



# Yale Avenue Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

## *Caring, Sharing and Serving*

THE YALE AVENUE "SON" TIMES VOLUME 53, NUMBER 10 - MAY 27, 2020

### Your Generosity at Work

God is answering prayers in many ways during this difficult time! Because you, the congregates of YACC/IMF have continued to bless the church with your tithes and offerings, YACC has been able to stay current on financial obligations.

We applied for, and received, \$50,955 from the Federal Stimulus Paycheck Protection Program. These monies will cover the expense of our payroll and utilities into the summer, and the loan will be forgiven when we meet certain criteria. This frees up general contributions to be used for outreach and vendor obligations. As back-up, in March YACC drew \$50,000 against our current line of credit, and this money is used as needed, and replenished when able, to supplement general donations.

As a result of these actions, YACC is current on Mission and Outreach payments. Some of the many ways your offerings reach out were listed in the last newsletter. All employees and staff are being paid in full without furloughs or layoffs. We are slightly under pace with general donations from the previous year. All of this gives reason to be joyful! Thank you for your continuing generosity as this allows YACC to carry out our mission of Caring, Sharing and Serving in the Name of Jesus!

*Tracie Wareham, Finance Committee Chair*



### Welcome to the YACC Family

Steve & Sonia Hillyer became a part of the Yale Avenue family on May 13. Pastor Andy married Steve & Sonia on May 16. Steve is Alice Hillyer's son. Please add them to your directory: 8611 East 29th St., Tulsa, OK 74129 918-630-3305



We are keeping up with what our members have been doing during the quarantine. Here are just a few pictures we captured from your Facebook posts.

Nelson & Abbey Ojeda's daughter, Lena Victoria, had her first dance recital... (while practicing social distancing)



Robin Sheets' grandson, Talon, received his green belt. He also caught his first fish recently!



Dennis & Rosemary Moran model masks made by their niece in California. Looking good!



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## Andy's Anecdotes

It is Memorial Day Weekend and we mourn.

- We are mourning the things for which this recognition was intended.
- We mourn and honor those who gave their lives in service to the nation.
- We mourn as the Covid-19 virus continues to do what it does and as the loss of life approaches 100,000 people.
- We mourn as we are away from our sanctuary again this week....
- We mourn as loved ones and friends are still distant in many cases.
- We mourn as children of God experience the fears of insecurity with issues of health and finances.
- We mourn as we see a people divided over how we chose between staying home and celebrating the beginnings of summer.
- We mourn a loss sense of certainty in the world.

But we worship a God who promises to bring us comfort in these times.

We will always find it difficult to find the rainbow in the midst of the storm, but we must look toward God together to weather the winds of change. As with all events such as this, the picture always looks different from before, long after the storm has calmed. We will continue to mourn...continue to pray...continue to be delighted by the things we witness in the people around us....and we will continue to look for inspiration in scripture and prayer...and to search for ways to be a blessing and inspiration to others.

Peace be with you,

**Andy**

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## Sei's Summaries:

When God called Moses to rescue the Israelites from the hand of Pharaoh, Moses did not readily accept the call. Instead, Moses came up with all kinds of excuses he could find so that God would change His mind and leave him alone. The fact is, God already knew all the weaknesses and strengths of Moses. God chose Moses because He wanted to use Him. God did not choose Moses because he was strong enough or because he had the skills to rescue the people of Israel from Pharaoh. When God calls you to do something, do not try to find the reasons not to accept His call. God knows about you more than you know yourself. God simply wants to use you.

Moses must have been afraid of Pharaoh because he was one of the most powerful rulers. When Moses and Aaron finally encountered Pharaoh face to face, they did not bring legions of armies with them nor any types weapons. That is when God stepped in and fulfilled His promise that He would be with Moses all the times. God turned Aaron's staff into snake, interestingly, Pharaoh's magicians turned their staffs into snakes too but Aaron's staff swallowed up their staffs. God turned an ordinary into extra ordinary.

