

THE PATHWAY

Our Vision

Becoming a beacon of faith
drawing people to Jesus

Our Mission

We will serve Jesus by touching people's lives and teaching them to have Kingdom-minded hearts.

Our Values

- * Welcoming: We meet you at the door and receive you as one of our family.
- * Family: We encourage families of all ages and stages, and those in need of families, to be a part of our church family.
- * Christ-centered: We focus our worship, our teachings, and our life-style choices on Jesus.
- * Scripture: We encourage everyone to have an understanding of The Bible as God's inspired communication to all.
- * Prayerful: We communicate to God in prayer to strengthen our relationship with Him.
- * Supportive: We support and uplift each other through our prayers, fellowship, and service to one another.
- * Evangelism: We share the message of salvation both locally and globally.

**Church Offerings
for January**

Date	Offering
Jan. 1	\$3,485
Jan. 8	\$2,932
Jan. 15	\$1,440
Jan. 22	\$3,587
Jan. 29	\$2,652

Jan. Avg.: \$2,819

**Weekly Budget
Requirement:**
\$2,803

A WALK DOWN THE PATH

On: Making Lists

On Sunday evening, Rolling Hills was the setting for a food fight. The 2nd Annual Food Fight took place pitting entries for appetizers against each other, as well as different chili's, and several desserts. It was delicious. While everyone was sampling various foods and voting on their favorites in each category, conversations could be heard regarding recipes. Some gave hints and details about the foods we were all sampling. Others were asked and gave recipes they used that were similar to the foods we tasted. Ingredients were listed for the different recipes. On the one hand, ingredients included such things as various types of beans, onions, peppers, sauces, meats, cheeses, etc. On the other hand, ingredients included, white or brown sugars, butter, pan size, nuts, dough consistency, and so on. The foods were all delightful because the lists were well thought through and followed to completion.

Thursday morning of this week, I will be leaving Topeka early in the morning to begin my annual golf vacation. My brother, his friend, and I will take our mother to Phoenix to visit her sister, then we will make our way to Laughlin, Nevada, and then Las Vegas, Nevada, where I will enjoy several days of golfing. At least I HOPE I enjoy several days of golfing. Perhaps I should just say, I'll be golfing for several days! In preparation for our departure I'll be making lists. One list will be for clothing and related items. I'll also put together a list of snacks to take along. I'll put together a list of toiletries, and personal items. There will be a list for books, magazines, computer, my Bible, and other work-related materials I will use. And of course most importantly, a list of golf related equipment. Checking off all those lists will ensure I will travel with everything to make the trip enjoyable.

Another list comes to mind that we can all work on. That is a listing of our personal Kingdom objectives. We, as American Christians, live in a culture whose worldview revolves around personal pursuits, money, possessions, ownership, power, influence, pleasure, entertainment, and so much more. We do not have to be driven by those same values. We can, and should, adopt a Christian worldview. All of those values listed above can be positively used for the Kingdom if our view is Kingdom-minded first.

In other words, Christians should think beyond their circumstance. We should think about how my circumstance fits with and flows with the Kingdom of God. For example, we can think: My family belongs to God, so how can I manage my family in a Kingdom manner? Or perhaps we can think: My neighborhood, or school, or workplace belongs to God, so how can I affect them for the Kingdom? Or perhaps we can think: my sporting or leisure entertainment belongs to God, so how might I conduct myself in a Kingdom manner?



Christians ought to think beyond the now. The Kingdom extends backward through the centuries and we are the beneficiaries of others who were expansive and forward thinking in their faith execution. The Kingdom also extends into the future well beyond what we know, until that time when Jesus returns. That might occur today, next week, or next century. We don't know, but while we must live with the immediacy of today's faith experience, we also should live with preparation for the faith experience of the next generations of Christians.

