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WELCOME, VISITORS!
WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE. PLEASE FILL OUT A CARD
FROM THE PEW RACK AND PLACE IT IN THE
COLLECTION PLATE.

WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday
Bible Study – 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday
Midweek – 6 p.m.

LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS	
Bible Study	28
Morning Worship	52
Wednesday Evening	NA
ISF (Residents)	1
Contribution	\$1,800.94
Weekly Budget	\$1,422.00

CLOSING PRAYER

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today

- Youth & Family Super Bowl Party at The Chrismons

This Week

8—Gonzales 8th Boys BKB @ La Vernia

8—Gonzales 7th Girls BKB v. La Vernia

9—Gonzales Varsity Boys BKB @ Cuero

12—Gonzales Varsity Boys BKB @ Wimberley

February

14—Men's Meeting

14—Youth Sunday: Valentine's Luncheon

28—Fellowship Meal

28—Singing at The Heights

**THIS WEEK'S
BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**
Birthdays
7—Lance Fougurat

LOCAL MINISTER: CLAY MASON

COMMITTEES

- Education*
Cody Chrismon, Herb Hahn
- Facility*
Perry Winegeart, Dave Epley
- Finance*
Ross Hendershot, Steve Ratliff
- Worship*
Cody Chrismon, Clay Mason

Clay's Corner

This article is borrowed from Steve Ridgell, an elder at Southern Hills Church of Christ in Abilene. He penned these thoughts following their congregation’s loss of 11-year-old Hudson Wade.

Hudson, Heaven, and Being a Hope Griever...

“Hudson Wade died this morning from Leukemia. Our church—and many others—prayed and prayed for his healing. Over the past few months and years, there have been so many parents I know who had to bury their kids. Some from sickness and some from accidents. Some saw it coming, others had no idea till the phone rang. Some died in the womb, some were grown. So I think on Hudson, Matt, Ashton, Scottie, Nick, Matt, Caleb, and Lane. And so many more.

I have prayed and cried. I have preached many of the funerals. Attended most of the others. And now I am grieving again with the Wades. But I am remembering that as believers we are hope grievers.

So I don't have the answers about death, God, prayer, and suffering.

But I do know some things to be true.

Here is what I know.

This world is a tough place. Sickness, sin, pain, and death. It is real and it touches all of us.
God is here in the midst of all of it.
This world is not our home.
God will be glorified. We will praise him in the storm.
We do not grieve like those with no hope. Because we believe.
We will see Hudson around the throne of God someday.
I have to tell the world of our hope.
So they can know what we know.
In a broken world of death and pain...
Jesus rose from the grave.
We believe and because of that, we will see our babies, our sons and daughters, our children, again.
Until then, we cry, praise, and hang on to God and each other.
And wait for the Lord to take us home so we can all be together again.
And I know that I cannot fathom how you survive without Jesus.

So come quickly Lord.

Take us home.”

PRAYER LIST

- **Monty Allen** (Susan Barnick’s friend’s brother—cancer)
- **Pauline Alvarez** (recovering from knee surgery)
- **Cheryl Anstead and Stormy** (Cheryl Pitts’s friends—health)
- **Lauren Babb** (health)
- **Brooke Bertling** (Haley Ratliff’s friend—breast cancer)
- **Terry Boaz** (Haley Ratliff’s step-mother—recovering from surgery, Hendrick League House, Abilene)
- **Sonny Bransom** (recovering from hip replacement)
- **Dawn Clarke** (Shirley Kuchynka’s daughter)
- **Betty Cox** (Brent Barnick’s sister—homebound, rheumatoid arthritis)
- **Eric Davis and Rose**
- **Blair Epley** (recovering from surgery)
- **Joyce Faires** (recovering from knee surgery)
- **Lance Fougerat**
- **Chestly Gobar, Jordyn and Lucy**
- **Herb Hahn** (health)
- **Eddie Hunt** (Debbie Jalufka’s father—Alzheimer’s)
- **Sandra Jetton** (health)
- **John Jobe** (Clay and Mary Mason’s friend—health, stroke)
- **Debbie Jalufka** (Clay and Mary Mason’s friend—health)
- **Dixie** (Debbie Faires’s mother—Alzheimer’s)
- **Katy and Family** (Kelly Mason’s friends—Katy’s sister injured in motorcycle accident)
- **Jason, Lizzie and Luke Klinger** (Sarah Weaver’s cousins—Luke, 4 mos old, cancer)
- **Evlynn Lawrence** (Sweeneys’ granddaughter)
- **Guy Lowe** (Clay Mason’s friend—health)
- **Sanford Mason** (Ralph’s brother—heart health)
- **Emory Meier** (Cheryl Pitts’s father—health)
- **Claudia Morris** (Perry Winegeart’s sister—health)
- **Mason Ratliff** (recovering from surgery)
- **Sid Roberts** (Faireses’ friend—health)
- **Paris, Lexus & Maelyn Robertson** (Johnsons’ friends—Maelyn born 10 weeks premature)
- **Alex and Tiffany Rodriguez** (Chestly Gobar’s friends—Alex suffered stroke)
- **Ruth** (Joyce Faires’s sister-in-law)
- **Sharon Saint** (Zach Babb’s mother—recovering from surgeries)
- **Phil and Stacia Sweeney, Cody and Brittany Lawrence, and Larry and Fay Patterson, and family**
- **Maria Vasquez** (Joyce Faires’s neighbor—health)

