

# NORCATUR NEWS

# Make Church a Part of Your Life

## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

*"Let me ask you some hard questions —"*

*By Pastor Maurita Lymer, Church of God, Lenora*

- What if God decided to stop leading us tomorrow because we didn't follow Him today?
- What if God didn't take the time to bless us today because we didn't take the time to thank Him yesterday?
- What if we never saw another flower bloom because we grumbled when God sent the rain?
- What if God didn't walk with us today because we failed to recognize Him yesterday?
- What if God took away the Bible tomorrow because we didn't read it today?
- What if God stopped listening to us because we failed to listen to Him today?
- What if God answered our prayers the way we answer His call?
- What if God loved and cared for us the way we love and care for others?
- What if God met our needs the way we give Him our lives?
- What if God hadn't sent His Son because He wanted us to pay the price for our sins?

What if?  
Pretty hard questions, aren't they? But questions that we must thank God that we will never have to face. Because God has promised that He would "never leave us nor forsake us."

God is always looking out for us. And that's good. But we must always be looking for Him. And we can see Him in the gentle breeze, the soft rain, the beautiful flower, the green grass, a new baby; the list is endless. God is always showing us Himself and speaking to us in His gentle voice.

Look for Him this week as you go about your days. Thank Him for His Word and the life that He has given you. But, more importantly, thank Him for always being there for you even when He seems silent or when we fail to see Him as we ought.

## A Father's Love



A father's love is so important to his children. It's unconditional and selfless; it brings security and great joy. "Children" of all ages are blessed by the love of a father.

Our fathers deserve a special day of honor for everything they do for us. We love to recognize them on Fathers' Day! What about another Father, our Father in Heaven? He is a model for our earthly dads, and for some of us, the only Father we will ever know... "Compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love" (Psalm 103:8). Isn't He also worthy of our praise?

A real father gives of himself to those he loves through his understanding, kindness and encouragement. Celebrate that extraordinary love at God's House every week! Give thanks and praise for your dad and your Father!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Hosea	Hosea	Hosea	Hosea	John	John	John
2.2-23	3.1-5	11.1-11	14.1-9	3.1-21	10.1-21	13.1-20

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### By NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS

Mildred Schwab, Norton, joined Wayne and Norma McCallister for Mother's Day dinner at the Cardinal Bar and Grill.

Among others attending the Mother's Day dinner at the Cardinal Bar and Grill on Sunday were: Virgil and Joyce Price, Bee Nelson, Mary Leslie, Beth Sebaugh, Marguerite Clark, Wava Reames, Dorothy Ward and Deb Ward.

On Friday, May 9, Wava Reames visited her parents at Cedar Living Center; also Alice Shirley who is there for a short recovery following an illness.

Recently, the local fire department volunteers were called out to search for a plane that had gone down in the high winds. They received the call about 4:30 p.m. and didn't get home until well after midnight. The man was finally found near Speed.

Justine Tuttle, El Dorado, visited at the Stan Miller farm for a few days after finishing her junior year of college through Emporia State University. She has accepted a student teaching job in Towanda in the fall where she will teach second graders as well as continue her degree in elementary education.

There will be three \$400 scholarships awarded this year through the Norcatour Commercial Club. Anyone who is furthering their education is eligible to apply. Applications are available at The Bank or Norcatour City office. They may be returned to the same places. They are due on or before June 20. The winners will be notified within a few days after that date.

Happy Anniversary to Virgil and Joyce Price on their 62nd wedding anniversary which was May 19; also to Dewayne and Aurelia Jackson, May 23.

Happy Birthday to Kenneth Price, Inez Jackson, May 24; Jodi Lyon, Chance Harman, May 27.

Senior Citizens met May 16 with 14 present. Winners were Lora Arnold, Jackie Porter and Joyce Price.

Wednesday evening Bee Nelson attended the Norton Andbe Home Nursing Week family dinner with Bob Sawdon. They entered the Wheel Chair Poker Run, but were not winners. Delia Connell, a former Norcatour area resident, was the big winner. On Thursday, May 15, Bee Nelson also attended the Andbe Home cook-out.

Agnes Pruitt was moved back to the Oberlin hospital May 21 from the Kearney hospital. She would enjoy receiving cards. Her address at the hospital is 810 W. Columbia, Oberlin, Kan. 67749.

