HOW TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN TODAY!

GOOD NEWS! God loves and yearns to redeem all people. The Bible clearly outlines the way to become a follower of Jesus Christ:

- 1. <u>ADMIT</u> Admit to God you are a sinner (you have done things that were wrong). Apologize and turn away from your sins towards God (See Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:9; Acts 3:19).
- 2. <u>B</u>ELIEVE JESUS CHRIST DIED FOR YOU AND GOD HAS RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD Believe that Jesus is God's one and only Son who died on the cross and rose from the dead (See Romans 5:8; Acts 4:12; Acts 16:31a; John 3:16; 1 Peter 3:18; John 14:6).
- 3. <u>C</u>ONFESS JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR LORD Make a spiritual commitment to be a follower of Jesus by trusting Him to be your Savior (Rescuer and Redeemer) and Lord (Ultimate Leader). (See Romans 10:9 and 10; Romans 10:13; Matthew 16:24; Luke 9:23)
- 4. <u>DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS</u> Tell your family and friends about your new faith in Jesus Christ by coming to the front of the Sanctuary at the end of a worship service to publicly announce your decision to be a Christian.

HOW TO JOIN THIS CHRISTIAN CHURCH!

COME FORWARD – Any person professing faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, accepting Baptist principles, practices, and the covenant of this church may request and be accepted into the membership of this church. Upon request to the Pastor, Moderator or at a meeting of the membership, a person may be received by affirmation of the membership based on:

- 1. BELIEVER'S BAPTISM
- 2. LETTER OF TRANSFER or recommendation from a previous Christian church and prior baptism; or a
- 3. SATISFACTORY STATEMENT OF CHRISTIAN FAITH and prior baptism

Members shall strive to be faithful to Christian principles as set forth in scripture and support the mission of the church through attendance, prayer, service and monetary giving. The *first step* to become a member is to *come forward* during the singing of the last hymn so you can share your decision with the congregation.

WEST SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sunday, February 19, 2017

WELCOME TO WORSHIP – I am so happy you choose to worship with us this morning at West Side Baptist Church. You will hopefully discover very quickly this is a small, loving church in a big city. If you are looking for a place to belong, make real friendships, and get involved - then West Side is for you! Please speak with me after the worship service if you would like to learn more about having a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, need personal prayer, or want to request a pastoral visit! You can find more information about West Side Baptist Church at www.wsbctopeka.org. Blessings, Pastor Ivan

OPERATION SOUP LINE – Our local service partner, Doorstep, Inc.



will host their 14th Annual Operation Soup Line on Wednesday, February 22 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Kansas Expo-Center's Ag Hall. Menu: Chili, Chicken Tortilla or Portugueses Green Soup, dessert, and drink. Cost: \$10.00 adult (Children 12 and under: \$5.00). WE NEEDS YOUR HELP to donate desserts to serve 75 persons. Sign-up on the bulletin board to donate a dessert. *Bring your*

donations to the Church Office before Wednesday, February 22 before 10:00 am. Thank you to Virginia Mansfield for making the Church's theme basket donation. See Chuck Cozad for details.

CHRIST-N-BOWL – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 A late night of fun and friendship at Gage Bowl, 4200 SW Huntoon on Sunday, February 19 from 9:00 pm (check in) to 11:30 pm. Cost: \$10.00 per person (shoes included). Half of the fee will be donated back to the youth group by Gage Bowl. www.gagebowl.net. See Mark Calloway to sign-up.

BIBLE STUDIES – Join a small group Bible study at West Side Baptist Church to learn God's word and be transformed by the Spirit:

- Sundays at 9:15 am: "Biblical Archeology" with Doug Mauck (HH)
- Sundays at 9:15 am: "Explore the Bible" with Don Johnson (2nd FI)
- Sundays at 4:00 pm: "The Book of Isaiah" with Pastor Ivan (HH)
- Wednesdays at 10:30 am: "Ephesians" with Pastor Ivan (HH)
- Wednesdays at 6:00pm: "The Twelve Disciples" with Jim Goodnow Bible studies are free and open to the public. A free Bible available to participants.

AMAZONSMILE - Shop on AmazonSmile (https://smile.amazon.com) Select "West Side Baptist Church Topeka Kansas" as your charity of choice, and Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the church. Support West Side Baptist Church by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION – We are collecting Box Tops for Education for our local schools. Please place your donations in the collection box.

