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Good morning, Northside Family!

It's Salt Bowl week! Let the fun and good-natured rivalry begin! And, by the way, Go Panthers!

Last Sunday, **Jamilla Counts** made known her desire to be a part of our Northside Family. Jamilla was connected to Northside through the outreach of **Richard & Shirley Wallace**. Jamilla is known to many of our children and parents in the Benton School District as she serves as a regular substitute teacher. Her phone number is 501-326-8742. Welcome to Northside, Jamilla! We're grateful God led you to our church family.

Did you notice anything different as you pulled into the parking lot this morning? A wonderful crew of men from John 3.16 Ministry restriped the parking areas adjacent to our church building on Monday. They did a fantastic job on a very hot day. A big thank-you to **Jared Swaim** for coordinating and scheduling with the John 3.16 crew and to **Chris Dalby & Terry Hastings** for securing supplies. All of the spaces on the south side of the worship center next to the sidewalk are now handicapped spaces. Also, the areas painted in red are no parking areas. Please respect the no parking areas to allow traffic flow through the parking lot to be smooth and without obstacles.

Today is the final Sunday of the summer quarter in our Education Ministry. We've had a wonderful group of teachers guide us by sharing God's Word this summer. Thank you **Jim & Linda Acree, Charlene Beck, Maude Caudle, Carrie Clay, Sydney Colson, Beth Connors, Rodney Crownover, Katherine Dalby, Sue Edwards, Todd Ferguson, Sarah Gober, Cristin Goodner, Kristen Hamilton, Donna Howell, Stephanie Howell, Christie Johnson, Brent & Amy Jones, Beverly Mayberry, Nathan Mayes, Randy Mitchell, Rob & Sherry Nossaman, Charlotte Pyle, Chris & Elizabeth Ratliff, Art & Bernadette Rockwell, Eric & Contessa Scism, Conner Smith, Katrina Southwell, Lori Stevens, Carolyn Trusty, Kim Wallace, Judy Whittington** and **Sabrina Wright** for investing your time and talent to grow us all, young and old, in the knowledge and love of God.

"Continue in what you have learned and become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it" (1 Timothy 3.14).

A couple of beneficial class options will once again be offered on Wednesdays this Fall. Beginning September 4, both GriefShare and Financial Peace will begin. Both of these classes have been very beneficial to a number of individuals, couples and families in our church and community. For more information about GriefShare, visit www.griefshare.org or see me today. For more information about Financial Peace, visit www.daveramsey.com/fpu or see **Carson or Jill Sloan**. The Sloans will once again lead Financial Peace and it will meet in Classroom 19-A. GriefShare will meet in my office. If you are interested, please sign up this morning on the bulletin board by the church office. It's important you sign up as soon as possible (this morning preferably!) so that we can have adequate workbooks for all participants for the first session.

I Love You all (even all you Hornet fans this week), Jim

Billy's Thoughts

When L.I.F.E. Groups first started at Northside many years ago, LIFE was an acronym designed to explain their purpose. I asked some of them what it stood for. "LIFE" is a great word that churches have often adopted and intended as an acronym to explain the purpose or hoped-for outcomes of breaking a larger church into small groups. A simple web search turned up Learning Inspiration (through prayer) Fellowship Evangelization, or Living In Fellowship Effectively, or Learning Involvement Friendship Encouragement. When I asked some of our knowledgeable members if they remembered our acronym's meaning; not all did. **Linda Pike** verified via email with **Mike Knappier** that it was originally intended as: Love Involvement Fellowship Evangelism.

The point is that L.I.F.E. is a versatile acronym to describe our small groups that meet October through May on Sunday evenings. Meeting together will deepen our *Love* of God's Word and for each other as we *Learn* together. We'll *Involve* ourselves in ministry together, create some deep *Friendships* and *Fellowship*, and be *Encouraged* (gain courage) to share God's Word with others *Evangelism*.

