

The Living Church Working

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- *Matthew 28:14* Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Preach Repentance for Forgiveness of Sins

- *Luke 24:45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. ⁴⁶ He told them, 'This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'*
 - *Repentance: Changing your mindset and actions to do right: Luke 3 John says*
 - Stop hoarding and Share what you have (tunic, food)
 - Tax Collectors: Do not cheat anymore (tax collectors collecting more than they should)
 - Soldiers: Do not extort money using false pretenses

These Signs will Accompany

- **Mark 16:17** *And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; ¹⁸ they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.”*

Jesus was taken into heaven at the Right Hand of God

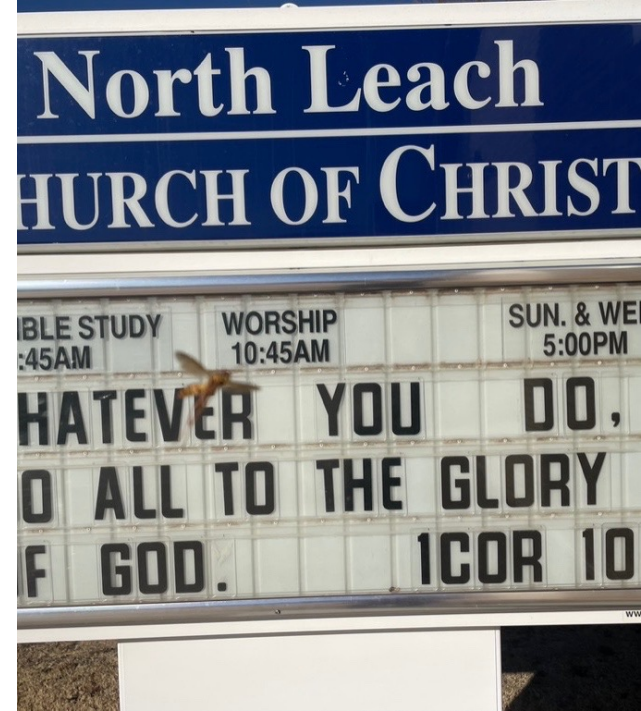
- **Mark 16:19** *So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God.*

