

# REFLECTIONS

I am always looking for time. That is because I am always losing it. Time that is. I think I have plenty of it, only to discover that it has gone, vanished. Turn around and where did it go? Where does time go? One person told me they are living on borrowed time. Another said they had too much time on their hands. Is that where it went, or did they just take the time and not tell me? Where do I get time? Is there a workshop some place near here where I can possibly make up time?

One day I found the time. I confess. It was just there so I used it. I was waiting somewhere when I realized I had time—time to listen, time to learn, and time to think. It was great. Then came the quarantine pandemic. Time did not stop, but my busy calendared schedule was erased. I planned my short ventures into the outside world to have as little contact with people as possible. There is a downside to being shut in, like feeling lonely all by yourself all the time, or feeling trapped with too many close relatives at hand. I discovered the joy of my backyard. The interruption in the routine gave me the perspective to see the value of time well spent.

Time is not consistent. When absorbed in a project, book or activity, it speeds on by us. When burdened by conflict, illness or fear, it slows almost to a halt. Some nights I barely close my eyes before the alarm starts ringing. On other nights, I hear every tick of our grandfather clock. Time flies when you are having fun, but it doesn't when you're not. Psalm 90 encourages us "to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." For me this means that I am to use well the time allotted to me today. Time is a gift of grace. Apply it with wisdom.

Keep healthy. Pray mightily. Enjoy your life today. Spend time wisely. And let's experience the love and power of God together.

Bro. Darryl

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### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

<b>Sunday Morning</b>	
Continental Breakfast	9:20 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School	11:15 a.m.
<b>Sunday Evening</b>	
Sanctuary Choir	5:30 p.m.
Worship	6:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday Evening</b>	
Prayer Service	6:45 p.m.

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As a father has  
compassion for his  
children, so the Lord  
has compassion for  
those who fear him.

Psalm 103:13



*Father's Day*  
*June 20*

# Our Church Family

## LIVING CENTERS

Emerald Care Nursing Center #26 ..... Gina Reynolds  
 Pawhuska Nursing Center ..... Violet Crain  
 Zarrow Pointe Kaiser Health Center #214 ..... Dorothy Lee

## AT HOME

Alice and Bill Barrett	Bonnie Nutting
Elizabeth Burke	Waneta Reynolds
Berta Caldwell	Ben and P J Shepard
Russell Ford	Homer Wager
Gene Lessel	Leslie White

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

<b>July</b>	
1	Leslie White
5	Pauline Morton (102 Years)

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

<b>June</b>	27	Randy and Katie Baker	13 Years
<b>July</b>	2	Gordon and Barbara Casey	61 Years
	2	Ben and P J Shepard	44 Years

# Looking Ahead

**SUNDAY, JUNE 20**

## Father's Day

**10:00 a.m. The Battle is the Lord's**  
 —Judges 7:1-25

Gideon was reluctant to believe and trust that God could do great things. Gideon was constantly looking for a sign of assurance, even after he saw the angel of the Lord cause a stone table to burst into flames. Now God was asking him to lead the battle against the enemies of the people. Gideon's next step was to trust the battle to the Lord. How well do you think Gideon followed God's plan? Join with us Sunday, invite a guest, and be blessed.

**11:15 a.m. Bible Study and Conversation**  
 (Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal to follow)

**The Online Sunday Bible Study**  
 Sundays by 10:00 a.m.

*Tender Creation:*  
**How the Gospel is the Heart of Creation**  
 Moment 10—One in Flesh and Spirit

Led by Kevin Avery on Facebook  
 Braden Park Church Tulsa

**Tuesday, June 22 zoom discussion is canceled this week.**

**Wednesday, June 23**  
**5:00 — 6:30 p.m.**

**People's Pantry Ministry**  
 Outside in the North Parking lot

# Behind the Scenes

## FRESH START INITIATIVE

With the receipt of a very generous second gift from *David and Lori Dryer*, our *Fresh Start* initiative enters the next phase. Fresh Start was born out of the early weeks of the pandemic. God turned the churches of America inside out. We have been praying that God would use this time to bring a fresh start on being the church at 5th Street and Yale. Preparations are well underway for new signage, including a computerized LED church sign on 4th Place. A church leadership team will be formed in early July to pray, plan and implement the Fresh Start vision for Braden Park Baptist Church and our sister congregation, Monte Los Olivos. We are on mission to reach our neighbors with the message of God's Good News. Thank you, David and Lori, for your faith, leadership, and generosity.



## FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need .....	\$ 1,936.00
General Receipts June 13 .....	\$ 1,687.00
Special Offerings June 13 .....	\$ 36,600.00

**Thank You** to all who are providing sustaining tithes and offerings.