In order for the Kingdom to be strong intergenerationally, you and I need to make lists for us to accomplish today. We are on an eternal trip. For us to have an enjoyable life adventure in faith, we should probably put together a list of spiritual necessary's. Perhaps each of us could write down a list of personal Kingdom Objectives. Those objectives might include: better personal devotion and investigation of Scripture, more discipline in church attendance or volunteering in some area of church ministry, growing bolder in having a public faith testimony, looking for areas in the community to volunteer on behalf of Jesus, seeking avenues to invite friends to worship, touching lives for the Lord so they can know the wonder and satisfaction of biblical Christian faith.

Make your list. Make it simple. Make it work. And have a great trip. I know I will, and I look forward to seeing you all upon my return on February 12.

Steve

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETINGS

All-Church Annual Meeting, Sunday, February 5, 9 a.m.

All are encouraged to participate in the all-church annual meeting, held on the first Sunday in February every year. Starting at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 5, the meeting will be held in place of adult Sunday School classes. Join in to hear a report on mission giving, and church members vote on the budget and leadership for the next year. Doughnuts, milk, and juice will be available for breakfast.

Deacon and Elder Board Meeting, Sunday, February 5

There is a brief Board Meeting following the worship service on Sunday, February 5.

Elder's Meeting, Wednesday, February 15, 5:30 p.m.

The next Elder's Meeting and book study discussion will be held on Wednesday, February 15, starting at 5:30 p.m. in the church library.

SERVING AT RHCC

Cleaning Crew 3 for February

The Joe White Cleaning Crew (Crew 3) is cleaning for the month of February. Thanks to the volunteers on the cleaning crews for all of their hard work keeping the church neat and clean!

Serving for 2017

Do you have a heart for serving God's people? We still need people to help with serving communion for our worship services Sunday mornings, and also could use some help running sound in the tech booth. Please contact the church office if you would like to learn more about these opportunities.

Deacons and Elders for 2017

For your consideration prior to the annual meeting, the deacons and elders for the next year are listed here. Church members will have the opportunity to vote on leadership at the annual meeting on Sunday, Feb. 5.

ELDERS	DEACONS
Eric Showalter	Walt Baker
Joe White	Jim Clark
Kevin Wohletz	Bruce Maples
	Kurtis Wells

OUT OF OFFICE

Pastor Steve will be out of the office February 2-11. If you require pastoral assistance in his absence, please contact one of the church elders.

The message on Sunday, February 5, will be presented by Ben Saathoff.

STUDY THE WORD

There is a weekly Bible study available on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m., led by Steve Seehorn. Read the Bible in 2017 with the Daily Chronological Bible, *Reading God's Story*. Join in at any time; this study will continue through the year. We will not meet Feb. 8 or 22.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Ladies' Bible Study

The Ladies' Bible Study meets on Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. All ladies are welcome to participate.

Tanglewood Care Home Ministries

Please place Bingo prize donations in the basket in the foyer. Sisters in Service helps with Bingo on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

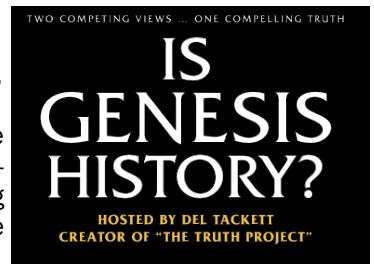
Woman's World at Manhattan Christian College

All ladies are invited to MCC's Woman's World February 24-25. For more information, there are brochures in the church foyer, or you can check out their website at mccks.edu.

MOVIE EVENT

"Is Genesis History", Thursday, February 23, 7 p.m.

We'd like to encourage everyone to attend a well-made documentary regarding the scientific support for the biblical creation account:



Announcing a new documentary, hosted by Del Tackett, creator of "The Truth Project". . . A fascinating look at the biblical, historical, and scientific evidence for Creation and the Flood.