However you think about what a L.I.F.E Group is, I hope all of us at Northside will participate. So... please begin signing up today in the entry area to be a part of one of ten groups. Ideally, most small groups work best with 15 people or less (including kids), though some groups may end up larger.

By the way, please consider signing up for a group which is at least partially a different group of people than you've met with previously. You'll be encouraged if you do.

I really think we could use more than 10 groups, but are limited by the number of leaders available. If you feel called to lead, or you know of someone you believe could lead an additional group, let me know. If you don't sign up for a small group, the Worship Center group will definitely have room for you.

Hispanic Happenings with Fernando

Our congregational retreat is two weeks away. We will have five messages under the theme *Identidad* (Identity) based on John 1:12. The purpose is to discover and affirm who we are in Christ Jesus and understand God's purpose in our lives as his children.

The world has its own ways for resolving conflicts, handling marriage, and raising children, but those who have been made children of God do all these on God's ways.

As a first-generation Hispanic church in the faith, and as we put off our old self, these messages have the purpose to show that we cannot continue with the ways of the world. We want to follow God's ways on conflict resolution, on marriage and family relationship, on raising Godly children and bringing others to Christ.

We would love to have all Hispanic families in this retreat, and because we have several families with low income and single moms with children, we are making t-shirts to raise funds and help these families. If anyone would like to help, please contact the office for more information no later than this Wednesday.

Conner's Contemplations

Have you ever thought about how your words can impact others? Have you ever seen the damage or the good your words can do? Have you ever seen others visibly shaken by the comments you've said? Have you seen the smile on someone's face fade into a frown by words you've said or directed toward them?

Our words, our ability to speak, our very vocal cords are a gift from God. He has enabled us among all other species on the planet to communicate with each other in so many different fashions. We can speak, write, emote, enact, and demonstrate all of our emotions. We can share our thoughts with others in ways that no other species on this planet can even comprehend.

Did you know that the smartest dog breed in the world only has the intellect and communicable ability of a 2 to 4-year-old human? Did you know that the brightest apes can learn enough sign language to only master less than a third of the vocabulary of a grown human?

Our own children have more power than that of the entire animal kingdom contained within their very mouths. Children have enough power to hurt one another with words that even suicidal thoughts can enter a grown person's mind based off of a child's comments.

We cannot possibly fathom the impact of our words, or even comprehend the damage they can do in a series of events. James 3:3-6 tells us this very thing. "*The tongue is a small thing.... but can set a great forest on fire.*" Just like one spark can destroy an entire forest, (look at the Amazon Forest burning as I write this) our words can destroy someone. We need only say them to the right (or wrong) person and someone's life could be damaged forever.

Our words hold so much power they have been said to hold "the power of a nuclear war." We use them so obliviously and disregard their impact.

Maybe we should change how we view our words. Maybe we should reflect more on what we should say rather than what we feel. We never truly know the impact our words can have on others. It would be very wise of us and Christlike to monitor our words.

I will leave you with a verse from 1 Peter: 3. "*If you want to enjoy life and see many happy days, keep your tongue from speaking evil and your lips from telling lies.*"

Events This Week

TONIGHT: Dale Ridge speaks on Faith Hero: Moses
MONDAY: Pickleball 6:30 p.m. in the Outreach Building for anyone 18 years of age and older.
WEDNESDAY: Early Morning Bible class 10:30-11:30 a.m. in Classroom 19-A.
FRIDAY-September 2: "Refresh" for grades 8-12.

Upcoming Events

September 4: GriefShare begins at 6:30 in Jim's office. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board next to the office.
September 4: Financial Peace class begins at 6:30 in classroom 19a. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board next to the office.
September 12: Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group meeting 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. **Melissa Baxley** is the facilitator.
September 19: JOY group potluck luncheon at 11:30 in the outreach building for anyone 55 years of age and older.
September 20-22: Fall Adult Retreat at Corin Read Christian Camp. The speaker will be **Jonathan Stortment**. The topic is *"Yes or No: Everyday Decisions and the Kingdom of God"*. More details to come (including cost). Please sign up on the bulletin board next to the office or by contacting **Jennifer Crow**.
September 27: Teens 5th Quarter 10:00-midnight
September 28: Fall Ladies Brunch and get together at 11:00 a.m. in the outreach building. A sign up sheet is on the ladies' table across from the elders' office.

