

## Remember Our Sick

**Klaus Mullins** – Is home now from gall bladder surgery. Prayers to regain his strength back.

**Johnny Horton** – Had triple by-pass surgery. He is home now and doing better.

**Sid Womack** – Has been diagnosed with Esophageal cancer. Chemo port and feeding tube have been put in and will start chemo in two weeks.

**Dot King** – Has seen a wound specialist for a place on her leg. Is some better.

**Marilyn Veasman** – Will be having knee replacement surgery October 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Micki McGee** – (Charlene Clark’s niece) – has been diagnosed with cancer again.

**Butch Hayes** – (Paula Melton’s father) Had 6 stents put in and is home now. Needing prayers for further decisions on cancer treatment.

**Wayne Lovett** – (friend of Joan Hudson) – dealing with cancer on his arm.

**Ricky Biffle** – (Jeanette Biffle’s son and Brent Hottinger’s cousin) Had a good report and the doctor’s say he is cancer free.

### Shut-ins – need prayers and cards:

**Legacy Heights: Juanita Whitted – Room 62**

**900 W. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Russellville, AR 72802**

### Others Who Need Our Prayers:

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

<u>MEETING TIMES</u>	
<b>Sunday Morning Bible Classes</b> 9:45 A.M.	<b>Elders:</b> Allen Veasman 857-2791
<b>Sunday Morning Worship</b> 10:45 A.M.	Sid Womack 967-2367
<b>Sunday Evening Worship</b> 6:00 P.M.	Chris Loper 747-1639
<b>Ladies’ Tuesday Bible Class</b> 10:00 A.M.	Brent Hottinger 264-5696
<b>Men’s Tuesday Bible Class</b> 10:00 A.M.	Michael Robbins 264-9668
<b>Wednesday Bible Classes</b> 6:30 P.M.	<b>Deacons:</b> Chris Besterfeldt
<b>Minister: Darrel Solonka</b>	Donny Forehand
<b>Church Office: 479-331-3428</b>	Rex McDaniel
<b>Office Hours: M-F 9:00a-1:00p</b>	Chris Moss
<b>Darrel Cell: 936-581-2611</b>	Justin Vaughn
<b>Secretary Cell: 479-747-0908</b>	Blake Walters
	Brett Walters

### September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

#### Sunday A.M.

**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

**Prayers:** Marion Helton  
Matthew Moss

**Communion:**

**Podium:** Earl Stamps  
**Serve:** Dan Cloud  
Corey Hottinger  
Donny Forehand  
Doug Cloud

**Scripture Reading:**  
Adam Leavell

**Communion to Shut-Ins:**  
Chris Moss

**Speaker:** Darrel Solonka  
**Sunday P.M.**

**Prayers:**  
Rex McDaniel  
Sid Womack

### September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

#### Sunday A.M.

**Song Leader:** Merrell Shoptaw

**Prayers:** Alan Boatright  
Allen Veasman

**Communion:**

**Podium:** Earl Stamps  
**Serve:** Gary Williams  
Justin Vaughn  
Larry Mahan  
Kevin Nordin

**Scripture Reading:**  
Sid Womack

**Communion to Shut-Ins:**  
Chris Loper

**Speaker:** Darrel Solonka  
**Sunday P.M.**

**Prayers:**  
Blake Forehand  
Brent Hottinger



# Life Lines

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## “The Lord Is My Shepherd”

(Psalm 23:1)

Reflections: **Psalm 23:1-6** Our Shepherd

**Psalm 23** describes God as a caring shepherd. Yet the job of “shepherd” is relatively unknown to the average person today. What exactly does a shepherd do? Why is God depicted as such? A study of shepherds and sheep will help us understand the spiritual riches of **Psalm 23** as well as the psalm’s relevance to the New Testament’s depiction of Christ as the “good shepherd” (**John 10:1-18**).

