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## PRAYER CONCERNS

**FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

- Betty Young had the plate surgically removed from her arm Friday morning. She is recovering at home.
- Ruth Gross is scheduled for surgery for a brain tumor on Monday in Columbia. Prayers are requested.
- Dortheta Stracke's sister and Darrell Barnes' grandmother, Doris Evelyn Swearingin Batzel Iorg, passed away Sunday. Visitation will be tomorrow from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Greenlawn North. Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM Tuesday at the funeral home.
- Marsha Stipp requests prayers for her sister-in-law, Mary Shrum of Monett, who suffered a traumatic brain injury in a vehicle accident in Joplin Sunday. She was taken to Freeman West and is in serious condition.
- Glenda Potter's sister, Marsha Taillon, is recovering at home following her recent surgery. If you would like to send her an encouraging card, Marsha's address is 250 N. Hilton Ave. Apt 107A, Springfield, MO 65802.
- Marcene Dodd, wife of recently deceased Ralph Dodd, passed away the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Janet Black, daughter of Edith Lemons, has moved to Meyer Rehab Rm #313 for therapy.

## FAMILY FOCUS

Good morning, and welcome to Sunset! Whatever the previous week has brought you, I'm so grateful you joined us this morning. Our prayer is that our time participating in worship, prayer, the Lord's Supper, and hearing God's word preached would be deeply nourishing to your soul!

This morning we are picking up the pace a bit in our Exodus sermon series. We will be looking at portions of Exodus 5, 6, and 7, which describe the slow and painful process of Israel being rescued from Egypt. This is the question Moses and others were asking: "What is taking so long? If God promised salvation, then why do things seem to be getting worse?" I resonate with those questions because my experience of Christian growth is that it is often a slow and painful process. Why doesn't God just remove all of my temptations now? I mean, isn't that what will happen in heaven? Why not fully rescue us from the things holding us back in our faith right now? Why does Christian growth seem to be a slow, frustrating process? I pray God will speak to us through his word as we reflect on these important questions together!

I love you all,  
Phillip

## TODAY'S LESSONS

What's Taking So Long?	Exodus 5-7	Phillip Bates
Scripture Reading: Exodus 5:1-5		
4th Sunday Devo & Fellowship		Chris Livingston



**Love Your Neighbor**

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## SERVICE TIMES



### Sunday

Worship @ 8:15 & 10:30

Bible Classes @ 9:30 AM

Worship Online @ 8:15 AM &

on demand after 2 PM

Online @ <https://bit.ly/Sunset-UTube>

on demand after 2 PM

Evening @ 5 PM

### Wednesday

Ladies' Morning Bible Class

10 AM

Evening Classes

7 PM

### Iglesia de Cristo

Worship

10:30 AM

[IglesiaCristoSunset.org](https://bit.ly/IglesiaCristoSunset.org)

## SHEPHERDS

Bruce Chilton

Jeff Klein

Don Johnson

Jeff Treat

Doug Johnson

Bryan Vanwinkle

David Kail

Mark Viguet

## DEACONS

Caleb Adams

Mitch Friend

Chase Amyx

John Kail

Michael Axsom

David Kaltenberger

Chris Burris

Terry Lawler

James Cobb

Daniel Prince

Steve Cobb

Logan Staggs

Brian Dahl

## MINISTERS

Phillip Bates

Preaching

Dwight Samuel

Associate

Shaun Jordan

Campus/Media

Chris Livingston

Community & Family

Shane Almond

Youth

## SHEPHERDS ON CALL

Jeff Klein

&

David Kail

Speak with a 'Shepherd on Call' about anything you would like the shepherds to discuss or to arrange to meet with them.

