

# Welcome Card

Member       Guest

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time:  9:30am

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*(Please print clearly)*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest,**  
Please drop this card in the offering plate as it passes by. Thank you for joining us today!

Guest of \_\_\_\_\_

Member elsewhere

VOA

Have you worshipped with us before?  
 yes  no

18-22  23-29  30-39  40-49  50-59  
 60-69  70+

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

- Just moved to the area
- Looking for a church home
- Looking for help on my journey to God
- Need help to get back on track with God
- Questions about membership
- Desire Baptism
- Desire to visit with:
  - \_\_\_\_Elder\_\_\_\_Minister\_\_\_\_Counselor

## Prayer Requests:

- ◆ Beckett Mahoney—In PICU recovering from surgery. Prayers for a complete recover. A long recovery ahead of him. Prayers for parents, Mike and Stephanie
- ◆ Ray Bruce—Thank you for all the cards and prayers. Has had his last cancer treatment.
- ◆ John Long—prayers for comfort and pain relief.
- ◆ Lisa Diaz—pain relief from Fibromyalgia.



**New Class Starting March 30th**

*Ladies Bible Class*

**Two Great Options**

- Tuesday 10:30am  
Fellowship Hall  
Apostles: 12  
Ordinary Men
- Tuesday 10am  
Room 105  
Esther by Beth Moore



If you have a prayer request that you would like to share with us and have our shepherds pray over, take a picture with the camera on your smart phone of this QR code. It will take you directly to the website Prayer Request form where you can fill it out. If you have questions, call the church office.



 SCAN ME



March 21, 2021

## Welcome!

Good morning and welcome to the NorthWest Church of Christ! We are so glad you have joined us this morning as we approach the throne of our God. If you are new to our church family, then please let us know as we would love to meet you and pray blessings over you and anyone else who has come here with you. We are thankful you have chosen to spend time with us and God this morning.  
We are so glad you're here!



What does praise look like in our lives? We serve a God who is worthy of all praise yet often our lives are not reflective of that. How can we change this? Today we take a look at what it means to implement a posture of praise in everything we do. The task is a tall one, but He is worthy.

## Service Times

Sunday 9:30 Worship  
Sunday 10:30 Bible Class  
Tuesday Ladies Bible Class 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Worship, Fellowship & Study

## Thoughts from a Shepherd

The Dictionary.com defines “listen” as a verb meaning: 1. to give attention with the ear; attend closely for the purpose of hearing; give ear, 2. to pay attention; heed; obey, 3. to wait attentively for a sound, and 4. to convey a particular impression to the hearer (informal definition). It is interesting to note in the three “formal” definitions listening always involves “attention or being attentive.” Truly listening to someone or to something means I have to be intentional, to be purposeful and to respect/honor the person speaking/ How often do we say, “Oh, I was just not listening,” “I listen to the music, but not the words,” “I heard you, but I was not listening,” etc.

These phrases indicate we just heard “noise” and did not actually pay attention as to what was said/conveyed. In essence we ignored the person talking or the words they were conveying. We did not value them or give them the honor/respect they deserve. Listening involves me having focus, intentionality, and purpose.

This month Brandyn and Casey have guided us through a series of lessons concerning “stopping and listening to God.” As they have shown us Scripture is filled with calls, declarations and pleas from God to listen and hear Him through His words and deeds. In some sense this is perhaps the overarching request of God - to listen to Him! The questions we need to ask of ourselves daily are: Why I should listen to Him? How can I listen to Him? When should I listen to Him? Where should I listen to Him? What do I do with what He tells me through Scripture, through His Spirit, through His Creation, the voices of His people? If we are not asking these questions and seeking answers, then we are not listening. We are just hearing the noise around us - just the music and not the lyrics.

My encouragement to you this week is to grapple with the aforementioned questions. And, I know this is strange, but to also ask them from the negative point of view: Why do I not want or not motivated to listen to God? What keeps me from listening to Him? What do I have to give up in order to Stop and Listen? These are all sobering questions, but we need to work through them so we may grow and be refined into what and whom God has called us to be. Many years ago there was a preacher in our heritage who had a weekly radio program in which he would share the Word with others and he would use a Mnemonic “hook” as his signature communication device to get the listeners’ attention. The phrase was, “Are you listening?” So, this is my question to you this week, “Are you listening?”

Have a blessed week!

Frank Weaver

Rise Up Sunday has been postponed and will be rescheduled for later in the year. We will have regular worship and bible classes that day. We will also offer a special service afternoon to work on a few projects around our building as well as at a few members homes. Service projects afternoon will be 12:30-2:30 p.m.



## NO BIBLE CLASSES

**Sunday, April 4th—we will have an Easter experience available before and after worship**



Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (mo/day/yr) \_\_\_\_\_

### **I would like to receive more information about:**

- Celebrate Recovery
- Children's Ministry (birth-5th grade)
- Christian Village (Senior Adult Ministry)
- College Age
- Discovering NorthWest (orientation class)
- Hope Lives (Recovery Ministry)
- I want to talk about recovery issues
- JAFF (Joy After Fifty-Five)
- NorthWest Counseling Center
- R&B Groups (Relationship & Bible)
- Small Groups
- Divorce Care
- WINGS (Women IN God's Service)
- Women's Bible Study
- Young Couples
- Youth Ministry (6th-12th Grade)

### Questions/Comments/Prayer Requests

- Public  Shepherds & Ministers Only
- Confidential/Shepherds Only

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