

Our Church Family

At Home

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Our Love and Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of *Katy Cook* in her passing. A graveside service is scheduled for Saturday, January 31 at 2 p.m. at McAlester's Oak Hill Cemetery.

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February 1st marks the first week **Preparing the Way Church** begins to worship in our facilities. Help them feel at home as they find their way around the building. They are currently updating the nursery and preschool rooms as well as the third floor youth areas.

FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

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| Weekly Budget Need | \$ 1,736.00 |
| General Receipts January 25 (no services) | \$ 0.00 |
| Special Offerings..... | \$ 0.00 |

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

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Reflections

On these cold snowy days, many find themselves pondering the big questions of life. Questions like: why am I so restless yet bored; when will I grow up; why was I born at all; or why are my feet always cold? Sometimes the silly questions may reveal the most. The list can be endless unless we take serious time to find the meaning and purpose of our days. Seasons change and so do we. The circumstances of our lives today are in a different place than even five or ten years ago.

I believe everyone has their own divine purpose for life. I found there are at least three steps to discovery: 1) an openness to the Holy Spirit of God; 2) an understanding of your spiritual gifts; and 3) an honest review of your life thus far. The first step is the spiritual work of prayer, worship and the Word. The second step can be discovered in the many available spiritual gift assessment materials and the spiritual graces that give you joy. The third step may be the most difficult—an honest review of your life. Some find it helpful to write down some key insights. Review your life by decades or significant turning points, starting with your childhood. How have you changed? Remember the spiritual insights that impacted you along the way. How have you recovered from hard things of the past? How have you spiritually impacted others? Be honest before God and yourself.

Try summing up your life purpose in one sentence. Everyone has a uniquely divine purpose for living at this time in history, at their current age, in their current circumstances. How you live that out involves your call from God, your faithfulness today and your vision of tomorrow. This is hard spiritual work. Excuses come easily. It is not too late for you. God has placed you here for a purpose. Discover why, then fulfill it.

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

Bro. Darryl

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1
THE DAY OF THE LORD SERIES
10:00 a.m. The Lessons of the Locust
The Book of Joel

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**I AM
STRONG.**

Joel 3:10, KJV

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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| Sunday Morning | |
| Continental Breakfast | 9:20 a.m. |
| Worship | 10:00 a.m. |
| Bible Study & Conversation | 11:15 a.m. |
| Wednesday Evening | 5:00 p.m. |
| The Clothes Closet Ministry | |
| Community Dinner | |
| Prayer Service | 6:30 p.m. |

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