

THE GONZALES MESSENGER

Gonzales Church of Christ

JANUARY 7TH, 2024



The Joy of God's Salvation

King David, Israel's most illustrious ruler — a man after God's own heart (Acts 13:22; cf. 1 Samuel 13:14), became the seducer, the adulterer, the liar, the murderer — utterly pitiless and unmoved by his monstrous misdeeds. Israel's ruler was now ruled by sin (cf. 2 Samuel 11:1-27).

A year had passed since David committed adultery with Bathsheba and orchestrated the murder of her husband (2 Samuel 11:1-4; 2 Samuel 11:6-17). David deteriorated physically and emotionally. His gnawing conscience kept him restless and melancholy. At night he tossed and turned.

When David was brought face to face with his corruption (2 Samuel 12:1-12), his defenses crumbled and He cried, "I have sinned against the Lord" (2 Samuel 12:13). And Nathan the prophet replied, "The Lord also has put away your sin." Despite the devastating consequences of David's sin, he was assured of God's forgiveness (2 Samuel 12:13-14).

After realizing the extent of his sin and its consequences, David penned Psalm 51, a song of repentance and pleading for God's forgiveness. "I acknowledge my transgressions Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow" (Psalm 51:3 – NKJV; Psalm 51:7 – NKJV).

Are we suffering the consequences of our sin? Let's admit our wrongs and ask God to "forgive us our sins" (1 John 1:9). He will show abundant mercy and restore to us the "joy of Your [God's] salvation" (Psalm 86:5 – NKJV; Psalm 51:12 – NKJV). *Mike Riley*

Lessons for this week:

Sunday:

Bible Class: Parables of Jesus: The Rich Fool

AM Worship Service: How's Your Heart?

PM Worship Service: East of Eden

Wednesday:

Bible Class: The Book of Esther

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1225 S. Purpera Ave.
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Service Times:

Sunday:

Bible class 9am
AM Worship Service 10 am
PM Worship Service 1 pm

Wednesday:

Bible Class 7 pm

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Ministers:

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Attendance:

12/24	12/31
AM: 136	AM:104
PM:77	PM:76
Wed:	Wed:

Contribution:

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Mark Your Calendars:

January 12th-Sweet Taters-Friday we will have lunch at Drusilla’s Restaurant. See Jerry Deslatte for more info. January 10th is the last day to sign up!

January 2024-It is time to turn in dates for 2024 activities. If your activity date is not in soon you may lose the date. Please email dates to James Eaves.

Communion Arrangement: For January: Lauren Eaves

Birthdays This Week:

7th Wendy Deville

7th Nora Gonzales

Isiah 29:13

And the Lord said: “Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men,”

Privileged to Serve 01-07-2024

AM & PM Assembly	
Song Leader.....	Chris Ryan
Lord’s Table.....	Bryan Cook
AV Room.....	Patrick Adkins
Announcements.....	Jerry Deslatte
Security	Mack Meek
AM Assembly	
Opening Prayer.....	Ron Deshazo
Scripture.....	Peyton Adkins
Closing Prayer.....	Tim Schmidt
PM Assembly	
Opening Prayer.....	Blake Adkins
Closing Prayer.....	Justin Lofton
Wed Assembly	
Song Leader.....	Cayden Moore
Devotional.....	Shane Bryant
Closing Prayer.....	Patrick Adkins

Privileged to Serve 01-14-202

AM & PM Assembly	
Song Leader.....	Brendan Babin
Lord’s Table.....	Blake Adkins
AV Room.....	Patrick Adkins
Announcements.....	Jerry Deslatte
Security	Brent Stephens
AM Assembly	
Opening Prayer.....	Justin Lofton
Scripture.....	Jack Talkington
Closing Prayer.....	Wayne Pace
PM Assembly	
Opening Prayer.....	Lynwood Joseph
Closing Prayer.....	Shane Bryant
Wed Assembly	
Song Leader.....	Peyton Adkins
Devotional.....	Joel Watson
Closing Prayer.....	Burt Duplessis Jr

Prayer Requests can be made using this QR code. You may also text prayer requests to Patrick Adkins (225-205-7109) or add them to the LIGHTPOST app.

