



Learning to live  
&  
love like  
**JESUS.**

JANUARY 2026

## NEW HERE?

*Welcome. We are glad  
you are here!*

Scan the code to download our  
Creekside App.

Fill out the Connect Card so we  
can know you were our guest  
and follow up with you!



## CONNECT *with* CREEKSIDE



**Newer to Creekside?** A great next step is the Connect with Creekside Class on **January 11th, 2026!** We will serve you lunch in our community room, provide childcare, and spend some time helping you understand who we are as a church and how we can better partner with you in God's calling on your life. This is a great way for you to let us know that Creekside is your church home, connect more intentionally with pastors, and make sure you are linked into our communications and ministry opportunities.



## How to Spend a Day with Jesus

**We all long** to walk more closely with Jesus—but what does that look like on an ordinary Tuesday? Or the Thursday after sad news? Or a Saturday when you've got something to celebrate? This highly practical series will explore ways to spend all our days in meaningful relationship with Jesus. Let's explore spiritual habits and real-life rhythms that fit the ups and downs of everyday life.



JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>  
PRAYER SUNDAY



JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>  
BAPTISM SUNDAY



JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>  
COMMUNION SUNDAY

# Every Week @THE CREEK

## WEDNESDAY ELECTIVES



**Living comes** with losses, great and small. No matter the nature of yours, join Missy Nicholas & Greeta Russell for this course on navigating griefs in ways likeliest to lead toward life and growth.



**Enrich Your Marriage** is a six-week class for couples who want to grow closer, communicate better, and strengthen their relationship. Using a trusted, time-tested curriculum, we'll cover communication, conflict, finances, faith, and navigating stress together. Whether you're newly married or years in, join Neil & Julie Oldham for practical tools and shared insights to help your marriage thrive.



**How was Daniel** able to navigate the tensions between his faith and the politics of his time? How do his prophecies fit into the story? Daniel's life is a roadmap for our time, and his prophecies give us guidance for the future! Join Darrell Moore for a new Bible study video series by Pastor Terry Feix.



**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**  
EVERY THURSDAY

**Celebrate Recovery** is a Christ-Centered Recovery Program. It is a safe place to discover healing and restoration from hurts, habits & hang-ups. We encourage you to come and check out the large group gathering to learn more about how Celebrate Recovery works and what it's all about.

### Thursday Night (at a glance)

5:45 - Meal in Community Room

6:30 - Large Group Worship & Testimony

7:30 - Open Share Groups

\*Childcare is provided - 5th Thursday's of the month will be an extended time of worship and connection with God.

### Want more information?

Contact the Church Office at 918.825.1062

### Exploring the issues:

#### Love and Relationship Addiction

For most women with unhealthy love and relationship addiction, we are dealing with depression, isolation, and a lack of trust. Unhealthy use of love and relationships is a means of achieving worth.

### How do we find recovery?

Through a relationship with Jesus Christ ad Savior and Higher Power, and working the 8 principles and the Christ-centered 12 steps, we can find freedom from our hurts, habits and hang-ups.

### 12-Step Study Groups

**Men's** - Startying January 2026 (See Randy)

**Women's** - New Sudy To Be Announced!

## WEEKLY TIMES

### SUNDAY MORNINGS

- \* 9am - Adult, Student, & Kids Small Groups
- 10:30 am - Adult & Student Worship, Kids Large Group

### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

- \* 5-6pm - Pre-ordered meal pickup (**Starting 1/14/2026**)
- 6pm - Kids & Students Large Group, Adult Electives

### THURSDAY NIGHTS

- \* 5:45pm - Dinner
- 6:30pm - Celebrate Crecovery Large Group



# Bell Tower ECHOES



## BELL TOWER BLESSING

**Historically, church bells** have rung to remind us to lift our eyes to heaven and our hearts in prayer. Each **Wednesday at 10:00am**, we gather beneath our historic bell for a time of blessing and prayer.



