

# The McLish Avenue Messenger

This is the message we have heard from Him... God is Light (1 John 1:5).

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MCLISH AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST • 607 McLish SW • Ardmore, OK 73401



*This New Testament passage quotes an Old Testament passage. Where is the Old Testament passage found?*

*“Not at all! Let God be true, and every man a liar. As it is written: “So that you may be proved right when you speak, and prevail when you judge.””*

Romans 3:4 (NKJV)

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*Schedule of Services*

*Sunday*

Bible Study ..... 9:30 am

Worship ..... 10:30 am

Worship ..... 6:00 pm

*Wednesday*

Bible Study ..... 7:00 pm

Part two

## Law and Grace

Franklin Camp

**S**ome say, “But a Christian will want to obey.” Why obey something that has no relationship to going to heaven?

Let me raise some questions for those teaching that grace excludes law. Is grace no longer essential after becoming a Christian? When one is saved by grace, does he then live the Christian life by law without grace? Surely not. Does it not follow that one obeys after becoming a Christian and that obedience does not conflict with grace? When the Christian obeys, what is obeyed? If commands, it is law.

One not only becomes a Christian by faith, but the Christian lives by faith. (Gal 2:11, 20). One cannot live the Christian life by faith alone—that is, faith minus obedience. Then why think one may become a Christian by faith minus obedience?

No one denies a Christian must be obedient. (Heb 5:8-9). What does the Christian obey? Is it law? If not, what does he obey? If law, then law does not exclude grace. Christians are not sinlessly perfect. That kind of imperfection requires grace.

There is the second law of pardon for the Christian. I do not hesitate to refer to it as the law of pardon for a Christian. When a Christian sins, he must repent. (Acts 8:22). He must confess his sin and pray. (1 Jn 1:7-9; Acts 8:22).

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Would one deny that a Christian must obey these commands? When one obeys them, is it submission to law? Does one's obedience cancel out grace?

When one is forgiven, it must be in one of two ways—merit or grace. Forgiveness by merit is an impossibility. Pardon is extended only through grace. When a Christian sins, repents, confesses

it, and prays, he has submitted to law and receives pardon. Obedience is necessary, but it does not earn pardon.

If the second law of pardon does not conflict with grace, why would the first law of pardon—the one for the alien? Grace does not exclude law if correctly interpreted.

**Over 39ers** On Thursday, September 16th the over 39ers will leave the building at 5:30 pm and meet at Babe's Chicken Dinner House in Sanger, Texas, around 6:15 pm. Due to seating at the restaurant, we need to get a estimated head count. Please let Doneta know if you are planning to attend.



**Children's homes** Westview Boys' Home will be back in November and is

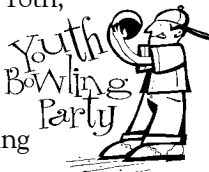


requesting: ravioli, Kool-Aid/Tang, canned chicken, spaghetti sauce, flour/corn tortillas, blueberry muffin mix, ready made cake frosting, tub or stick margarine/squeeze Parkay, grated cheddar/american sliced cheese, toilet paper, paper towels, batteries-all sizes 9-volt/AA/AAA/C/D, non-drowsy cold medications (pill form). **Hope Harbor** will be here in December and are requesting: coffee, canned refried beans, canned fruit cocktail, canned chicken, canned potatoes, pop tarts, hot dog chili/chili no beans, bottled water, baked beans, individually packaged snack items (such as cookies, beef jerky, cheez-it style crackers, trail mix, 100 calorie packs, but not sandwich style crackers), plastic or styrofoam divided plates, and rectangle foam plates, dryer sheets, liquid laundry soap, dish soap, shampoo and conditioner, body wash, styrofoam/plastic cups, napkins, paper towels and toilet paper.



The congregation is invited to Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Root's 60th wedding anniversary. The celebration will be Saturday October 9th from 3-5 pm at 21505 North Triple X Road in Luther, OK. The invitation is posted on the back bulletin board.

**Youth** Ron and Peggy Jones will host the next youth gathering on Saturday, Sept. 18th, 4 pm at Imperial Lanes. Bring your own ball and shoes or money for rentals. After bowling is done, they will gather back at the building for food.



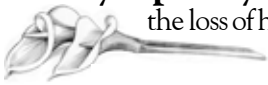
**Request forms** are available on the table in the foyer if you would like a copy of any of the lessons from any Sunday worship service.



### Remember Our Sick

Glenda Vinson had a heart procedure Friday in OKC. Please continue to remember: Nita Padgett • Murray Goforth • Tommy Higgins, Betty's uncle • Mary Aldridge • Darrelyn Phillips • Nancy McClanahan • Winston Pirtle • Joyce Giles' brother and sister-in-law, James & Jean Hager • Mike Sadler's father • Vicky McCarthey • Bill McCarthey • Clarine Wainscott • Paul & Joyce Giles • Rebecca Stafford • Linda Grant, Glenda Vinson's sister-in-law • Nelda Grant, Glenda Vinson's sister • Scott's father, Ken Saner • Ginger Waller • Betty Higgins • Bill Burchfield • Jean Cary • Christie Bailey • Sue Mann • Joyce Gilliam's sister, Flo Brown • John Parton, Norma Perkins' grandson • Gracie Smith • Jamie Feroli • Mary Ann Ashley • Ruth Minyard • Patti Culpepper • Jerry Vinson • Murray Goforth • Deborah Thomas' mother • Pat Ballard's mother • Madeline Minyard • Bessie Childress • and those shut in/nursing home members.

