

God will deliver on his great and wonderful promises, if we will faithfully serve Him and not lose our faith in Him (2 Peter 1:4; 1 John 5:13; Revelation 2:10). But if we reject his promises and turn away to sin, or to a perversion of the gospel, our reward will be death and destruction (cf. Romans 1:18-32; Romans 2:1-9; Gal. 1:6-9). Every good soldier knows that those who do not carefully follow the leader's commands are not only deserters, but also place their own

lives and the lives of those around them, in serious jeopardy.

Brethren, let us be faithful disciples to the pledge of loyalty we have made to the Lord. And let us not grow weary in well doing (Gal. 6:9), that one day we may conquer death and enter into that blessed home reserved for the faithful (1 Corinthians 15:54-57; John 14:1-4; 1 Peter 1:4; Revelation 2:10).

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# Bulletin

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## Sunday

Bible Class: 9:30 AM  
Worship: 10:30 AM / 6 PM

## Wednesday

Bible Study: 7 PM

## Thursday

Ladies Bible Class: 9:30 AM

## Sun. Morning Radio & TV KTXR 101.3 FM

Lifeline, 7:15 AM

### Channel 10

Search, 7 AM

Living Word, 7:30 AM

### Channel 33

Know Your Bible, 10:30 AM

## Are We Disciples or Deserters?

In John 6:66, after hearing great spiritual teachings from the Master teacher (John 6:28-59), the Scripture states:

“From that time many of His disciples went back and walked no more with Him.”

By definition, every Christian has made a pledge to follow after the Lord. Similar to the marriage commitment, Christians have pledged their lives to a commitment of love, honor, and responsibility toward the Lord. However, as the days, weeks, and perhaps even years go by, many let their flame of devotion go dim, enthusiasm dies, and the child of God drifts away from his first love (Revelation 2:4). How sad to watch the once faithful servant return to the mire of sin (2 Peter 2:22).

The promises of God – His love, comfort, assurance, and eternal happiness are ours to enjoy if we labor diligently and faint not (1

Corinthians 15:53-58; Gal. 6:9) . The Hebrew writer says: “And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end, that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises” (Hebrews 6:11-12). If we are to inherit the promises, we must remain true to our pledge to God.

At one time or another, each of us has allowed ourselves to be drawn into sin (Romans 3:23; 1 John 1:8; 1 John 1:10). We may have been allured by something fleshly and carnal, which we thought of as beautiful to the eye. Perhaps our pride, arrogance or greed took our focus off the Christian's goal (1 John 2:16). Or we may have encountered difficulties, which we just did not want to face. For whatever the reason, if we are not a disciple, then we are a deserter.

## Privileged to Serve

**Worship Coordinator:** Travis Hampton

**Announcements:** Steve Crews

### Sunday AM

**Before Service Greeters:** Kay Lewis & Ruth McMasters

**After Services Greeters:** Suzi Doty & Pauline Buttram

**Songleader:** Terry Cruise

**Lord's Table**

\*Ron Peck, John Hopkins, Scot Greer, Daniel Hyder.

**Opening Prayer:** William Dill

**Closing Prayer:** Alan Lamb

**Sermon:** Eddie Watkins

### Sunday PM

**Before Services Greeters:**

John & Tiffany Sanders

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**Songleader:** John L. Sanders

**Lord's Table:** Bob Lewis

**Opening Prayer:** Thad Layne

**Closing Prayer:** Terry Cruise

**Sermon:** Eddie Watkins

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### Wed. Night

**Before & After Services Greeters:** Nacho & Beverly Bram

**Devotional:** Ron Peck

**Songleader:** John Marchand

**Prayer:** Nacho Bram

## News and Announcements

### Please Silence Your Phones

**Welcome visitors.** Please leave a record of your visit by filling out a visitor's card and placing it in the collection plate. You'll find them in the pew back in front of you.

Remember to prepare and deliver your kids to **Kidsing**, Sunday nights at 6pm.

### Dates to Remember:

- **Widow/Widower's** luncheon Fri, Apr. 13th.
- **Fellowship meal** has been moved to Sun. Apr. 8th.

Add the following to your address book:

**Bickford, Thomas\*** & Rickole\*, Colton  
Home phone: (209) 247-5057  
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### April Birthdays

Angel Hamilton	4-7
Jan Sanders	4-7
John Hopkins	4-8
Wyatt Greer	4-27
Bobby Lewis	4-29
Berry Sheppard	4-30

### April Anniversaries

David & Janet Haffner	4-8
Thad & Patsy Layne	4-20
Terry & Ruth McMasters	4-20
Jason & Angel Hamilton	4-27

### Record for Mar. 18

Sunday AM	101
Sunday PM	70
Wed. PM	71
Total Contribution:	\$2613

## Prayer List

**Pat Cruise** is having back problems and will next see a doctor on Monday.

**Kanengieter boys** going through testing and diagnosis.

**Travis Hampton's** dad is recovering at home from a stroke.

Terry and Ruth McMaster's grandson, **Tye**, has been taken to Columbia.

**Deanna Bodenhamer** is recovering from surgery at Webco.

**Kelly Herman** has started treatment.

**Debbie Doherty's** daughter, Christy, is doing well with therapy

Diana Samuelson, **Jim King's** friend is dealing with a reoccurrence of cancer. She is being treated with chemo and radiation.

**Barbara Anspach**, Connie Isis' granddaughter's mother-in-law has cancer all through her body.

**Cole Matney** is being treated with medication.

**Cathy Craig**, friend of Cathy & Ron Thompson, has called hospice in.

**Keith McHenry**, Debbie Doherty's son has had recent difficulties with his wait for a transplant.

**Maegan Sanders**, David Page's niece, has a brain tumor and is receiving treatment.

**Bobby Banks** has esophageal cancer

**Ralph Hall** of Hardy, AR was just diagnosed with a malignant tumor that cannot be removed from lower abdomen.

**Sheila Daves**, Suzi Doty's niece has started treatment.

**Howard Dampier** (friend of the Brams) is still battling cancer.

**Lisa Plunkett Martin** has a recurring bacterial infection which can potentially destroy her kidneys.

**Marcie Marchand's** mother, **Donna Plummer**, has been diagnosed with leukemia.

**Donna Daily** (Jerry & Pat Cruise's neighbor)

treatments are going well.

**Micaiah Sedlacek** (18) has kidney failure and is on dialysis and is waiting on a kidney replacement and is having other health issues.

**Jamie Westcomb**, Nicole's friend, has stage 4 kidney and liver cancer.

**Stephany Rogers**, Dean Sitton's daughter has had a stroke.

**Kevin Kumbier**, friend of Connie Isis has cancer.

**Andy Novinger** who is fighting Thyroid Cancer.

### Remember the home bound

- Harry Price (with the Brights) would like visitors.
- Ernestine Sandoz
- Estelline Jones
- Ina Gillette (Colonial Springs in Buffalo)
- Pat Lamb (Marshfield Care Center)
- Judy Barrow (Webco Manor)
- Bonnie Doherty (Webco East)
- Zoe Lawless of Conway (Webco)
- Rosalie Rosenberger (Thad Layne's sister) is in a nursing home in Jax, FL.