## FIRST SUNDAY HYMN SING

**Sunday, January 4 . 8:30am**

**We invite you** to join us on the first Sunday of each month at 8:30am for a Hymn Sing. We will gather in and around the bell tower and lift our voices to some of the most beloved and timeless hymns of our faith. Coffee and pastries are served, and we will conclude our singing in time to attend Community Groups at 9am.



## BELL TOWER BLESSING

**Following the Bell Tower Blessing**, our intercessory prayer team gathers for self-guided prayer around the building, asking for God's presence to be deeply felt at Creekside and interceding for the needs of our church family. All are welcome to join the prayer team any week you are available.



## Gather at the Table

THE SON OF MAN CAME EATING & DRINKING...

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS

**Beginning Wednesday, January 14**, pre-ordered meals will be available from 5:00–6:00 p.m. Simply place your order through our app by Tuesday evening and enjoy a Chick-fil-A sandwich, chips, fruit, dessert, and a beverage. **Meals are \$7 each.**

**NEW!**

We hope this option makes Wednesday nights a little easier for your family and creates a welcoming space for our church family to gather, eat, and fellowship around the table.

## CREEKSIDE MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Join us** on January 8<sup>th</sup>, and on the second Thursday of each month at 8am for biscuits and gravy and a Creekside Guy's testimony. Come early for coffee and conversation.

## THURSDAY NIGHT MEAL

**You are welcome** to join us for a warm meal served on Thursday evenings in the Community Room beginning at 5:45pm



## CR MEN'S BREAKFAST

2nd Tuesday of the month at  
Lu's Eastside Cafe - 8am

## CR WOMEN'S COFFEE

Last Saturday of the month at  
Heritage Cafe - 9am

*All are welcome!*







# Creekside Cares

THE SON OF MAN CAME NOT TO BE SERVED, BUT TO SERVE...

## SINGLE MOM'S DAY

Picture this—a single mom pulls into the parking lot, unsure of what to expect. She's tired—of juggling schedules, of stretching resources, of carrying more than her share. But she's greeted with a smile, her car is taken care of, and for the first time in a while, she's told, "Today is for you." That's the heart of **Single Mom's Day**.

Each year, we create a space where single moms in Mayes County are not just served, but celebrated. Valets welcome them and take their cars to a local mechanic for a complimentary oil change. Their kids are cared for in a fun, safe environment and even receive haircuts—while mom steps into a peaceful, un-rushed space designed just for her.

She's invited to rest. To soak her feet. To enjoy a chair massage or a manicure. To browse a book and bath shop. To sit quietly, breathe deeply, and feel seen. Along the way, gentle moments of prayer and ministry are offered—not forced, but freely given—reminders that she is not alone and that God sees her story.

Our hope is simple: that each mom leaves knowing she is deeply valued and unconditionally loved. No strings attached. Just the love of Jesus, expressed through Jesus' people, showing up with compassion, dignity, and joy.

And this is where you come in.

There are so many ways to help make this day possible—donating items, serving on the day of the event, or helping create the calm, welcoming environment that makes Single Mom's Day so meaningful. Visit the QR code or stop by the Care Corner to sign up and be part of sharing the love of Jesus in a tangible, unforgettable way.

## TOP 3 NEEDS

*Get your serve on...*

1

### I Can Bring Something to Single Mom's Day

Can you donate a lasagna, salad and bread for each mom to take home for her family? Have some perfumes, lotions, books or jewelry you could round up to donate for our mom's to "shop"? Sign up and let us know what items you can donate by scanning the QR code.



2

### I Can Help on the Day of the Event

Follow the QR Code to let us know what station you can serve at, and what shift(s) you are available to work.



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### First Impressions Ministry

Would you be willing to serve on a rotation of greeting and extending hospitality to people on Sunday mornings? Just follow the QR Code to express interest, and Pastor Lori will connect with you to get you plugged in!