## STAY CONNECTED

E-Mail: [office@sunsetchurchofchrist.org](mailto:office@sunsetchurchofchrist.org)

"Instant Church Directory"  
<https://bit.ly/directory-app>

Facebook Group: "Sunset Church Family"  
<https://bit.ly/sunset-group>

Grapevine: 417-881-4640

Ministry Sign-up: <https://bit.ly/ministry-signup>

Join Grapevine: <https://bit.ly/sunset-grapevine>

Join Remind Grp: <https://bit.ly/join-remind-grp>

Online Calendar: <https://bit.ly/Sunset-Calendar>



## Reed Baby Shower

**March 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Fellowship Hall**

**1-3PM**

Shea & Stetson  
are registered at  
BabyList.com



Join the Celebration Mar 1<sup>st</sup>, 4-6 PM, in the Fellowship Hall

This Evening Is 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Night.

**4th Sunday  
Night  
Fellowship  
Meal**

Bring your best Chili For our Chili  
cookoff! We'll need lots of 'taste  
testers' to decide who wins!

Bring Chili, Cornbread, & Desserts  
Remember to invite friends and family!



**Semi-Annual  
Fair Haven  
Paper Drive  
March 17<sup>th</sup>!**



## FAMILY CALENDAR

You can watch our 10:30AM service live at  
@: <https://bit.ly/Sunset-UTube>

**Children's Bible Hour** (ages 2-K) Rm 5A When dis-  
missed. Feb. Teachers: Mayce A, Elizabeth R, Ali-  
son, Billy, & Anna M, Kaylee C, & Brandon K.

**Sunday Evening Prayer Group 4:30 PM**

Meet in multi-purpose Rm 4B.

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Evening Fellowship—tonight @ 5PM**

Chili and/or Cornbread Cookoff.

**Men's Breakfast tomorrow, 2024 6:30 AM**

Meet @ Cedars Rest., 3322 S. Campbell.

**Ladies' Monday Sewing Group—at 8:30AM**

Anyone is welcome to join the group.

**Ladies' Wednesday Morning Bible Class**

Meet at 10AM in room 4B.

**Kay Neil's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration! Friday, 4-6 PM**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for cake & coffee.

**Reed Baby Shower — March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1—3 PM**

Sunset is sponsoring a baby shower in the Fellow-  
ship Hall for Shea & Stetson Reed's baby. They  
are registered @ BabyList.com

**Ladies' Fellowship Craft & Game Night Mar 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30**

Meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Semi-Annual Fair Haven Paper Drive Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>**

Paper products for Fair Haven Children's Home.  
Bring your items on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Jones Baby Shower—March 17<sup>th</sup> 1:30 to 3 PM**

Sunset is sponsoring a baby shower in the Fellow-  
ship Hall for Sammy Jones. (\*It's a boy) ❤️

## CURRENT PANTRY NEEDS

Tuna, Chicken or Hamburger Helper,  
Canned Meats, (tuna, chicken &  
ham), & Canned Mixed Vegetables,  
Peanut Butter, Jelly, Jiffy Corn Muffin  
Mix & Cereal.



## ONGOING PRAYER

Anita Allen, Linda Sievers (Miranda Amyx's mom),  
Sue Andrews, Ariana Brooks (Debi Crowley's  
granddaughter) Alma Cummins, Maxine Ghan,  
Raymond Glendinning, Denvard Heasley, Bob  
Hancock, Edith Hudson, Gale Hunt, Clifton & Judy  
Jewell, Shirley Ryan (Joe Ryan's mom), Jessie  
Seavers, Ramona Farrell & Rhonda Foutch (Karen  
Scott's sister & cousin), George Stewart (Sandra  
Robinson's dad), Ken Stewart, and Pat Wiseman.

## WEEKLY STATISTICS 2/18

Worship Total	420
(1 <sup>st</sup> — 155 & 2 <sup>nd</sup> — 265)	
(Online Worship 62)	
Sunday Bible Classes	249
Evening Service	126
Wednesday Classes	188
Hispanic Worship	21
Giving Options — <a href="https://bit.ly/Give2Sunset">https://bit.ly/Give2Sunset</a>	
Contribution	
Budget	