

THE PATHWAY

Our Mission

To worship the Lord Jesus Christ, taking His message of salvation to all peoples and developing the body of believers to maturity in Him. . .

. . .by showing our commitment to one another by declaring fellowship with the Lord and members in this congregation and by encouraging each other through our social interactions in large and small group opportunities.

. . .by meeting together on Sunday as a group to express our praise and adoration to God for the resurrection of Jesus on the first day of the week

. . .by communicating by verbal statement and by personal example of the activity of grace on our behalf which entailed the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.

. . .by providing opportunities that encourage each of our members to constantly review their faith and grow in their spiritual walk with God.



A WALK DOWN THE PATH

On: Getting Ready for Harvest

The days of my youth are sometimes only fleeting memories. The more distant they become, the less distinct and less numerous they become. I remember only three or four images of my grandfathers. I have many more recollections of my grandmother. This summer will be my 45 year high school class reunion. About 55 of my classmates and I began kindergarten together. The other 135 joined with us through the years as our town grew. When I have opportunity to visit with my classmates every five years at our reunions, we all reflect on old memories. It never ceases to amaze me the different experiences that are remembered by some but not by others who were involved in the same experiences. So works our memories. We tend to remember those incidents that have particular meaning to us, even though we may not know why they carry their own particular significance.

Some of the experiences I recall from my teenage years are the summers I spent working on nearby farms. I walked soybeans for a couple of summers with a crew of boys for a farmer in our community at Ankeny, Iowa. We worked from 7:00 in the morning until noon. When the bean plants were small, it was quite easy to walk up and down the rows and pulling, hoeing or chopping out the weeds or volunteer corn. As the beans grew waist high, we'd get soaked to the skin from the heavy dew on the plants and have to push our way through the rows to get to the troublesome unwanted weeds that were well rooted and uncooperative with our efforts.

A couple of summers I worked on a hybrid seed farm near Ames, Iowa. Our crew walked those fields all day long, doing weeding and removing of rogue corn stalks. These corn

plants had to be monitored carefully because their seed was sold for planting to become popcorn.

All of that work was to help the farmer get ready to have a good harvest. Without proper seed planted and proper care, the rains and sunshine will be unproductive. But with proper preparation, the farmer looks forward to a prosperous and satisfying harvest.

We have a Harvest event every year here at Rolling Hills. On Sunday morning, November 23, we will be receiving an offering to assist with our mission support. Elsewhere in this newsletter is some additional information about the November 22, 23 Harvest Weekend events and plans. We will also be mailing a letter with further explanation. We can all look with anticipation to an enjoyable weekend of events which include the Saturday prayer chain, the Sunday morning worship and offering, and the Sunday evening Harvest Feast. David Smart will be with us once again to help us celebrate God's generosity in our lives.

For our Harvest Weekend to be productive and satisfying we all will need to do our proper preparation. Plant your seed of faith involvement by praying now about how you can be ready. Remove the weeds that may prevent your generosity from growing into a wonderful healthy gift. Water your plants of faith by joining in the prayer chain. And enjoy reaping the Harvest at our celebration feast.

A good Harvest doesn't happen by accident. All the workers make it happen when they pool their resources and cooperate together for the common purpose. Put on your work shoes and come join us in the field.



Steve

NEW MEMBER WELCOME!

On Sunday, October 26, we welcomed Jake Rogers into the church family when he was baptized during service. For your directories, Jake and family reside at 119 NW Redbud Circle, #10, Topeka, 66617. His phone number is 785-969-0846, and his birthday is February 19.

Jake is Dad to 2 daughters, Makenzie, age 6,

and Chloe, age 4. He says that being a dad takes up much of his time, but in his spare time, you might find him working on computers or out for a run. He also works as a Systems Administrator for Child Services.

We are pleased to have Jake, Makenzie, and Chloe become a part of our family!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETINGS:

Elder's Breakfast Meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 11

The Elders will meet for breakfast on Tuesday, Nov. 11, at 6:45 a.m. at Cracker Barrel.

