



"This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

October

2024

We were in the Italian Alps, and we had been walking for hours. My feet were very sore and every step in my army boots was painful. I started praying that God would heal my feet. Over and over, I asked Him to heal my feet. But to no avail.

Suddenly I just got angry, and I yelled at God in the silence of my heart, "God why won't You heal my feet?!!!" I was through asking and now I was demanding and telling God what He needed to do for me.

But as soon as I had thought the words, I felt so ashamed. Who am I to be yelling at my Father in heaven. He owes me nothing. If He never does another thing for me my entire life, He already provided me with the greatest of gifts. My salvation. My inclusion in His kingdom and His plan.

He owes me nothing. But I owe Him everything.

I was feeling sorry for myself because He wasn't showing up. He seemed to be absent in my need.

I like this quote:

"Worship is bringing God into what seems God-less."

Canon Andrew White

We find ourselves daily in places and circumstances that may seem God-less. A military mission, a school classroom, our workplace, a hospital room. But true worship is when we stop and take a minute and recognize God is there as well. To recognize Him in all our circumstances. That is worship of our heavenly Father. To recognize His will and His work in all our surroundings. And not just to recognize His will and His work, but true worship happens when we give Him the authority to have His will and do His work in our lives.

The writer of Hebrews 13:5 quotes God as saying: "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

That means He is present in every place and situation in which we find ourselves.

Let us worship Him by resting in His promise of His presence.

Blessings to you.

Pastor Matt



ONLINE WORSHIP—LIVE SUNDAYS AT 10:30AM

A recording of each service will still be available and posted to the website Sunday afternoons.

Link to weekly worship services and all past worship services can be found on our church website:

www.desotobaptistchurch.org

or **f** FIND US ON **FACEBOOK** on our Facebook account **De Soto Kansas Baptist Church**



For health concerns, prayer list or Pastoral Care

Please contact Pastor Matt Burns ~

Cell #785-640-9688

Email: mattsmblhm@yahoo.com or



Deacon's & Trustees Meeting

October 9 at 6:30 p.m.



Church Business Meeting

October 9

7:00 p.m.

Lower Level

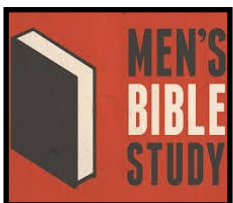


DOERS OF THE WORD

Meeting dates are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

We will be meeting in the basement so that we can take advantage of the large screen television. The first meeting of this fall will be October 1.

Please join us or contact Karen or Mary Etta for more information.



Men's Bible Study

6:30 pm

2nd and 4th Tuesday nights

A Moment with Jo...

Jesus Loves Families

Psalm 92:1," It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;
2, to declare Your loving kindness in the morning and Your faithfulness every night."

A few weeks ago, I flew to Texas to see our son and his family for a week-end. What a cherished time we had visiting, eating, and playing games. We visited a lovely arboretum where many 15 year old Mexican girls were having photos taken in these beautiful gardens to celebrate this special time for themselves. As my 5 year old great-granddaughter said, "oh look, Grammy Jo, at the princesses." One asked her if she would like to have her photo taken with her. What a thrill for her.

Sunday morning, Isaac tapped on my bedroom door and asked if he could come in. "Yes", I replied, "do you want to climb in bed and I will scratch your back?" I had done the same the night before and he surely enjoyed it. He brought 8-10 of his little play animals and let me hold Teddy, Barry, Baby Puppy, Blue and I began to scratch his back. He then put his hand under mine and we lay quietly. I thanked and blessed Jesus for such a precious time and tucked this memory in my heart. Later that day, we packed up and watched him play soccer. His dad was the coach the game.. How the Lord loves to bless, encourage, and give us delightful memories to have our hearts sing His praises.



**PASTOR
APPRECIATION
DAY**

Pastor Appreciation Reception

October 13th

Please join us , after the church service, on Sunday, October 13th as we celebrate and show our gratitude to Matt and Rhonda for all the guidance, love and dedication they bring to our church family.

We will have a reception with treats and beverages.

Lets Shower Them With Cards!

All are welcome!



DE SOTO FOOD PANTRY

Donations Needed

Thank you so much for supporting this vital resource in our community!

MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- Canned Fruit & Applesauce
- Dried beans
- Cereal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Spaghetti sauce
- Box meals (like Hamburger helper)
- Tuna (canned meat)
- Personal items (shampoo, razors)
- Toilet paper

Donations bins are located at Harps & Great American Bank or can be dropped off at the Food Pantry during regular hours.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail your check to: De Soto Food Pantry, 32905 W 84th, De Soto, KS 66018.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Tuesdays — 10 am to 12 pm

Thursdays — 4 pm to 6 pm

Saturdays — 9 am to 11 pm

The food pantry is located in the same building as City Hall and the Community Center. Anyone with a DeSoto address or a student enrolled in the DeSoto School District, and that can show proof of residency, is eligible to shop.



ONE DE SOTO RELIEF FUND

The De Soto Food Pantry has created a fund called One De Soto Relief Fund. This fund is available for community residents who are undergoing a hardship due to a current emergency, crisis, or natural disaster.

For more information, visit our website at:
www.desotoksfoodpantry.wordpress.com

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TITHES & OFFERINGS

THANK YOU!!!

For submitting Tithes and Offerings to:

DeSoto Baptist Church

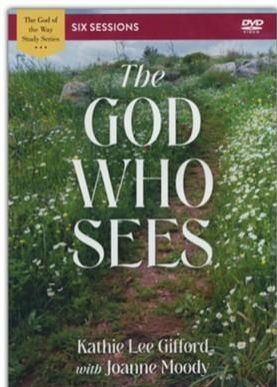
PO Box 578 - DeSoto, KS 66018

Online Tithing and Donations are available!

<https://collectcheckout.com/ryyw9d>



DOERS of the WORD WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



The Doers of the Word women's group is planning to explore this study of women and men who cried to God and whose prayers were answered: The God Who Sees.

The Hebrew name El Roi means "The God who sees me," and this study begins with the Genesis story of Hagar – who first spoke the name in Genesis 16:13. We will also explore the stories of Boaz, Ruth, David, and Mary of Magdala.

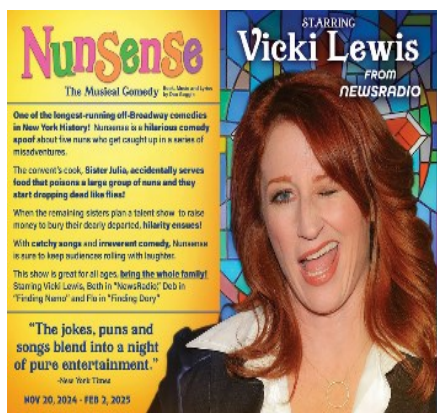
All women are encouraged to join our group whose three-pronged goal is to study God's Word, Pray for each other, and be "Doers not just hearers only."

The workbook is available for \$15 which also gives you access to the online videos that we will use to open each of the six sections. We believe this will be a very meaningful study, and welcome any and all women who wish to join us. Please contact Karen Wall (913-669-1991) or Mary Etta Copeland (913-314-9362) if you might be interested in joining our group. Karen has some extra books at this time and will be happy to order more as needed. You can find these at christianbooks.com or Amazon.com

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We have **30 seats reserved and filled** for the New Theatre & Restaurant production of Nunsense on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 11.

If you have not made a reservation but decide you would like to go, please contact Karen Wall, 913-669-1991, so that she can see if any additional tables are available.

Our down payment of \$5 for each ticket was made on Sept. 11; the final payment for the \$38 cost is due by November 11 (you do have plenty of time). Total cost is \$38.

We do have another 32 tickets reserved for the summer musical The Jersey Boys. This is a VERY popular show and the seats are filling fast—that's why I made the reservations so far in advance. This show will be filled with music of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons- - - if you remember those great songs from the 60's, you will probably love this production. Our reservations are for Wednesday afternoon, June 11.

The dinner theatre excursions that we take are made to give our church family and their friends the opportunity to go to these productions with a group. Many of us would not make the arrangements to go by ourselves, but have found it to be a very enjoyable time for fellowship as well as a great dinner and a great show. Feel free to contact Karen for further information.

If you know of any promising Christian productions or workshop opportunities in the city, please let Karen know so that we can pursue those events as well.



COOKS GET READY!!!

DE SOTO BAPTIST HAS COOKING TO DO!

SIGN-UP SHEET WILL BE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD.

PLEASE HELP US WITH BAKED GOODS, AS WELL AS WORKERS!!

Mark your calendars! Our church has been asked to provide baked goods for a community event.

October 26 will be the Harvest Festival at The Barn at Kill Creek Farm. We will have a booth that will serve baked goods.