This 2-hour documentary will be shown one night only at Regal Hollywood 14 Theater. Tickets can be purchased online or at the box office. If you'd like the church to order your ticket, please sign up in the church foyer by Sunday, February 12, and make your check payable to RHCC for \$15.64. Tickets ordered by the church will be distributed on Sunday, February 19.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

- Youth Group, Sundays, 6:30 p.m.**

Junior and Senior High youth meet at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday evenings at the church. There will be no meeting February 5. Meetings resume as usual on Sunday, February 12.

- Youth Group Ministry Project, Thursday, March 2**

Operation Backpack at Mathis Learning Center, 6 p.m.

Youth Group will help with the Topeka North Outreach Operation Backpack program on Thursday, March 2, starting at 6 p.m. Anyone who would like to join them is welcome (ages 9+; under 13 accompanied by a parent or guardian.) We will meet at the Mathis Learning Center, Lyman Rd. & Kansas Ave.

Topeka North Outreach Operation Backpack is a program for children in need to receive food over the weekends when they don't have access to the school food program. For more information about the ministry, visit their website: topekanorthoutreach.org.

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRIES

Thank You!!!

A big Thanks goes to all who helped make our 2nd Annual Food Fight such a fun time! Thanks especially to Bruce Maples and Kelli Denton for coordinating the event and presenting a program about the church's history. Thanks also to Tari Metzler and Melissa Boutz for leading the music, and to everyone who brought food and participated in the event!

Winners Circle:

- ◊ Best Chili:
Mike Denton
- ◊ Best Appetizer: Queso Dip by
Sharlene Showalter
- ◊ Best Dessert: Oreo Truffles by
Heather Gandy



SERVING AT ROLLING HILLS FOR FEBRUARY

WORSHIP ELDER — Kevin Wohletz

SOUND — Bryan Boutz

SONG LEADERS — Melissa Boutz

COMPUTER — Scott Brackey

PIANIST — Tari Metzler

CHURCH CLEANERS — Joe White, Team 3

COMMUNION PREPARATION — Boutz

* Communion Meditation; # Offering Meditation

5	12	19	26
* Dustin Mengarelli # Bill Hollingshead Harold Watson Paul Brackey	* Dustin Mengarelli # Bill Hollingshead Harold Watson Paul Brackey	* David Maples # Bruce Maples Richard Johnson Walt Baker	* David Maples # Bruce Maples Richard Johnson Walt Baker
BENEDICTION			
Bill Hollingshead	Bill Hollingshead	Bruce Maples	Bruce Maples
MISSIONS UPDATE			
Sharlene Showalter	Arlene Marshall	Georgia Ford	Eric Showalter
GREETERS			
Boutz / Johnson	Flesher / Hodges	Marshall / McElroy	Wells / L Seehorn
NURSERY WORKERS			
K Flesher / T Baker	T Briggs / I Boutz	A Seehorn / B Johnson	K Snyder / B Watson
PRESCHOOL WORSHIP			
Karen Seel	Marcia James/ Megan Perry	Amy White	Karla & Lauryn Morstorf
ELEMENTARY WORSHIP			

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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

- Sun., Feb. 5:** All-Church Annual Meeting, 9 a.m.
Deacon/Elder Board Meeting, after Worship
- Wed., Feb. 15:** Elder Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 23:** *"Is Genesis History?"* Movie Event, 7 p.m.

- Sun., Feb. 26:** Men's Breakfast Meeting at Hunter's Ridge McDonalds, 7:30 a.m.
News info due for March Newsletter

Wednesdays: Chronological Bible Study, 7 p.m.

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

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays: Senior Fit & Fun, 1:30 p.m.
Sundays: Jr./Sr. High Youth Group, 6:30 p.m.

Coming Soon: Operation Backpack, Thursday, March 2, 6 p.m.

**The Pathway is available by e-mail, and is on our website!
Simply e-mail us to let us know if you prefer electronic over
paper.**



**SERVE ONE
ANOTHER
IN LOVE.**

GALATIANS 5:13, NIV