

## An Update from Andrew...

Sunday morning was encouraging to me for many reasons. One of those reasons was that we had 514 in worship, and 427 stayed for Bible class. This means we had 83% of those in worship stay for Bible classes! I was glad to see that, and I am thankful for all those who work hard to teach those classes. After class, our **Youth Troop** met to color and to decorate cards to send to the Cinco Ranch Church of Christ in Katy, Texas. This is a congregation deeply affected by the recent hurricane, and it was good to see our children learn about showing love and kindness to those in need.

Sunday night was a great night of worship, and we had several visiting with us from other congregations, which is always a blessing. **David Shannon** shared a powerful message with us, and we ended the night with great refreshments (although the bacon on a stick went quickly)! I am thankful for the good work being done by Freed-Hardeman University, and I am glad there were several FHU representatives with us on Sunday.

There is also a new feature on our website that I believe will help a lot of families. It is called a "social story." Some of you may be familiar the way social stories are used to help children understand what will happen as they prepare to visit a new place. It is essentially a step-by-step guide for visiting Graymere, showing pictures of what our building looks like, what will happen in worship, and what our classrooms look like. Social stories have proven to be helpful for children who are on the autism spectrum, though I believe any parent could use this tool as a way to talk to children about worship. **Ashley Thomason** took excellent pictures for us to use on this project, and **Chad Landman** did his usual outstanding job in formatting and designing this addition to our website. I am thankful for their hard work. If you haven't done so already, be sure to check it out!

It is that time of year again – Give Away Day is quickly approaching. I hope you have already signed up to help, but if not, there is still time. There are sign-up sheets in our Bible Classes, as well as envelopes for donations that will allow us to purchase items to supplement our rooms. This contribution is an important one, so please be planning to participate. We also will have grocery bags available to fill for our "Sack the Pulpit" Day on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Let's see how many groceries we can fit on the auditorium platform! Also, let's be praying for the souls we will meet on that day, and let's be thinking of how we can encourage them and show them God's love. Let's keep learning and growing together!

### Sunday's Messages

**AM – Increase Our Kindness: Kindness Lives On (Acts 9:36-42)**

**PM – One Word: Shame (Romans 1:14-17)**

### ELDERS

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### MINISTERS

<b>Andrew Phillips</b>	Pulpit/TV
<b>Chad Landman</b>	Education
<b>Jack Malone</b>	Senior Adults
<b>Jonathan Winchester</b>	Missions/Evangelism
<b>Jon David Schwartz</b>	Youth

### DEACONS

<b>Rick Barker</b>	<b>Carl Martin</b>
<b>Billy Bishop</b>	<b>Wayne Phillips</b>
<b>Bobby Bishop</b>	<b>Troy Potts</b>
<b>Shawn Butterfield</b>	<b>Warren Robinson</b>
<b>Hollis Carpenter</b>	<b>Ed Self</b>
<b>Barry Christian</b>	<b>Charles Smith</b>
<b>Ken Compton</b>	<b>Austin Simmons</b>
<b>Ben Farris</b>	<b>Jeff Skelton</b>
<b>Randy Fleming</b>	<b>Ron Stone</b>
<b>Dwayne Fulks</b>	<b>Ricky Thompson</b>
<b>Jason Golden</b>	<b>Doug Wilburn</b>
<b>Randy Goodwin</b>	<b>Ken Wiles</b>
<b>Tim Gordon</b>	<b>Doug Williams</b>
<b>Eddie Harris</b>	<b>Larry Winchester</b>
<b>Jeff Harris</b>	<b>Phillip Wright</b>
<b>Vance Hendrickson</b>	<b>Ken Young</b>
<b>Josh Love</b>	

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM  
Friday 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM  
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### TIMES OF WORSHIP

Sunday 9:00 AM  
Sunday Bible Study 10:15 AM  
Sunday 6:00 PM  
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM

### COUNSELING CENTER

Mondays 11:00 AM—5:00 PM

931.540.0174

### TELEVISION

*Connections*  
Charter Channel 195  
Wednesdays 7 PM,  
Sundays 5 PM  
CPWS Channel 13  
Sundays 7:30 PM  
*Sunday Morning Worship*  
Charter Channel 195  
Sundays 8 AM

### OUR RECORD

Week of	10-8-17
Sunday AM	514
Bible Study	427
Sunday PM	415
Contribution	\$21,878.01
Wednesday PM	276
Budget	\$23,000.00

## ***Men's and Ladies Wednesday Morning Bible Classes begin October 18 at 10 AM***

The ladies class, for ladies of any age, will be taught by **Wanda Robinson**. Her topic will be *"The Days of Our Lives."*

The men's class will have various teachers.