We will need many pies along with cakes, cookies, cinnamon rolls and other such goodies. We will also need workers to man our booths. This is a great opportunity for us to support community events, but it also provide excellent means for us to raise money for the important missions of our ABW.

If you have questions about these events, see Paula Rhodes



ABW

College Connection Program

The Desoto Baptist Women would like to stay in contact with our young adults when they go off to college. If you have a student in college that would like to receive friendship cards throughout the college school year, please contact Barbara Bosworth at mulemanmike@centurylink.net or call 913-221-5642 with your student's name, mailing address and their Birthday date.



SPOOKTACULAR TRUNK OR TREAT!!

SUNDAY, OCT. 27, 5:00 P.M.

FUN, FOOD and MUSIC!

This year for Trunk or Treat we will be having a Spooktacular event on Sunday, October 27th with the parade starting at 5:00 pm.

Cars will need to be in place by 4:45.

Following the parade there will be activities for all ages, food and music.

Some activities will include a hay ride, petting zoo, games, crafts, a photo backdrop, s'more making, and a hotdog meal, all free to those attending.

There will be a sign-up at church to help in the different areas.

Invite your friends, family, & neighbors to attend!

It's sure to be a fun Spooktacular family event!



Paula Jones, anyone who knows her, knows she and Fred are always among the first to help when the call for help goes out. Somewhere around 2020 Susan Reames shared with ABW that there was a sewing project called Little Dresses in Africa <https://littledressesforafrica.com>. These dresses will be the only item of clothing for many of the children and thousands of little dresses are received from all over the world sewn by amazing volunteers and many of the ladies in our church participated in this project.

And then we heard about the sani-pad project, a part of the Dignity Program offered through Little Dresses for Africa. According to UNICEF, one in ten school-girls in Africa miss classes or drop out completely due to their menstrual cycle. These girls often substitute pads or tampons for less safe and less absorbent materials such as rags, newspaper or bark. Can you imagine having to drop out of school because you cannot manage your menstrual cycle? So they started the sani-pad project, the distribution of washable pads along with adult sized panties. The resulting good hygiene enables the girls to manage their periods more easily.

We take so much of what we have in the United States for granted and wonder what could one person do to make a difference all the way over in Africa? Well Paula got to work and started collecting the materials necessary and by January 2021 she mailed her first box of 130 reusable sani-pads to Africa and that was just the beginning of this project.

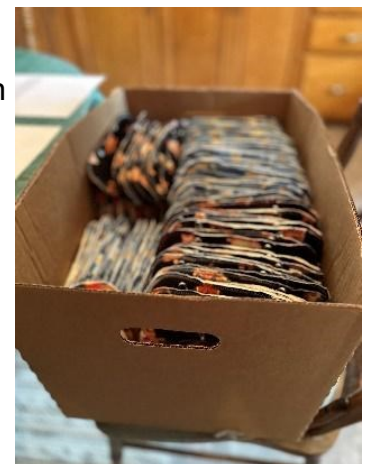


She began recruiting the necessary supplies such as cotton batting, flannel fabric and thread for this task. She gets some of her cotton batting from Susan Reames and Rhonda Burns as scraps from their beautiful quilt making and when she doesn't have enough supplies she buys it. Others have donated thread and her son Scott buys it for her at estate sales whenever possible. Some of the flannel is donated and again, when she doesn't have enough material she purchases it herself. Each pad has 2 safety pins attached to it which she purchases as well.



Paula now leaves her sewing table set up in her living room so she can sew whenever she has time filling the need of so many young girls through this project and she keeps her washer and dryer busy too as all the material has to be washed prior to sewing. Paula now mails a large box (boxes donated by Harps) averaging 250 sani-pads every 5 – 6 weeks and over the last few years she has made and mailed over 8,000 all by herself.

Paula, along with other dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers sent off another 40ft container to be distributed not only in Africa but around the world. God bless you Paula for making a difference in so many girls lives. So yes, one person can make a difference all around the world.



If you are interested in joining this wonderful endeavor please contact Paula at (913) 638-1149 and leave a message or e-mail at paulajones@kc.rr.com

Proverbs 31:20

She opens her hand to the poor and reaches out her hands to the needy.”



