

REFLECTIONS

Dorothy and I were enjoying a leisurely breakfast this past Thursday, when we were startled by a loud, pulsing siren-like sound. We thought our home alarm system had been triggered. Not seeing or smelling smoke but alarmed that every smoke detector in the house was screeching, Dorothy called 911 and asked the fire department to send someone out to determine the cause. There was no smoke or fire anywhere that I could see. My next thought was that it might be carbon monoxide that set off the alarms. I opened the front and back doors to let in some outside air. The freeze warnings and steep temperature drop had caused us to turn on the heat on Monday night. I went to the garage, opened the attic and looked up. Still no smoke or flames. I went outside to look at the roof, front and back. All was quiet. While the firetruck was on its way, I moved the cars out of the garage and out of the way, while Dorothy waited outside as the fire department personnel had ordered.

The first cold week of the season is a dangerous time for house fires and carbon monoxide poisonings. Heaters, fireplaces, and furnaces have been sitting unused for months, getting dustier and rustier. A tiny gas leak, a worn-out electrical cord or connector, or a failing fan motor can do a lot of damage. When the firemen arrived, they spread apart to assess the whole house. They were each wearing carbon monoxide detectors, which were indicating everything was normal. Soon they found the source of the problem: the smoke detectors had malfunctioned. I did not know that smoke detectors have an expiration date of about 10 years. Ours are 17 years old. Not only are we to replace the batteries when needed, but also the smoke detector units themselves after 10-12 years. One fireman patiently showed me about our units, how they were connected and the kind to buy. They suggested we replace them all. Fortunately, I was able to find the same model on-line. Before they left, they told me to call them when we got our new units; they would gladly install them for us at no cost.

After that alarming experience, we warmed our coffee and food as best we could and talked about it all. We are thankful for alarms that work and firefighters that are caring and patient.

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

Bro. Darryl

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning
Continental Breakfast 9:20 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study & Conversation 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday Evening
The People's Pantry 5:00 p.m.
The Clothes Closet Ministry
Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

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in heaven, where moth & rust do
not destroy, & where thieves do not
break in and steal.”

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Our Church Family

LIVING CENTERS

Zarrow Pointe Kaiser Health Center #214 Dorothy Lee

AT HOME

Alice and Bill Barrett	Paula McPherson
Elizabeth Burke	Georgia Metcalf
Berta Caldwell	Bonnie Nutting
Marion Corbett	Ben and PJ Shepard
Lydia Ford	Leslie White
	Mary Ruth Whitman

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November

11 John Snellgrove
Roy Smith



Looking Ahead

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
**10:00 a.m. Jesus and the Ten Commandments
 Thievery, Cheating and Exploitation
 —Exodus 20:15; Mark 11:15-17**

The sermon series, Jesus and the Ten Commandments, addresses the ancient guide for moral living in our profane times. We begin where Moses began and seek to understand how Jesus fulfills and completes these basic standards. Invite your friends to church this week and be blessed.

11:15 a.m. Bible Study
 11:55 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

10:00 a.m. Monday Morning Prayers
 Call (712) 832-8330, then access code: 887-7647

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

8:00 p.m. Prayer for the Nations
 Kevin Avery’s Facebook Zoom link

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

5:00 p.m. People’s Pantry Ministry
 Clothes Closet Ministry
6:30 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Time Change Sunday
10:00 p.m. The Whole Truth, and Nothing but the Truth

Behind the Scenes

TULSA METRO BAPTIST NETWORK ANNUAL CELEBRATION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1
 8:30 a.m. thru Lunch
 First Baptist Church, Owasso
 13307 East 96th Street North

The Annual Baptist Associational Meeting will feature a message by **Bart Barber**, the current President of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) and Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church, Farmersville, Texas, with a time for discussion. There is no charge for the meal.

PRIZE FOR THE FIRE

Our own *Rita Askew Snellgrove’s* sister is **Rilla Askew**, American Book Award winning author of **Fire in Beulah**. Her new novel is **Prize for the Fire**, (University of Oklahoma Press.) This is the fictionalized story of **Anne Askew**, an English Reformist at the time of Henry VIII. Anne Askew is written about in **Foxe’s Book of Martyrs**, and is a possible distant relative of *Rilla, Rita* and their sister *Ruth*. Anne Askew was a free-thinking woman who faced abuse, torture and death for expressing her faith in God’s Word.

FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 1,904.00
General Receipts October 23	\$ 658.00
Special Offerings October 23	\$ 250.00

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