If you have any announcements or prayer requests you wish to have included in the bulletin or to sign up for weekly e-mail updates, please contact Victoria Johnson: 325-518-9205, victoria@gonzaleschurchofchrist.org.

PRAYER UPDATES

We extend our deepest sympathy to **Stacia and Phil Sweeney, Randall Sweeney, and Brent, Susan and Brenna Barnick, and all their family** for the death of our sweet friend, **Justen Lawrence**. A funeral service was held on Wednesday. Memorial donations may be made to the Gonzales Church of Christ Justen Lawrence VBS Fund.

Sonny Bransom had a minor heart attack while at the rehab hospital. The doctors were unable to place stents or use the balloon, so he will be treated with medication.

Blair Epley had her adenoids removed and tubes put in her ears on Thursday in Victoria.

Dear Church Family,

From the bottom of my heart, thank you. Thank you for your prayers, encouragement and comfort. Thank you for all of your hard work. Thank you for loving Justen. Some of you have known us forever and some for a short time but all of you made him your own. My family and I will be forever grateful for you.

In His Love,
Stacia and Phil Sweeney,
Cody and Brittany Lawrence,
and
Larry and Fay Patterson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth & Family Super Bowl Party
Join us **tonight at 5 p.m.** at the Chrismons for our Super Bowl Party!! Please bring chips, dip, cookies, or other snacks, desserts and finger foods to share! Transportation will leave the building at 4:45 p.m.

Ladies Bible Class
Ladies Bible Class will meet on **Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Jennie Chrismon’s house**. If you would like to eat together, please bring a brown-bag lunch with you.

We will continue our *War Room* Bible Study, finishing the first lesson on Lukewarmness and moving into lesson two on Accountability.

Monthly Men’s Meeting
The men are meeting **next Sunday, Feb. 14 at 8:30 a.m.** at the building.

Youth Sunday: Valentine’s Luncheon
Everyone is invited to Valentine’s lunch in the annex **next Sunday, February 14!** The youth are serving salad, spaghetti, bread, and dessert. Please sign up in the foyer to help with this event.

Wednesday Evening Meal & Bible Study
Please join us **this Wednesday at 5:15 p.m.** for dinner in the annex. This week’s entrée is ground beef and vegetable soup. Anyone who is able is asked to bring sides or desserts to share, but everyone is invited! If you cannot bring a dish, please do not let that be a deterrence to joining us for dinner. Classes for all ages follow at 6 p.m.

****Please note: Wednesday night meal prep assignments have been pushed back one week. Please let Victoria Johnson know as soon as possible if your new date no longer works for you. See revised schedule below:**

- **Feb. 10 (this week)—The Babbs**
- **Feb. 17—Clay and Mary Mason**
- **Feb. 24—The Weavers**

Tuesday Morning Men’s Meeting
All men are invited to the annex each Tuesday morning at 6:20 a.m. for a time of breakfast, prayer and fellowship.

Calendars
Nelle Hahn brought some 2016 calendars to share. They are on the table in the foyer, please feel free to take one home.

YOUTH ZONE

MONDAY, FEB. 8
BOYS BASKETBALL
GONZALES 8TH "B" @ LA VERNIA, 5 P.M.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
GONZALES 7TH "B" V. LA VERNIA, 5 P.M.
GONZALES 7TH "A" V. LA VERNIA, 6 P.M.



TUESDAY, FEB. 9
BOYS BASKETBALL
GONZALES VARSITY @ CUERO, 7:30 P.M.
FRIDAY, FEB. 12
BOYS BASKETBALL
GONZALES VARSITY @ WIMBERLEY, 7:30 P.M.

Fernando Garcia—Gonzales 8th Boys Basketball
Tyler Hendershot—Gonzales Varsity Boys Basketball
Coach Kevin Johnson—Gonzales 7th Girls Basketball