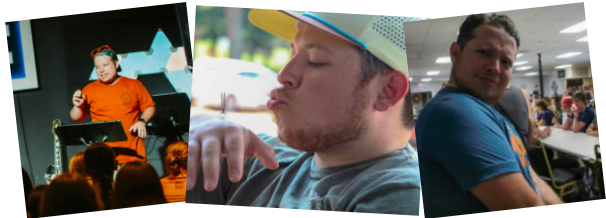






# Stories from the Staff

SERVING LOCALLY, LEADING NATIONALLY - BY ANDREW REHBEIN (LEAD PASTOR)



Creekside is part of a global movement of churches known as the Church of God, with general offices in Anderson, Indiana. While Creekside functions as an autonomous local church, we willingly partner with other Church of God congregations across our state and region for things like youth camps, conventions, and pastoral development opportunities. We also collaborate with our national organization in areas such as global missions, disaster relief efforts, and pastoral credentialing.

This structure provides a meaningful level of accountability and helps ensure that autonomy never becomes isolation. At the same time, it allows our church the freedom to express its unique calling and to make thoughtful decisions regarding local governance, mission priorities, and pastoral leadership.

We are deeply blessed to have an exceptionally high-caliber pastoral team here at Creekside. In addition to serving our local community so well, each of our pastors has also contributed at a regional or national level within our Church of God network.

With that in mind, I want to share an exciting development involving our very own Alex Mobley. A few months ago, I received a call requesting my blessing for Alex to join the National Youth Team of the Church of God. I was more than happy to give my wholehearted endorsement, and Alex was formally invited to step into this role alongside a small team of leaders from across our movement.

In this capacity, Alex will help plan the International Youth Convention—a biennial event that inspires thousands of students from across the United States and Canada. Additionally, he will help create environments where youth pastors from around the country can grow, receive coaching, and be encouraged in their ministry assignments. I am personally grateful to Alex for pastoring my two daughters so faithfully, as well as for the care he shows the youth of Creekside and the broader Pryor community. I am also incredibly proud of this well-deserved honor and opportunity for him to serve at a national level. This role will allow Alex to continue growing as a leader while also pouring into others through his experience, passion, and love for students.

When you see Alex, please take a moment to congratulate him and thank him for being such a dedicated and impactful youth pastor.

## Council Corner

A FRONT-ROW SEAT TO GOD'S WORK - BY MATT MARTIN (2025 COUNCIL PRESIDENT)



Brothers and sisters, I have been blessed to serve on your church council for the last 5 years. When I think back, it is humbling to think about what God has done in our church. While many think about the logistical changes, like new buildings, new mission groups, new times, and new church names, I get very emotional about the life changes that have happened. I think about the single moms we have served, the 12 step program graduates, the missionaries we have worshiped with, and the numerous baptisms (some in pretty fishy places). Over the last year or two, we have committed together to living more like Jesus through morning and evening commitments, feasting together, fasting together, gathering together to encourage one another, and going out with one mission. I would say our union is strong.

One thing I learned over this time is how to disagree in unity. It's going to happen. We are fallen beings. I've learned that what truly matters is that we are unified by our one hope. Saint Paul said it to the church in Ephesus, "one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all". It's strange how those who I've disagreed with are the same people that I love more today than ever before. Kingdom life, I guess.

In 2026, I commit to praying for you, the council, and the staff. I am certain that God has big plans for Creekside, and it looks like the church in Phillipi, because "he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus".



## LIFE APP: THE BIBLE TEACHES ME THE BEST THINGS!

This month theme is hitting the books! Books are a gift because of what they can teach us, but there is one book that surpasses them all—the Bible! Jesus said, “Your word is truth” (John 17:17 NIV). That’s what the Bible is. It’s truth! The Bible is filled with God’s words, and all the best things God wants to teach us. Join us this month as we pray for our little ones to fall in love with the Bible and that they will see God’s Word as truth.



## LIFE APP: COMMITMENT - MAKING A PLAN AND PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE

Every kid has experienced what it’s like to learn a new skill, whether that’s tying shoelaces, learning to dribble a soccer ball, or practicing piano. Each of these things require a plan to practice a little each day—resulting in big changes over time. That’s why this month’s theme is “Game Plan: Growing stronger in faith every day”—so kids can discover how walking with Jesus isn’t a one-time choice, but something they can grow in over time.



