# CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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### Remote Control....

Matt's

Musings

Sometimes it just goes out of control!

I recently had an experience where I was out of control. While driving, I hit a slick spot and I slid to the side some and then back and spun and didn't know up, down, left or right!

The world
seemed to take on a
blurred reality and the
only thing I could see
was what was right in
front of me. I kept seeing
things going under me and
things going around me that
I didn't want to be hitting
and things that I wasn't very
happy that I was messing up.

When the truck stopped and I crawled out of it, I was ecstatic that I hadn't rolled the truck, or that it seemed there was any damage to the truck whatsoever. I was glad that I had walked away with no severe harm or need to call anyone for help.

Unfortunately, the landscape couldn't say the same.

There were tracks where the truck had turned sideways in the ditch and a swath of grass got pushed up and onto the road when I committed to the reentry point on the highway.

I find that my life can work very much like that incident with the truck.

Something happens and in the melee of trying to hold life together and keep things stable, I begin to focus on what is right in front of me.

Finances, marriage, parenting, work or any moral/ethical situation that springs to the forefront takes my mind and focuses it so strongly on whatever the situation is that I forget I've got a help that is ever present in my life.

When I forget that, I find that I flail about in my life as if I am trying to twist or turn out of the situation, hoping

that the "spinning wheels" will gain "traction" and set me back on the righteous path.

Problem is.....usually by the time it stops, I have found that everything around me has taken some sort of damage. Looking around

I see that in my attempts to maintain control myself in a roiling and tumultuous sea of life problems, I have lost sight of what truly matters.

The Psalmist gives us a great peek into the problems that God can handle. **Psalms 46:1-3 (ESV)** 

1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into

the heart of the sea, 3 though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its

swelling. Selah

I guess, if God can handle the earth giving way, mountains being moved, and seas roaring and foaming, surely he can handle the things that happen in my life.

How much better would it be if we (if I) were to have the undeniable faith and trust that David shows in the 61<sup>st</sup> Psalm.

Psalms 61:1-3 (ESV)

1 Hear my cry, O God,
listen to my prayer;

2 from the end of the earth I call to you
when my heart is faint.
Lead me to the rock
that is higher than I,
3 for you have been my refuge,
a strong tower against the enemy.

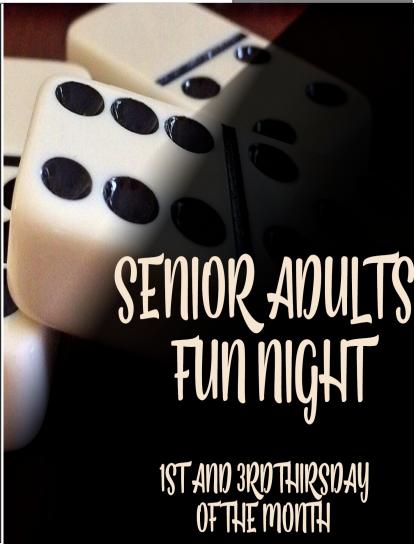
I guess it's time to stop flailing and start watching the Strong Tower that keeps me following The True Way.

The Dover Christian February 12, 2019



We are taking a mission trip to Eureka Springs in late spring! If you are interested in participating in this mission trip to Eureka Springs in May please contact Bret Mayes or Trena ধ্র Bobby Gardner. The trip is scheduled for May. 26th -June

Cost is \$285 per person.



# February's Comings & Goings

Some football, an auction and meals, Oh My! February held some great times this year as we continued the tradition of having a Super Bowl Party at the

church and this year tied it to a fish fry with the striper that was caught in September by our guys that went to Lake Texhoma. Everyone was full, happy and ready for some football!

We also held a benefit auction for the medical expenses of one of our members who has been in chronic pain and in the hospital for more than the last two years.

There were some spectacular items donated and the outpouring of love and giving was monumental in its scope.

The gift was so generous and accepted with such thanksgiving that it brought tears to not only the eyes of those that received the gift, but to those that gave it as well.

I think Ephesians could speak well to the church

### **Ephesians 1:15-16 (NIV)**

January's Numbers

\$53,308.64 \$46,399.47

Feb. Income

Feb. Expenses Avg. Attendance

15 For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, 16 I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.



### March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
17 9:30s.m. Sunday School (0:30s.m. Worship Service II:45s.m. Third Sunday Meal	18	19	20	21	23	23
Roslyna Terre I	George Ludwig Kae Brinson		Josh Farrar	John Harrison		
24 9:30s.m. Sunday School (0:30s.m. Worship Service	25	26	27	28	29	30
Steven Matthews	Lynds Taylor	Lee McNully James Cardner		Brenden Hurst Chris Johnson	Rob Simunek	
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### **April**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
	1	2	3	4	5	6				
	Abagail Gardner		Makenzi Cooper	Ruthie Bilderback Ethan Boarts Vicky Mitchell						
7 9:30a.m. Sunday School 9:45a.m. Meet & Greeet 10:30a.m. Worship Service II:45a.m. Board Meeting	8	9	10	11 Jake Heibert	12	13				
Greg & Roslynn Terrell Lynn & Robin Perry	Larry Harviston			Truett Humphries Tatum Humphries	James & Vonda Vincent					
14 9:30a.m. Sunday School 10:30a.m. Worship Service	15	16 Tom O'Hern	17	18	19	20 7:00a.m. Men's Breakfast				
		Brody Boeckman Ryan Cooper	Dona Roberts		Lincoln Smith	Lisa Green				

### Luke 12:27 (NIV)

27 "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these.

April 7: Worship Leader: Donna Kay Terrell

Offering: Tom O'Hern

Communion: Bobby Gardner

Deacon: Jack Leitner Greeter: John Harrison

Nursery:

Children's Church:

April 14: Worship Leader: Donna Kay Terrell

Offering: Jimmy Berkenbile Communion: John Deutschendorf

Deacon: Dirk Haymaker Greeter: Jerry Humphries

Nursery:

Children's Church:

April 21: Worship Leader: Donna Kay Terrell

Offering: Will Johnson Communion: Max Vincent Deacon: Monty Taylor Greeter: Ricky Turner

Nursery:

Children's Church:

April 28: Worship Leader: Donna Kay Terrell

Offering: Dennis Sipe Communion: Chase Farrar Deacon: Steve Matthews Greeter: Matt Peck

Nursery:

Children's Church:

May 5: Worship Leader: Amy Barrie

Offering: Bobby Gardner Communion: Tom O'Hern Deacon: Nathan Guinn Greeter: Joe Vadder

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Children's Church:

April Shut-In Communion:

**Bobby Gardner** 

Meet & Greet:

Apr. - Nina, Dana, Amy

May – Tina, Kay

June - Timberly, Donna, Kristi

## **Upcoming Lay Leaders**



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