Norman Beachel Jr., of San Diego, Calif. enjoyed his visit with family and friends in Nebraska, then to Norcatour for the Memorial Day services on Sunday.

Sharee Dempewolf took R.D. Thornton to stay with Ralph and Lynn Streit last Friday, in Larned. Sharee was an overnight guest. While there, R.D. attended the graduation ceremony for Jesse Streit. R.D. stayed at the Streits

until Tuesday.

Doug, Chris and Sharee Dempewolf attended graduation for their nephew/cousin, Jesse Streit in Larned on Saturday. On Sunday, they attended graduation in Oberlin for their nephew/cousin Andrew Dempewolf and Becky Helm. On Sunday evening they had a barbecue for MJ's birthday. Guests were Sharee Dempewolf and Keith Ward. Teryn Grafel was a visitor earlier.

On Saturday, May 17, Kenneth and Pansy Price went to Kensington to attend high school graduation exercises for their grandson Craig Wolf. He was one of 21 graduates, the last Kensington High School graduation, due to consolidation. After graduation they attended a supper for some of the graduates. Craig is the last grandchild in the family to graduate.

Dwight and Mary Wentz attended the Barton County Community College graduation in Great Bend on Thursday, May 15. Their daughter, Katrina, graduated with high honors receiving her Associates Degree. She has been inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa and has been on the Presidents Honor Roll. She will continue her education at Fort Hays State University in the fall.

Bee Nelson and Dorothy Ward enjoyed dinner with Max, Norma and David Ward of Clayton, at the Cardinal Bar and Grill, on Sunday. Oran and LaVerne Milner arrived too late to eat with them, but enjoyed visiting anyway.

Please remember that the City of Norcatour does have an ordinance on weed and grass growth. The ordinance states that weeds and grass can only be 6 inches tall.

If you would like to donate to the Main Street Flower Fund, there are donation cans located at the Cardinal Bar and Grill and at The Bank. Help us beautify main street. Thanks in advance for your donations.

The flower committee wants to purchase some new flower containers for main street. These containers are self-watering and will last for years. The self-watering will make it so the volunteers won't have to water everyday. If you would like to buy a container they are \$45 each.

The containers can be bought in honor or in memory of someone. Please send donations to the Flower Fund, P.O. Box 89, Norcatour, Kan., 67653.

### MUSEUM TIDBITS

There are donation cans located at the Cardinal Bar and Grill and at The Bank for flower funds to help beautify Norcatour's main street. Flower containers are for sale for \$45. Norcatour History books, Diamond Jubilee Celebration-May 29, 1961; and A Time To Remember -1976, are on sale.

The cost is \$40 for the pair. Limited supply available. Call Chris at 693-4461 to reserve your copies.

## NEW ALMELO

### By BETTY OTTER

The family of Marion and Lorraine Long had their annual "Camp Out" family reunion at Webster State Park, May 22-31. Despite the inclement weather and several frightening trips to the storm shelter, they enjoyed boating, tubing, wakeboarding, fishing, visiting and some fish fries. May 31, they gathered at the Antique Mall in Hays for a carry-in dinner.

Those attending were: Marion and Lorraine Long, Hays; Roger and JoAnn Long, New Almelo; Joe and Roseann Long, Climax Springs, Mo.; Mike Long and son, Charley, Will and Raegan Long, Christy and Jeff Derks and children, Beth, Joey, David and Ben, Kelly and Wally Marghem, Zander and Ella, Chad and Mandy Baker, all of Kansas City;

Rita and Bill Barker, Hays; Tom and Jan Long, Phillipsburg, and their grandchild, Loral Christen, and a nephew, Jacob McClelland; Rusty and Kelly Leonard, Isaac and Sydney, Salina; Kenny Long, Nixa, Mo.; Doyle and Imogene McDougal, Lexington, Neb.; Frank and Letty Long and Jonathan Long, St. Elizabeth, Mo.; Jason and Meg Long, Fred and Carol Long, John and Katy, Independence, Kan.; Gary and Carolyn Long, Hill City; Adam Long, Natoma; Traci Long and Kyle Jilka, Hays; Leonard and Joan Long, Zach and Alaina, Logan; Mark and Jerry Baalman, Grinnell; Justin and Michelle Baalman, Maggie, Julianna and Logan, Hays; Floyd and Karen Long, Tim Long and Sammy Long, Kimball, Neb.

