

Faith Runs Toward the Fight

In 1 Samuel 17, the Israelite army stood frozen while a giant named Goliath mocked their God. Day after day, they listened to the enemy's voice and let fear decide their future. Then David showed up — a young shepherd with more faith than experience. He didn't have armor, a sword, or the strength of a warrior. But he *did* have confidence in the God who had already helped him defeat lions and bears in the pasture.

When Goliath stepped forward, David didn't back away. Scripture says he *ran toward* the battle line. That one action speaks volumes. Real faith doesn't wait for the perfect moment or for the enemy to retreat. Real faith moves forward, trusting that God is already in the fight.

Every one of us faces giants — maybe fear, temptation, doubt, or discouragement. They may look too big to overcome. But like David, we don't fight alone. God still gives strength, courage, and victory to those who trust Him.

So whatever stands in front of you this week, don't let fear keep you frozen. Take your eyes off the size of your giant and fix them on the power of your God. Faith doesn't wait for the battle to come to you — faith runs toward the fight.

Church Updates

Please check the bulletin board or the back table and update your directory information.

Men that fix communion please check the bulletin board as there is a new sign up sheet for 2026 out. If you can't do a whole month and would like to split it with someone you can do that as well!

Birthdays and Anniversaries October

15th- Randy & Judy Kilpatrick 17th- Steve & Kris Burleson 18th- Lynn Stults 19th- Allen & Mary Lou Goddard 21st- Leon Dodd

Weekly Assignments

Announcements- Wyn McAlpine
Scripture Reading - Jimmy Dye

Opening Prayer - Tanner Goddard

Closing Prayer - Ron Harper

Song Leader - Eric Baker

Sermon - Matthew Balentine

Worship Attendance - 163

Bible Classes-111

Contribution In Person - \$4593

Contribution Online - \$707

Communion Prep-Jamie Page

Communion Lead - Jamie White

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Will Haley	Kevin Hood
Dwayne Melton	Jamie Page
Bruce Hood	Barry Hill
Vance Balentine	Jud Mize

Balcony Tim Hill

* THE TABLE MEMBERS WILL BE THE SAME FOR THE ENTIRE MONTH OF OCTOBER*

Weekly Prayer Needs Prayers

Tillman Hill, W.C. Dickinson, Evelyn Hicks, Sonny Fell, Linda Howell, Bobbie Hatton, Maddie Bishop, Barry Hill, Linda Cagle, Rhonda Hester, Becky Davis, Glenda Dye, Michael Humphries, Joan Burleson, Jerry Farris, Tim McNutt, Mona Whitt, Judy Postell, Tracy Messer, Sally Gist, Donald Loveless, Sue Scruggs, Jamie Dye, Tanya Hood

Shut-Ins

Hester Bowley, Becky Davis, W.C. Dickinson, Bobbie Hatton, Mona Whitt, Ara Lou Burleson, Sonny Fell, Betty Dobbs, Michael Humphries, Harold Vickery, Annette Lawler

In Our Community

We will host the **Winston County singing** on Sunday October 19th at 2pm.

Heritage Partnership Dinner will be at Winfield Church of Christ on November 3rd. If you would like more information please contact Robbie Daniel.

Please don't forget to make your October Lads to Leaders Payments! If you need your payment sheet, please see Josh or Adriana!

Ninth Avenue Church of Christ A Church of Christ Caring for its Community

Service Schedule: Sunday Bible Study...9:30am Worship... 10:30am Evening... 1:00pm Wednesday

Elders Brian Fortenberry Jamie White Deacons
David Albright
Haley Dobbs
Tanner Goddard
Bruce Hood
Will Romine

Bible Study ... 6:30pm

Minister: Matthew Balentine Youth Minister: Josh Wade



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Via our mobile app

Via text: To set up, text GIVE to 205-431-1319

Via this direct link: https://giving.myamplify.io/app/giving/

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