

Broken Arrow Church of Christ

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MARCH 26, 2023

"BUT!"

My wife and I pretty much started our relationship through an online Bible study. This beautiful young woman was the daughter of a preacher, was raised around the church, was immersed in water at 8 years old, and was struggling with her faith when I met her. She was a college student who faced all sorts of temptations and was consistently being pushed around by "Christians" who disagreed with the church of Christ.

So when I started proclaiming passages like Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 10:9, Acts 16:31, and similar texts she was very perplexed and confused. How could a new convert who believed and obeyed the gospel believe and teach those passages? These were the very passages that denominational people who were not part of the church of Christ would use to attack the church and scriptures she loved. Instead of dealing with the passages being brought up she would say "BUT" and counter with her own set of scriptures.

The reality is that there should be no "BUT" as we set out to grasp God's word. What I mean is that the word of God is truth and does not contradict itself. As the Psalmist put it, "The sum of Your word is truth, And every one of Your righteous ordinances is everlasting" Psalm 119:160. When we read a passage and it goes against our minds, consciences, and convictions we need to recognize that the problem is not with the passage, but with our understanding of God's word.

This beautiful girl that would later become my wife had a heart of humility. She worked with me, in my zealous Christian youth, as we studied through these passages that seemed to contrast others she had accepted with all her heart. Together we saw the big picture of these specific texts and grew spiritually stronger because of it. Together we decided to get rid of the word "but" as we read the Bible and replaced it with "amen".

We need to recognize that as we study the word of God we will not fully grasp the meaning of certain passages or automatically understand how some teachings harmonizes with other scriptures. Fortunately, Jesus promised that if we seek the truth and abide in the word we will find it (John 8:31-32). It might take work, but we can see the big picture if we study the word diligently (2Tim. 2:15).

So next time you read or are shown a passage that seems to contradict or contrast another passage you know and believe in. A passage that just doesn't harmonize with your own personal convictions and conscience. Instead of saying "but" say "amen", and then study the word of God until you can see the harmony and unity of it.

MORNING WORSHIP

Worship Leader - Justin Talbert

Welcome

Shepherd's Prayer – Jerry Lundy

Living Hope

Behold Our Gad

He Gave Me a Song

Children's Bible Hour Dismissal

Goodness of God

Lord Reign in Me

Deuteronomy 6:4-7 - Nathan Lee

Message:

Leaving a Lasting Legacy:
Building a Spiritual Inheritance

Speaker - Wayne Roberts

We Shall Assemble

Communion Thoughts – Brent Worden

Had It Not Been the Lord

The Bread - Justin Norwood

The Cup - David Lee

Only a Holy God

Closing Prayer - Bill Detherage

EVENING WORSHIP

Worship Leader - Clayton Francis

WELCOME GUESTS!

Broken Arrow Church of Christ is a place for Faith, Family, and Friends. We invite you to join us on our journey of faith as we seek to glorify God, follow the teaching and example of Jesus, and live in step with the Spirit through worship and praise, the study of Scripture, fellowship, daily discipleship, and service to our community. We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. If you would like to learn more about the Broken Arrow church or just have questions about the Bible and what it means to truly follow Jesus, the shepherds and ministry staff would welcome the opportunity to talk with you.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Clothing Room Opening: Saturday, March 25, from 9:00 -11:00. Additional volunteers are needed.

Sunday Morning Classes: All adult classes will meet in the auditorium on March 26 for a lesson taught by Wayne Roberts.

Emily Vidal Appreciation Reception: Sunday, March 26, following morning worship in the Fellowship Hall. Let's shower Emily with cards of appreciation for serving as Family Life Ministry Coordinator.

Austin King Wedding Shower: Sunday, March 26, at 3:00 pm in the Parlor. Austin and bride-to-be, Meryl McDonald, are registered at Target and Amazon.

Bailey Smithe Baby Shower: Sunday, April 2, at 2:00 pm in the Parlor. Nursery is boho floral and bumble bee themed. Colors are rosy pinks, mauves, honey yellow, and gold. Bailey is registered online at <u>babylist</u> or with a google search "babylist Bailey Smith".

GoldenAgers Game Day: Thursday, April 6, from 2:00-5:00 pm in the parlor.