Take a Book
Share a Book

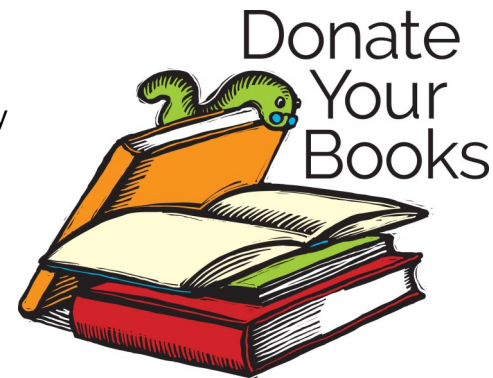


Perhaps you have noticed the new and unique maroon & tan box perched atop a pedestal near the beginning of the Prayer Path? This addition to this lovely setting is our very own Little Free Library. Constructed by Jeff Hodges, it is the purpose of the library to offer free and equitable access to reading materials to people who wish to explore its contents. These books are available to anyone at any time. The books need not be returned unless the reader wishes to do so. Any reader may also donate a book to the collection by simply placing it in the box, but it is not necessary to do so. The book you choose is yours to keep whether you donate another selection.



The Little Free Library is an international nonprofit organization located in St. Paul, Minnesota. At present there are 175,000 libraries in 121 countries. Four hundred million books have been donated to Little Free Libraries worldwide to help spread literacy and the joy of reading! It is notable that even within our own country over thirty million individuals cannot read and write above the third-grade level. Research tells us that the number of books in a home correlates to raising children who love to read. Sixty-one per cent of children in the United States who live in poverty have no books in their home.

At present our library is filled with selections of children's and adult books, both fiction and nonfiction, as well as inspirational titles and bibles. Please look, take a book and enjoy! If you have books you would like to donate, contact Sharon Coatney, at present the curator of the collection.



As the Desoto Baptist Church works to fulfill its mission of acquainting all people with the love of Christ for His people, the cause of literacy is an important one. We know that:

“So then Faith comes from hearing and hearing by the Word of God” Romans 10:17 NKJV

Though there are several ways to “hear” God’s Word, surely one way is to read and enjoy his Word as we study and learn of Him and His purpose for our lives. Our Little Free Library can offer help in the necessary need for literacy.



It is our hope that you will join us and spread the word and the Word!

Sharon Coatney

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1 Sue Allen Bonnie Logan	2 Dean Wall Tanner McNamara	3 Joyce Bassett Karen Wall	4 Charles Lawhead Ruby Nelson James & Ashley Ingalls	5
6	7 Terry Rhodes Larry & Cheryl Towner	8 Dean Wall Tanner McNamara	9 Jeff Griffin Matt & Karilyn Woywod	10 Jenny Toner	11 Brenda West	12
13	14 Aubrey Miller James & Holly Balch Caleb & Karen Hufford	15 Jake & Jill Miller	16	17	18 Ashley Ingalls	19
20	21 Ken & Pat Warsop	22 Tyrone Flowers	23	24 Karilyn Woywod	25 Carter & Sally Beck	26
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Engaged in the Ministry of Reconciliation

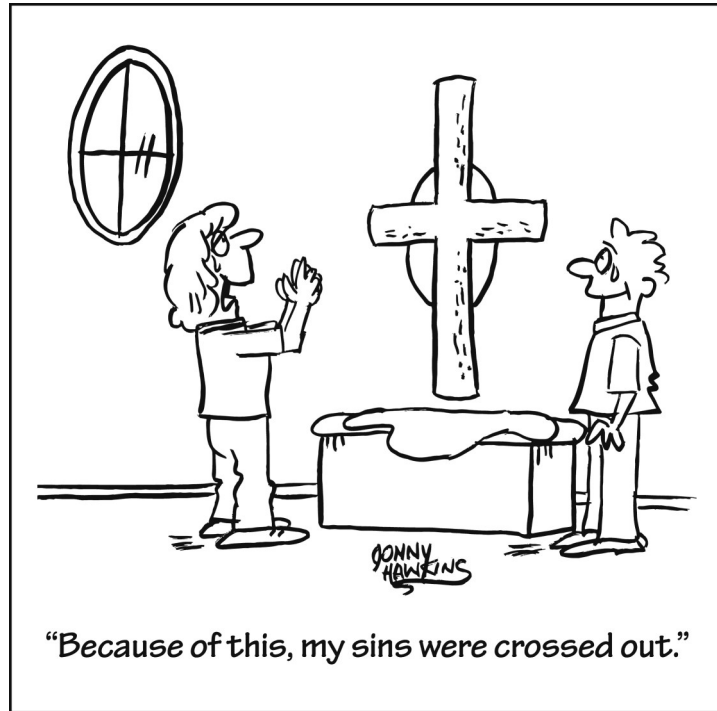
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