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Mission of the Month— Wesley Campus Ministry



Reverend Travis Burdett, as campus minister, will be our guest preacher on Sunday, August 23rd. Reverend Burdett is originally from Wylie and graduated from the University of Oklahoma. While he was a student there, he was involved in the Wesleyan campus ministry, which led him to pursue his calling to ministry. He and his wife now live in Caddo Mills.

This summer, Reverend Burdett has been working with the student leadership team to prepare for the fall semester. They plan to keep having Wednesday evening dinners and worship services. He is looking for a small group to provide a meal one Wednesday evening this fall. Additionally, they are planning fun social activities like game nights to strengthen connections.

Reverend Burdett and the Board have been working to make laundry facilities available at The Wesley starting this fall. We want to support this mission in any way we can. If you'd like to offer assistance please email him at travis@etxwesley.org

There are several ways you can support this campus ministry:

1. Keep Reverend Burdett and the students in your prayers as they grow in faith.
2. During Sundays in August, you can give donations—cash or checks (write "Wesley" on the memo)—which can be placed in the collection plate. If you give online, just click the mission of the month button.
3. Consider joining a group to provide a dinner on an upcoming Wednesday night.

Thank you for supporting The Wesley Campus Ministry!

Vacation Bible School



I want to take a moment to thank everyone that helped make Vacation Bible School a success. We had a great week of worship with these young children from our community. We had 50 kids and teens attend each day and together we learned that "I can do all things through him who strengthens me" Philippians 4:13, which was our mountain motto and memory verse for the week. Through out the week our daily lift lessons taught us that we could share our gifts, be brave, give our all and pray.



Prayer List

Recent Concerns:

- ◆ Our world, country and leaders
- ◆ Nancy Ogden
- ◆ Bobbie Sue Floyd
- ◆ Family of Richard Young, Lee Riddle's Grandson
- ◆ Betty Martin
- ◆ Mary Lou Heatherly
- ◆ Velma Durham, Sister of Al Stapleton
- ◆ David Curry, Son-in-law of Dale & Sue Massey
- ◆ Chris Wilcoxon, Son-in-law of Dale & Sue Massey
- ◆ Pete Smith
- ◆ Carter McLeroy (received a heart transplant), Grandson of Julie and Bob McLeroy
- ◆ Priscilla McFarland
- ◆ Donald & Marcia Hakala
- ◆ Becca Rowe
- ◆ Patricia Mulkey, Jim Patton's sister
- ◆ Debbie Dunham

Continued Prayers (long term):

- ◆ Bill Heitholt
- ◆ Georgia Gholston
- ◆ Melanie and Judy Cortea
- ◆ Robert Seay

Those serving in our military:

- ◆ Sgt. Kyle Hartman (US Marines) great-grandson of Lee Riddle
- ◆ Chandler Teague (US Navy) great-grandson of Lee Riddle
- ◆ Captain Cameron Lehr
- ◆ Lt. Dan Barton
- ◆ Daniel Chamberlain
- ◆ Sgt. Stephen Smith & Denise Smith

Upcoming Activities

- Aug. 6- Serve Team Meeting 2PM
- Aug. 10- Prayer Shawl Meeting 9:30AM
- Aug. 11— Trustees 6:30PM
- Aug. 16 Back to School Sunday Reception 10:30AM
- Aug. 17- Finance 6PM
- Aug 19— Prayer Shawl Crafting 1:30pm
— Choir Resumes 6:30pm
- Aug. 26- Prayer Shawl Crafting 1:30pm
— Choir 6:30pm
- Aug. 27— Little Ark Meet the Teacher 5:30-7pm
- Aug. 28— Little Ark Closed
- Aug 31— Little Ark School Year Begins

Ongoing Activities

Men's Breakfast (Omega's): Wednesdays 8AM

Country Home Estates: Wednesdays at 2:00PM

Friendship Class: Sundays at 9:30AM

If you are interested in giving flowers for the altar, please contact Luann Huffman at

903-366-2899 or email

lhuffman01@cumbytel.com



Financial Report

	<u>Current</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Budget Income:	\$32,878	\$137,545
Budget Expense:	\$21,521	\$133,870
<u>Difference:</u>	+\$11,357	+\$3,675

Fun at Little Ark

Save the Date

Little Ark Meet the Teacher Aug. 27th 5:30-7pm

Little Ark Closed Aug. 28th

Little Ark New Semester Starts Aug. 31st



**For emergency
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