CAMPBELLS SOUP LABELS – We are still collecting the UPC codes from



soup labels for **Murrow Indian Children's Home in Muskogee**, **OK**. Murrow is saving one million UPC's for a van for the children's needs. Thank you to all our faithful congregation for your continuing support. The box to collect the UPC Campbell's labels is outside the Church Office.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – The Ministry of Christian Education will hold its meetings on the *third Tuesday of every month at 5:30 pm in Holmer Hall*. See Alice Payne, Coordinator, for details.

DILLONS COMMUNITY REWARDS - West Side Baptist Church (#63996) is



now enrolled in the Dillon Community Rewards program. If you shop at Dillon for your groceries or prescriptions, you can select West Side Baptist Church to receive a small donation from Dillon based on the dollars you spend.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (S)

2:30 pm Mission Committee Meeting (HH) 4:00 pm Bible Study – Book of Isaiah (HH)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20 OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 – 11:00 am Baby Closet Ministry

6:00 pm Capital City Men's Chorus (FH)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

5:30 pm Christian Education Meeting (HH)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

10:30 am Bible Study (HH)

4:00 – 5:30 pm Free Fruits & Vegetables (FH)

5:00 – 7:00 pm Baby Closet Ministry

5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper (FH)

6:00 pm WWW Kids Bible Club 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (HH)

7:00 pm Choir Practice (S)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

1:00 – 3:00 pm Baby Closet

6:30 pm Neighborhood Improv. Assoc. Mtg (HH)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

10:00 am Financial Peace University (HH)

11:30 am Worship Team Practice (S)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9:15 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (S)

4:00 pm Bible Study – Book of Isaiah (HH)

FREE BREAD, EGGS, FRUITS, & VEGETABLES - West Side Baptist



Church provides a limited amount of free bread, eggs, fruits, potatoes, and vegetables to individuals and families in the Ward Meade Neighborhood on **Wednesdays from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm, or while supplies last.** All food is available at no cost. In January 2017, eighty families (293 persons) received over

1,800 pounds of free food. See Pastor Ivan for information or to volunteer.

MISSION TRIP TO MURROW INDIAN CHILDREN'S HOME - The Ministry



of Missions would like to plan a work trip to Murrow Indian Children's Home in Muskogee, Oklahoma, on **Monday**, **June 5 thru Thursday**, **June 8**, so we need to know who will be interested in going. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. The mission trip will include time to make friends as you complete assigned physical work projects – see Mission bulletin board for a list

of possible projects. See Don Johnson for details or to volunteer.

OUTREACH MEETING – The Ministry of Outreach and Evangelism will hold their meetings on the *Fourth Tuesday* of each month at 7:15 pm in Holmer Hall. See Mark Calloway, Coordinator, for details.

RIDE TO CHURCH - If you need transportation to / from a worship service or another church-related activity, please call the Church Office at (785) 233-4241 during office hours (Tuesday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) or call James Carrier, Bus Driver at (785) 214-9580. Volunteers are needed to ride along with our driver to pick-up / drop off children on Wednesdays and Sundays. Contact Mark Calloway if you would like to volunteer.

SENIOR ADULT RETREAT — Join the ABCCR Senior Adult Retreat on Wednesday, April 26 and Thursday, April 27 at Cross Wind Conference Center, Hesston, Kansas. The theme: "Reflections" 2 Corinthians 3:18. Registration deadline is Monday, April 3, 2017. Cost: \$10



per person, late fee assessed if postmarked after April 3. Cancellation Policy: A full refund will be given if cancelled by Thursday, April 6, 2017 After April 6, a \$25 fee per individual will be non-refundable. You can find a registration form in the Office.

SERMONS ON-LINE – The Technology Committee is recording and uploading the Sunday sermon to YouTube to help people grow in their faith and for spiritual edification. You can watch these messages anytime just click on the link from the Church's website: www.wsbctopeka.org.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS – Supper is prepared weekly for children and adults at no cost but a free-will donation is appreciated. Please make a reservation on the Pew Pad or call the Church Office before 12:00 noon on Wednesday, so volunteers can prepare enough food. See Clarence Payne for menu items, subject to change.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY (ABW) - Travel with AB Women's Ministries and American Baptist Women in Ministry (ABWIM) to the Republic of Georgia on October 31-November 11, 2017, for a unique intercultural/interfaith spiritual pilgrimage. The Spiritual



Pilgrimage will include up to 14 Baptist and Muslim women from the U.S. The purpose of the pilgrimage is to break barriers and build bridges between Christians and Muslims, multiple generations, Georgians and Americans, and lay and ordained women. In the Republic of Georgia, women will experience homestays with Muslim families, advocacy for gender justice and religious rights, the stunning geography of Georgia's mountains and vineyards, and more! Registration is now open until June 15, 2017.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES – Our T.A.C.O.S. are invited to participate in the following Christ-centered events:

- LOCK IN FRIDAY, MARCH 17 an overnight gather for grades 7-12 at First Baptist Church of Topeka, 3033 SW MacVicar Ave, Topeka, KS 66611 on Friday, March 17 (St. Patrick's Day) from 7:00 pm to 7:00 am. Cost: \$10.00 per person.
- WINTER JAM FRIDAY, MARCH 31 The American Baptist Churches of the Central Region will host an overnight event on Friday, March 31, in Wichita. For details, contact Region Staff Minister, Julie Robinson or visit: www.abccr.org.

