



*“so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God “ Colossians 1:10*

**Lessons from Samson**  
**Brad Tolbert**

The story of Samson can be found in Judges chapters 13-16. Samson allowed his lust to control his actions and made poor decisions based on impulsive thoughts driven by that same lust. What are some lessons that we can learn from Samson and his pursuit of a wife?

**Be teachable.** Always have a heart that’s open to the opinion of those who love you and have spiritual maturity. Samson went against God’s commands and tried to obtain a foreign wife. (Deuteronomy 7:1-4) Samson’s father tried to encourage him to reconsider and choose someone from among his own people. We also need to be open to those who love us and are trying to help us. **“Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for ‘God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble’”** (1 Peter 5:5).

**Don’t marry just for looks.** I know attraction plays a part in who we choose but it is not a good gage of character and compatibility. If we are only looking at a person on the outside we will often miss seeing the ugly person they are on the inside. Samson seems to have never looked more than skin deep. **“Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised”** (Proverbs 31:30).

**Don’t be led astray by your desires.** When we go after the things of our flesh, we are living to please one person, ourselves! When we give our lives for Christ, we give up our lordship and ask God to be Lord of our life. We no longer live for ourselves, but for Christ. **“Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart”** (Timothy 2:22).

Samson followed his eyes and lustful nature and in the end the Philistines gouged out his eyes. **“And the Philistines laid hold on him, and put out his eyes”** (Judges 16:21). When we follow lust and the desires of the flesh in our own lives we will soon find ourselves far from God and in trouble. Many choose lust instead of choosing a “Godly Spouse” to spend the rest of their lives with.

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**When We Assemble**

- **Sunday**  
 Morning Worship 9:00 a.m.  
   Bible Classes following  
 Evening Worship 5:00 p.m.
  - **Wednesday**  
 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.  
 Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
- All services are live streamed on our Facebook and YouTube pages*



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**Isaiah’s Call**

Our item for this effort is:

Vienna Sausage’s

**Worship Leaders**

<p><u>Sunday, July 17th 2022 A.M.</u>  <i>Lead Singing</i>—Caleb Storie  <i>Announcements</i>—Brian Smith  <i>Read</i>— Jimmy Phillips  <i>Opening Prayer</i>—Alan Storie  <i>Closing Prayer</i>—Dennis Allen</p> <p><i>Officiating Lord's Supper</i>                  R.C. Clemmons</p> <p><i>Ushers and Security</i>                  Bengie Hines, J.D. Hines                  Brian Jones, Steve Murks</p> <p><i>PowerPoint for this week.</i>                  Wes Ayers, Heath Allen</p> <p><i>Sanitizing for the week</i>                  Bobby Roberson, Jonah Danley                  Stephen Phillips</p> <p><u>Sunday, July 17th 2022 P.M.</u>  <i>Lead Singing</i>— Caleb Storie  <i>Announcements</i>—Brian Smith  <i>Opening Prayer</i>— Teddy Richey  <i>Closing Prayer</i>— Kaleb Jones</p> <p><u>Wednesday, July 20th 2022</u>  <i>Lead Singing</i>— Jonah Danley  <i>Announcements</i>—Brian Smith  <i>Read</i>— Brennan Rook  <i>Opening Prayer</i>— Nicholas Grigsby  <i>Extend Invitation</i>— Doug Jackson  <i>Closing Prayer</i>—Maddox Allen</p>	<p><u>Sunday, July 24th 2022 A.M.</u>  <i>Lead Singing</i>—Gage Matthews  <i>Announcements</i>—Ronnie Ray  <i>Read</i>— Teddy Richey  <i>Opening Prayer</i>—David Quillen  <i>Closing Prayer</i>—Noel Scott</p> <p><i>Officiating Lord's Supper</i>                  Stephen Phillips</p> <p><i>Ushers and Security</i>                  Doyle Behel, Jimmy Phillips                  Kirby Hines, Jason Bogus</p> <p><i>PowerPoint for this week.</i>                  Bobby Roberson, Kurt Aston</p> <p><i>Sanitizing for the week</i>                  Kurt Aston, Wes Ayers                  Nicholas Grigsby</p> <p><u>Sunday, July 24th 2022 P.M.</u>  <i>Lead Singing</i>— Gage Matthews  <i>Announcements</i>—Ronnie Ray  <i>Opening Prayer</i>— Bengie Hines  <i>Closing Prayer</i>— Caleb Storie</p> <p><u>Wednesday, July 27th 2022</u>  <i>Lead Singing</i>— Gunner Pate  <i>Announcements</i>—Ronnie Ray  <i>Read</i>— Keeton Hines  <i>Opening Prayer</i>— Brennan Rook  <i>Extend Invitation</i>—Harrison Chastain  <i>Closing Prayer</i>—Nicholas Grigsby</p>
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*Please Contact Mike DesRuisseaux at (256) 740-2720 if you are unable to fulfill your worship assignments!*

**SHILOH FAMILY MEMBERS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

- Minerva Allen
- Ted & Beverly Short
- Clayburn Hines
- Derance & Phyllis Smith
- Pat Hannah
- Darrell Twilley
- Brenda Stejskal
- Misty Ray Moses
- Maggie Kilpatrick
- Arvel Curtis
- E.L. Richardson
- Leon Hines
- Sybil Clemons
- Vicki Matthews
- Linda Davis (COVID)
- Raymond Phillips (COVID)
- Jessie Wallace (COVID)