Deacon and Elder Board Meeting, Nov. 16, 6 p.m.

The Elder and Deacon Board Meeting will be held Sunday, November 16, with our usual \$6 Supper at 6 p.m.

Men's Breakfast, McDonald's, Nov. 30, 7:30 a.m.

All the men are welcome to come to the men's breakfast at Hunter's Ridge McDonalds on the last Sunday of every month at 7:30 a.m.

READ THE BIBLE IN 2015!

For our Bible Reading Plan in 2015, we plan to purchase copies of the HCSB "Reading God's Story Chronological Daily Bible." This Bible is available for \$13, and we will order copies in December. If you would like a copy, please sign up in the foyer so we know how many to order.

Church Offerings for October

Date	Offering
Oct. 5	\$3,600
Oct. 12	\$1,275
Oct. 19	\$2,293
Oct. 26	\$3,710

Avg. for October: **\$2,719**

Weekly Budget Requirement: **\$2,993**

SERVING

Cleaning Crews

The Joe White Cleaning Crew is cleaning for the month of November. Thanks to our cleaning crews for all they do!



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Ladies' Book Club, Sunday, Nov. 9, 5:30 p.m.

The Ladies' Book Club will meet on Sunday, Nov. 9, at 5:30 p.m. We will review the novel, *Deeper Water*, by Robert Whitlow. The book is available at the Topeka Public Library.



Sisters in Service Meeting, Sunday, Nov. 9, 6:30 pm

The Sisters in Service will meet on Sunday, Nov. 9 at 6:30 p.m. We will discuss service needs and upcoming activities. All ladies are invited to attend.



Christmas Salad Sampler

This fun, traditional activity is quickly approaching. A "few good women" are needed to help coordinate this much-anticipated event!

Ladies' Bible Study, Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

Ladies, join us for a study on Spiritual Warfare on Thursdays at 9 a.m.



Younger Ladies' Bible Study

For the ladies who signed up for the Bible study for younger women, we will soon begin studying *Ever After* by Vicki Courtney. Our first meeting (to distribute books and make plans for further meetings) is on Tuesday, November 4, at Gambino's.

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

50+ Fellowship to the Great Overland Station

On Friday, Nov. 14, at 12 noon, we will lunch together and hear what it was like to be a Harvey Girl, at the Topeka Great Overland Station. Following lunch, we will have a guided tour by a docent dressed to suit the event. If we have 25 people attend, cost will be \$18 per person; if less than 25, the cost is a bit higher. Guests are welcome, so please invite your friends and neighbors!



We will have a meeting after service on Sunday, November 2, to discuss the details of the trip. Questions may be directed to Shirley Christenberry.

Harvest Celebration, November 23, 5:30 p.m.



Our Harvest Celebration and Thanksgiving Feast will be held on Sunday evening, November 23, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Turkeys, dressing, and gravy will be prepared by volunteers in the church (turkeys are provided by the church), so please sign up in the foyer if you would like to cook and bring a turkey to our feast. All others are welcome to bring your favorite Thanksgiving sides, salads, or desserts.

Following the Feast, we will have a service to celebrate the gifts donated for the Harvest Collection, with a special concert by guitarist Charles David Smart.

Make plans to join us for this fun and worshipful Celebration!

MISSION MINISTRY



Harvest Weekend, November 22-23

Harvest letters have been sent to those who attend Rolling Hills Christian Church. Harvest weekend will be held November 22 and 23, starting with our prayer chain through the day on the 22nd. Guitarist Charles David Smart will join us for our Harvest Service and evening celebration, and we will take up a special offering for the missionaries and organizations we regularly support. On Sunday evening, November 23, we will have a Celebration for the gifts received, and enjoy a Harvest Thanksgiving feast.

For our Harvest Feast, turkeys (provided by the church) are prepared by volunteers in the church, so watch for a sign-up in the foyer. You are welcome to bring holiday sides, salads, and desserts to accompany the turkeys and dressing.

