

Remember Our Sick

Bobbi Robbins – No definite diagnosis at this time. Will repeat MRI in six months.

Mary Stamps – Has begun a new treatment. She is feeling much better.

Shut-ins – need prayers and visits:

Legacy Heights: 900 W. 12th St., Russellville, AR 72802
 Juanita Whitted – Room #62

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Carl Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Carolyn Bennett, Sandra Boatright, Joyce Briscoe, Nina Cain, John and Cheryl Cathers, Donna Chambers, Rachel Curtis, Carolyn Dover, Johnny Estes, Logan Freeman, Yolanda Greenway, Leota Hickey, Rhonda Horton, Joan Hudson, Francis Kennedy, Rose Lee, Daniel Loper, Jan Loveless, Chandler Mathes, Mary McAlister, Becky Miller, Kaeli Miller, Julie Moss, Glen/Paulette Oakes, Jim Potz, John Presley, Holden Robbins, Melinda Robbins, Rance Robbins, Richard Smith, Shannon Smith, Tanya Smith, Matt Stepanovich, Michael Tindall, Jon Vance, Justin Vaughn, Marilyn Veasman, Kem Walker, Sandra Walker, Billy Walters, Diane Walters#2, Joyce Walters, Earl Whitted and Patsy Wisbrock.

Expectant Mothers: Carlee Schmitt – It’s A Girl

Military: Alexei Fainblout (Dora Sander’s Son-In-Law)

<u>MEETING TIMES</u>	
Sunday Morning Bible Classes 9:45 A.M. Sunday Morning Worship 10:45 A.M. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 P.M. Ladies’ Tuesday Bible Class 10:00 A.M. Men’s Tuesday Bible Class 10:00 A.M. Wednesday Bible Classes 6:30 P.M.	Elders: Allen Veasman 857-2791 Sid Womack 967-2367 Chris Loper 747-1639 Brent Hottinger 264-5696 Michael Robbins 264-9668
Minister: Micah Williams Church Office: 479-331-3428 Office Hours: M-F 9:00a-1:00p Micah Cell: 479-264-9244 Secretary Cell: 479-747-0908	Deacons: Chris Besterfeldt Donny Forehand Rex McDaniel Chris Moss Justin Vaughn Blake Walters Brett Walters

September 20th, 2020

Sunday A.M.

Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers: Rex McDaniel
 Randall Walters

Communion Podium:
 Sid Womack

Scripture Reading:
 Michael Robbins

Communion to Shut-Ins:
 Marion Helton

Speaker: Micah Williams

Greeters: The Elders

September 27th, 2020

Sunday A.M.

Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers: Rick Hollis
 Adam Leavell

Communion Podium:
 Sid Womack

Scripture Reading:
 Marion Helton

Communion to Shut-Ins:
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Cotton Candy

While the concept might have originated in Europe, it was William Morrison and John C. Wharton of Nashville who made it become a reality. In 1897, they created the machine which used air and sugar to popularize the spread of a new product. They called it fairy floss. It still has that name in Australia. In much of the world, it is called candy floss. In France, it is called Papa’s beard. You have eaten it since you were a child and likely call it cotton candy.

Sugar coated religion?

There are some interesting parallels between cotton candy and what has happened in the religious world since the Lord established the church. He established the church in a world whose appeal was to the outward aspects of religious life. The pagan world had temples everywhere, and the devotion to the gods worshiped there was popularized by gods who sought to satisfy the fleshly nature of man. They were not designed to change the hearts and souls of men.

Even Judaism in the first century had ignored the greatest commands and focused on sabbath keeping, showy religion and ceremonial rituals. The Lord described them as only having a form of godliness, while neglecting grace and the weightier matters of God’s law ([2 Tim. 3:5](#); [Matt. 23:23](#)). Christianity was designed to change the heart and then using the truth revealed in the Bible to bring men to God. It was based on the principle

that God is a spirit, and we bow before Him with our spirits and souls seeking Him ([John 4:24](#)).

But all that has changed. So much of religion in our land is like cotton candy. Cotton candy looks so great. You can get it in any color or flavor you desire. Our religious world is so divided that you can find any “flavor” of church you want. However, cotton candy has little nutritional value (remember your mom’s devotion that you have a balanced diet) and doesn’t really give you what you need. America feeds itself on the “sugar and air” mixture of religious cotton candy.

After you eat your two ounces of sugar and air, your body still needs more. Religion without deep Bible knowledge destroyed Israel and is destroying our land ([Hos. 4:6](#)). One cannot know the Lord without knowing His word ([1 John 2:4](#)). One cannot love the Lord and ignore keeping His word ([John 14:15](#)). A child at the fair sees the cotton candy and it tastes so good, but a steady diet of this will destroy his health. This is our land. Religiously, we are feeding ourselves and starving our souls.

What an amazing world it would be if we sought to return to the spiritual food which fed the early church. Cotton candy Christianity is so far removed from the food Jesus gave the early church and seeks to give to us today.

Dan Jenkins
www.churchofchristarticles.com

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. — [Colossians 3:12](#)

What an incredible thought! We are dearly loved as God's chosen and holy children. No wonder God calls us to a lifestyle of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience! Think of how often our Father needs to use these qualities with us! How can we not share with others what God so abundantly shares with us?

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Upcoming Events:

We will begin having Sunday morning classes beginning October 4th at 9:45 a.m.
No Sunday night service at this time.

ALSO

On Wednesday nights we will begin having classes at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday Morning Ladies’ class will begin October 6th at 10:00 a.m. in the fellowship room.

Men’s Tuesday morning class will also begin October 6th at 10:00 a.m. in the youth building.

Micah will continue to do his Sunday morning sermons on Facebook and YouTube. If you are not able to attend church these videos are available for you to watch.

Also, Merrell Shoptaw, Sid Womack and Michael Robbins will continue the lessons on Wednesday. We all appreciate these spiritual lessons weekly. Thank you and keep up the good work!!!

Come and Go Wedding Shower for Shelby Bryant & Corey Hottinger Sunday, October 18th at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship room. They are registered at Millyns, Target and Amazon.

Cleaning Church Building

September 26th

Mary Ann Cloud

October 3rd

Michael & Bobbi Robbins

Lawn Care

September 26th

Corey Hottinger & Blake Forehand

October 3rd

Rick Hollis, Doug Gross & Adam Leavell

In Search of the Lord’s Way The Search Program can now be accessed any time on their website

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www.searchtv.org

Phil Sanders weekly lesson can be heard and seen each Sunday on LR KASN TV 38 @ 7:30 am
DirecTV 307 @ 6:00 am
Dish 239 @ 6:00 am

September Birthdays

- 02 Johnny Estes
- Gavin Davis
- 04 Doug McAlister
- 05 Leota Hickey
- 06 Deidre Luker
- 09 Joyce Helton
- 10 Emma Walters
- 13 Lynn Gross
- 16 Michael Robbins
- Diane Cloud
- 17 Courtney McMillian
- Melissa Hagan
- Danielle Stepanovich
- 21 Michaela Walker
- 23 Rylie Boley
- 24 Gary Williams
- Alan Walker
- Wayne Strickland
- 25 Joshua Besterfeldt
- 26 Justin Vaughn
- Teresa Bell
- 28 Donna Walters
- Janie Stamps
- 30 Kaylan Corbin

Read your Bible and pray every day and you will grow, grow, grow!

