament plan of salvation. Because not only are children able to teach others, but they remind us of what we need to be (Matthew 18:1-4). We are to be as little children, willing to submit to the Father, humble and understanding that we must depend on the Father, not ourselves, and to remind us that the Gospel is simple.

If you think about, we actually have a great example of teaching children and allowing them to be vessels for God’s glory, for God does it Himself. He sends His children out, expecting them to teach and be an example of what the Kingdom life and servant conduct looks like. Let us be as little children and proclaim the Father’s simple Good News.

Remember in Prayer

Doug Guinn was moved to rehab on 8/25. The family requests prayers for continued recovery. Please see info below.

Joe David Rogers continues to recuperate following surgery and appreciates prayers from the brethren.

Archie Underwood had a surgical procedure on 8/21.

Charlotte Whitt had a doctor’s appointment 8/25. Her knee will not require additional surgery, but she will be scheduled for a hip replacement in October.

UPCOMING Events

August 27- NH Birthday Party/2:00

August 30- Potluck Luncheon

September 13- NH Worship/2:00

September 13- Youth Devotional

September 20- Elder/Deacon

Mtg./4:00

September 24- NH Birthday
Party/2:00

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Doug Guinn was moved to
Meadow Lake Senior Living
16044 CR 165
Tyler, TX 75703

Remember Also:

Joy Tull, Scott Koehler,
Jim Milam, Rex Parker,
Roger Leonard, Louis Thomas,
Woodard family, Donna Roberts,
Charlotte Whitt, Todd Schultz,
Archie & Nancy Underwood,
Kenneth Otterline, Carey Samford,
Sharon McMillan, Becky Smith



September/October Food Committee

*Patti Leonard *Karon Mason
Charla Bolstad & girls
Loree Mixon Becca Thomas
Sarah Andrews Charlotte Whitt
Tadym Langley

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Beacon church of Christ
Continued Education Workshop
House to House/Heart to Heart
August 29-30



Congregational Evangelism

Topics include:
How to do a Bible Study
Beyond the Close
Compassion Cards/Transition Visits
New Testament Evangelism
Door Knocking
(See flyer in information room)