Make plans now to join in these times of worship, prayer, and fellowship!

HARVEST
GOAL:
\$9,555

Operation Christmas Child, Collection Week November 17-24

Collection Week for Operation Christmas Child is coming soon! National Collection Week is held the third week of November, Monday the 17th through Monday the 24th. Rolling Hills Christian Church has once again partnered with Operation Christmas Child as a collection center for Christmas Boxes. Sign up if you can help!

We also have brochures available in the foyer to guide you in packing your own shoe box gifts for children in need all around the world. Gifts can be brought to the stage on November 16 and 23.

Our Collection Center Hours are as follows:

- * Mon., Nov. 17: 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
- * Tues/Thurs, Nov. 18 & 20: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- * Wed./Fri., Nov. 19 & 21: 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
- * Sat., Nov. 22: 9:30–noon
- * Sun., Nov. 23: 1:30-3:30 p.m.
- * Mon., Nov. 24: 9:30–11:30 a.m.



SERVING AT ROLLING HILLS FOR NOVEMBER

WORSHIP ELDER Bill Hollingshead

SONG LEADERS Melissa Boutz; Steve Seehorn 11/23

SOUND – Bob Coffman

COMPUTER – Bruce Maples

CHURCH CLEANERS – Crew 3

COMMUNION PREPARATION – Boutz / Johnson

* Communion Meditation; # Offering Meditation

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* Jim Clark # Eric Showalter Jim Eddy Kurtis Wells	* Jim Clark # Eric Showalter Jim Eddy Kurtis Wells	* David Maples # Ken Lehev Harold Watson Richard Johnson	* David Maples # Ken Lehev Harold Watson Richard Johnson	* David Maples # Ken Lehev Harold Watson Richard Johnson
BENEDICTION				
Eric Showalter	Eric Showalter	Ken Lehev	Ken Lehev	Ken Lehev
MISSIONS UPDATE				
Eric Showalter	Sharlene Showalter	Melissa Boutz	Arlene Marshall	Georgia Ford
GREETERS				
Wells / White	Wright / B. Barnes	W. Baker / Brackey	Briggs / Coffman	Boutz/ Johnson
NURSERY WORKERS				
M. Perry / W. Desch	L. Seehorn / A. Seehorn	K. Snyder / S. Showalter	M. James / B. Watson	J. Barnes / T. Baker
PRESCHOOL WORSHIP				
Karen Seel	Marcia James/ Megan Perry	Kristi Nei	Karla & Lauryn Morstorf	April Wells
ELEMENTARY WORSHIP				
Kevin & Renee Wohletz	Tracy Briggs	Anna Seehorn / April Wells	Bryan & Melissa Boutz	5 th Sunday Family Sunday

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Come Join Us!

Sundays:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

COMING UP AT ROLLING HILLS

- Tues., Nov. 4:** Young Ladies' Bible Study Meeting at Gambino's
Sun., Nov. 9: Sisters in Service Book Club and Meeting, 5:30 & 6:30.
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Sun., Nov. 16: Deacon and Elder Board Meeting, \$6 Supper at 6 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 14: 50+ Fellowship to the Great Overland Station
Mon., 11/17– Mon., 11/24: Operation Christmas Child Collection Week
Sat., Nov. 22: Harvest Prayer Chain, 6 a.m.—Midnight
Sun., Nov. 23: Harvest Service, Collection, Guest Guitarist Charles David Smart
Harvest Feast and Celebration, beginning at 5:30 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 30: 1st Sunday in Advent
Men's Breakfast, Hunters' Ridge McDonald's, 7:30 a.m.
News due to Melissa for December issue of *The Pathway*

Weekly: Ladies' Bible Study, Thursdays at 9 a.m.

Coming Soon:

Advent and Christmas messages; Christmas Eve Service
Sisters in Service Salad Sampler

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**“The fruit of the righteous
is a tree of life.”**

Proverb 11:30