What do you have? It may not seem significant in your eye but God can turn your ordinary gift into extra ordinary one. We often look for what we do not have and overlook what we do have. God is not looking for super natural people, God is looking for ordinary people. David killed Goliath with a sling and a stone. Jesus fed 5000 people with just five loaves and two fish. Many times we underestimate our gifts and talents. Accept God's call and He is always ready to use you above and beyond your expectations.

**Sei**



## Vacation Bible School

The Spiritual Growth team has made the decision not to hold VBS in our facility this summer. However, they are working to create a VBS-at-Home where everything will be provided for activities with one to 10 kids: music, story, craft, science, etc. Families will be able to have VBS with your children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or children on your block. Stay tuned for more information in upcoming newsletters.

### Quote of the Week

***F.E.A.R has two meanings:  
Forget Everything And Run  
or  
Face Everything And Rise***

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***The Yale Avenue "Son" Times is emailed by 5:00pm on Tuesday before the Wednesday publication date.***



**Health Concerns:**

- Devern Eubanks \* Richard Shelton \* Alice Hillyer
- Devern Eubanks has been moved to Emerald Care for rehab. Although she cannot have visitors, she appreciates all the prayers.
- Alice Hillyer has been moved to long-term care at Senior Suites. Her son Steve reports that she cannot have visitors, even family at this time.

**Joy:**

- Melinda Brannan's daughter & son-in-law, Becky & Max Brinegar, are the proud parents of baby girl Ellis Roe born in Austin, TX on May 4. Congratulations!

**Sympathy:**

Our sympathy is expressed to the family of Jim Slauson who passed away on Monday. Pastor Andy has been friends with Jim since the 4th grade.

**Ongoing Prayer Needs:** Tony & Dorothy Cardenas \* Jeri Cochran \* Jean Covey \* Dennis & Ginny Cox's daughter, Mary \* Ella Jean Greeman \* Hettie Green \* Sue Goodner \* Carolyn Goolsby \* Theta Hendrick's friend, Brady Drake \* Sylvia Hill's sister, Dana Spivey \* Joie Holder's son, Ed Behnken II & sister, Susan Armstrong \* Mary Houchin \* Michelle Kice \* Julie Lewis' niece, Amber Ove and friend, Bruce Campbell \* Rob Massey \* Mary Massie \* Janet Newman \* Kenya missionary, Jeff Osborne and his wife, Lucy \* Jack Pontious \* Kenneth Rehbein (brother of Karen Silvis and Susan Trussell) \* Lisa Romine's husband, Mike, and son, Anthony \* Dennis and Rosemary Moran's daughter, Rebecca Sayer \* Bob Price \* Robin Sheets' friends, John Brewer, Lorie & Benny DeVaney, and Glenna Higgins \* Janet Wantland \* Debbie West \* Esther Brown\* Wanda Rupe\* Nash Tabor\* Rikki Spinner\* Chase Arthurs\* Mary Wallace's sister, Sara Metts, sister in law, Pam Randall \* Tracie Wareham's friend, MaryBeth.

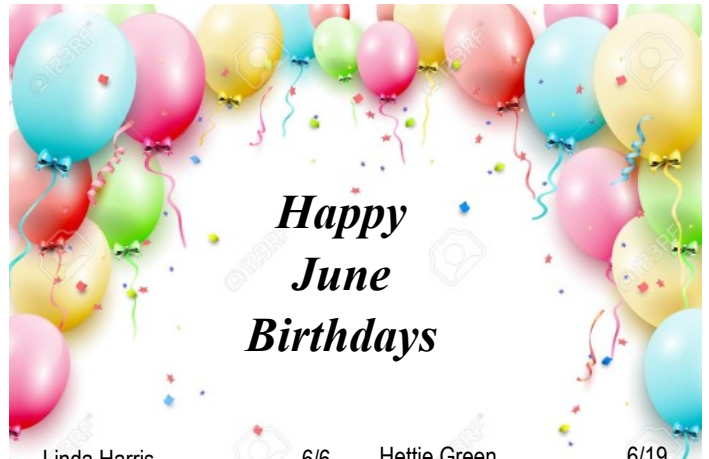
**We pray for our country & its leaders, all nations, and our military service men & women. We pray for our church & its ministries, staff, lay leaders, the Food Bank, and Play and Learn Preschool.**