See Mark Calloway, Salena Jaimez, or Brice Smith to sign-up for these events. The Ministry of Christian Education oversees the youth program.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Barbara Amos - health concerns

Mark Arnold (A&C Payne's brother-in-law)

*Jane Baker - Healing for health concerns

Albert Carpenter – Healing for health issues (Harry and Pat's son)

Bradley Carpenter – Healing for liver (Harry and Pat's grandson)

Harry and Pat Carpenter - Healing for health concerns

*June Cunningham – Healing for health concerns

Zaylee Fortson – Healing for leukemia (age 8) in Superior, Montana.

Jack & Amanda Hilbert – Pregnancy (Almira's Granddaughter)

*Russ Hunter – Healing for health issues (Fran's husband)

*Alice Kieffer – Healing for health concerns

Karen Kirby – Healing for health concerns

*Reginald Kirby – Healing for health concerns

*Etta Landis - Healing for health concerns

*Madeleine Martinson – Healing for health concerns

*Mae Martin – Healing for health concerns at Plaza West

Rev. Wayne Mason's wife – Alzheimer's and hospice care

Nancy May – Healing for health concerns

Cole Payne – Healing for health concerns (A&C Payne's grandson)

Sonny Payne – Healing for health concerns (Clarence Payne's brother)

*Juanita Plankinton – Healing for health concerns

Becky Poe – Healing for health issues

Roxie Puckett – Healing for family and health concerns (Molly Morris' sister)

Brian Roach Sr. – Healing for cancer (Kate Olsen's son)

Bob Roesler – Interim Minister at First Baptist Church of Ottawa, Kansas

Jill Roesler – Healing for health concerns

*Jeff Runyan – Healing for health concerns

Linda Smith – Healing for health concerns (Music Dir. at Central Cong.)

*Hazel Smith-Tindall - Healing for health concerns

*Paul Snickles – Healing for health concerns

Marianne Spano – Healing for health concerns

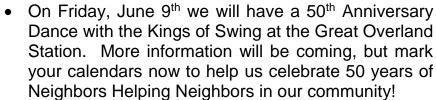
Washburn University students and basketball players

Adriana White - Healing for personal issues

Lola Zab – healing for health concerns (Marianne Spano's sister)

*Homebound

DOORSTEP UPDATE – Doorsteps Inc. will not have any food sales this year because we are planning two other events. One is a celebration and the other we hope will become our new Fall fundraiser!





• Saturday, October 28th is the date set for our 1st Annual Neighbors Helping Neighbors Walk at Lake Shawnee. We are still working out all the details. Mark your calendars to come out, support Doorstep, and get some exercise at the same time!

THANK YOU to everyone who donated soup and crackers during our Souper Bowl Sunday collection! A can of soup can be a meal or two, and your generous donations helped to stock our pantry, and provide meals for your neighbors in need!

We also want to thank everyone who contributed to our 14th Annual Operation Soup Line! Whether you made desserts, donated or won a theme basket, bought or sold tickets, worked the event or just attended, we appreciate the support! Monies raised from Soup Line will help Doorstep provide rent and utility assistance throughout the year to our neighbors who are struggling, and need some help.

WHAT MAKES UP A CLIENT FOOD ORDER AT DOORSTEP?? -

Macaroni & Cheese, Egg Noodles, Pinto Beans, Rice, Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Fruit, Tuna, Canned Soups, Canned Vegetables Tomato, Corn, Chicken Noodle, Green Beans, Vegetable, Peas, Ramen Noodles, Pork N Beans, Milk – Canned/Powdered, Crackers Cereal – Hot/Dry, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Hamburger – 1lb, Bread, Sugar, Flour, Cake

Hot/Dry, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Hamburger – 1lb. Bread, Sugar, Flour, Cake Mixes, Cooking Oil Etc. if available per client request.

Doorstep, Inc. strives to provide a well-rounded food order for our clients. The food is selected to put 'meals' together and last for 5 days, 3 meals a day. Personal Care items are also given upon request.