

# The Mars Hill Messenger

July 31, 2022

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday, July 31, 2022</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SOUND ROOM</u></b></p> <p>Clay Winn</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u></b></p> <p>Steve Shock</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SCRIPTURE READING</u></b></p> <p>Dan Blair</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>LEAD SINGING AM/PM</u></b></p> <p>Thomas Martin</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>LEAD PRAYER AM/PM</u></b></p> <p>Gary Lambert Rustin Barnett</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>LORD'S TABLE</u></b></p> <p>Wade Haynie, b. (AM/PM) Rodney Partee, c. (AM/PM) Curtis Sawrie, o. Joe Gregory Tim House Dennis Smith</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wednesday August 3, 2022</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>LEAD SINGING</u></b></p> <p>Harmon Sawrie</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>LEAD PRAYER</u></b></p> <p>Mike Widner Doug Ellison</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bible Class Lessons</b></p> <p>Sunday, July 31: Lesson #1: Joseph Genesis 37:1-11 Wednesday, August 3: Lesson #2: Joseph Genesis 37:12-36 Sunday, August 7: Lesson #3: Joseph Genesis 39</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sick</b></p> <p>Harmon Sawrie is undergoing tests on his eyes. Stanley and Sammye Gordon are recovering from covid. Marilyn Ellison is recovering from covid. Ova Lea Leighton continues to have health problems. Gladys Widner, Mike Widner's mother, is not doing well. Reba Short, Arlena Riley's sister, has stage-four cancer.</p> <p>Heather Partee, Lou Riley, Dennis Martin, Dale Haynie, Carlton Clayton, Roy Bulice, Martha Walker, Roberta Elliot, Paula Stocks, Rodgie Taylor</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>At A Glance</b></p> <p><b>August 7</b> – Birthday Celebrations after p.m. service <b>August 21</b> – Elders/Deacons Meeting. <b>August 28</b> – Camp Caudle Reunion. Oppelo C of C. 4 p.m. <b>September 4</b> – Potluck after a.m. service <b>September 11</b> – Birthday celebrations after p.m. service <b>September 12</b> – Preacher's/Leader's Meeting. Greenbrier C of C. 10 a.m. <b>September 17</b> - Men and Boys Breakfast</p>
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**Wedding:** Alexis House and Sam Hardin will be married on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, in a ceremony at 6 p.m. at Graye Gardens Wedding Chapel in Sheridan. (341 N. County Road. 74). Everyone is invited.

**Ladies' Sewing Weekend:** August 26-27 at Camp Areopagus.

**Magi Boxes:** Please help provide the things needed for the Magi Boxes. Pick up a list of items needed on the table in the foyer. See Treva Widner for more details.

**Walk-4-Water:** Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. We want to drill a well for people in Africa who must walk miles and carry clean water for their family's use. Let's drill a well in their village! Goal: \$7,500. Here is how you can help: 1) Join the 4-mile walk and contribute what you can; 2) Ask others who cannot walk to support you; perhaps to donate so-much-per mile for you to walk; 3) Recruit others to join you. All who walk will receive a tshirt. Cinnamon rolls will be served following the walk to all who participate. All proceeds will go to Healing Hand International who will have the well drilled, etc. All proceeds over \$7,500 will be used to clean an already existing well in another location. The walk will begin and finish at the Mars Hill building parking lot. Please help us by sharing this opportunity with your friends and family members. Mark your calendars now.

## Comfort

During World War I, a father went with his son, as soldier, as the young man prepared to board a ship for the war zone in France. The young man knew that once he passed through the swinging gates of the train terminal and said, "Dad, if I never meet you again here, I'll meet you where the gates never swing outward." While riding the train back to Chicago, Charles Gabriel thoughts about those parting words of his son and wrote the beautiful lyrics for the song, "Where the Gates Swing Outward Never."

When Dorcas' friends gathered with Peter to weep at the passing of our dear sister, they were comforted by the hope of her resurrection to eternal life. Still, to say goodbye to this beloved sister distressed even those with such strong faith (Acts 9:36-42).

To say goodbye to those we love is hard, but not so hard, if we have hope that we will see them again. It soothes our hearts that "over there" the dear ones will never be leaving us, for we shall be "where the gates never swing outward!"

David