**Adjusted Office Hours**

Good News! The church office is staffed again on a part-time basis. Pastors Andy and Sei, and Cheryl are taking shifts to answer phones and drop-in guests. If you need to come by the church office, please call first to let us know. Until further notice, these are our hours:

**Monday through Thursday**  
**9am to 12noon**  
*(Closed for lunch 12-1pm)*  
**1pm to 4pm**



**Happy June Birthdays**

Linda Harris	6/6	Hettie Green	6/19
Cian Kop	6/10	Gary Corgill	6/19
Jon Tankersley	6/11	Huai Cing	6/24
Montez Miller	6/12	Kate Brophy	6/25
Fong Htwe Chow	6/13	Sara Busch	6/26
Melinda Brandon	6/13	Mary Armstrong	6/26
Thang Suan Hang	6/15	Lucas Ang	6/26
Oluwatoyin Oduborisa	6/15	June Stanley	6/28
Jeri Cochran	6/16	Marie Braswell	6/29
Alice Hillyer	6/19	Don Beil	6/30

**Elder Schedule for Sunday prayers**

5/31/2020	Melinda Brannan
6/7/2020	Nancy Hamilton
6/14/2020	Don Beil
6/21/2020	Phyllis Holdsclaw
6/28/2020	Byce Brannan
7/5/2020	Judy Beil
7/12/2020	Jan Roop
7/19/2020	Robin Sheets
7/26/2020	Rosemary Moran
8/2/2020	Tracie Wareham
8/9/2020	Jim Roop
8/16/2020	Sylvia Hill
8/23/2020	Frank Holdsclaw
8/30/2020	Nancy Hamilton



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## Mission Statement

*The prayerful mission of Yale Avenue Christian Church is Caring, Sharing and Serving in the name of Jesus.*

## Regularly Scheduled Events

### SUNDAY

8:00am ..... Morning Watch Worship Service  
9:00am ..... Sunday School  
10:30am..... Traditional Worship Service  
1:00pm..... AA Meeting in Hooked N' Lookin' Room  
3:30pm..... International Mission Fellowship Worship  
5:00pm..... Destination Youth

### MONDAY

7:30am-5:30pm (Monday-Friday).....Play & Learn Preschool  
6:00pm (1st Monday)..... Worship Team Meeting  
12:00 noon (Mon-Sat)..... AA Meeting in Hooked N' Lookin' Room  
5:30pm (2nd & 4th Mondays).....Bread and Jam

### TUESDAY

11:30am (once a month)..... TLC Small Group #5  
5:30pm (every week)..... TLC Small Group #4

### WEDNESDAY

8:00am..... Men's Breakfast and Bible Study  
6:30pm..... TLC Small Group #3  
6:00pm..... Praise Ringers Rehearsal  
7:00pm..... Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY

6:00pm (1st & 3rd Thursday)..... TLC Small Group #1  
7:00pm .. Al-Anon & Al-Ateen Meeting in Hooked N' Lookin' Room

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

2:00pm (2nd & 4th Saturday) ..... TLC Small Group #2  
4:30pm..... Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

## Staff

Ministers ..... Rev. Andy Campbell & Rev. Sei Touthang  
Worship Leader ..... Ann Moyer  
Office Administrator ..... Cheryl Clark  
Play and Learn Director ..... Carla Story  
Organist ..... Sharon Ball  
Custodian..... Steve Story  
Video Sound Engineers ..... James Touthang & Sam Godi  
IMF Worship Leader ..... John Lian

