

# The **KINGSWOOD** COURIER

Monthly newsletter of Kingswood UMC

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## *From the Senior Pastor:*

Please vote with prayerful discernment on March 2. There are key leadership positions at stake and four propositions worthy of your consideration. You can vote early if you are out of town. I did!

While you are reading this newsletter, I am in Colorado Springs for continued education. I am participating in the World Summit Ministries Conference. I look forward to great worship, nineteen workshops/thirty-two classroom hours, three sight-seeing ventures and daily walks at the beautiful Glen Eyrie Castle.

Our Lenten journey is off to a fantastic start. Our primary focus is twofold. First, we are seeking to eliminate something God says needs to stop in our life. Second, we are seeking to start and establish new habits, disciplines and ministry involvement as God inspires.

To get the most out of this Lenten season, many of us are reading the four Gospels. Each day we are reading to 2-3 chapters and making note of commandments, warnings, disciplines, promises and blessings. We conclude our study time each day by praying about the one thing God reveals needs our attention.

Our Wednesday night study is called following Jesus. We are using Carolyn Slaughter's book entitled *Following Jesus* and the *Bible* to sharpen our understanding of basic Christianity. This course of study will help us improve our walk a discipleship, be ready to share our faith with seekers of Christ and mentor new Christians.

Many of us are practicing prayer and fasting. Fasting is abstaining from certain things that have a negative grip or perhaps become too important in our lives. Some persons are fasting from certain foods or beverages. Others are fasting from a hobby, music, television,

iPod, and sports to name a few. This is being done in order to spend more time with God and reshape our lifestyle. Several persons and families have decided to volunteer in a community mission or organization or help a neighbor once a week during Lent.

Holy Week offers six powerful ways to conclude our 2010 Lenten journey. Holy week begins on Sunday, March 28 with two great Palm Sunday worship services. That Sunday night, Kingswood will host more than 100 people from six states for the celebration of a Seder Meal. Following Jesus (session five) will be held on Wednesday night, March 31.

Our Good Friday celebration is planned for Friday evening, April 2 at 6:30 PM. Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 3 at 10 AM. A special effort is being made to connect with children and families from the neighborhood. In addition to bringing your own children or grandchildren, please pray for an opportunity to talk with a neighbor and invite them to come be part of Kingswood and celebrate new life in Christ.

Easter celebration services will be held at 8:30 AM and 10:50 PM with Sunday school meeting at 9 40 5 AM. Please join me in praying that in addition to celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, each of us will have victory over sin and a new life in Christ.

Better yet, pray daily for the salvation of someone who needs Christ. Pray for the opportunity to share Christ and invite that person to join us in the great adventure God has planned for us.

Enjoying Jesus and KUMC daily,

Pastor Jeff

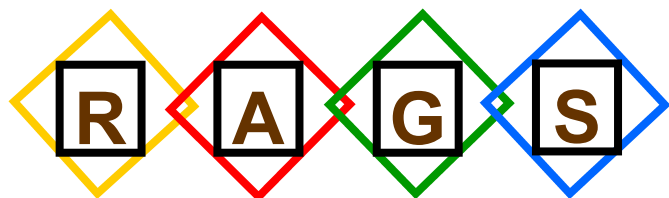


## Spring Break Mission Trip to YWAM-Tyler

March 15-19th We need everyone to turn in their money and forms by Sun March 7.

The office has kept track of donations for each person for the trip. Please check with Ms. Robbie or Judy to see how much you may owe. The cost of the trip is \$150/person for lodging and meals. We will have a team meeting on Sun. March 7 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Thank you for everyone who has supported this trip through their prayers and donations.



### Righteous Advocates Giving Support

Support our spring break mission team with your prayers. Prayer RAGS can be picked up Sun. March 7. Prayer RAGS will be given to the team on Sun. March 14 during which ever service you attend. Thank you!



Join the church family for a work day on Sat. March 27th at 8:00 a.m. Breakfast will be served! There will be something for everyone to do. Child care will be provided.



