# **LEADERSHIP:**

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**ATTENDANCE** 08/0292020: 88

CONTRIBUTION: 08/09/2020: \$11,508

Average for 2020: \$6,044

**BUDGET: \$7,500** 



In Isaiah 29, God's people were in a spiritual stupor. They were wicked and their leaders were worse. It was in this context that God described their worship:

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, (Is 29:13, ESV)

God went on to describe the judgement they would receive. This is an example of how worship should not be. In this example the people say the right things in the right place but their heart – the emotions and thoughts connected with their self – is not connected with the act of worship. In fact, the worship is performed simply because others had told them to do so.

The external factors of worship are of no consequence if the heart is not rightly engaged. God knows our hearts, and He desires foremost our hearts to be turned towards Him. Let us be mindful of our hearts as we participate in familiar acts of worship.

Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. (Ps 24:3-4)

And.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. (Ps 51:17)

By Cooper Atkeson

If there is a need for food, medications, etc., and a member is unable to get out, please contact either the staff, or one of the elders.

There will be a presentation of awards to the participants of L2L after services on August 16th in the back parking lot. Refreshments will be provided.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

## James and Katy Wharton sent the following:

James and I would like to say Thank You for all the calls, texts and cards. You will never know how much the love and support lifted us.

James is healing nicely from his knee replacement. Our granddaughter Erin will be having surgery Thursday. This will be a long complicated surgery with a long recovery. Apparently chemo slows the healing process. I will be having an MRI on Wednesday to determine my treatment plan for my recently diagnosed cancer. Love and thank you to you all.

Please continue to pray for our new sister **Chrissy Garcia** for healing and comfort after her difficult surgery last Thursday. She is in a lot of pain and appreciates very much the meals and the prayers.

**Linda Plaster** made a trip to the emergency room on Tuesday night. She went through several tests, but no cause for her pain was found. She is resting at home.

**Leora Meadows** is recuperating at home and resting after her recent hospitalization. Please continue to pray for her and for John and their family.

**Barbara Dodd** had surgery last week, and is recovering, but still in some pain.

Manuela Barraza is recovering at home.

**Janet Leslie's** niece, **Linda Rehak**, has the coronavirus. She is at home, in bed, with visiting nurses. She is a lung cancer survivor.

Let's remember all of the health care workers we have in our congregation, Rona Barrozo, Ashton Bosse, Jolene Fudge, Kaysi Garrett, Karen Wootton, Karla (Wootton) Carter, Debra Zink, and those around the nation and world, who are on the front lines of the pandemic. Also, remember Chad Lovelady, who is a police officer in Fredericksburg.

## **Food Ministry**

If you know of a need for food (meal) for the month of July, please contact Susan Lott at 713-899-6101.

### **Members' Health Concerns:**

Please pray for **Barbara Dodd**, recovering from a broken knee cap; **Jody Wilson**, as she recovers from a broken vertebrae, **Don Taylor**, as he deals with several health issues; **Garland McConal** as he recovers at home from surgery; **Scott Stork** (son of Chuck and a missionary in China), who is having radiation treatments; **Desire' Dunn** (daughter-in-law to Beverly Barke) battling Stage 4 Leukemia; **Reba Durbin's** nephew **Terry Beasley**, who was diagnosed with cancer; **Doyle Brown**, recovering from several health issues; **Erin Wharton**, 14 y.o. granddaughter to the Whartons-diagnosed with cancer; **Rona Barrazo's** friend **Lalaine**, and her 11 y.o. daughter **Pia**, who has been diagnosed with osteosarcoma; **John Meadows**, as he recovers at home from several medical issues; **Leora Meadows**, on hospice care; **Bill Fitch**, son of Katie Fitch; **Larry Smith**, friend of the Lovelady family, suffering with colon cancer; **Vida Spangler**, recovering at home from a broken pelvic bone; **The Vance's** daughter **Shari**, and their son and daughter-in-law **David and Sarah** who are health care workers; Dennis **Lange's** daughter-in-law in Albany, NY working on the front lines in the hospital; **Chris Mulliniks'** sister **Cindy**, a nurse in Tennessee; and **Jeanie Haby's** sister **Julie Browning**, who is an RN at a Houston nursing home.

Please pray for Holly Macy, Jordan Barraza, Jim Mays, and LaJean Hendrick, as they continue their treatments.