Ladies Luncheon: Join us as we celebrate a great year of Women's Ministry! April 30, following morning worship in the fellowship hall. \$8 for a boxed lunch from McAlister's or bring your own lunch. Sign up at the table in the foyer or at the link below. Pay at the table in the foyer, or send to CashApp \$soonerTurner, please note ladies lunch. Ladies Lunch Signup



Session 1: Kindergarten-2nd Grade 12:30pm-1:30pm Session 2: 3rd-5th Grade 1:30pm-2:30pm

Register on **REALM** & wear clothes you can get messy! Contact Scott Keele or Andrew Lemus for more info



YOUTH AND FAMILY

Middle School Girls Tye Dye Party: Friday, March 24, from 6:00-8:30 at Indigo Tye Dye Company.

All-youth Devotional: Sunday, March 26, from 6:00-8:30 at the home of Andrew and Aimee Lemus.

Wilderness Trek Fuel Up: Friday, March 31, from 6:00-8:00 pm, training class and dinner at the home of Richard and Janet Davis.

Paint Party: Sunday, April 2, at Georgia's Arts BRIDGE & Crafts Studio. Session 1 - 12:30-1:30 for Kindergarten-2nd grade. Session 2 - 1:30-2:30 for 3rd-5th grade. Cost is \$5.00. See Scott or Andrew.

Talbert Annual Egg Hunt: Join us for our annual time of food, fellowship, games, and egg hunting! Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Bring a dessert, side dish, bag of eggs ready to hide and a lawn chair. Everyone is invited. April 1 at 5:00 pm at the home of the Talberts. RSVP to Justin or Kristin Talbert.

High School Boys: Monday, April 3, from 6:00-8:00 pm at the home of Nathan Lee, 6789 S 289 E Ave. Bring your dinner.

Girls Bible Study: Tuesday, April 4, from 6:00-8:00 pm at the home of Wendy Lee, 6789 S 289 E Ave. Bring your dinner.

Burnt Cabin Camp: Registration is now available for the 2023 session, June 4-10. Register on Realm.



20% of all purchases benefit New Heights Summer Camp.

Ladies Luncheon

April 30 in the Fellowship Hall Sign up today!



IN YOUR PRAYERS

We rejoice with Jesse and Tiffany Buntin with the news that Jayniaha is cancer free. She has healed rapidly from eye surgery and received a prosthetic eye last week.

Lincoln, Dynel, and Andrew Bessaho left Wednesday on a three-week mission trip to Cameroon. They will be involved in preaching, teaching, evangelism, and conducting a VBS/Bible Camp. Please pray for their safety in journeying there and back and throughout their time in Cameroon. They will return home on April 13. We are grateful for their commitment to share the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ in Lincoln's homeland

Skye Brown, sister of Khyera Keifer, checked herself into rehab last week. Prayers for her to have strength and succeed.

Alleen Detherage is in PAM Rehabilitation Hospital.

Bill and **Lawana Duwe** are on a cruise. Bill has tested positive for Covid and is confined to his cabin.

Jim Walton had knee replacement surgery on Wednesday.

Keith Walvoord is in Oklahoma Surgical Hospital following a surgical procedure on Wednesday.

Angela, neighbor of Jeanie York has begun chemotherapy treatment for a mass on her lungs.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS PRAYER NEEDS

Cindy Acord James Cole **Acuna Family** Charissa Cozort Jessica Dickey Bob Aden Dianna Arriola Chris Duncan Feroze Baksh Baby Eisenlohr Jack & Joyce Ball John Garner Susie Billingsley Brailee Green Glenda Brooks Renee Humphrey Chris Brown Heidi Keesey DC Brown **Dottie Kidney** Jakaya Buntin RC Lee Jayniaha Buntin Freddie Martin Carly Campbell Heather McCarthy Joni Carmack James McCarthy Terry Casey Marcia McKinney Glenda Cole Ioan Miller

Helen Norris
Sam Orr
John Rampey
Virgil Romine
Patsy Romine
Charles Spellman
Sue Street
Laura Townsley
Nick Tucker
Ukraine
Ethan Vess
Kyle Walton
Jim Ward
Joyce Ward

Women's Prison Ministry

SHUT-IN

Sandra Baker Mary Harper
Wanda Blair Bill Helm
Betty Cole Betty Kirkland
Betty Crittenden Marilyn Hillenburg
Alleen Detherage Barbara McGowen
Edna Griffin Mary Etta Platt

