



The Global Flyer
FIRST BAPTIST ATHENS

Be On the Lookout

Last Saturday we held a Prayer Breakfast. It was a wonderful time of fellowship and prayer together. We talked about what the prayer life of a disciple should look like. One of the last points discussed was that we need to be aware of the small promptings or interruptions throughout our day where Jesus may be trying to get our attention. Maybe it is something big or small. The idea is simply that throughout our day, we take time to hear from God in the midst of the hurry and busy - to slow down and see what He may be trying to show us.



After the breakfast, I was putting the microphone up and right in front of my face, probably only 12 inches away, was this little Jesus standing and smiling back at me. We laughed and thought that it was such a fun illustration of my talk that morning. I left the small Jesus on the media booth in the ROC in hopes that someone else would see it as well and went on with my Saturday.

Then, the next morning, we met in the worship center sound booth to go over the service and pray. As I lifted my gaze, there He was again on the back wall of the sound booth. Because I was curious, I asked around to see if anyone had put him there. I was on the hunt. Someone was moving this little Jesus around. For it to have been in two places within 24 hours, I was beginning to think someone was trolling me with these little Jesus figurines. I became suspicious of who it might be and asked around, trying to think of who would be in each of those two places. No luck. I found it interesting and went on with the morning.

Since I mentioned it in second service last week, several people have sent me pictures of these little Jesus figurines. Now I know there are multiple ones around, not just on our campus but around town. So ... be on the lookout for Jesus. I hope you see one of these because they will bring a smile to your face, but I hope when you see one that you are reminded that Jesus is with you. He is with us. He wants to see you smile this week and be reminded that He is at work in your life and the world around you. I pray that you may be reminded of this truth, *For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to offer his life as a ransom for many.* (Mark 10:45)

I want to encourage you to be Jesus to the people you encounter every day. In the same way that I hope you find a holy interruption this week, may you be that holy interruption to someone else. If a person you know needs prayer, or a meal, or a hug, be Jesus to them. *By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.* (John 13:35) Let's live out our mission statement: Love God. Live Like Jesus. Serve Others. Let's Go! And let me know if you see little Jesus around this week. It's not me ... I promise. Keep your eyes open.

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8:30AM
11AM Worship Center
11AM Bilingual

Members' Birthdays

Sun, May 5 – none
Mon, May 6 – Jason Shirey, Nancy Wiggins
Tues, May 7 – Grace Ferrell
Wed, May 8 – Nikki DuBose, Grant Wood
Thurs, May 9 – Hattie Graham
Fri, May 10 – none
Sat, May 11 – Katelyn Whitley, Jim Bob Qualls

Prayer Requests (church attendees & families). Please call with updates

- Becky Pemberton's brother, Fred Ham...Acute Specialty Hospital/DeSoto
- Malcomb Quattlebaum...knee replacement 4-29/home
- Margaret Austin...pacemaker 4-29/Christus Heart Hospital, Tyler
- Terry McNatt...back surgery/home
- Drew & Lori Douglas' daughter-in-law, Thiana Douglas...cancer surgery/home
- Josh Moreno...blood pressure issues, cardiologist appointment, Sept.
- Gracie & Carlos Murillo's son, Max...awaiting kidney transplant match
- *Hospice Care: W.D. Farnham; Anita Wiggin's brother, Bill Meadors; Lisa Collins' mom, Glenda Beard; Roger Littleton's sister, Elizabeth Boynton; Tammy Womble's mom, Jessie Dixon*
- *Military: Mandy Hauck's nephew, Mason Beard, Philippines; Hattie Graham's granddaughter, Karah Lawyer, Asian Countries; Judy Ward's granddaughter & husband, Gabriella & Tanner Burtrum, South Korea*
- *Cancer Diagnosed: Jesse Richardson's sister Clarice Fogleman; Bill Hauck's sister, Marie Kirby; Daniela Matchael's sister-in-law, Joana Cortez; Cindi Livingston, mother of Anna Fay Wicker's daughter-in-law; Doris Raney's niece, Stacy Bates; Rusty Morris; Miriam Inestroza's mother, Luce Torres; Trayona Skiles; Mary Boehler's niece, Denise Leach; Kellis White; Jack & Paula Harris' son-in-law, Carlos Banuelos; BJ Davies; Bob & Tonya Foster's son, Jim*
- *In Rehab or Recuperating: Judy Dorsett's brother-in-law, Billy; Elizabeth Flores' daughter, Vania Maldonado's daughter Aleyah/home from NICU; Lisa Wilson; Bruce Andrews; Piper Gillert; Claudia Limon; Reba Henson; Betty White's brother, Dwaine Coley; Dwight Millar; Lisa Montgomery's mom, Selah Mason; Nikki DuBose's mother, Nancy Kissinger; Wanda Kinney; Wanda Kinney's daughter, Jeudi George; Bill Dye; David Yarbrough; Cindy Henderson; Christy Warnock's brother, Duncan Frizzell; Ginny Hedge; Linda Campbell; Judy Dorsett's brother-in-law, Brady Pollock; Barbara Hearn's nephew, Jeff Shumate; Barbara Hearn's great nephew, Blaise Shumate; Kern & Barbara Railsback's granddaughter, Waverly; Beverly Moore; Shirley Bailey's sister, Charlott Hutson; Win James; Drew Douglas' mom, Pam Douglas; Katherine Hellwig; Marylyn Wright's sister, Jeanne Gage; Laura Pool's sister-in-law, Brenda Bickley; Tom & Catherine Ward's daughter, Brandy Shirvinski*

Bible Reading Plan, Grace & Peace

Day of the	Date	Scripture
Sunday	5-5-2024	John 1:1-28
Monday	5-6-2024	John 1:29-51
Tuesday	5-7-2024	John 2
Wednesday	5-8-2024	John 3:1-21
Thursday	5-9-2024	John 3:22-36
Friday	5-10-2024	John 4:1-30
Saturday	5-11-2024	John 4:31-54