

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. **ADMIT** – 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. **BELIEVE 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. **CONFESS 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. **DEDICATE YOUR LIFE TO JESUS** - 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 Christian church may be received 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, OCTOBER 7, 2018

WELCOME TO WORSHIP – *We are happy you are here!* 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! Blessings, Pastor Ivan.

APPLE FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER 2018 - The Youth Group will be selling apple-topped funnel cakes during the 2018 Apple Festival this Saturday and Sunday (October 6-7) from **10:00 AM to 5:00 PM at Old Prairie Town at Ward-Meade Historic Site, 124 NW Fillmore, Topeka, KS 66606**. Festival ticket price: \$5 in advance; \$7 at the gate; Children under 5 free.



WORLD MISSION OFFERING (WMO)

- Every September and October, American Baptist churches come together for a time of awareness, advocacy, and action for global mission. Churches across the country celebrate and support the ministries that God is using to transform the world through the **World Mission Offering**. While these represent only a fraction of International Ministries' work, they provide a window into what God is doing worldwide through our 120 global servants, 900+ volunteers, 43 home staff and 240+ global partners. **Our goal is \$1,500.00. We have received \$1,153.00.** See Don Johnson for more information!



AGAPE BENEVOLENCE FUND - Your neighbors and friends need your help! The Church receives financial donations over-and-above our operating expenses to help members and neighbors in need with medicine, rent/mortgages, utilities, and water bills. Would you consider giving a gift to help our church family and friends? Donations can be given on Sunday, mailed to the Church, or dropped off at the Church Office (M-F, 8 am to 4 pm). ~Pastor Ivan



BABY CLOSET REPORT – September: 126 children in 45 families were able to receive free baby clothes, diapers, wipes, and other items from the Baby Closet during the month of September 2018. **The Baby Closet is open Mondays (9-11AM), Wednesdays (5-7 PM) and Thursdays (1-3 PM).** Donations of baby items, clothes (newborn to size 5), and cash/check are appreciated.

BIBLE STUDY - Come for the free one-hour small group study of the biblical book "**ACTS OF THE APOSTLES**" on **Wednesdays at 10:30 am in Holmer Hall.** The Bible study is taught start-to-finish ("Lectio continua"), no previous experience necessary. Bible studies are free and open to the public.

CHOIR SEASON HAS BEGAN - All who enjoy singing and have some available time to spend learning music on **Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:00 pm**, are invited to join the Choir. Contact Janet Nyfeler at (785) 271-9460 or janetnyfeler@gmail.com. We will visit about songs coming up and maybe even sing a few.

FRUIT & VEGETABLE FOOD PANTRY – Free bread, fruits, and vegetables on **Wednesdays from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm** or while supplies last. **September Food Pantry Report** - 939 Individuals (444 adults, 406 children, and 89 seniors) in 250 families were able to receive free bread, fruits, vegetables, and other items (total 4,193 pounds) from the Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry at West Side Baptist Church during the month of September 2018. The Fruits & Vegetable Food Pantry will be open on Wednesdays in October (3, 10, 17, 24) from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm. **There will be NO Food Pantry on Halloween (October 31).** All food is available at no cost.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:30 am Breakfast (FH)
 9:15 am Sunday School
 10:30 am Worship Service (S)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8

9:00 -11:00 am No Music Committee Meeting (HH)
 Baby Closet Ministry
 6:00 - 9:00 pm Capital City Men's Chorus (FH)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9

6:00 pm Council Members Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10

10:30 am Bible Study (HH)
 3:30 – 5:30 pm Fruit & Vegetable Food Pantry (FH)
 5:00 – 7:00 pm Baby Closet Ministry
 5:30 – 6:00 pm Supper (FH)
 6:00 – 7:00 pm WWW Bible Club and Adult Bible Study (HH)
 7:00 – 8:00 pm Choir Practice (S)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

1:00 - 3:00 pm Baby Closet

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:00 am XYZer's Breakfast at Perkin's
 1:00 pm Worship Team Practice



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Al Carpenter – Healing for health concerns
Bradley Carpenter – Healing for health concerns
Harry and Pat Carpenter – Healing for health concerns
Pat Carreno – Healing for health concerns
Esther Carrier – Healing for health concerns
Almira Collier – Healing for health concerns (back in Colorado)
Shirley Dell – Healing for health concerns
Karen Kirby – Healing for health concerns
Reg Kirby – Healing for health concerns
Ernie and Judy Longstaff – Healing for health concerns
Hilda Lundgren – Healing for health concerns
Nancy May – Healing for health concerns
Cale Miller – Healing (Harry Carpenter’s friend)
Marie Merrifield – Healing for health concerns
Rogene Moody – Healing for health concerns
Don Morris – Healing for health concerns
Ken Paslay – Healing for health concerns
Edward Perkins – Healing for health concerns (Gardner, KS)
Becky Poe – Healing for health concerns
Jill Roesler – Healing for health concerns
Keith Springer – Healing for health concerns (Marianne Spano’s brother)
Jay Stevenson – Healing for health concerns
Lola Zab – Healing for health concerns (Marianne Spano’s sister)

New Executive Minister -

HOMEBOUND & CARE FACILITIES:

*June Cunningham – Brewster Place	*Etta Landis – Legend
*Helen Farrar – Plaza West Care Center	*Mae Martin – Plaza West
*Gerald Haney –	*Theo Penny – Lawrence
*Russ Hunter –	*Juanita Plankinton –
*Mary Lou Johnson – Aldersgate	*Hazel Smith-Tindall –
*Alice Kieffer –	*Reginald Kirby –

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - Volunteers Needed! The Habitat for Humanity



Faith Build is an opportunity for our faith groups to put God's love into action. Over 20 Topeka faith groups have come together to construct a home in our Ward Meade Neighborhood. If you are interested in joining these efforts, please sign-up at <http://www.topekahabitat.org/faith-build>. Or, contact Janice at (785) 234-4322 or exec@topekahabitat.org. See Don Johnson for details.