## March Birthdays

- 1 Sean Grigsby
- 3 Lori Novak
- 4 Crystal Novak
- 5 Kim Link
- 5 Judy Smith
- 7 Frank Aguirre
- 7 Jamie Sweitz
- 9 Adolfo Reyes
- 10 Rachel Loyd
- 10 Denise Moore
- 10 Walter Wilk
- 13 Barbara Brothers
- 16 Christopher Thomson
- 17 Pat Boatright
- 17 Jane Huffman
- 18 Lorene Coggins
- 20 Jim Brock
- 20 Jessica Reed
- 20 Caleb Rejino
- 22 Wanda Hayes
- 23 Keyra Erwin
- 23 Michael Grady
- 24 Aspen Abernathy
- 24 Heaven Rowland
- 25 Kenni Watkins
- 27 Drew Anderson
- 31 Lynora "Peaches" Satterfield



## Twelve Lunches Program

The Mission Teams invites members & friends of Kingswood UMC to volunteer to bring twelve sack lunches once per quarter. Please call or email Judy Smith or Sarah Rejino and let them know which Sunday you will provide hope and lunch for twelve homeless people in Amarillo. You can also sign up for a date in the Narthex.

Thank you for all of your support!

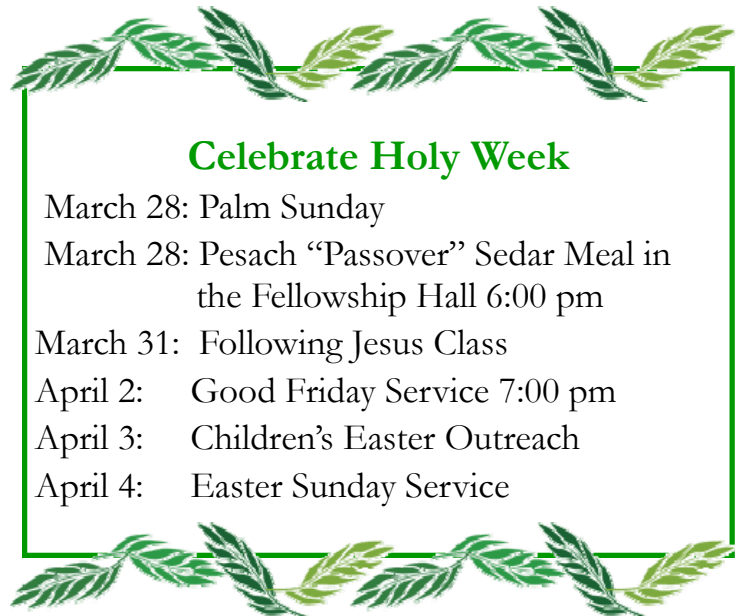


Dear Pastor Jeff and Members of the church, Thank you very much to each of you for your thoughts, prayers, delicious food and the much needed visits to Mrs. Bankhead during her illness. Your kindness in our time of need will be remembered always. Thank you!! Love, Ed, Brenda, & Family

### Recycled Teens

March 9th, noon Fellowship Hall

A special ministry for the retired members of Kingswood Church. This group of senior citizens meets together on the second Tuesday of each month for a meal and a program. This ministry provides incredible support, fellowship, and encouragement for the older members of our congregation. Please come join us on Tuesday!



### Celebrate Holy Week

- March 28: Palm Sunday
- March 28: Pesach "Passover" Sedar Meal in the Fellowship Hall 6:00 pm
- March 31: Following Jesus Class
- April 2: Good Friday Service 7:00 pm
- April 3: Children's Easter Outreach
- April 4: Easter Sunday Service

Pesach "Passover" Meal Sunday March 28 begins promptly at 6:00 pm

This event is sponsored by members of the Messianic community. Kingswood members are invited to come. A sign up sheet and recipes are located in the narthex. For information

contact Kim Doggett @ 356-8779:

**For those who request prayer for a third party:**

1. Do not use anyone's name in a prayer request without that person's permission. If it is not practical to get permission from the person requesting the prayer or the person being put on the chain, please just put the request in for a: friend/family/neighbor.
2. Give only details necessary for effective prayer.  
Send follow-up if possible. Do we need to continue to pray? Has the prayer been answered?
3. Please remember to include praises and answers to the prayer requests. It is always a joy to hear how God has answered prayers.

**When you receive a prayer request:**

1. Pray immediately! You may only be able to offer a short silent prayer, but do that.
2. Ask the person making the request if they mind the prayer going out on the prayer chain. If it needs to remain confidential; just for the church's prayer chain or if they mind it going out to everyone's prayer groups.
3. Add the request to your regular prayer list - bring the request before God often.
4. Keep all requests confidential unless permission has been given otherwise.

**STEWARDSHIP**

**THE GREATEST LIFE ON EARTH**

Christian Stewardship defined is "gratefully, faithfully, systematically and proportionately managing all of our time, ability and financial resources so God can use them to transform the world." The practice of Christian stewardship results in joy, peace, financial freedom and spiritual growth. This can be summarized as the Greatest Life On Earth.....that God can provide. Together, let's demonstrate this truism at Kingswood in 2010.