**Sympathy** We want to remember Cecil Hargrove in the loss of his sister **Loise Netherton**. Her services were yesterday morning in Cushing, Texas.



**Responses** Ray and Linda Denison came forward last week to be restored and to be identified with the congregation that meets here at McLish. Their directory information: 2021 4th NW #99, Ardmore, OK 73401; phone 580.226.3841. Be sure to welcome them to the believers here if you haven't had the opportunity yet to do so.

**Today** at noon we will gather for a fellowship meal. If you are visiting with us, we would love to have you as our guest. There is always an abundance of food and we'd like to get you know you better!



**Ladies' 10 am class** The start of the ladies' Wednesday morning class has been postponed. Be listening for when this class will begin again.

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

### September

- 2 Sharlene Wallis
- 5 Aaron Mann  
Bill & Virgie Burchfield '74
- 6 Allison Hicks
- 8 Sylvia Thompson
- 9 Zaylon Boyd
- 10 Joseph Tipton  
Cecil Hargrove
- 13 Tony Brinkley
- 14 Ronnie Byrd  
Lacie Aldridge  
Leah Smith
- 15 David & Liz Aldridge
- 16 Scott Saner
- 17 Lindsay Patrick
- 18 George Jones
- 20 Sue Mann
- 21 LaToya Dotson  
Clay Brinkley
- 25 Eva Mae Gibbs  
Linda Johnson  
Robert & Nancy McClanahan '07
- 28 Jason Willingham  
Esther Godwin
- 29 Tom Jones
- 30 Raymond Boutwell  
Lovel & Mary Hughes

### October

- 2 Jessica Johnson
- 3 Adela Scott
- 4 Taylor Aldridge-Morgan
- 6 Bobby & Lara Austin '01
- 7 Cap Stewart

## Old Testament Lesser Known People

Use a Concordance to look up those you do not know. Bible study can be fun!

ABAGTHA	H H S R T A B B A O T H M I
BAALIS	A T H S A M R A P M H I A A
CAPHTORIM	A H T A Z I A V I T G N C C
DATHAN	I A O N N A D R O D H A H C
EGLON	R O H T C B O I A U A W B A
GABBAI	T O O T B T A L T B I I A Z
HACALIAH	A C L T H B I H A H L A N N
IGDALIAH	L T I P E A A A T I A K N A
JABAL	L T A N H I L I M J C Z A H
KAIWAN	A C B A L I D H T T A R I T
LAHMI	B R A B S H A K E H H B H A
MACHBANNAI	N A Z H H L A C B A T A A D
NEBAIOTH	A A T M T K T N O L G E L L
OHOLIAH	S I A B B A G A H T G A B A
PARMASHTA	
RABSHAKEH	
SANBALLAT	
TABBAOTH	
UTHAI	
VAIZATHA	
ZACCAI	

This is a sample of the word searches found on our website  
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## Those to Serve Today

Announcements.....	F.A Shellenberger	
Lord's Table.....	Ronnie Byrd	Randy Scott James Meece
	Steve Mann	Colin Saner Robert McClannahan
Song Leader.....	David Johnson	PM Opening ..... Tom Matlock
AM Scripture.....	Daniel Jones	PM Closing ..... Alex Vinson
AM Opening .....	Todd Hicks	PM Lord's Supper..... Ronnie Byrd
AM Closing .....	Earl Mann	
Greeters Sept 5 & 8.....	Tom Matlock, Ronnie Byrd, Jerry & Lois Beavers	

## Elders

**Charles Aldridge**  
 710 15th NW  
 223-4602

**Vernon Castleman**  
 3533 Dogwood Road  
 223-0983

**James Meece**  
 909 Davis  
 223-7637

## Deacons

**Fred Bellomy**  
 223-3240

**Martin Dotson**  
 226-6450

**James Gravelle**  
 223-7911

**Todd Hicks**  
 504-2829

**Ron Jones**  
 223-7268

**Steve Mann**  
 223-7246

**Scott Saner**  
 465-5785

**Jerry Vinson**  
 223-3865

## Kevin's schedule

Sept 8	Oologah, OK
Sept 12	Howe, TX
Sept 19-22	Hugo, OK
Sept 26-29	Princeton, WV



### Today

12:00 noon Fellowship Meal

### September 8

7:00 pm Ben Bailey gives devotional  
 Group one turn in cards;  
 group two picks up  
 assignments

### September 12-15

Ben holding a meeting in  
 Idabel, OK

### September 15

7:00 pm Ron Jones gives devotional  
 Group two turn in cards;  
 group three picks up  
 assignments

### September 16

5:30 pm 39 & Over meet at building  
 to leave for Babe's in  
 Sanger, TX



## Broadcast Schedule

Sept 12 Soldiers of Christ Arise

Psalm 51:4  
*Scripture from front page:*