The meal that was prepared by **Janie Elliott** for the Hospice House in Bryant last Tuesday was pot roast/potatoes & carrots, fried okra and English peas. **Vera Kaderabek & Nedra Russell** prepared a dessert. Occasionally Janie will get a call to see if she will prepare a meal that we aren't scheduled to provide. That happened last Saturday. They ran out of food on Saturday morning. Janie prepared biscuits/gravy, scrambled eggs, 3 breakfast breads, blueberry muffins & orange juice. A BIG "Thank You" to Janie for stepping up and to everyone who makes a monetary donation to support this ministry.

We have also received an invitation to attend a Gospel Meeting & Homecoming at Rison Church of Christ August 30-September 1. For more information please see the flyer posted on the bulletin board next to the office.

Love Notes and Heartstrings

Happy Sunday! Our Heartfelt Reveal took place Saturday where 15 moms and 32 sisters learned their groups. We had a beautiful indoor BBQ picnic with **Jenny Carlisle** sharing with us some thoughts on Titus 2. I challenge you all to listen to the song "Nobody" by Casting Crowns. Are you living for the world to see Nobody but Jesus? I am reading a devotional, "Unshakeable Moms" and the first day talks about Foundation with this scripture; *"So this is what the Sovereign Lord says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic" (Isaiah 28:16).* We can do anything when our foundation is firm in Christ! My mom is having her 80th birthday tomorrow and so I am at church with her this morning! Have a great week of living for Jesus!

Sunday Morning Adult Classes Beginning September 1

Worship Center—Eric Scism *"Joshua & Judges"*
19a—Rodney Crownover *"Praise & Worship"*
Young Adults & Others Class—Rob Nossaman
Young Single Adults—Jim Gardner *"Joshua"*
OR 1—Dan Reed & Billy McLain *"Lessons from Jesus"*
OR 2—Rick Treadway *"Daring Faith-Meeting Jesus in the book of John"* (video & discussion)

Wednesday Nights Beginning September 4

Worship Center—Billy McLain *"Colossians"*
19a—Carson Sloan *"Financial Peace"*
Jim's office—Jim Gardner *"GriefShare"*
Elders' Office—Rhonda Covington *"Basic Bible Knowledge"* (this class is
OR 1 Ladies' Class—Shirley Wallace *"Choose Joy" & "Fight Back With Joy"*
OR 2 Men's Class—Wes Ader *"Matthew"*

Prayer List: Blythe Bowers is waiting on the results of recent tests. **Joe Campbell** will begin radiation treatments tomorrow. He will have treatments 5 days a week for 9 weeks. **Edna Faye Caradine** received a good report from her recent tests. **James Carlisle** has been diagnosed with spinal stenosis. He will have additional tests on Sept. 6. **Susan Dorsey** will have four chemo treatments at 3 week intervals. The treatments started last Wednesday. **Ruth East** had successful surgery last week to repair a torn meniscus. **Cindi Greenhaw**, Suzanne Reed's sister, has been put back on the kidney transplant list. She now has to just wait 3 years to be requalified instead of 5 years. **Wanda Otwell** will have surgery on her ankle on Friday. **Butch Redden**, Amanda Ashton's dad, is being treated at Saline Memorial Hospital for complications due to congestive heart failure. **Dan Reed** will undergo a cardioversion procedure on Tuesday to correct A-fib. **Suzanne Reed** will undergo nerve blocks and ablation procedures for back pain. **Harold Stuart** received really good news from his recent scans. There had been significant change in his cancer. Also, his lymph nodes were clear.