They Went Out and Preached Everywhere

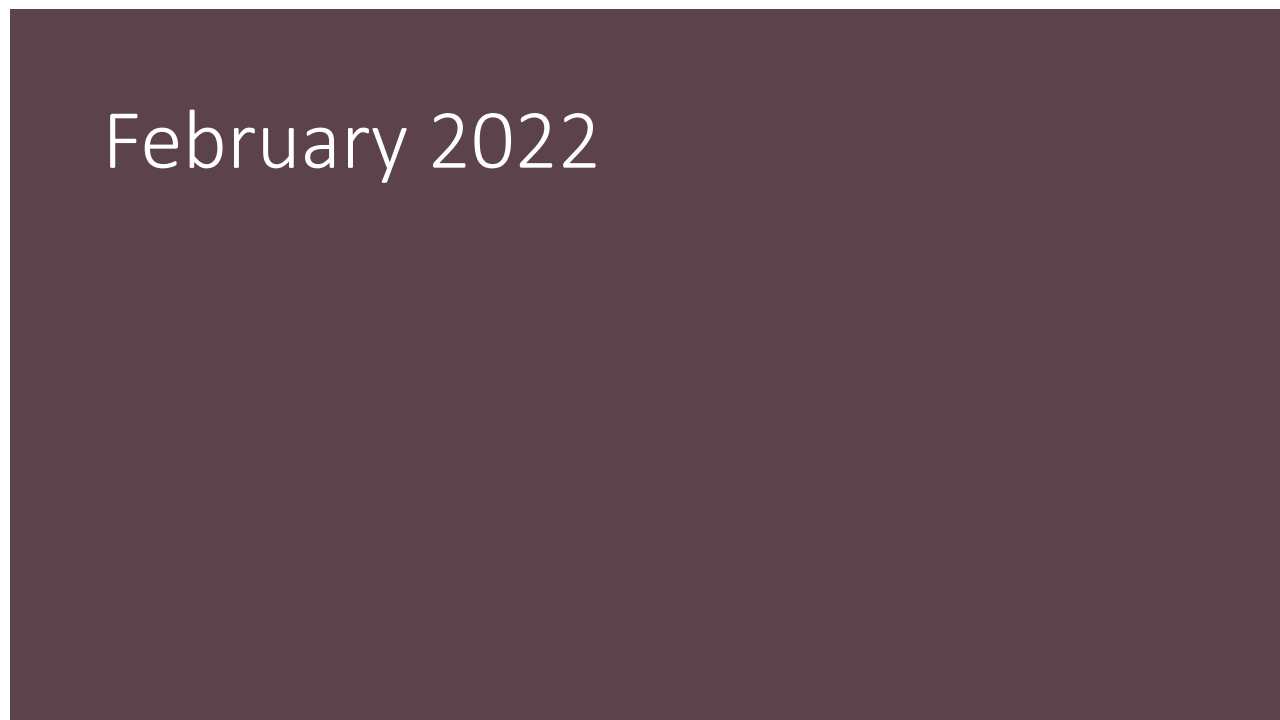
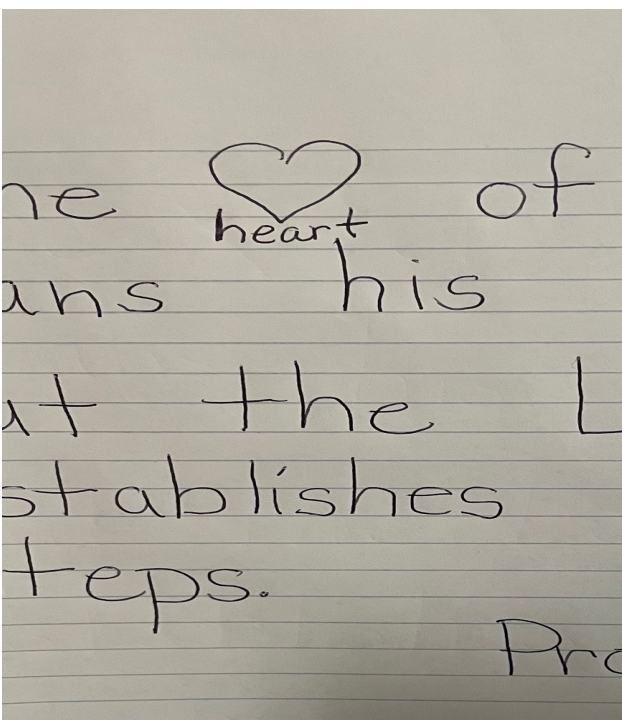
- **Mark 16:20** *And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by accompanying signs.]]*



Romans 12:1
Therefore, I ^(come on, you can do this) urge you,
♂♂ and ♀♀, ^(he could punish or harm, but love) in view ^(here ya go)
brothers Sisters
of God's ^(love is right way) mercy, to offer
your bodies as a living
sacrifice, holy and
pleasing to God - this
is your true and proper
^(Amen of life, that's the best, and the only way to live) worship.



• January 2022





March 2022



April 2022

Campus Ministry, Northwestern OK State, Alva



Thank you to
this month's
cooks!

This month's meals came from: The Woodward church of Christ, Riverside church of Christ, Burlington, Elm and Murrow church of Christ, Waynoka, and the Blackwell church of Christ.

Thank you to all the servers and cooks!

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Peace and Tranquility

By Steve Hamm

It snowed here in Alva earlier this week and it was beautiful; I mean it was so beautiful I almost cried! The big flakes came floating down so lightly and slowly that it immediately took me back to my childhood living on the farm. One of my most favorite memories is when we would load up the pickup with square bales to go and feed cattle, and the snow was falling very heavily. It was so quiet and peaceful as we would continue to slice off bits of hay out of the back of the truck to the cattle that were lining up like kids ready to sit on

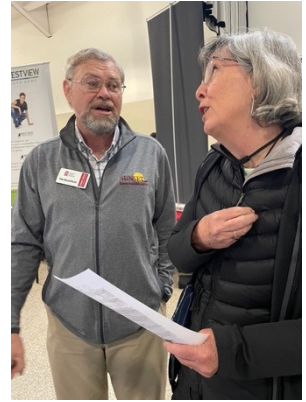
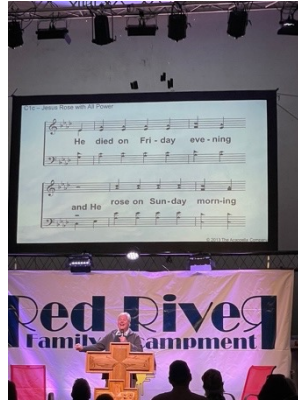
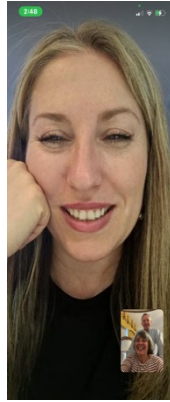
Santa's lap and tell him everything they wanted for Christmas. That peace and quiet brought me such tranquility that whatever might be worrying me at the time, quickly went away. I cherish every moment that brings me that same feeling, and I try my best to enjoy the snow as it takes me back to that wonderful time of my life. I'm sure the readers have their own places of peace and tranquility that they like to think about when times get a little rough.

