#### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9:00-1:00

Schedule of Services

Sunday 10:00 AM Class 11:00 AM Worship 5:30 PM Evening Worship

Wednesday 6:00 PM Adult & Childrens Class

Mon. - Fri. @ 1:08 PM on KHOS 92.1

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

#### Jan. 7

Class & Morning Lesson - Tony Lopez Announcements - Jerry Kemp Singing - Rich Ramseyer Opening Prayer - Marcus Murr Communion James Benson Ollie Murr Emilio Lozano Closing Prayer - Rocky Jones Evening Lesson - Tony Lopez

#### Jan. 14

Class & Morning Lesson - Tony Lopez Announcements - Rich Ramseyer Singing - Marcus Murr Opening Prayer - Tony Lopez Communion Jerry Kemp James Benson Ollie Murr Closing Prayer - James Blackman Evening Lesson - Tony Lopez

#### Jan. 21

Class & Morning Lesson - Tony Lopez Announcements - Marcus Murr Singing - Rich Ramseyer Opening Prayer - James Blackman Communion Rocky Jones Ollie Murr Emilio Lozano Closing Prayer - James Benson Evening Lesson - Tony Lopez

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# As Bold as a lion By: Cody Westbrook

Solomon said, "The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are bold as a lion" (Pro. 28:1). Scripture enjoins and illustrates the practice of boldness in the lives of Christians, but what exactly is it? Thayer defines the term as "freedom in speaking, unreservedness in speech; free and fearless confidence, cheerful courage, boldness, and assurance." Note some examples of boldness in scripture.

Boldness is seen in the courageous way the early church publicly proclaimed the Gospel. Acts 4:31 says the Christians at Jerusalem "...spoke the word of God with boldness." Paul preached boldly at Damascus and Jerusalem (Acts 9:27-29). He and Barnabas spoke boldly in the Lord at Iconium (Acts 14:3) and he did the same in the synagogue at Ephesus (Acts 19:8), Thessalonica (1 Thess. 2:2), and many other places (2 Cor. 3:12). Paul characterized his writing as bold. Romans 15:15 says, "Nevertheless, brethren, I have written more boldly to you on some points..." In 2 Corinthians 7:4 he said, "Great is my boldness of speech toward you..." He even wrote of boldness to describe his own conviction and desire to courageously glorify Christ in His body by life or death (Phil. 1:20). Boldness is also utilized in our approach to God. Hebrews 4:16 says that we may come "boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." We can also look to eternity with boldness. John wrote, "Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, so are we in this world" (1 John 4:17) Boldness does not require a loud voice or a certain personality. It has more to do with courage and conviction than it does with style. One can be bold in proclaiming or defending truth of God from a pulpit, with pen and paper, or in a personal bible study. One can be confident, or bold, with a loud voice and outgoing personality, or with a quiet volume and reserved personality. Whoever the person and whatever the setting, God's people can, and must, be confident and firm in their faith and conviction, and courageous to stand for the truth, regardless of consequence. That is boldness.

## News



Congratulations to Eddy Smith and KHOS radio! KHOS under his direction has been selected as one of the top five Small Market Country Stations by the artists and promoters in the industry!

Remember that you can hear a short five minute clip from Tony every afternoon on the radio at 1:08 PM.

The Children's Program resumes Wednesday. Children's classes are from 6:00-6:45 PM and Adult Class is from 7:00-7:45 PM. Make plans to attend and start your new year off on the right foot.

# **Children's Program**

The church vans will run this coming Wednesday. Children's classes are from 6:00-6:45. Adult class follows. We will be going through some of the highlights of the Old Testament this semester and talking about how the lessons can be applied to us as Christians today.

Remember that if a child attends at least 20 Wednesday classes they will be eligible for a Huge Reward! (1) A full week of church camp for those old enough to attend! (2) If they are too young for church camp, they will have a day at Jellystone Water Park with the group. These kids are doing great and looking forward to their rewards!

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Jan. 6 - Marcus Murr Jan. 9 - Sue Smith Jan. 18 - Anslee Ramseyer Jan. 19 - Brystol Badeaux Jan. 26 - Rhonda Blackman



## PRAYERS

Kydee Badeaux, youngest daughter of Kara and Zach. Kati's grandfather on her mother's side of the family has been having some health issues. Monica Ojeda, wife of Lewis Baker, is now home to continue her recovery from a double lung transplant. Glenn Mortimer, friend of the Schenkel family and his cancer battle. Brandon Bonnet, Stanley Adams nephew, has commenced his cancer treatments. Linda Neff and her cancer treatment. Ray Lozano and Cesareo Lozano, brothers of Rachel, and their health issues. Louise Ingham's kinfolk that wishes to remain anonymous, but is fighting cancer. Justin Allen, Loretta's grandson Melissa Murr is continuing her recovery and medication reduction. We have been blessed to have her back! Pam Earwood Nadrada Acosta, friend of Kelly Jones continues to need our prayers. Russell Haffner, Kati's father Alma Smart, Louise Ingham's aunt. Jonathan Fletcher, son of Pamela Earwood. Tony's grandmother and her comfort. Brent Atkin, cousin to Dianne Benson, who is struggling with cancer. Sharon Holmes son in law is very sick. She is a close friend of Venetta and Loretta. Patti Castillo-Landrum and her daughters Anna and Morgan. Shannon Gierisch of Roanoke has health issues. Her husband, Scooter, is a cousin to James Benson and Allison Ramseyer. Jerry and Joy's grand son in law's grandmother. Danny and Tammy Worley Mark Jackson Rav and Sue Smith Clyde's sisters and his brother Jimmy Clyde's niece, Kelli Trapp Johnny Humphreys and his mother Jean. Our Nation & Our Schools & those in mourning