(During the next several monthly publications of the COURIER, we will include a number of challenging components and testimonies of Christian Stewardship.....WATCH FOR THEM!)



## Easter Jamboree

Watch for more news of our Easter Jamboree taking place on Saturday, March 3rd. We'll need lots of volunteers and donations!

## Pre-wash Website!!!

Hey, check out Pre-wash's new website: [www.prewashkids.com](http://www.prewashkids.com). Go online for the latest information, announcements and to register your kids for upcoming events.

## 1st Sunday

There will be no Pre-wash Children's Church on Sunday, March 7th in order for the children to participate in "big church" with their families.

## Memory Verses

Don't forget to help your kids memorize their verses each week and please do the family devotional. Each grade level is working on the same key verse so parents don't have to teach several different verses. It's okay to simplify the verse to make it easier for the younger children.

## Adult Children's Church Helpers:

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Darinda Bergeron

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Denise Moore

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Crystal Freeman

**Attention:** The list of Youth Children's Church Helpers is on the Pre-wash bulletin board located by the kitchen. Thank you!



## Sunday mornings @ dL 9:45

Topic is: Numbering Out, which focuses on addictions. Hear how the Bible advises us in handling these things in our lives and loving each other through them.

## Sunday evenings @ dL 5-6:30

Youth group night! Join us for fun, games, worship, and understanding the Word. Bring your friends!

## Wed evenings @ dL 6:30-8

On February 24th we will begin our small group study, "Every Young Man's and Woman's Battle", by Stephen Arterburn.

This will be a nine week study which includes a guest speaker, Candy Gibbs and associates from Care Net Pregnancy Center to speak on Wed. March 10

Sun. March 28 Meet at Western Bowl from 5-7 pm for an evening out of bowling fun. Cost will be \$12.50 for bowling and shoes.

## Spring Break Mission Trip

Leaving Mon morning March 15 returning Fri March 19.

Watch for more details...

## Abba's Weekend A Kingswood Youth Retreat coming... April 23-24

## Youth America Camp: July 19-23

Registration for camp! The cost is \$160 with \$50 deposit due March 21st. A \$50 scholarship will be available to our youth which makes your cost \$110. The balance is due in May. Don't forget to check out the website @ [www.youthamerica.org](http://www.youthamerica.org) for more info about this amazing camp.

# Missionary Prayer Needs for March 2010

## **Canterbury Apartment Ministries:**

- Several of the kids in Kid's Club will be moving out of the apartment, leaving them with one child by the summer. Pray for more kids to move in.
- Pray that the team has wisdom about God's plan for the entire ministry

## **Wade & Tammy Morris: (YWAM)**

- Pray that God would continue to guide their steps as to what specific ministry areas they need to be involved in
- Pray also for the many people they are meeting who have great spiritual and physical needs.

## **Holly Hayes (YWAM):**

- Pray for more understanding and revelation from her school
- Continued healing and breakthrough in my life so that she can then give away the FREEDOM of the gospel.
- Pray for a possible extra job or at least more hours at her current job

## **Ryan & Laura Wolf: (Central Asia):**

- Pray that groups coming in the next few weeks will have the chance to disciple and minister to the Z people

## **Cherry Fields (Campus Crusade):**

- Deepening walk with the Lord.

## **Bill & Marie Eddy (Missionaries in Spain)**

- In March we begin a special discipleship for youth leaders in the church. They will be taking about 5 or 6 of the kids through a 6 month discipleship time once a month that will involve teaching them how to do inductive Bible study, prayer, how to listen to the voice of God, etc. Need prayer for wisdom in starting this.

## **Arthur & Jay Raj (International Ministries Fellowship, India)**

- Pray for the finances to be raised to complete these projects: roofing & flooring for their chapel, transformer for the college campus
- Pray also for 3 more missionaries who could teach and minister to the international students.

## **Tom & Debbie Mills: (International House of Prayer IHOP):**

- They are beginning to have some financial breakthrough's but pray for more!!
- Pray for the continued planning for a trip to Mumbai, India and Singapore in May – especially pray for them and the team going
- Pray for the financial support needed for their mission to India - \$4,000

## **Tammy Evans (YWAM):**

- Pray for protection as she travels to work at the YWAM base in Haiti. Specifically pray for strength to endure the heat and the ability to help meet needs.

## **Abbey Daugherty (CFNI – Christ for the Nations):**

- In May she will be going on a missions trip to Asia. Pray for the needed \$3000 for her trip. Also keep praying that she would be prepared physically, spiritually and emotionally for this outreach.