

MADILL CHURCH OF CHRIST

# FAMILY MESSENGER

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## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Worship 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Meal 6:00 p.m.  
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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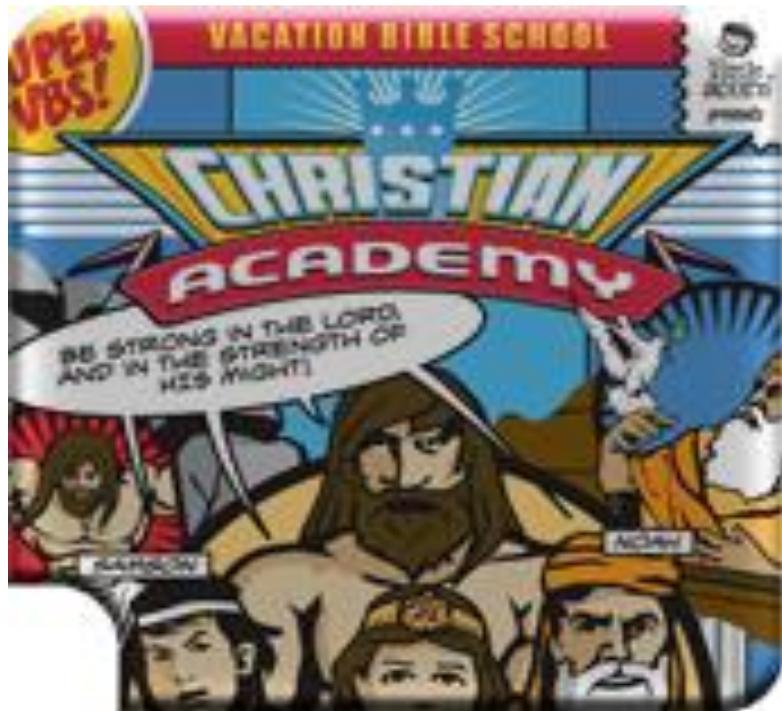
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**Our Vacation Bible School  
Saturday, August 1, 2015**

**9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

**Ages 2 years—4th grade**

**Theme: "Training Super Heroes For God"**

***"Be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of  
His might."***

*Ephesians 6:10*

## Guest Article....

# The Hardest Words To Say



I must have been sick on the day they taught phonics in school. If I don't recognize a word by sight, I can find some amazing ways to mispronounce it. I cringe when I have to use certain words because no matter how much I practice, I'm not sure how it will come out.

However, I know that the hardest words to say are sometimes the most simple to pronounce. Phrases like, "I'm sorry" and "I was wrong" and "I have sinned."

It would behoove us all to remember this when people need to say those words. We need to do everything to support and encourage them. We should never hinder someone's need for repentance with our judgments or indifference.

Jesus tells us in Luke 15:7 that *"there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance."*

God's desire is for man to see the error of his ways and come home. We need to make sure we don't do anything that would hinder someone from making that journey.

-Barry Haynes-

## Please Pray For...

**Betty Garrison** has been diagnosed with a brain tumor. She is in the hospital in Dallas, Texas where they are trying to determine if she is able to have surgery. Please continue to cover her and **Doyle** in your prayers.

**Elsie Purnell** broke her ankle and will be in a boot for several weeks. **Mack Purnell** has good and bad days with his Parkinson's disease. Please keep them in your prayers. **Mary Hasselman** had a scan recently that revealed a mass near her liver. Her colonoscopy came back clear and she is having a biopsy on Thursday of this week. Please cover her in prayer. Others who need our prayers are: **J.W. Bennett, Louise James, Jim Wilson, Donna Anderson, Cory Jones, Geovanie Orta, Jill Muegge, Eva Brock, Loyd Upchurch, Lillie Hallmark, Pansy Henson, Lucy Ette Ayres, Mary Huebsch, Betty Pratt, Dixie Cooper, Joseph Chidester, Larry & Bettie Goff, Dave Peters, Don & Louise Newton, Nathan Couch, Carolyn Beadles, Jeremy Sweat, Kevin Jenkins, Jacob Jones, Randel Carlock, Sandra Fort, Arthur Freeman, Todd Ephriam, Opal Cox, Dee McGlaughn, Ashley Bradbeary, Lloyd Harkins, Miquil Lopez, Scott Dutton, Victor Jefferson, Ron Kelley, Patricia Kelley, Vasha Reeks, Carroll Davis, Karen Herndon, Colton Contreas, Hubert Baker, Christine James Meitzene, Damion Meitzene, Jerry Honeycutt, Isa Smith, Michael Thomas Gray, Janet Fuller, Jeremy McDonald, Denise Sanders, Kim Anderson, Terry Simpson, Ethan Sliger, George Barr, Joni McCulloch, Erdice McDaniel, Martha Stafford, James Willis, Trey Jackson, & Lisa Brimcombe.**

## Upcoming Events –JULY

22 - Wed. Night meal is "Casser oles."

