Our Church Family

At Home

Kevin AveryAlice BarrettNancy HoldtPaula McPhersonBilly ShaferMargaret VanHorn

September 30

Happy Birthday!

Hudson Avery

Elijah Hackathorn

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Convalescent Center

Katy Cook Kaiser Rehabilitation Center

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We worship in the Sanctuary this Sunday, September 28. Everything is set for a wonderful time of baptism, music and the proclamation of God's Word. Join with us this week at 10:00 a.m., following our fellowship breakfast.

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On Sunday morning, October 5, we will have a time of recognition for *The People's Pantry* ministry of providing groceries for our community for the past 17 years, led by *Lori and David Dryer and Terri Qualls*.

FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 2,071.00
General Receipts September 21	\$ 1,337.00
Special Offering	\$ 0.00

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

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Reflections

Yesterday I received a call at the church office from someone I did not recognize, but he told me he was a friend of a mutual friend who had not responded to his repeated telephone calls over the last three months. He asked me if I had heard from this friend recently, and I told him I had not. This led to him speculating about what happened to our friend. He then changed to telling me the purpose of his call was to make certain that I knew Jesus was coming back tomorrow or the next day, and what did I know about that? I had read that morning about the claims of someone a few months ago who had a vision of Jesus telling him that Jesus was returning on September 23 or 24. I told him I believed Christ was coming again one day, but no one knew what day.

The caller then began to explain to me all the various scriptures and coincidences concerning the founding of the state of Israel and Christ's rapture of the church during the Hebrew festival of Rosh Hashana when the high priest in Jerusalem blew the shofar and, did I believe them? I noticed this call was going long. Just for the record, I receive these kinds of calls two or three times a year. Some seem to be testing my theology or trying to find something to argue with me about. I asked the caller, why should any believer worry about Jesus' return, and why would Jesus tell any person today something He had already told His disciples that He did not know about God's timing? The caller told me to look it all up on YouTube, he had a call coming in, and we said goodbye.

The return of Christ is a word of Hope for all believers. It is the day of Victory over all things evil, and the dawn of a New Creation. I tend to leave details of these things up to God. In the meantime, we are called to be faithful messengers of the Gospel today—telling the story of the wonders of His Love and Grace to those who are lost or unprepared for eternity.

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

Bro. Darryl

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 10:00 a.m. A Word to the Wise James 3:13-16

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Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens...

Daniel 12:3, NIV



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning

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

Wednesday Evening

The Clothes Closet Ministry The People's Pantry

5:00 p.m.

Community Dinner

6:30 p.m.

Bill Ess, Music Minister Dr. Darryl DeBorde, Minister

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