

Westmont Christian Church



September 2024

WITNESS

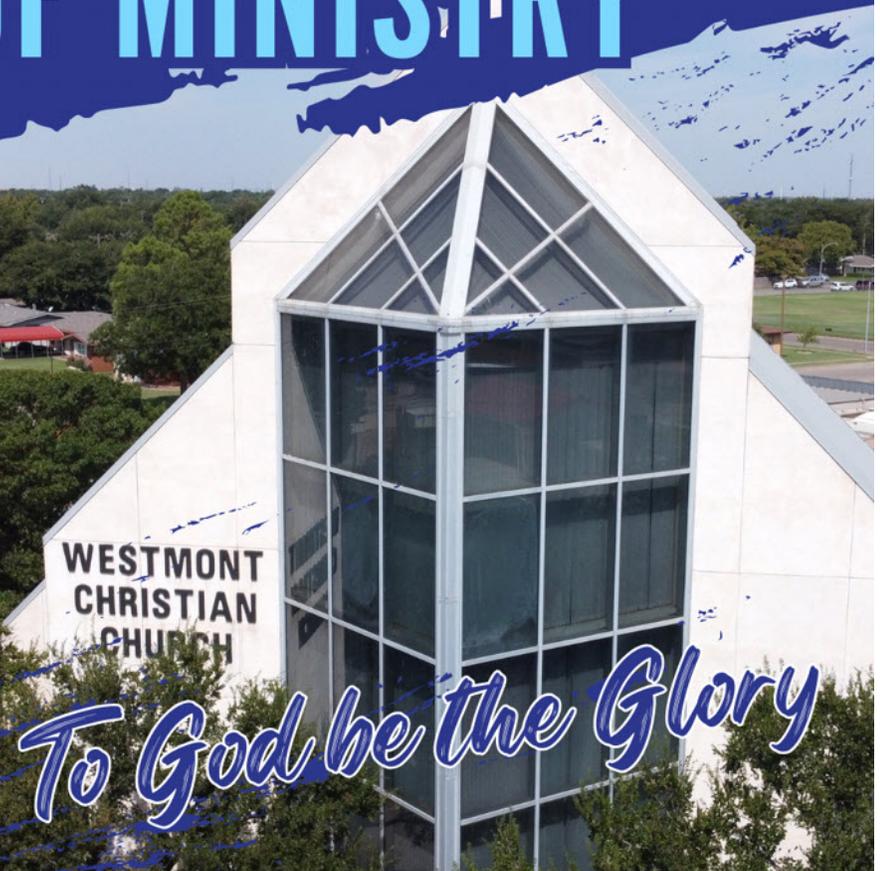


COME CELEBRATE 65 YEARS OF MINISTRY

September 22nd, 2024

Worship: 10:40am

Reception: 12pm - 2pm



To God be the Glory



FROM THE PASTOR

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

We are a congregation who takes seriously Galatians 6:2, “Bear one another’s burdens, and thereby fulfill the law of Christ.” We are constantly praying for those who are undergoing surgeries, medical tests, cancer treatments, and all kinds of trials and hardships in life. It is not the place here to list all the joys and concerns we continue to pray for, but I will mention one young boy we have rallied around.

Emmet Kingston is a kind, loving, and energetic five-year-old who has been battling heart problems since birth. As tough and strong-willed as this has made him, his heart has not been growing the way it should. The left side of his heart has become two times larger than the right side, causing cardiac failure and other challenges. Surgery is now unavoidable, and the cost to the family will be substantial.

Many people who know the family have tried to help in every way they can, including the home school co-op of which they are a part. Westmont Christian Church came alongside the concerned home school families and offered to host a fundraiser event in our building. As a church we want to walk along side each other and bear each other’s burdens.

I was grateful to see a swarm of Westmont volunteers take up the call to help organize a fundraiser event so quickly, even with so much activity already going on in our church. The fundraiser took place September 01, and it was a deep expression of love from the church to a family who found themselves in a difficult situation with their little boy.

Additionally, Westmont has had the privilege of walking alongside four different families recently who have had babies. We have provided support, supplies, and meals while the parents get to ground themselves in their new realities with a brand new little one.

There is one baby, Nicole Renea Eason, that Westmont has rallied behind for a very special reason. She was born August 22 to a proud father, Curtis Eason. Unfortunately, Curtis will be raising the baby alone because the mother does not want to be in the picture. We want to support Curtis who is doing the right thing by taking on the care of his infant daughter alone. Westmont came along side him and held a baby shower where we provided all kinds of supplies to help him with this new little one.