27-28 - Summer Summit

## August

1 - Our VBS from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

**"You need not be afraid of  
where you are going when  
you know God is with  
you!"**

## Open House/Auction

Hope Harbor Children's Home in Claremore, Oklahoma will be hosting their annual "Open House" on Saturday, September 26, 2015. It will begin at 10:00 a.m. with lunch from 11:30-1:00p.m. (includes Fish Fry, BBQ, and more). There will be an awards presentation at the luncheon and a silent auction as well as a LIVE auction will also be held. Be ready to bid on items such as a boat, a car, gift baskets, name brand merchandise, art and more! All proceeds go to help the children's home operation. For more information please call (918) 343-0003.



## Fussy Little Christians!

Dr. Vance Havner has aptly described the present generation of Christians thus:

"We are a generation of proud, fussy little Christians, experts but not examples. We know too much, or we think we do."

"We have heard all the preachers and read all the books. It is hard these days to be converted and become like little children. We want to be thought of as philosophers and scholars, brilliant but not childlike. So we miss the secrets God has hidden from the wise and prudent and revealed them unto babes."

"How often, even among the saints, does some simple soul learn the deeper things of God and press through to heaven's best while 'the wise and the prudent' utterly miss them!"

(This is something we should all think about. Maybe we need to evaluate ourselves and see if we are truly childlike at heart! )

*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."*

*-Matthew 19:14*

## Youth Update!

It's been a busy summer for us all and it's not over yet! Next week (July 27-28) is our annual trip to a Rangers baseball game and Six Flags (Summer Summit).

Saturday, August 1st, is the day for our VBS. The theme this year is "Training Super Heroes for God" and should be tons of fun! Songs, skits, crafts, Bible lessons, games, and food are all on the schedule. Thank you to all those who have volunteered! There is always a lot of work involved with planning and decorating for VBS but the smiles on the kids' faces make it all worth it. If you know some kids (2 years to 4th grade) to invite or bring PLEASE do it!

Over the summer every Thursday evening in the fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m. we will meet for Thurstivity. We play games like: basketball, kickball, Uno, volleyball, etc.. But in the final weeks of summer be on the lookout for new and different activities. More information on this to come in the next few days.

If you are a teen and you are a girl you might be interested in attending an event coming up THIS Saturday with Courtney in Howe, Texas. If you're interested, talk to Courtney about the details.

Guys, it has been a great summer and it will be over before we know it, so be sure to take advantage of the many activities we have going on! Make it a great week!

-John-



***"Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage."***

***Galatians 5:1***

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	7/19	1 yr	5yr
AM Worship	144	164	169
PM Worship	40	56	34
Wednesday	78	94	80
Contribution	\$4,403	\$4,966	\$5,115
Hispanic Church	A.M. 26		
	P.M. 17		
	Wed. 19		
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**MEMORIALS:**  
**Building Fund**

- In Memory of Harold & Annette Jones by Martha Ayres*
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**On The Lighter Side.....:)**

**Too Young!**

Little Johnny was in church when the Lord's Supper was being observed. When each emblem was passed down his pew he wanted to partake, but his mother leaned over and told him that he wasn't old enough yet to partake of the communion. Little Johnny sat back sullenly as the observance ended.

When the collection plate was passed around little Johnny's mother leaned over again to tell him to drop his coins into the basket but little Johnny held his money firmly in his hand and said, "If I can't eat, I won't pay!"



**Do You Love Jesus?**

Love is essential for one to be a Christian. So, if we are to be a "good" (faithful) Christian then we must love Jesus. Jesus said that loving God with all our hearts is more important than any other command (Matt. 22:37-38). Many claim to love God, but do we all really mean it? We can tell if a man loves his wife or if a wife loves her husband by what he or she does. Love listens. Love cares. Love is patient. Love gives. Love forgives. Love is kind, compassionate, and rejoices in truth. Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments" (John 14:15).

Do we believe that? If so we will hear—and—do what Jesus has said. James says if you believe Jesus, prove it by what you do (James 2:18).  
 -John K. Wills