The best place for peace and tranquility a person could possibly go in times of trouble, is to spend time with the Lord. David, in a prayer in ***Psalms 57:1-3***, finds his place of peace and tranquility as he cries to the Lord, "*1 Have mercy on me, my God, have mercy on me, for in you I take refuge. I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed. 2 I cry out to God Most High, to God, who vindicates me. 3 He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me—God sends forth his love and his faithfulness.*" When life seems to come down on us hard, please know that we have a place of peace and tranquility in the wings of our God. This is a place where the Evil One cannot get to us, a place where we can relax knowing that God will take care of us. It is a place of quietness that allows us to detox and depressurize in the care of our Lord! Praise you O God for your love and faithfulness! Praise you O Lord for your tender care and loving arms and breast to lean upon in times of trouble! Praise you O Jehovah for being our loving Father! Praise your Holy Name.

Next time the snow falls in your area, I hope you will think of the peace and tranquility that the Lord provides! I leave you with one more Psalm from King David that will help us in our time of need; ***Psalms 29:11*** "*May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!*"



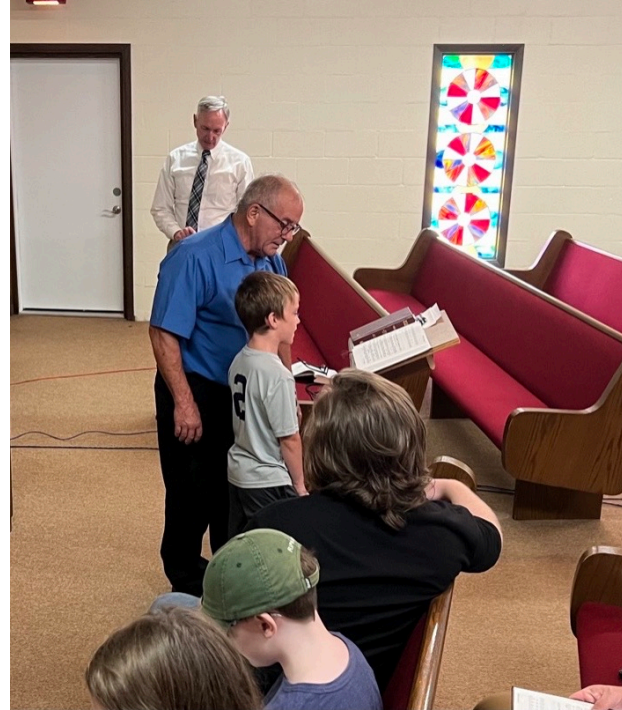
May 2022



June 2022



July 2022



HEAVEN'S CALL
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Have You Been to JESUS.

He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but ... mercy. — Titus 3: 5

1. Have you been to Je - sus for the cleans - ing pow'r? Are you
2. Are you walk - ing dai - ly by the Sav - ior's side? Are you
3. When the Bride - groom com - eth will your robes be white, Pure you
4. Lay a - side the gar - ments that are stained with sin, And be

