

Guest Editorial

A Tribute to the Young Mother

As a preacher, I have the opportunity to see a lot that nobody else sees. I am able to observe what takes place during the assembly. Sleeping men, clock watchers, note passers, as well as people listening, nodding approval and disapproval of the lesson, those who take notes on sermons, etc. Yes, a lot is seen from the pulpit, and I just want to give some praise to a special lady.

Her name is YOUNG MOTHER. She has at least two children (one in diapers and the other barely out). Her husband helps in worship almost every Sunday and can rarely help her, or perhaps she is alone due to a mate who is out of duty or a non-member. She wrestles with the youngest, and has problems with the older one who has discovered pencils, cards, song books, and everything in mom’s purse. She is always at a loss for what to do when the baby starts to cry. Taking him out may get him used to going out, leaving him in may disturb those around her. So she takes the stares, the screams of the child, and her conscience as long as she can, and then dashes out to dole out whatever form of punishment or comfort that is needed.

I believe that she is one of the best examples of Christianity. She exhibits so much of the *fruit of the Spirit* (Galatians 5:22-23). She *loves* her children enough to bring them, even though she hears very little of the sermon. She gains *joy* from knowing that she is obeying the Lord under hard circumstances. A special *peace* is hers because she is raising these babies in the *nurture and admonition of the Lord* (Ephesians 6:4). Without question, the young mother is *patient* due to her constant attendance. Her *kindness* is expressed when she does not snap back at sister so-and-so who makes sarcastic remarks about how much noise her children make. *Goodness* and *faithfulness* are perhaps best expressed by this aggressive young mother who *seeks first the kingdom of God and His righteousness* (Matthew 6:33), rather than neglect her own soul and that of her children. Her *gentleness* glows as she strives to figure out what will settle her children down during worship. Lastly is her *self-control*. She doesn’t explode all over her children just because they are acting like children. She is not so concerned with her own dignity that she fails in the proper training of her children. She is in control of her life which is exhibited by her presence.

I love young mothers. As a preacher, I want them to know that I do not get angry with them when their children act up in worship. I do understand, and I would hope that everyone would. I believe that a child’s soul is worth more than a completely quiet auditorium, and I believe that a mother who endures all this is worth *more than rubies* (Proverbs 31:10). May God bless you for bearing the fruit of the Spirit in this marvelous way.

—Tommy Haynes, Moore , OK

Save the Date

Plans are in the works to recognize “70 Years of God’s Faithfulness” at DCCOC’s 70th Anniversary celebration scheduled for September 24-25. Make plans to join us, and please invite any friend or family member you know who has ever attended Del City for this special homecoming opportunity. Much more will be announced in the months to come...

In the meantime, we want to hear from you. What is your favorite memory of our church or your favorite thing about it? Please email any photos and special stories|memories to abruce@delcitychurch.org or drop them by the office. We are especially looking for photos from before the year 2000! We are compiling some special publications and memories for that weekend and want yours to be included. We will begin taking registrations for the banquet during the summer, so stay tuned!



Ministry and Maintenance Statistics

5/1 Worship Attendance.....	229
5/1 Bible Class Attendance.....	166
5/1 Contribution	\$18,714.74
YTD Regular Contribution	\$261,502.95
Weekly Average	\$14,527.94
Weekly Budget	\$14,703.58

Sermon Notes

Advice from Mother

Proverbs 31:1-9

Happy Mother’s Day! The subject of “Mother” appears in the Bible at least 224 times. Mothers give great advice. Notice three gems of wisdom given to King Lemuel by his mother.

- I. P_____ Moral S_____ (verse 3).
 - A. M_____ is an area of temptation Satan uses to his full A_____.
 - B. The end result is a lot of M_____ and U_____.
 - C. When you spend your S_____ on worldly women or men, it will R_____ you.
- II. P_____ Much S_____ (verses 4-7).
 - A. Two tragedies when drunk/drugged:
 - 1. You become L_____.
 - 2. You become S_____.
 - B. Alcohol or drugs have a purpose:
 - 1. To C_____ the dying.
 - 2. To ease the P_____ of those who may be physically S_____.
- III. P_____ Magnanimous S_____ (verses 8-9).
 - A. Lemuel’s mother is calling him to be U_____, G_____ and great-souled toward people in lesser circumstances.
 - B. To really get ahead you must H_____ those who C_____ help you.
 - C. To be successful we must A_____ do more than A_____ has a right to expect of you.

Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day! We invite you to capture a special memory in the lobby at our photo booth before or after service today. We will create an online gallery where you can download the pictures and post the link to our Facebook group. We will also email the link out to participants.



Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Dutch and Ann Schneider on the recent loss of Dutch's sister, Gloria Fothergill on April 28th.

Happy Birthday This Week

Deagan Breslin - May 3*

Rodell Smiley - May 9

James Broadie - May 10

Sam Schoelen - May 12

John Hunt - May 12

Kathryn Erwin - May 13

Mildred Childress - May 13

Paula Hastings - May 14

*correction from last week's bulletin

Dates To Remember

- **May 15** Senior Sunday | Promotion Sunday
- **May 19** Community Cupboard
- **May 22** OBI Blood Drive in FLC, 8 AM - 12 Noon
- **June 5-10** Camp Rock Creek (register online now!)
- **June 19-24** Camp Zenith @ Oklahoma Christian University
- **June 25** Car Show at DCCOC
- **July 6-9** Vacation Bible School
- **July 18-21** Day Camp at Camp Rock Creek
- **July 29-30** DCYG Float Trip
- **Aug. 11-13** National Hispanic Preacher's Conference
- **Sept. 24-25** DCCOC 70th Anniversary Celebration



Camp Rock Creek is approaching fast! The deadline for the Early Bird Discount of \$155 is today! After today it increases to \$175. Scan the code for the online form or pick up a paper application in the lobby, youth center or office. Students entering 3rd through 8th grade may attend. Invite a friend!



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Welcome To Our
 Sunday Morning
 Family Worship
 May 8, 2022

Please fill out an attendance card and pass to the aisle for collection at the close of worship. Yellow for our Guests; White for Members.

Order of Worship

Song, *This is the Day*Ivan Gonzalez
 Song #559, *The Joy Of The Lord*.....Ivan Gonzalez
 Song, *Shout Hallelujah*Ivan Gonzalez
 PrayerLandon Parker
 WelcomeIvan Gonzalez
 Song #337, *Hallelujah, What a Savior*Ivan Gonzalez
 CommunionTim Hempel
 Offering.....Tim Hempel
 Scripture Reading, *Proverbs 31:1-9*.....Rick Shimp
 Song #23, *Our God He is Alive*Ivan Gonzalez
 Message, *Advice from Mother*.....Jeff Gardner
 Song #943, *Do You Know My Jesus*.....Darrel Sullivan
 Closing AnnouncementsJeff Gardner
 PrayerChris Dillinger
 Song #853, *When We All Get To Heaven*.....Darrel Sullivan

Schedule of Assemblies

Sunday	
Worship	10:00 AM
Classes	11:15 AM
Wednesday	
Early Class	4:30 PM
Singing Class	6:30 PM
Youth Group	7:00 PM
Hispanic Class	7:00 PM

Attended Nursery from birth to 2 years is available for Sunday.
 For transportation to Worship and Other Assemblies Call (405) 672-1311 M-F, 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.