June Smith Dianna Wetzel Jerial Williamson Diane Zonko

ONGOING FAMILY PRAYER NEEDS

Carolyn Billingsley Carolyn Lee Mary Sampson Virginia Lee Blinda Selim Alice Bolev Sherman Bolev Glen Lvle Rosie Steele John Bonwell Mary Lynch Sonny Steele Pam Bonwell Darlene Mathis Christina Stevenson **Ann Childress** Mac McCarthy Marie Stow Doug Cluck Marie McCarthy **Ida Stover** Janis Cooper Isaac Michael Carson Swaim Mike Corman Cindy Nequette Gloria Taft **Beverly Cummins** Jessica Nequette Sharon Temme **Beverly Dunn** Karla Palmer Charlie Mae Johnny Griffin **Lois Powers Thornton** Sheryl Griffin Sue Walton **Janice Pratt** Jerry Warren Helen Holleyman Kim Pyles Sharon Hamilton **Charles Qualls** Erma Watson Mary Harper Lillian Qualls Wanda Wilburn Jackie Wrobleski **Bruce Johns** Linda Reeder Jim Wrobleski Wanda Johns Russ Rowland Lisa King Berniece Rumsey

Jerry Sampson

MILITARY PRAYER NEEDS

Betty Kirkland

Garrison Bare Austin Gott Zachary Robinson
Austin Battles TJ Harrington Justin Talbert
Blaise Chronister Ben Lapp Sedric Thomas
Stevens Copeland Matt McDonald Jakob West
Michael Eisenlohr Cody Oliver

BA CHURCH OFFICE

Part-Time Administrative Assistant

There is an immediate opening for a part-time Administrative Assistant to work in the church office.

Schedule:

2 days per week (Wed. & Thurs.) August – April 4 days per week (Mon. – Thurs.) May – July

Hours: 9:00 - 5:00

<u>Qualifications</u>: Excellent communication skills, detail oriented, proficient with MS Office Suite (Word, Publisher, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook), team player with an ability to work in a dynamic team environment. Preferred candidates will also have web-based information, communication, and design experience.

Interest and resumes may be submitted to info@bacoc.org.

SYMPATHY

Our hearts go out to the Buntin Family, Scotty, Vonda, Jameson, Jesse and Tiffany on the death of Vonda's mother, Vi Nail, on March 18. A Celebration of Life was held on Tuesday at the Collinsville Church of Christ.

BROKEN ARROW CHURCH OF CHRIST 505 E KENOSHA STREET

BY THE NUMBERSWeek of March 19, 2023

Food Pantry Ministry

COMMUNITY NEEDS

Bible Class	260	Fl
AM Worship (in person)	385	Sı
PM Worship	210	Pa
Wednesday	274	Ca
March MTD	65,051	~ !
March MTD Budget	51,825	CI Al
MTD Over/Under	13,226	Al
YTD	208,109	
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Over/Under	810	
Missions		Н
Goal	120,000	C
Collected	96,935	Sł

Flour
Sugar
Paper towels
Canned fruit
Clothing Room Ministry
All sizes of children's clothing
All sizes of adult clothing
Baby clothes & items
Shoes
Household items
Counter top appliances
Sheets, towels & blankets

OFFICE STAFF

Tim Pyles - Preaching Minister
Scott Keele - Associate Minister
Andrew Lemus - Youth & Family Minister
Jose Lozano - Hispanic Minister
Chad Noblett - Office Administrator
Colleen Detherage - Administrative Assistant

ELDERS PRAYER ROOM

Sunday morning - 9:00 Jerry Lundy (918) 663-6098 Brian Street (918) 671-7348

PRAYER CHAIN

8:00-5:00

Andrea Suffridge (918) 640-4094 After 5:00 Cynthia Walvoord (918) 855-6876

MEETING TIMES	_				
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Sunday Class	9:00 am
Sunday Worship	10:00 am
	5:00 pm
Tuesday Ladies Class	10:00 am
Wednesday Class	3:00 pm
	7:00 pm

MARCH

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24	Middle School Tye Dye Party
25	First Steps Parenting Seminar
	Clothing Room Opening
26	Combined Adult Classes
	Austin King Wedding Shower
	Emily Vidal Reception
	All Youth Devotional
31	Wilderness Trek-Phase II
	APRIL

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	APRIL
1	Men's Breakfast
	Talbert's Easter Egg Hunt
2	New Heights MOD Fundraiser
	Bailey Smithe Baby Shower
	BRIDGE Paint Party
3	High School Boys Study
4	High School Girls Study
6	GoldenAgers Game Day
11	GoldenAgers Game Night

Wilderness Trek-Phase III

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