

# NEWS & NOTES

## Thank You's

Thank you for the lovely flowers, call, prayers, food, visits during my dad's illness and following his death. We are incredibly grateful to all of you and found so much comfort knowing you were there. We love you all.  
**Sharon & George Edwards & Family**

Thank you for the plant and all your support during this tough time of losing my mother. We are so blessed that God brought us here to Park Avenue Church. Your love and support has made a huge difference in our lives. We are blessed to be part of such a loving community.  
**Andrew & Carri Wingard**

Thank you so much for all the hard work you put into making Senior Sunday a special time for all of us! Also, thank you for the Journal Bible that I will be able to carry with me for a long time. Love, **Kylee McAlister**

## Mother's Day

We will honor our mothers before worship **TODAY Sunday, May 14. Revolution Coffee**, will be back and we will have some breakfast treats and a photo booth from 9:00 a.m. in the atrium.

## Let's Get Acquainted Luncheon

If you have been visiting with us or if you are a new member please join us for a luncheon after services next Sunday, **May 21**.

## Baby Bottle Campaign

True Options Pregnancy Center in Sherman annually conducts a "baby bottle campaign" where members of churches fill baby bottles with loose change, dollars, or checks to help them provide free services to young women facing unplanned pregnancies so they can choose life for their unborn babies. Bottles will be available today in the hallways and will be picked up on Father's Day. Pick one up and join in on standing for life.

**Prayer List**—Linda Martindale, Bettye Henry, Neal & Judy Odom, Dawn Karguth, Keith House

**Ongoing Needs**—Chris Reinsch, Shawn Landrum, Corky & Linda Armstrong, Sandra Aynes, Bobby & Peggy Slaughter, Jim Scroggins, Roy Galyon, Patrick Mullins, Steve Black, Che Che Smith

**Homebound**—Dewey & Joyce Martin, J.D. Huffman, Joyce Henshaw

**Expectant Mothers**—Annabelle Levary

**Missions**—Hammer & Dela Afakule (Togo), Mario "Pepe" Torre (Monterrey, Mexico), Jimenez family (Cartagena, Colombia), Cristian & Ana Corrales (Bucaramanga, Colombia), Jhon & Deisy Gonzalez (Bogata, Colombia), Adrian & Gabriela Galvan (Paraiso, Monterrey)

**Friends of Park Avenue**—Rebekah Taylor (great niece of the Russell's), Becky Sanchez (wife of Gil Sanchez, Director of orphanage in Mexico), Greg Oliver (father of Karee Earnhart), Ray & Marsha Jones (former members)

Please notify the church office at [office@parkavenuechurch.com](mailto:office@parkavenuechurch.com) for updates.

## CASA Mission Trip

This mission trip will be June 30-July 8. If you are interested in going on the trip we need you to **register by no later than May 28**.

## Youth Ministry

- **May 14th:** No Connect due to Mother's Day.
- **May 21st:** Intern Welcome Party! From 5:30-7:30pm in the Gym.
- **May 24th:** Incoming 7th Graders Welcome Party from 6pm-7:30pm!
- **Summer Camps:** Registration forms for camps and mission trip is online at [pacoc.net/youth](http://pacoc.net/youth)

## Church at the Park

Make plans to join us on **Wednesday, June 7** as we kick off the summer at **Munson Park at 6:00 p.m.** with burgers and hotdogs cooked by our very own Elders! Bring a lawn chair and enjoy some outdoor games and fellowship. We will provide the food and ask that you make a donation to offset the cost.

## Pen Pal Program

Kirk Pendergrass and Paul Waggoner are currently working in the Grayson County Jail ministry and we have been given an opportunity to start a pen pal program. Please **contact the church office if you are interested** and someone will be in contact with you.

**Christian Theater Workshop**  
Registration is open.  
Sign up online **Today!**



Join us this Wednesday for our PAWS meal at 5:15PM. We will be having **Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Veggie Burgers, Salad, Chips, & Dessert** The meal will be prepared by **Amyee McAlister** and her team.

**Note that this will be the last PAWS meal until Fall. The PAWS volunteers will take a break over the summer months.**

## For The Record—May 7, 2023

Worship	588
Offering Goal	\$19,464
Received	\$25,573

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# The Messenger

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## Todd's Take

Good morning. What a blessing it is to worship together as the body of Christ! Welcome to all our church family and to our guests.

We seem to have a fascination for royalty. Just recently millions tuned in to see Charles crowned as the new king of England. Even more tuned in to watch the funeral of Queen Elizabeth. And if you're old enough, how many of you watched the wedding of Charles and Diana? There's something about royalty that fascinates us.

Well, today I am starting a new sermon series on royalty. Not British royalty but Biblical royalty. A significant portion of the Old Testament takes place during the period of the Jewish Kings, first as the kingdom is united and then continuing as it divides into a northern and southern kingdom. Today we will explore the origins of the Jewish monarchy which will lead to the coronation of Israel's first king, Saul. There is so much to learn about ourselves and God in these stories. Our primary text this morning will be 1 Samuel 8.

Wasn't it a great Sunday last week as we recognized our 17 high school graduates? What an honor to be part of a church that values and

speaks truth into the lives of our children. To all the Bible class volunteers from cradle roll to youth group, to all the retreat and camp sponsors, to all the CTW volunteers, and to everyone who generously gives to the church to make a vibrant youth ministry possible, thank you. Our kids are blessed by your servant hearts.

This Wednesday is our last Park Avenue Wednesday Supper until fall. We are so appreciative of all our PAWS volunteers and the hours of work they put in preparing these great meals for us. Not only are the meals wonderful but so is the fellowship experienced around the tables. This year we have had great numbers at our PAWS meals and great numbers for our Wednesday classes.

As we break for the summer, just a reminder that the first Wednesday in June is our Church at the Park and the following Wednesdays throughout the summer we have planned more opportunities for Bible study, fellowship, praise, and service. Make Wednesday evenings a part of your spiritual growth plan.



**Sunday Schedule**  
**Adult Bible Class**  
 9AM Room D  
**Worship**  
 10:00 AM  
**Children Dismissed to Bible Classes at**  
 10:45-11:30AM  
 0 - 3 Year Olds—Nursery Area  
 Pre K-6th Grade—Family Life Center  
**Youth Group Activities**  
 5:30-7:30PM  
**Discipleship Making Communities (DMC's)**  
 Meet at various times and locations. Contact Lantz Howard for more information.

Scan the QR code below for links to the communication card, news, and giving.



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