One of the primary responsibilities of a shepherd is guarding his flock. Thieves, wild animals and wandering tendencies of sheep mean that a shepherd must actively work to keep his sheep safe from harm. Every night, a shepherd counts his sheep to ensure none have strayed or been stolen. If any of the sheep are missing, he goes out to look for them to avoid losing any of those under his care. Not only does the shepherd tend to their wounds when they have been attacked, but he will also “bind up the injured . . . strengthen the weak” even when their injuries or weaknesses are of their own doing.

A shepherd also meets his flock’s basic needs for food and water by traveling far and wide to locate viable sources. What may appear to be a simple provision involves a strenuous undertaking. Leading masses of sheep to food and water often

involves hiking across difficult terrain and enduring harsh climates.

Shepherding requires fortitude, endurance, and skill. God is depicted in Scripture as the shepherd who does more than provide food, shelter, and safety; he even goes so far as to bless his flock. [Ezekiel 34:26](#) described God as a good shepherd who will "send down showers of blessing."

Truly the "cup overflows" for those who are shepherded by God himself ([Psalms 23:5](#)). Jesus refers to Himself as the "good shepherd" who "lays down his life for the sheep" ([John 10:11](#)). He is the Messianic shepherd hoped for by God's people, foreshadowed by the psalmist David, and foretold by the prophets. Jesus is the Good Shepherd worth listening to and following ([John 10:3-5](#)). He is the Good Shepherd who knows the name of each sheep and who died to give them life "abundantly" ([John 10:11](#)).

Ralph Weinhold  
Danville church of Christ

## "A New Heart!"

*[God, to the Israelite exiles in Babylon:] "I'll give you a new heart, put a new spirit in you. I'll remove the stone heart from your body and replace it with a heart that's God-willed, not self-willed. I'll put my Spirit in you and make it possible for you to do what I tell you and live by my commands."*

### [Ezekiel 36:26-27 MESSAGE](#)

Sometimes, I'm afraid that "stone heart" and "self-willed" describe me. And when I check around, I find most folks don't believe that people can really change who they are, at least not deep down inside. But I've seen God move in me and change me through his Spirit. I believe he can and will do it again. And I believe he can do it in more than just me — he can move and change each of our hearts. So let's not just ask for our hearts to be softened, but let's ask to have our hard hearts replaced and remade by the Spirit of God. Let's ask that the Spirit work on us

to mold our wills to be like the Father's and not like our own selfish yearnings. Then, I believe, we will see more practice in ourselves of what the Father wants rather than our pontificating on what others need to do! [phil@heartlight.org](mailto:phil@heartlight.org)

## Upcoming Events:

**Men's Business Meeting  
September 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

*Wedding Shower for  
Madison Whybark and  
Josh Besterfeldt  
October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.  
They are registered at Wal-Mart  
and Amazon*

**Sunday morning and Wednesday night  
services are live on Facebook.**

**SAVE THE DATE:  
Conway County Ladies' Day  
September 18, 2021  
Theme: Christ Offers Forgiveness For Everyone  
Everywhere**

## Cleaning Church

### Building

**September 18<sup>th</sup>  
Rex McDaniel**

**September 25<sup>th</sup>  
Open**

### Lawn Care Schedule

**September 18<sup>th</sup>  
Chris & Josh Besterfeldt**

**September 25<sup>th</sup>  
Michael Robbins &  
Gary Williams**

**In Search  
of the Lord's Way  
The Search Program  
can now be accessed  
any time on their  
website  
@  
[www.searchtv.org](http://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

- 01 Katie Price
- 02 Johnny Estes  
Gaven Davis
- 04 Doug McAlister
- 05 Leota Hickey
- 06 Deidre Luker
- 09 Joyce Helton  
Casey Keeling
- 10 Emma Walters
- 13 Lynn Gross
- 16 Michael Robbins  
Diane Cloud
- 17 Courtney McMillian  
Danielle Stepanovich  
Melissa Hagan
- 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

*So let each one give as  
he purposes in his heart,  
not grudgingly or of  
necessity; for God loves  
a cheerful giver.*

*2 Corinthians 9:7*