Stories like this are just the tip of what Westmont is about: being the Body of Christ. We pray for one another, we support one another, and we bear each other's burdens. As challenges come, we dig deep into God's truth and persevere, all the while trusting in God's unending goodness and grace. Westmont has a history of trusting in God's will that dates back to 1959.

This year we are celebrating 65 years of ministry as Westmont Christian Church. Praise God that He has kept this congregation going for so long. Westmont has impacted so many lives and continues to do so by God's grace. Please be sure to join us as we celebrate these 65 years on September 22. We will have a very special service, recognizing the ways God has been faithful and celebrating what God is doing even now. Stick around for the reception to follow, as we enjoy finger food and a birthday cake together. There will be a congregational picture, bouncy houses, historical items and photographs, and opportunity to fellowship. I hope to see you all there.

Westmont is faithful to care for one another, and I know we will continue to do so. Even with some current financial difficulties, God will move the hearts of the people, and our generosity will show off God's good grace to this congregation. Clearly, God has amazing things in store for Westmont Christian Church as we endeavor to serve faithfully another 65 years. May we continue to walk faithfully in humility, service, generosity, and love.

To God be the glory!

Pastor Jarid McCool



Westmont Family,

I thank the Lord for each one of you. From your support, to the youth ministry, to your personal support, and prayers for me and my family during a difficult time, it is appreciated. I cannot express in words, written or spoken, how much my family and I appreciate you and your prayers. This August was filled with exciting events with our youth. From the *Blessing of the Backpacks* and *Prayer at the Pole*, we have had a lot to celebrate. As the school year began, we invited several new 6th grade boys into our youth! Their presence has already been felt in Sunday School, and I am so excited to see how they shape our group in years to come!

We have a lot to look forward to this September as our Wednesday service kicked off on September 4, 2024. On the second and third Sunday, we will be having Baptism Classes for those youth who professed their belief in Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Keep an eye out during our 65th Anniversary service for our youth as they will have a role to play in our celebration!

Grace be with you,

Jesse Vera

Youth Minister, Westmont Christian Church

September Board Meeting



September 17, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Church Library

Board Members, please email your monthly report!



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Tessa Johnson 02
Samantha Steelman 05
Chris Lopez 10
Tom Klein 11
Cheryl Moore 11
Roger Reynolds 13
Alan Kingston 14
Jacob Mosley 15
Nicole Satchell 17
Jonah Fitzgerald 26
Sawyer Brinson 27

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Eddie & Flo Kohanek 07
Allen & Becca Ahern 08
Roger & Jeanine Reynolds 18
Josh & Nicole Satchell 25



Pray for Our New Deacons

On Sunday, September 22, 2024, the body of Christ at Westmont Christian will install three men as Deacons of our church. This will be a holy and special moment for these men and for the Westmont family.

Please support **Rick Cartwright**, **Gary Hansen**, and **Scott Miller** in prayer as they prepare for the *Deacon Installation Service*.



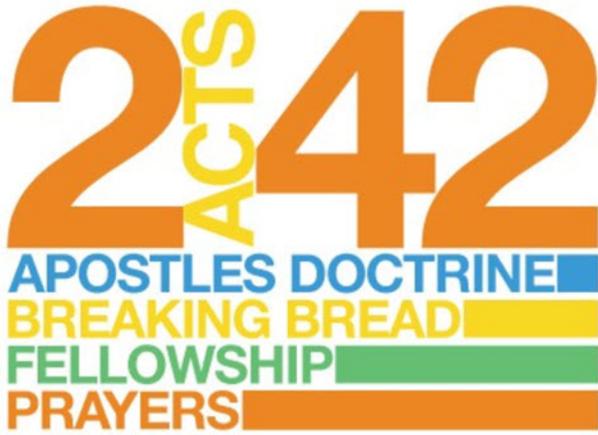
We warmly welcome the Kingston family to Westmont Christian Church. This beautiful family joined us on Sunday, September 1, 2024. As we show them the love of Christ, may our testimony be an example to others as they consider membership at WCC. We welcome the Kingston's!



Westmont, You Are Amazing!

Thank you so much for the planning and implementation of the fundraiser for Emmet Kingston! It was an outstanding success in every way! Over \$12,000 was raised through private donations, the meal fundraiser, and the silent auction.

These combined efforts and achievement will greatly assist the Kingston family as they prepare for Emmet's surgery! Thank you, Westmont, and may God be praised!



Young Adult & Family 242

We cordially invite all young adults and families to the monthly 242 meeting on Sunday, August 11, 2024 at Westmont. The dinner and study will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will conclude at 7:00 p.m.

Childcare will be provided during the fellowship and meeting time, and the leadership of this group welcomes all to join them! We will see you there!



