



## A Few Thoughts from a Shepherd

Things are not as they should be. Things are not as we want them to be. Lots of stuff is messed up. First the virus, then the violence. But those two challenges have not just caused new problems. They have exposed old problems, things that were not as they should be, even back then.

How should we respond? I want to encourage you to be reflective, not reactive. When we are reactive, we get frustrated and angry, and we attack others. Or we run away, we medicate, we try to avoid the real issues, and we just try to get by. Either way, we get shallower.

When we are reflective, we can dig down deeper to ask what God may be doing in this place at this time. We can dig down deeper to understand what he really wants, what really matters. We can learn something new about God. When we are reflective, we can dig down deeper to understand ourselves better, to understand others better, and to understand what God wants us to do in this place at this time. When we are reflective, we read scripture, we meditate, we pray, we invite others to reflect with us, seeking their unique perspectives even when they are different from ours, and then we act. When we reflect, we get deeper, and we grow. May our Father bless you abundantly as you reflect and grow through this challenging time! Craig McClung

## Parking Lot Services June 14th at 9am

Check your email for a letter from the elders with all the details of our Parking Lot Service next week. If you didn't receive this email, please let us know and we'll send you one.

## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS BAGS

**We are in desperate need of grocery bags for our Food Pantry clients. If you have some and would like to share, we could really use them.**

**Also, we really appreciate all help that you have given us with bringing egg cartons. Right now, we do not need any more. Thank you so much for always helping us with whatever our needs are.**

## Prayer Requests

- ◆ Be praying for all the sick and those in the hospitals, for any that have lost loved ones, for healthcare workers, and first responders.
- ◆ Pray for God to take away this virus, the abuses of power, racism, rioting, dissention, and bring peace to our land.
- ◆ Praise God for all that He is doing in our lives.

## Online Worship

Join us on FaceBook or YouTube for worship Sunday, June 7th. See you there!

## Children's Ministry Events

### Drive thru Events:

June 20th @ 10am—Lemonade & Bike Rodeo

June 27th @ 10am—Popcorn & Disney Trivia

July 11th @ 10am—Popsicles & Sprinkler Party

July 18th @ 10am—Ice Cream & Bingo

Preschool Playdates—Every Friday @ 10am at the church playground

Bible Science Summer Virtual Camp—June 29th–July 1st. (2nd grade–6th grade)

Backyard VBS (details coming later)

**Be sure and check out the website for all the details of these fun events.**

## Housechurches Start Up

You should soon be hearing from your housechurch leaders on whether or not you will be meeting again. Those of you who's groups are currently not meeting but still want to meet with a group, contact Casey Lankford. He will place you in a temporary group. If you're not in a housechurch and want to be in one, also contact Casey at Casey@nwchurch.us