



12/04 LTC Forms Due  
 12/07 Rake and Run  
 12/08 LTC Bible Quiz Practice Begins 5:00  
 12/14 Christmas Party

November Calendars are on the foyer table. Please make sure you pick one up.

**2 Thessalonians 1:11-12**

<sup>11</sup> With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith. <sup>12</sup> We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Point 1:** The Invitation of Jesus Christ is open to \_\_\_\_\_ and anyone means \_\_\_\_\_.

**Point 2:** Following Christ must be a \_\_\_\_\_, not a convenient \_\_\_\_\_ or hobby.

**Point 3:** Following Christ begins with \_\_\_\_\_ to His will. It transforms us into his \_\_\_\_\_ and it ends with his victory over the \_\_\_\_\_.

**Point 4:** Following Christ is an \_\_\_\_\_ state. It is not, has never been, and will never be \_\_\_\_\_. We must choose to follow each and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Point 5:** Only by being a whole-hearted, passionate \_\_\_\_\_ can we share the victory already claimed by the one that we call \_\_\_\_\_; not by words that are devoid of any real effect on who we are.

**Attendance**

Bible Class.....	83
Worship A.M.....	114
Worship P.M.....	68
Wednesday.....	117

2013 Budget: \$3,800  
 Contribution: \$3,631.55

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**Welcome**  
*November 24, 2013*

**Announcements**

*Shout Hallelujah (CD track 2-all)*  
**#18 Worthy Is the Lamb (paper book-all)**  
**#63 I Will Call Upon the Lord (2X)**

**Opening Prayer**

**#10 Hosanna (paper book-all)**  
**#176 Lamb of God (all)**

**Communion Message**

**Communion**

**#68 Give Thanks**

**Offering**

**#47 Holy, Holy, Holy (1,3,4)**

**Scripture Reading**  
**2 Thessalonians 1:11-12**

**Sermon**

**#77 Glorify Thy Name (all)**  
**#103 He Has Made Me Glad (once)**

**Closing Prayer**

# Preacher's Porch



Kids! You have to be absolutely out of your mind to have children or even to want them! When you look at the expense of \$333,280 (according to [babiesrus.com](http://babiesrus.com)) or about \$13,000 a year, it is prohibitive. That means if I didn't have kids, I could have been a millionaire instead!

But when you consider what they contribute to the family; no, never mind. I mean, dirty dishes, laundry, socks on the floor and toys in the living room aren't very noteworthy contributions after all.


So people must have kids because they enjoy the pleasant attitudes, right? I mean, who wouldn't enjoy: getting to wake up to a baby crying at all hours, the terrible twos and all the pleasantries of a hormonal teenager?

In truth, this brand of sarcasm is one that I used recently with one of my children who was telling me that they have a tough time believing that I love them (it had been a really rough day). I wanted them to see that, in truth, the parent-child relationship is pretty one-sided. Between acting as a combination chauffeur, banker, school tutor, cook, maid, doctor/nurse, psychologist, police officer and more, you also have to find the time to provide love and compassion and discipline; instill morals and values; etc. Everyone that has ever had kids understands this.

And then the question comes: To what end? Why? What does a parent get out of it? Love and respect, money, fame? Do they get anything of any real value as the world sees value? Not really. So it doesn't make much logical sense to have kids, does it? If you still doubt it, fill in the blanks: As parents go, my parents did the following for me: \_\_\_\_\_. As their child, I did the following for them: \_\_\_\_\_. Now, look where the scale is tipped.

And now we are getting at the relationship that God has with us. I have had people tell me about the story of the Bible that "it's too good to be true." I've had them ask, "What does God get out of it?" And more commonly, I have even been asked, "Why would God do that for me?" and "What does God want from me?"

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**Kirby Whitley** is awaiting a surgery date.

**Continue to Remember:** *Mary Taylor, Jerry Greene, David & Jennie Waggoner, Landon Farmer, Bill Wood, Theo Allen, Kirby Whitley, Brenda Estridge, Krista McCarty, Rosalie Littlejohn, Brownie Pickens, Wan & Sue Callaway, Khristie Beard, Nikki Freeze, Alyene Williams, Alastair & Linda Ferrie, Coach Darin Mays, Karla Brinkley, and April Taylor*



Wednesday  
Supper  
November 27th

**Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no meal here at the church building on Wednesday night.**



Don't forget to cut these out and turn them in to the office!

Chris Davis was the chapel leader for AIM recently. Please check out his lesson and send him an encouraging word!

<http://youtu.be/Ugdg2TJHElc>

## Preacher's Porch Continued...

My responses are usually something like, "Yes, it is too good to be true, but it is." "The only thing God wants out of it is a caring, loving relationship with you." "I can't explain it, but would you die for one of your kids?" and finally, "A heart that seeks Him. A heart that longs for Him. And an attitude that is open to Him."

When it comes to kids, I can't explain it, but I love my kids more than they will ever know or understand...until they have kids of their own. And when it comes to God, I can't hope to put it adequately into words so I leave you with this. God so loved you that he sent his only son Jesus to pay your debt and ransom your soul; to adopt you as His own so that you can have eternity together with Him. Not because of who you are or what you offer, but because that's who He is. Now that's something to be thankful for.

In Him, Todd

### Upcoming Events

(items in red are this week)

**24 Area Wide Thanksgiving Service in Nocona**

**25 Sunshine House**

**\*Saturday Mornings @ 6:30\***  
**Men's Breakfast @ Bridge Street Grill**

**\*Saturday Mornings @ 9:00\***  
**Women's Breakfast @ Stewart's Sweet Stop**

**The Area Wide Thanksgiving Service will be in Nocona this Sunday. The bus will leave the building at 4:00 so that we can get there in time to see the acapella concert before worship at 6:00. They will be serving BBQ Sandwiches, chips and dessert following worship service. There will not be an evening assembly here at the building. The elders would like to encourage everyone to attend this area wide service.**


There will be no Bible Classes on Wednesday night. We will have a Thanksgiving devotional at 6:30 in the auditorium. The bus **WILL NOT** be running on Wednesday night.

### Mark your calendars for the following Special Events:

December 6th: The Adult Christmas Party  
December 14th: Youth Christmas Party  
December 28th: Courtney Perry's Wedding  
January 29th: SNL



# NOVEMBER



### Birthday:

25 Sophie Perry  
25 Aiden Nixon  
29 Tina Davis

**OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE IS**

6:00-6:20 SUPPER  
6:30-7:15 BIBLE CLASS  
7:20-7:30 DEVOTIONAL

### Holiday Office Hours:

**Thanksgiving**  
Office will be closed November 27-29. We will have an abbreviated bulletin this week.

**Christmas**  
Office will be closed December 23-January 5th. We will have abbreviated bulletins during this time.

