REFLECTIONS

After all the excitement of the early morning, apparently Jesus went for a walk. When Mary Magdalene and the other Mary began to hurry from the Garden Tomb to tell the disciples they had seen an angel, they ran into Jesus and He said, "Hello." According to one account they fell to the ground, grabbed His ankles and worshipped Him. He told them not to be afraid, and sent them on to the disciples with the same message as the angel—"Go to Galilee and meet Him there." The disciples did not believe this story. Peter and John ran and found the tomb empty; still, they did not pack their things and head for Galilee. They were processing the events and were somewhat afraid to venture too far from the security of the upper room.

In the Gospel descriptions, all slightly different because these are eye-witness accounts, Jesus was known for His early morning and late evening walks. It was His quiet time for prayer and reflection, away from the demands of the crowds, and the mentoring of the disciples.

Two previously unnamed followers of Jesus were present that amazing morning when the women told of seeing angels and meeting Jesus on the path. One of the followers was named Cleopas. His mother, maybe the other Mary, had been at the foot of the cross when Jesus died. In his own grief and discouragement, Cleopas and his friend headed home to Emmaus. At some point on their slow journey that first Easter afternoon, Jesus walked with them. "What are you talking about?" "Have you not heard," they said with eyes fogged by tears, "about Jesus of Nazareth? He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed. We had so hoped he was the One." Thus the conversation began. Walking and talking about expectations, disappointments, and God's word. Then there was the whole matter of Peter and John reporting that the tomb was empty, but they did not see Jesus. It was getting dark and they were now in the village. "Would you join us for supper?" At the table Jesus assumed the role of the host, took the bread, broke it and gave thanks. Then they knew Jesus was truly alive. They did not wait for another minute to tell the others the good news.

Keep healthy. Pray mightily. Enjoy your life today. Take an Easter walk with Jesus. And let's experience the love and power of God together.

Bro. Darryl

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

9:20 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.

Sunday Morning Continental Breakfast

Worship Bible Study & Conversation

5:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evening
The People's Pantry
The Clothes Closet Ministry

Dr. Darryl DeBorde, Ministe

6:30 p.m.

Bill Ess, Music Minister

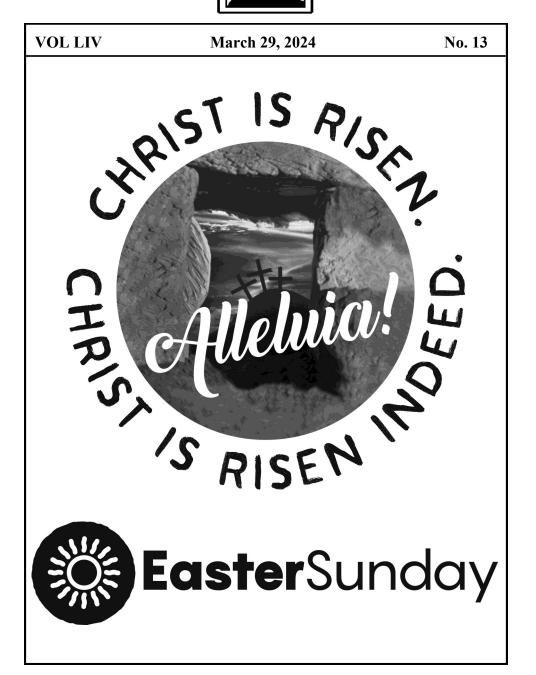
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April

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Eric Bolton

Alice Barrett

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

April 13 Sandra and Roy Smith 50 Years

OUR CONGRATULATIONS are extended to two former members on their induction into Tulsa's Will Rogers High School Hall of Fame for 2024. *Anna Lea Brixey Seago*, Class of 1959. A trailblazer for women in the military, she became the first woman promoted to Sergeant Major (E-9) for the Army's 85th Division, and becoming the 85th Division (Training) Armor. She was admitted into the Order of St. Joan D'Arc, by the Chief of Armor, Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Her family joined White City Baptist in 1953. Her parents were W.H. and Annie Brixey.

Jean Karsten Winfrey, Class of 1969. A life-long educator for special needs children, she is the former Executive Director of Tulsa's Little Light House, spearheading its \$20 million state-of-theart campus expansion. Her family joined White City Baptist in 1952. Her parents were Earl and Amy Karsten.

Looking Ahead

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 Easter

9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

10:00 a.m. The Promise of Life Eternal
—John 11:21-27

It is Easter! Resurrection Sunday. He is alive! The Bible teaches—and Jesus promises—eternal life to all who confess Jesus as the risen Christ and our Lord and Savior. Invite your family and friends to church this Easter Sunday and be blessed.

11:15 a.m. Ladies Bible Study

Conversations with the Pastor

No Choir Rehearsal

MONDAY, APRIL 1

8:45 a.m. Monday Morning Prayers

Call (712) 832-8330, then access code: 887-7647

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

8:00 p.m. Prayer for the Nations

Kevin Avery's Facebook Zoom link

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

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

Clothes Closet Ministry

Light Community Supper

6:30 p.m. Prayer Service

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

10:00 a.m. Pure Joy—Philippians 1

Behind the Scenes

PAVILION CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY

Workmen began erecting and framing our new multi-use Pavilion on Tuesday. The roofing material is expected to be installed the week after Easter Sunday. This shelter will become the primary delivery site for **The Peoples Pantry**. It will also be used for community meals, parties, and other church activities.

NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINS IN APRIL

After Easter a new sermon series begins titled **Pure Joy,** which will be a verse-by-verse study of Philippians. This pastoral letter from Paul to a young church contrasts the frustrating pursuits of happiness above all versus experiencing the joy of the Lord, even in the daily struggles of life.



FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need\$	2,073.00
General Receipts March 24\$	1,712.00
Special Offerings\$	0.00

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