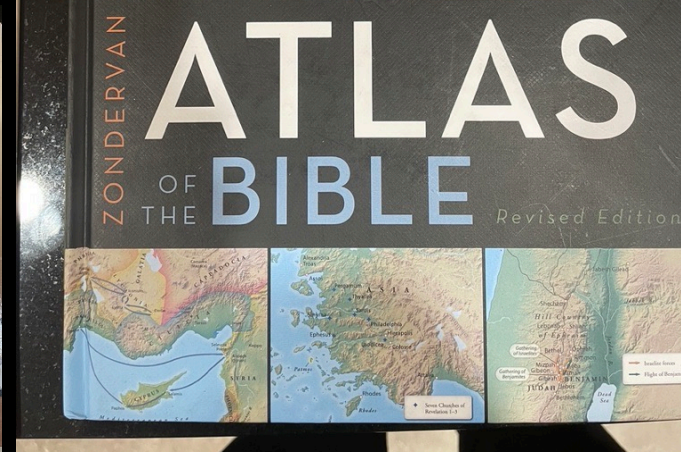
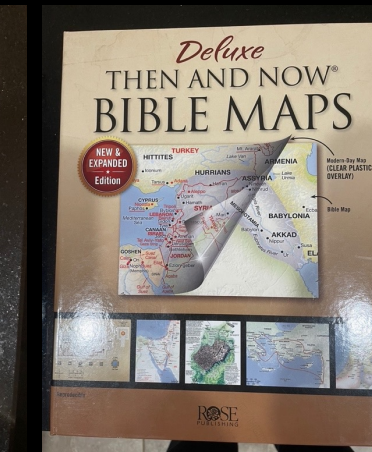
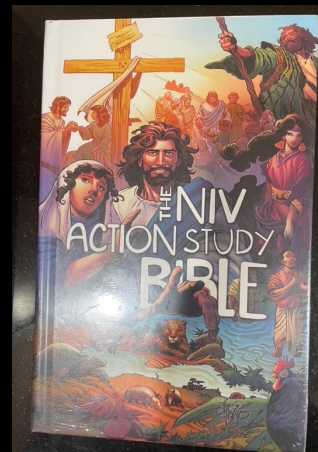
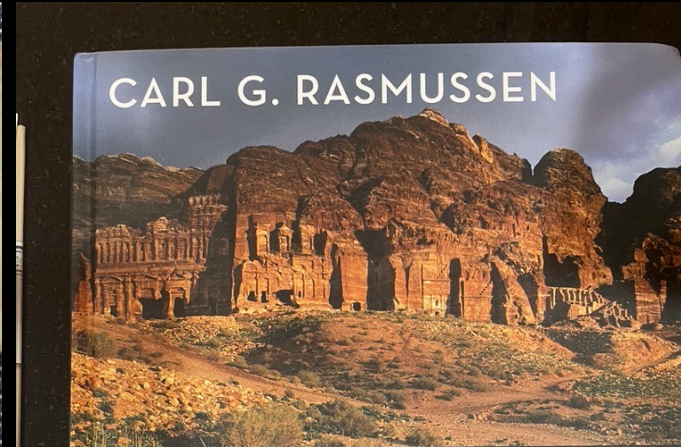
washed in the blood of the Lamb? Are you ful - ly trust - ing in His
washed in the blood of the Lamb? Do you rest each mo - ment in the
white in the blood of the Lamb? Will your soul be read - y for the

August Singing and Ice Cream



September 2022

Cheese Festival October 2022





October 2022



November 2022



December 2022

Activities of the Church

- Preached through Mark and many good sermons preached at Wilshire Congregation
- Sang our way through the Song Book and had a Song Fest and Ice Cream in August
- Studied James, Jude and 1 Corinthians on Sunday mornings
- Studied how God Kept His Promises in the Holy Lands and Greece on Wednesday Evenings
- Students to Lariat Creek Christian Camp and Bible Club on Wednesdays
- Reached out at the Cheese Festival
- Congregational Retreat at Lariat Creek Christian Camp
- Weekly ad in the Watonga Republican and mail out "Church News"
- Ladies Class each Wednesday morning
- Web site with 200 visits/month
- VBS conducted by Wilshire Church of Christ
- Services and Fellowship with Memorial Road

Preaching the Gospel outside Watonga

- Bible Chair at Northwestern OK State Univ. at Alva (Steve Hamm)
- Bible Chair at Southwestern OK State Univ. at Weatherford (Kelly Tomasi)
- Bible Chair at Panhandle OK State Univ. at Goodwell (Tanner and Charlotte Henderson)
- Tipton Children's Home; Westview Boys Home in Hollis, OK
- Hope Harbor in Bartlesville
- Children of the King in Nicaragua through Duncan Church of Christ
- Baxter Institute in Tegucigalpa, Honduras
- Churches of Christ Disaster Relief, Nashville
- One Kingdom ministry from Monroe, LA
- Sunset Institute of Biblical Studies, Lubbock, TX
- Television broadcast "In Search of the Lord's Way"
- Zambia Christian

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Going Forward

- *Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. Phil 3:14*
- *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! 2 Cor 5:17*
- How will you go forward personally to grow in Christ?
 - Start with daily Bible reading, prayer, worship and fellowship
- How will the congregation work to expand the Kingdom of the Christ in 2023?