REGIONAL GATHERING - The American Baptist Churches of the Central Region (ABCCR) Annual Gathering will be held Oct. 12-13, 2018, at Cross Wind Conference Center, Hesston, Kan. The keynote speaker will be Rev. Sharon Koh, Executive Director/CEO of American Baptist International Ministries. Dr. Dan and Sharon Buttry, IM global consultants, will also speak. Friday night worship will celebrate ethnic diversity and feature different modes of worship, painting, music and native hymns.

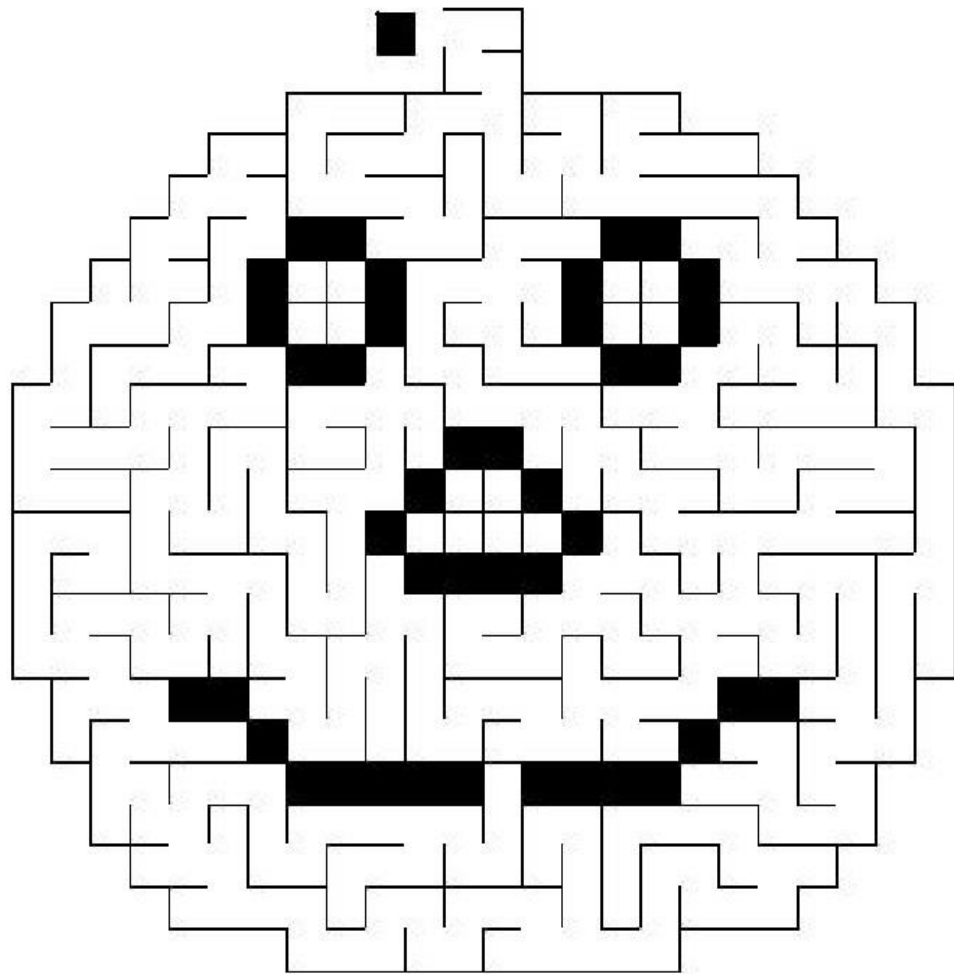
TRUNK OR TREAT – The Outreach and Evangelism Committee will sponsor a one-night Trunk or Treat at West Side Baptist Church on **Wednesday, October 31 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in the North Parking Lot. Candy Donations Needed (individually-wrapped).** Reserve a space for your “trunk” by contacting the Church Office. The Ward Meade Neighborhood Improvement Association will hold their Chili Feed Cook-off and hot dog sale during the Trunk-or-Treat. See Mark Calloway for more details.



YOUTH @ BRAVING DISCIPLESHIP (NOV. 2-3) – Youth and Sponsors need to register for Braving Discipleship, ASAP! Braving Discipleship is a youth conference centered on creating and developing disciples for Christ at Ottawa University. **Register Online!** The event is free for students who participated in the Labor of Love event. Come and be a part of something greater than yourself and learn what it means to be a Disciple of Jesus! See Pastor Ivan for more information.



Halloween Pumpkin Maze



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APPLES
AUTUMN
BLACK CAT
CANDY
CIDER
CORNMAZE

COSTUMES
GHOSTS
GHOULS
GRAVEYARD
HALLOWEEN
HALLOWSEVE

HARVEST
HAUNTED
HAYRIDE
JACKOLANTERN
LEAVES
MASKS

PUMPKIN
SQUIRREL
TREAT
TRICK
WITCHES
ZOMBIES