Everyone is invited to a get-acquainted coffee which will begin at 9 AM. Babysitting will be provided.

15TH ANNUAL

**GIVE  
AWAY  
DAY**

**PACKING & SORTING**  
[ IN GIVEAWAY DAY BLDG ]  
**EVERY TUES NIGHT @ 6:30**  
**GIVEAWAY DAY IS OCT 28!**

On October 15, we will again have sign-up sheets to volunteer to work during Give-Away Day, and will be taking up a collection in adult Bible classes for money to buy new items for Give-Away Day. Grocery lists and sacks are at all auditorium entrances—take as many as you would like to fill. October 22 is SACK THE PULPIT DAY! If you would like to make a donation and are not able to do so in Bible class, please see Andrew or Katie Williams, Matt or Julie Bowling or bring it by the church office.

### ***Senior Adults***

**Game Night** will be October 17 at 6 PM at Graymere Hall. Dress in your favorite Halloween costume. There will be a prize for best costume. Eat before you come, refreshments will be served. Sign up at the Sr. Info Desk.

### ***Cleaning Graymere Hall and Senior Center:***

Your help is needed! Signup sheets are at each auditorium entrance and at the new Information Desk to allow you to sign up to help with cleaning Graymere Hall and the Senior Center. You may pick the month you would like to serve and we hope two couples or individuals will sign up per month. Cleaning supplies will be provided. You may call the church office just prior to your month to get a list of the activities scheduled. Please make sure you leave your phone number or email address so that you may be notified if any events are added during your month. The elders want to thank you in advance for your willingness to help in this area.



### **Retirement Reception**

*honoring*

**John and Jackie Markham**

*for John's 20 years serving the Graymere  
congregation as an elder*

**October 15 from 4:00 – 5:30 pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**

### ***Our Sick***

NHC-MR: **Sarah Johnson**, 1302;  
**Lillian Bills**, 2506

### ***Mission Trip to Costa Rica April 2-7, 2018***

All interested in this trip, please meet with Jonathan Sunday following evening worship at the front of the auditorium.

### ***Congratulations***

Congratulations to **Sarah Ray** & **Evan Warnick** who were married Saturday. Sarah is the daughter of Al & Wendy Ray.

Congratulations to **Jessica & Peyton Boshers** on the birth of a baby boy, named **Eli**, born October 6<sup>th</sup>. Proud grandparents are Debbie and Donnie Boshers.

### **Annual Worship Night With Southgate Youth October 22**

**At the Bishop's & Thomas's**

*This is for the entire Graymere  
Youth Group and their families.*

### ***Upcoming Events***

#### **• Meals Program**

October 9: Nora Harris

October 11: Mable Delk

October 13: Kitty Chaffin

#### **• Visitation Teams-Sunday**

Team 6: Josh Love

Team 7: Russell Gibbons (will meet at the Lovell's at 4 PM Saturday—in case of rain, meet Sunday at Sr. Ctr.)

**• Fall Golf Outing** is October 21. See Jimmy Fann for details.

**• L2LL: Bible Bowl** practice will be Sunday night October 15 at 5:00 in FR1. Anyone interested in participating please attend for information about Bible Bowl....L2LL *Registration forms* are due to Chris Tullis no later than November 12. Everyone participating in any events or wanting a hotel room for convention **MUST** turn in a registration form. For more information about L2LL, convention dates or registration forms please contact Chris Tullis.

**• Boys in grades 2-5** who are interested in **Boys Oral Bible Reading**, please sign up or see Josh Love.

**• Pantry Items:** oatmeal or cereal  
*Thanks to everyone who contributes items to our pantry!*

**• If you would like to donate candy** for Trunk or Treat, bins are in the educational foyer.