Children's Moment Leadership

September 08	Canzada Bray
September 15	Neta Hansen
September 22	Jesse Vera
September 29	Christy Robinett



Communion Presiders - September 2024

September 08	Scott Miller & Canzada Bray
September 15	Richard Ralston & Cynthia McKenney
September 22	Joel & Christy Robinet
September 29	James Livermore & Nicole Sanchez

65 Years of Mission & Ministry!

On Sunday, September 22, 2024, the family of Westmont will celebrate its 65th Anniversary. This will be an incredible morning of blessing and thanksgiving as we praise God for His grace as He has used this church in such amazing ways. Join us for Sunday School, Worship, and an amazing luncheon. May God be praised for His goodness!



Joys & Concerns: Terri & Richard Ralston – Travel mercies. Friend, KT, recovering from successful mitral valve replacement surgery, **pacemaker required, going home soon.** 9/1

Hollie – Pray for obedience, to the Lord. Where you lead, I will follow. Pray for my son, Robert. 9/1

Jan Keene – Daughter Kristi Keene, serious vision disorder. 8/25

Scott & Brittney Harville – Newborn son Kohen, does not have VLCAD, results normal. 8/25

Jesse Vera Jr – Father, Jesse Vera Sr., cancer has spread to bones. 9/1

Michael & Cindy Dunn – Family friend, Nikka Horton, healing issues. Granddaughter Kendall Grace, recovering from back surgery, back in school. 8/25

Anne Klein – Brother, Francis Horne. Jan Sitton, healing. 8/25

Bettye & Larry Griggs – Larry, cancer, chemotherapy to begin soon. 8/18

Alan & Casey Kingston – Praying the Dallas surgical team will be able to travel to Lubbock to perform surgery at Covenant. Continued prayers for Emmet & our family, surgical team, & all medical staff. 8/18

Steve & Sheree Toal – Steve has prostate cancer, recovering from surgery. 8/18

Chris Lopez – Prayers for a safe & successful school year. Pray for daughter, Kenleigh, starting college. Miranda, new job at Frenship. Dad, Paul, kidney surgery successful, home recovering. Sister-in-law, Alicia, diagnosed w/ leptomenigeal disease. 8/11

Cheryl Moore – Friend, Rita, in OK, broke both ankles. Please pray for her adjustment to this great challenge. 7/28

Terry Anglin – Daughter-in-law, Damon’s wife, Kim Anglin, has leukemia. Sister, LaNita Scott- severe arthritis. 7/21

Sheila Jones – Praise for my brother Kenneth, trach is out & breathing on his own. 7/7

Annette Powell – medical. 6/23

Carla Terry – Please pray for my sister, Carol Nebb & her family, she’s been diagnosed w/ stage 3 dementia. 4/14

Continued Concern: Ron McClellan; Dave Kraus; Jill Watts’ Cousin, Debra Thomas; Terry Anglin; David Vartak; Nathan Kraus; Roger Reynolds; Jan Fry; DR Congo Outreach; Continued prayers for our church family, Country, and our schools. Heal the hate in our world. Pray for the Nation of Israel.

Military: Lt. Col., Todd Anderson, M.D.; David & Ja’net Speich, 2 Nephews; Anne Klein Nephews, Alec & Ethan White

Praise: Kingston Family – The Kingston’s joined Westmont!! Praise and thank you for all those who made Emmet’s fundraiser possible, all who helped, and have been praying. God is great and our family is forever grateful.

Larry Sr. & Yoaka Ward Chefor– Son, Larry Jr., was born Friday, August 9th!

Patrick & Jessica Johnson – Son, Kristian Paul was born July 27th!

Scott & Brittney Harville – Welcomed their son, Kohen, on July 23rd!

WORSHIP SERVICE	ATTENDANCE
August 04	89
August 11	80
August 18	74
August 25	88
August Average	82




BAPTISM CLASS

September 8 & 15

Church Library

July '24	Financial Report	Y.T.D.
Income	\$28,656	\$152,947
Outreach	-\$1,418	-\$7,122
Expenses	\$28,338	\$189,710
Gain/(Loss)	(\$1,100)	(\$43,885)

"Give and you will receive."

Luke 6:38a



Expressing God's Love

Inspiring God's People

Expanding God's Kingdom

MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Jarid McCool, Senior Minister
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Rev. Dean Roy, Associate Minister-Administration & Music
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Ruby Guerra, Ministry Assistant
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Jessica Johnson, Custodian
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Yijie Liu, Pianist

Carolyn Wood, Childcare Provider

Samara Lambright, Childcare Provider

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:00 a.m. Elders Meeting
- 9:15 a.m. Nursery Opens (birth - 4 years)
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- Instrumental & Media Rehearsal
- 10:40 a.m. Worship

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. (Monday - Thursday)

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