## PJ'S AND POPTARTS

Join us at 10:30 for PJ's & Pop tarts as we celebrate the new year! Children ages 3yrs thru 4th grade can wear their pajamas to church and enjoy a special snack & a movie!



## JUICEBOX JAMS

A FREE celebration on **Friday, January 7th, from 9:30am–10:30am** in the Creekside Kids Area for parents & preschoolers (0–5) with music, movement & fun! Older siblings welcome!

WEDNESDAY PROGRAMMING RESUMES JAN. 7<sup>TH</sup> @6PM!

## JANUARY SERIES

### Middle School



**God created you** on purpose—fearfully and wonderfully as His masterpiece. While the world urges imitation, God calls you to live as His original: chosen, created, and never alone.

### High School



**Students are constantly** pressured to prove their worth, but God already knows and affirms who they are. Our prayer is that their confidence rests in who God says they are, not what others say.



**Open to Juniors and Seniors** on Feb. 25th & 26th, Students attending will spend a night in the residential halls, participate in classes and chapel, tour the campus, get detailed information about admissions and financial aid, and meet current student leaders to discuss their campus experience. Attendees will also be eligible to receive a \$1,000 scholarship to MACU for their first year!



**We'll depart the church** at 6:00 PM on January 9th for an overnight event, "At the Feet of the King," where students across Oklahoma gather for worship, teaching, and spiritual growth—plus games, food, and late-night fun they won't want to miss.



**This weekend conference** happening from Feb. 27th to March 1st is a leadership-focused experience for high school students who feel called to ministry or want to grow as leaders in their school, workplace, and community, with challenges that build spiritual habits alongside like-minded peers. Please note that the sign up cut off is Feb. 22nd!



**Join us** at the International Youth Convention in Cincinnati for powerful worship, teaching, a city service project, and a day at Kings Island. We'll stay at the Hyatt Regency and stop at the St. Louis City Museum—current 8th–12th graders can sign up now at the early-bird rate.

## SAVE THE DATE!

- Rummage Sale - March 4-7
- Graduation Sunday - May 17
- Summer Kick Off - May 20
- Boot Camp - May 31
- Youth Camp - June 1-5
- IYC - June 28 - July 4
- Jr. High Retreat - July 30 - August 2
- Back to School Bash - August 16
- Resume Programming - August 19

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# Upcoming Events



## FORMED

### A FORMATION GROUP GATHERING

Sunday, January 25  
12:00 - 2:00

Calling all Formation Group members—and anyone interested in this kind of group. This lunch gathering will remind us that each group, though small, is part of something much bigger. Together, we'll reflect on the tremendous value of these groups and celebrate what God is doing in and among us.

*Formation Groups are gender-specific gatherings of 3–5 people who meet around Scripture and a shared desire for spiritual growth.*

## JumpStart

MARRIAGE CONFERENCE @ CROSSINGS CHURCH IN OKC

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>

Invest in your relationship at the JumpStart Marriage Conference! This two-day event is designed for couples—whether you're dating, engaged, or married—to be inspired, encouraged, and equipped with practical, biblical insights for deeper connection and greater intimacy. Find out more information about the conference, speaker Nirup Alphonse, and register for the event at the QR code.



## Community at CREEKSIDE

*Community Groups are a great place to connect. These groups go deeper in discussion of the topics we teach in our main gatherings.*

### Find a Group!

Scan the code to explore Community Groups & Bible Studies for various ages & stages.



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### OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT

🕒 Mon. - Thurs. from 9am - 4pm

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### CREEKSIDE SWAG STORE

**Check out** the Creekside Church Merch Online Store! Grab t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, stickers, and more to represent Creekside in style. Proceeds support our Family Ministries, helping us invest in the next generation. Shop now with the **GOLD** QR code!