**FRIENDS & FAMILY IN NEED OF PRAYERS**

- Allen Smith (Bill Phillips grandson)
- Billy Putman (friend of Johnnie Ruth Dixon— brain tumor)
- Lonna Hines
- Kruz & Paizlee Davenport
- Margaret Dishowng (Janie Coker's sister)
- Megan Klingbell
- Richard Stumpe (friend of Noel & Kathryn Scott—cancer)
- Tommy Pettus (Cancer Treatments)
- Steve Shelton
- Steve Gist
- Tommy Ruple
- Leanna Rhodes
- Sherry Behel
- Virginia Springer
- Tammy Richardson
- R.T. Farmer (Janice Ray's Father)
- Brooks Elliot (Friend of Allison Hines, Cancer Treatments)
- Regina Campbell (Cancer Treatments, friend of Hines family)
- Aldeanna Mitchell (Mike DesRuisseaux's sister—Fall)
- Vergie McClanahan
- Sherry Hinson
- Trish Coker
- Michael Grigsby
- Evelyn Ray (Ronnie Ray's mother)
- Gary Redford
- Calvin Stults
- Knoxie Goad
- Josh Steele
- Jakelyn Freemon
- Leigh Warren
- Kent Baggett
- Linda Kennedy Bissinger
- Virginia McDonald

**NURSING HOME & ASSISTED LIVING**

- ◆ *El Reposo*  
Bradley Dupree—Rm#303B
- ◆ *Lauderdale Christian*  
Gail Watkins—Rm #20
- ◆ *Cedar View*  
Sue Goins—Rm#114

*Television Bible Programs We Support*

*Fabric of the Family*  
 Sunday morning: 8:00 a.m. on CW Network with brother Barry Gilreath of Stutts Road Church of Christ

*In Search of the Lord's Way*  
 Sunday morning, 7:30 a.m. on Channel 54 with brother Phil Sanders of Edmond, Oklahoma Church of Christ.

*Getting To Know Your Bible*  
 DIRECT TV 379 Sunday Mornings at 10:30 a.m. and on KTV Channel 264(Dish) Sunday Mornings at 9:30 a.m. CST.

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# weekly ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Happy Birthday

## Happy Anniversary

- 17—Brennan Rook
- 20—Teddy Richey
- 21—Danny Abernathy
- 21—Jaiden Murks
- 22—Louise Smith
- 22—Tony Grigsby
- 24—Kaleb Jones

**Youth Hangout**

Every Friday night at 6:00 p.m.

See Jake for more details!



**Songs of Summer**

UNA Christian Student Center



Every Sunday Night at 7:30 PM

June 5th - July 31st

**WELCOME TO CHURCH**

*Welcome*  
VISITORS

**Jason & Heather Hankins**  
Visiting with Karlie Bevis

**Ella Pigg**  
Visiting with Barbara Pigg

**Troy Bunch and family**

## *Records We Collected*

### Sunday, July 10th, 2021

Bible Class—127  
 A.M. Worship—148  
 P.M. Worship—113

Contribution—5,863.00  
*Internet Views A.M.*—70  
*Internet Views P.M.*—96

### Wednesday, July 13th, 2021

A.M. Bible Study—24  
 P.M. Bible Study—113  
*Internet Views from July 6th A.M.*—74  
*Internet Views from July 6th P.M.*—102

IN LOVING MEMORY

We express our deepest condolences to Janice Ray and family in the passing of Janice's mother, Martha Farmer. We also extend sympathy to the family of James Harper who passed away last week. Please keep these families in your daily prayers.



## 2022 Theme

## Think Souls

Focusing on our souls and the souls of others!



We welcome Cheryl Hutchins to the Shiloh Family. Sister Cheryl let her requests be made known last week that she would like to be a part of the congregation here at Shiloh. Please introduce yourself and welcome her!

NEW MEMBERS



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## *A Minute with Mac*

Well I am officially old and I'm so happy to be old! This week we welcomed our first grandbaby, a wonderful little girl named Magdalene Arora. She was born in the early hours of Wednesday morning. Micah, Aline and Maggie are doing great! I know now why grandparents are so quick to show off pictures of their grandbabies.

Grandbabies are wonderful and so are you! If you are visiting with us today, I want you to know that you are honored guest and that if you have any questions about what is done or what is said, please don't hesitate to ask.

This morning, we will continue with our yearly theme of Think Souls! We will be looking at the life of Ezra the scribe from the Old Testament. We will be looking at the goal in life that Ezra had set for himself from Ezra 7:10.

This evening, we will look continue to look at the Old Testament as we look at the story of Naaman and we will see "Why things went wrong." I hope you will make plans to come back tonight as we worship God again.

During our Bible Class time, brother Ronnie Ray will continue his look at the book of Galatians. We are grateful for Ronnie and his ability to preach and teach God's Word.

Don't forget about our opportunities for studying God's Word during the week. Each Wednesday morning we have a Bible Study here at the building that is for all ages beginning at 10 a.m. Then we have our mid-week devotional and Bible Study each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. This week we will continue our Summer Series. Our overall theme is "Encouraging Statements from the Bible." Doug Jackson will be our speaker this week as he looks at Hebrews 13:5 and the idea that "God will never leave us nor forsake us!"

Thanks so much for being here—it's going to be a great day!