Continue to remember: Lois Baxter, Sherry Benton, Brenda Bourque, Tyler Buck, Eric Burton, Charles Caradine, Cash Clancy, Briaunah Diamond, Todd Donahue, Janie Elliott, Ron & Ellen Fant, Don & Patricia Flowers, Kelley Geurin, Mark Gober, Steve Graves, Mark Greeno, Helen Hairston, W.K. Hannah, Shirley Harkreader, Logan Harris, Holly Hart, Ronnie Hastings, Seth Henry, Shannon Henry, Jan Hicks, Brett Hooton, Betty Humphries, J.C. Johnson, Glenn Kays, Rod Kirk, Anita Knight, Reba Leonard, Yvonne Lewis, Lance Lieblong, Kim Lindgren, Bill Loe, Wilma Lunsford, Charlotte Mabery, Bo Maley, Peggy Manning, Robert Matheny, Richard May, Bonnie Mayberry, David Mayberry, James Mayberry, David Mayes, Dudley McClerkin, Charlene McDonnel, Manher & Louise Mehta, Darrell Messer, Jimmy Mitchell, Mark Otwell, Sharon Pearson, Jewell Powell, Gary Pruitt, Francille Pryor, Mike Ransom, Chuck Rice, Diana Richard, Earlene Russell, Bess Sanders, Margaret Scott, Gene Speights, Patsy Steele, Letha Styles, Gary Sullivan, James Sutton, Fred & Edith Swaim, Steve Tolin, Ruth VanZandt, Edna Weger, Autumn Wilder, Angela Wilson, Billie Wilson, Bartha Wise, Syble Womack, Mark Woodville.

Shepherds

Jim Acree Terry Hastings
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Tom Davis Rob Nossaman
Todd Ferguson Rick Treadway
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Justin Dorsey Charlie Manning
Curtis Evans Billy McLain
Julio Flores Steve Smith
Kelley Geurin Alejo Solis
Chris Givens Freddy Swaim
Javier Guzman

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Jim Gardner
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Dawn Mitchell
Jimmy Mitchell
Linda Pike
Conner Smith
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Records: August 18, 2019

Bible Classes	362
AM Worship	525
PM Worship	126
Wednesday	230
Weekly budget	\$13,732.00
Contribution	\$11,741.16

Service Schedule

Sunday Morning Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Bible Study-Hispanic	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship-Hispanic	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Children's Bible Hour	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday Morning Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study-Hispanic	7:00 p.m.

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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:30 a.m.--4:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m.--Noon

10:00 A.M. Worship

Rodney Crownover.....Worship Leader
Father God.....PH
Todd Hastings.....Welcome & Family News
I Will Call Upon The Lord.....63
Hosanna.....167
My Only Hope Is You.....PH
Carson Sloan.....Prayer
Feel The Nails.....PH
Dan Reed.....Communion Devo & Offering
I Sing Praises.....(offering song).....97
Who.....(children's song).....PH
Ancient Words.....PH
Billy McLain.....Deuteronomy 11.11-12
Jim Gardner....."Good News in the Valley"
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus.....674
We Shall Wear A Crown.....PH
Tom Davis.....Shepherds Prayer

Infant Nursery

Mandy & Trae Gardner

Toddler Nursery

Melissa & Jaggar Baxley & Harley Clancy

5:00 P.M. Worship

Communion

Kelley Geurin

Infant & Toddler Nursery

Sarah Gober

Pantry Needs:

Green Beans, Corn,
Spam, Ramen Noodles,
Dish Washing Liquid, Laundry Detergent

The backpack program for Caldwell & Howard Perrin schools is in need of individual Mac n Cheese, individual applesauce cups, pudding cups, fruit cups, pop tarts, peanut butter or cheese crackers, individual chip bags, juice boxes and Capri Sun. Please put your items in the tubs just outside the children's worship room in the multipurpose area.



NEED PRAYER

An Elder and his wife will be in the Elders' office after services to pray with anyone that needs prayer. Elder and his wife this week:

Jim & Linda Acree