

The Vision

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Manna for Meditation

Room For Jesus

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Is there any room for Jesus in your busy day? Have you just a moment you can spare? Or is your life so active that you set your faith aside, Are you really certain that you even care?

Are you keeping over busy to serve your own desires? Have you set your heart to reach a certain goal? Are you honest with yourself in the way you spend your time? Are you not a bit concerned about your soul?

There's much on earth that could destroy the things you like to do,

But you must master every day's desires. Thoughts and plans that fill your day can make you overwrought, Slow your tempo, hear the voice that tenderly inspires.

No earthly plan can be so great that God should be excluded –

Each moment He's aware of where you are. He reaches out with tender love, He's eager for your presence, But often you have moved away so far.

It's not that He can't find you, or guess where you reside; He follows every step you daily take. It's you that is the wandered, too busy to look up; You can't blame God when you make a mistake.

So, take a special moment to see how far you've come, Your worldly goods have caused your faith to fail. It's time you mend your fences and span the bridge of grace and let the wondrous love of God prevail.

Have you found yourself clinging to something that you know isn't good? For many, bondage is more familiar than freedom. Let go of anything that is holding you back and embrace the freedom of Christ. <u>www.stresslesscountry.com</u>



Your fellowship today is important to us. Please fill out the attendance pads at the end of each pew.



USHER SOUND SYSTEM 10:30 AM-Chuck Richardson DEACON–Ken McVey NURSERY-Small Talk-Laura Ziegler Junior Church-*(The previous week's attendance and financial status)* ATTENDANCE SS-39 Worship-58 FINANCIAL NOTES Monthly Need \$11,070.16 Worship Service Sunday School

	Worship Service	Sunday School
July 4	\$2,053.34	\$66.20
July 11	\$1,895.00	\$29.00
July 18	\$2,132.66	\$48.60

\$40.00-OGHS, \$50.00-Memorial for Terry Maxwell

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Operating Fund
$6,224.80
Total Receipts (July)
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No Reflection

Look into the mirror Tell me what you see The past being reflected Or things as yet to be For now it's just this moment No less and still no more A simple life refection No clues for what's in store But in this time is wisdom **Experience and grace** To cherish every moment Put a smile on your face Don't stare long for answers For that look to the side And put your feet in motion And greet the world outside. **Robert Longley**



<u>Time is Running Out</u> <u>Your Help is Needed</u>



There are still a few vacancies in the schedule. If you are interested in helping this year, please contact Judy Thomson to get your spot reserved. Remember the money made at the stand

helps us to support missions during the year.



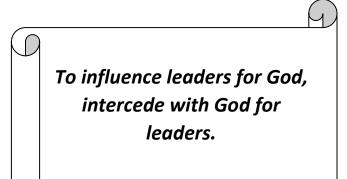
Debbie and I want to thank everyone for our wonderful welcome meal and fellowship last Sunday! You all made and make us feel so welcome. The food was awesome and the fellowship we all enjoyed was even better! God has given all of us a great journey together. Debbie and I thank God for all of you...

Pastor John and Debbie

We do not need more to be thankful for, we just need to be more thankful.



There will be a Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday November 6 th. For booth rental and more information see Judy Thompson.





PAYER REQUESTS: Church Family:

Terry Maxwell Family, Maggie Jordan, Scott Pettit, Kathy Morris, Jim Abshire, Wyatt Rynard, Betty Williamson, Brian Etchison, Mike Adams, Susan Polk, Tom Holman, Mary Jennison, Dixie Carter, Evelyn Denney, Bob & Catherine Etter, Larry & Peggy Martin and Bob & Dianna Jennings.

<u>Community</u>: Pray for America,

our community, the leaders, our school boards. For children and families facing crisis and those in need in our community.

Military Personnel: Skyler Rynard,

Dan Koong, Michael Pitz, Clint Plake, Daniel Hill and all military personnel serving at home and abroad.

<u>**Country</u>** People Affected by the COVID-19, Situations in the country and abroad, the President & cabinet, political leaders, military personnel, our nation, police, firemen and the US economy.</u>

World: Peace, Middle Eastern conflict, global financial situation, and those serving on the mission field.

