

# DEL CITY Church of Christ



January 7, 2024

## Schedule of Assemblies

### Sunday

Worship 10:00 AM  
Classes 11:15 AM

### Wednesday

Early Class 4:30 PM  
Ladies Class 7:00 PM  
Mens Class 7:00 PM  
Bilingual Class 7:00 PM

Childcare for age newborn to 3-years-old is available during Worship on Sundays & Wednesdays. For transportation to Worship and other assemblies, call (405) 672-1311, M-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.

## WORSHIP ORDER

Song, **Praise Him** .....Tim Holt  
 Welcome .....Garrett Marshall  
 Song #2, **We Praise Thee, Oh God/ Revive Us Again** ....Tim Holt  
 Song #4, **To God Be The Glory**.....Tim Holt  
 Song #808, **Abide With Me**.....Tim Holt  
 Prayer.....Justin Ogletree  
 Song, **Be Unto Your Name** .....Tim Holt  
 Communion .....David Schmitt  
 Song #844, **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah** .....Tim Holt  
 Offering.....David Schmitt  
 Scripture Reading, **Genesis 32:22-31** .....Clancy Bruce  
 Song **#448, The Greatest Commands**.....Tim Holt  
 Message, **Wrestling with God**.....Garrett Marshall  
 Song **#913, Trust & Obey** .....Darrel Sullivan  
 Closing Announcements .....Garrett Marshall  
 2023 in Review.....Video Presentation  
 Prayer.....Chris Dillinger  
 Song **#877, Build Your Kingdom Here**.....Tim Holt

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## Studying Together, Apart.

Last week, we talked about “getting back to basics” and what it looks like for a present-day church to mirror what the early church did so well. Two of those categories were, “Devoting themselves to the Apostles Teaching,” and to “fellowship” (Acts 2:42).

As a congregation, we want to take meaningful steps toward those goals. To kick off 2024, we want to encourage everyone at this congregation to dedicate time to reading through the Bible together.

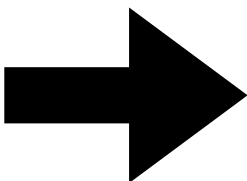
To join in, please scan the QR code at the end of this article with your phone. Turn on your phone’s camera and point to the box at the end of this article, and it will take you to the “YouVersion Bible” app and bring up something to the effect of “Garrett Marshall wants to read the Bible with you.” Please accept it, AND, add me as a “friend” on the app. That way we can share progress with one another. The plan comes with videos that help explain the passage in depth, as well as a reading, and an area for note taking.

The purpose of this activity is 2-fold. First, it helps us as a congregation commit to investing time in the Word of God. As Christians, if we believe that God has spoken to us through His Word, we should want to learn it as best we can, probe its infinite depths with study, and come away blessed, over and over again.

The second purpose, is we will be doing this TOGETHER. We can take encouragement that this church family will be reading the same passages of scripture every week, possibly have the same questions, wrestling with the same topics, and can talk with one another about what we are reading. This not only helps strengthen our fellowship (Koinonia) but also helps keep us accountable and on track to continue being in God’s Word.

The plan officially kicks off Jan. 14 (next Sunday) but no harm in getting ahead!

**SCAN HERE TO JOIN OUR CONGREGATIONAL BIBLE READING PLAN**



# SERMON NOTES

## “Wrestling With God”

In Genesis 32, we find a very unusual story. Jacob, on the eve of meeting his estranged brother Esau for the first time since he had tricked his way into getting his blessing, goes off to be by himself. It is at this point a strange man comes upon him, and they begin to wrestle. At the end of this wrestling match, we are told that this stranger is none other than God, and He changes Jacob's name and blesses Him.

What are we to make of this passage? Is this just one of those weird stories from the Bible that just happens, we learn about, and move on? Or, maybe this story, like all the Bible, has an incredible spiritual truth just waiting to be discovered so it can change how we see, and interact, with the creator of the Universe.

### **I. Background: Jacob**

1. Jacob: \_\_\_\_\_ born of Issac
2. “Jacob” means \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_
3. Gained his birthright through a \_\_\_\_\_
4. Gained his father's blessing through \_\_\_\_\_
5. Flees his \_\_\_\_\_ and is now confronted with his \_\_\_\_\_

### **Questions to Answer About this Story**

1. Why does God ask Jacob his name? (v. 27)
2. Why does Jacob demand to be blessed?
3. Why does God let him “win”?
4. Why does God injure him?

