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Budget\$9,615

Contribution\$9,911

YTD Budget\$346,140

YTD Contribution\$307,314

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Online

<https://www.ecoc.church>
Facebook - @ecoc.church
YouTube - @ecoc.church
Instagram - @ecoc.church

Sunday:

Bible Class - 9:00 AM
Worship - 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Class:

7:00 PM

Church Office:

Call: 405-732-0393
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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9 AM - 5 PM

OPTIONS FOR GIVING

- 1 - Collection Plate
- 2 - On website click "Give"
- 3 - Download the Eastside app
- 4 - Text 405-337-9319

ELDERS

Sam Brandon
Ricky Bugher
Michael Graham
David Holt
Ryan McDonald
David Walton
OPEN DOOR: Wednesdays 6PM

MINISTERS

Jack Dodgen
Kyle Humphrey
Tracy Mussett

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WHAT DO I DO WITH THE GIFT?

As a kid, did you ever go to the store with a pocket full of bills you had earned from various chores, only to attempt to buy a toy and come up a little short? In that moment, you probably turned to your parent, hoping they would cover the gap between what you had and what the toy actually cost.

For some, this is how they view grace. In other words, grace is what covers my shortcomings after I have given it my all. While this might be a comforting idea, it falls short of the biblical explanation.

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9)

"But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy..." (Titus 3:4-5)

"...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8)

Did you notice the pattern? In each of these sections, grace does not follow our efforts; it precedes them. Grace allows us to have what we could not earn ourselves. It is the means by which we are able to become followers of God. Where our sin keeps us separated from God, grace provides the means of bringing us back to Him, not through our own efforts, but through the work of Jesus on the cross.

Returning to our analogy at the start, God doesn't simply cover the missing dollar for your toy. Rather, He has purchased the gift for you.

The question that follows, then, is: What do I do with the gift I've been given? The Bible answers this question as well:

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." (Ephesians 2:10)

"The saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people." (Titus 3:8)

"Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace." (Romans 6:12-14)

It is after grace that the work begins. God has saved us from certain death, and as a result, we live for Him in gratitude, knowing that He has provided for us what we never could have provided for ourselves.

-Jack Dodgen

PRAYER REQUESTS

NEW REQUESTS:

- **Sympathy to Melba Vance and family.** Her daughter-in-law, **Sondra Carter**, who is also the grandmother to Cassie and Alexis, passed away last Sunday.
- **Chris Horvei** has an injury to his leg.
- **Teagan Marlsbury** is in OU Medical with an infection in his amputated leg.
- **Ruth Shelhope** has a blood clot in her leg.
- **Elizabeth Stewart** will have surgery to remove her gall bladder.
- **Brian Colins**, a former member, had a skiing accident yesterday. He is in stable, but serious condition in the hospital currently.

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER:

Cheryl Bellah, Stephanie Brewer, Larry & Kathie Broudrick, Chuck Bryant, Ron Cannefax, Shan Carter, Karen Davis, Phil Dawkins, David Graham, Michele Kuroki, Teagan Malsbury, Pat Patterson, Jeanne Pickett, & June Rard

OUR MISSIONARIES:

Harold Shank & Students, Global Christian Studies; Dustin Archer, Prison Correspondence Ministry; Hiwatthia Jones, Byron & Snezana Benitez, Guatemala; Kent Marcum, Operation Ecuador; Ben Begay, Many Farms, Arizona; Jim Christian, Manuelito Navajo Children’s Home; Search TV; BibleTalk; Truth for Today; Tipton Children’s Home; Michael Fordjour, Ghana; World Bible School; World English Institute

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOUSE GUEST

A Physician Assistant student from Harding University will work a six week clinical rotation in OKC from Oct 5th - Nov 11th. Harding is looking for a church member who can provide a room for him to stay in. He is single, doesn’t know much about the area, can take care of his own meals, and is willing to pay for utilities. If you have a room available and will consider helping with this, please see Tracy for more information.

LTC SIGNUP

Yes, you read that correctly. With venue and, potentially, schedule changes coming to LTC this next year, we want to get a head start on sign ups for the event. You can sign up at: <https://forms.gle/b27bxfmEjcGPiHa17>

TEACHERS IN TRAINING

We want to add new teachers to our nursery-5th grade classes. It will be a 6-week rotation. We ask that you prayerfully consider involving yourself in this ministry. If you feel like this is a leap you could make, we have several teachers standing by who would love to mentor you and walk you through the classroom teaching process. Please see Jack if you are interested in learning more.

FOOD PANTRY

Donations are needed: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, and Ramen. Deliver to the church office.

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY NEEDS

Travel size shampoo, conditioner, and body wash. Deliver to the church office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

Our young men will lead worship this evening.

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CLOTHING ROOM WORKDAY
Monday, Sep 14th, 9 AM to Noon
Each Monday morning.
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LADIES CLASS
Wednesday, September 16th, 10 AM
“That You May Believe”. The class meets each Wednesday.
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FEED THE TITANS
Friday, September 18th
We feed the Carl Albert Varsity Football team on game day. Volunteers should arrive at the Family Center by 1:00 PM.
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GLAD YOU ASKED
Sunday, September 20th, 5 PM
Our ministers answer your questions on the 3rd Sunday evening each month.
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HILLTOPPERS GROUP ACTIVITY
Friday, September 25th
The 18-35 group will get together for games and friendship at the Dreiling home. Kids are welcome.
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LET’S TALK
Sunday, September 27th, 5 PM
Groups discuss the themed lessons from the current month, “GRACE”.
4th Sunday evening each month.
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TUESDAY EVENING LADIES CLASS
Tuesday, September 29th, 7 PM
At Carrol Bullock’s house.



- **MOVE Conference**
September 11th-13th
MOVE is back at the Southwest Church of Christ
- **AREA WIDE**
Sunday, September 20th
At Blanchard. Worship and dinner. Van will leave Eastside at 3:55 PM
- **AREA WIDE**
Sunday, September 27th
At Hydro. Worship, dinner, and corn maze.