

REFLECTIONS

(Note: I asked *Connie Connely* to share this week's Reflections)

Years ago, many of my third-grade students wore bracelets that said WWJD. When I asked what it meant, they told me, "What would Jesus do?" I never had one of those bracelets, but if I did, I would wear it every Sunday to remind me of Julia Ford, "WWJD -- What would Julia do?" as I replace her as the leader of our Ladies' Sunday School class. Who am I kidding? No one can replace Julia!

Brother Darryl didn't ask me to step in as the leader because I have style and flair. No, it was because I was there! Plus, I know how to use the DVD player. Julia not only talked the talk as a Christian, but she also walked the walk. When I was diagnosed with blood cancer in 2017 and had to make a couple of trips to MD Anderson in Houston, Texas, Julia called to check on my mother, who was 88 years old at the time. Julia checked on everyone. She would telephone, send cards, and bring cookies to my door for a fun surprise. When I would ask her to come in for a visit, she would say, "I can't stay long because I have some other deliveries to make." That was Julia, always taking care of people.

When I received the phone call to pray for Julia because she had COVID, I thought, "This will be hard, but I think she will make it. If the 85-year-old lady in my book club survived COVID, surely Julia will, too." "Why, Julia?" I have asked. Although I am 100% sure the Pearly Gates swung open wide to welcome her into Heaven, I hoped she could stay longer to watch her younger grandchildren grow up. God has His plans. Sometimes we don't understand.

As a tribute to Julia, our Ladies' Bible Study classes are continuing. We have recently completed: "Chasing Vines" by Beth Moore and "Forgiving What We Can't Forgive" by Lysa TerKeurst. In addition, we plan to participate in another study about anxiety. Who doesn't need that during this pandemic? Ladies, we would LOVE for you to join us. The more, the merrier! Don't worry about waiting until we have a new Bible Study; just come on! That's what Julia would do!

Hope to see you on Sunday mornings at 11:15 -- 11:50! We are in the room across from the kitchen.

Connie Connely, teacher

Julia Ann Dooly Ford, June 1, 1952—May 3, 2021

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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

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Psalm 149:4, ESV

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

October

8 Mike Perrier
13 Kay McKalip



Looking Ahead

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

**10:00 a.m. The Disciple's Walk:
Our Pride and Self Esteem**
—Romans 12:3-5

This Sunday we continue our sermon series on the Journey of Discipleship. As followers of Jesus, we are disciples. We have the assignment to make disciples of others. How do we walk this journey of discipleship in a world of chaos and pain? Join with us this Sunday, invite a guest, and be blessed.

**11:15 a.m. Bible Study and Conversation
Ladies Bible Study Class**

11:55 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal



WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

5:00 p.m. People's Pantry Ministry

6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting

Behind the Scenes

VISION 2033 OFFERING

Our September offering for the **Faith Comes By Hearing** effort to provide the last people groups in the world audio Bibles in their native languages by 2033 reached a total of \$600.00. According to FCBH ministry assistant *Ann Simmons*, our offering was folded into all the donations received in September and then matched by a generous anonymous donor. Praise the Lord for all who advance the Great Commission.

LANDSCAPE PROJECT COMPLETED

The month-long project to beautify the church grounds was completed on September 25th. All the shrubs and bushes around the building have been shaped and pruned. The volunteer trees in the courtyard area and the undergrowth along the fence lines have been removed. Four large trees, which were diseased and damaged, were cut down and removed by a team of nearly 20 volunteers. A big **Thank You** goes to all of our volunteers for this good work, as well as to the tree removal team led by *Pastor Francisco Gaona*. Discussions are underway on providing winter flowers and additional plants for the flowerbeds.

FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 1,936.00
General Receipts Sept 26	\$ 670.00
Special Offerings Sept 26.....	\$ 00.00

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