### **Lessons We Can Take Away**

1. God wants us to engage with Him in a \_\_\_\_\_ way.
2. God prefers a \_\_\_\_\_, person with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Rather than one who is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. We should not \_\_\_\_\_ wrestling with God.



Please fill out an attendance card and pass it to the end of the aisle.

## FEATURED EVENTS

Ladies, please  
join us for  
Paige  
Marshall's  
Baby Shower  
in the FLC  
today at 2 PM!

**It's a  
BOY!**

Join Us for a Baby Boy Shower  
honoring

*Paige Marshall*

**JANUARY 7th | 2 PM**

Del City Church of Christ | Family Life Center  
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*We look forward to meeting little Lincoln Lorne Marshall!*

## WOMEN OF JOY Spring Conference

Branson, MO  
April 5-7, 2024

There are still 11 spots available to attend the Women of Joy Spring Conference on April 5-7. Cost is \$219 with a \$50 deposit to save your spot.

# COME OUT OF HIBERNATION



**DONATE BLOOD  
& SAVE LIVES  
THIS WINTER!**

NATIONAL  
BLOOD  
DONOR  
MONTH  
2024

**SAVE THE DATE**  
January 28

### [Del City Church of Christ](#)

Sunday, 01/28/2024 (08:30 am - 12:30 pm)  
1901 Vickie Drive  
Del City Church of Christ -2nd Bldg - Gym  
Walk ins are welcome!

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## FAMILY UPDATES

### BIRTHDAYS

**Jathon Hunt** | Jan. 7

**Angela Mitchell** | Jan. 7

**Judy Ginn** | Jan. 8

**Steven Williams** | Jan. 8

**Jimmy Lee** | Jan. 9

## BAPTISM

Congratulations to our new Sister-In-Christ, **Kelly White**. She was baptized Friday, Jan. 5th by David Schmitt at our building. Please join us in welcoming her to our congregation and keep her in your prayers. Her contact info is: Kelly White, 844 Englewood Rd, Del City, OK 73115, 405-820-6711, 405-820-6711.



## DCYG

**If you have a student in DCYG, please join us for a Family Meeting in the Youth Center during Bible Class today!**

**DCYG  
PARENT|FAMILY  
MEETING**

During Bible Class  
This Sunday - January 7th

Come hear plans & expectations for 2024!  
Questions? Justin | 405-570-9362

## UPCOMING DATES

- **Jan 7** DCYG Parent Meeting during Bible Class
- **Jan. 7** Baby Shower for Paige Marshall, 2 PM, FLC
- **Jan. 12-14** DCYG Winterfest, Fort Worth, TX
- **Jan. 18** Community Cupboard Distribution, 2PM - 5 PM
- **Jan. 28** OBI Blood Drive, Gym, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
- **Feb. 18** Ministry Fair
- **Feb. 25** Sweetheart Banquet

## EN ESPAÑOL

### “Luchando con Dios”

En Génesis 32 encontramos una historia muy inusual. Jacob, en vísperas de encontrarse con su hermano Esaú, del que estaba separado, por primera vez desde que se las arregló para obtener su bendición, se va a estar solo. Es en ese momento que un hombre extraño se acerca a él y comienzan a luchar. Al final de este combate, se nos dice que este extraño no es otro que Dios, y Él cambia el nombre de Jacob y lo bendice.

¿Qué debemos hacer con este pasaje? ¿Es esta sólo una de esas historias extrañas de la Biblia que simplemente sucede, aprendemos de ella y seguimos adelante? O tal vez esta historia, como toda la Biblia, tenga una verdad espiritual increíble esperando ser descubierta para que pueda cambiar la forma en que vemos e interactuamos con el creador del Universo.

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### DID YOU KNOW?

- We had 22 Baptisms in 2023! Please continue to pray for our new Brothers and Sisters-In-Christ.
- Our Trim the Tree Canned Food Drive in December brought in 1,214 items.

### BIBLE CLASSES

Join a Bible Class after Worship. We have classes for all ages and it's a great way to connect and fellowship.

- **Adult Class - Room 203**
- **Adult Class - Chapel**
- **Spanish-Speaking Adult Class - Room 201**
- **Young Adults (up to age 30) - Room 209**
- **Youth (7th - 12th) - Youth Center**
- **Children (Nursery - 6th Grade) - Children's Area**

### MINISTRY AND MAINTENANCE STATISTICS

12/31 Worship Attendance.....	256
12/31 Bible Class Attendance.....	137
12/31 Contribution .....	\$8,604.75
2023 YTD Regular Contribution.....	\$815,972.09
2023 Weekly Average .....	\$15,691.77
2023 Weekly Budget .....	\$14,866.74