



O sing to  
the LORD  
a new song;  
sing to the  
LORD,  
all the earth.

*Psalm 96:1*

**EASTERN HILLS CHURCH OF CHRIST**

*July 26, 2020*

## Living in Fear or Living in Love

I was born in 1967. Which means my childhood was spent living in the 70's. Looking back I love that because my childhood was spent in a time where parents lived without a great deal of fear. After dinner I would often ask my parents, "Can I go play?" The response I remember most was, "Be home when the streetlights come on". So out the door I would go. No cell phone. No restrictions. No fear.

Then June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1980 happened. It was a dark day. Not because I was entering my teenage years. But that was the day that CNN launched its 24 hour news network. Before this we heard national news one time a day and local news twice a day. In our town (Del City, Oklahoma) the newspaper came once a week. If you were starved for more you could get the Daily Oklahoman. The news was just a report of what was happening at the time. But all of that changed on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1980.

A 24 hour news network meant they had to dig for news and strive for ratings. What was the best formula they found to get people to tune in? FEAR! Trouble anywhere in the world was reported on and we were told how that affected us. Crime anywhere in the US was reported on and we were told that it could happen in our neighborhood. By the way, CNN is not the only ones guilty of this, they were just the first.

Looking back 40 years later I can see that innocence and freedom was slowly being replaced by fear and protection. Ignorance is not a good thing. We should be informed. But God's creation was never meant to live in constant fear.

*For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. —2 Timothy 1:7*

I don't blame Ted Turner for all of the problems in the world. But we have life stolen from us when we let fear rule our lives more than love. We need to quit letting fear call the shots in our lives. Boldly live in love!

Phillip

## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

July 27 John Grubbs

Mossie Moore

July 30 Blake Ware

Austin & Lynsey Christmas

## WORSHIP DETAILS

On Sundays, we will have worship live on Facebook as well as in the auditorium at 10:30 AM. Sunday evening we will have worship at 7:00 in the parking lot.



**July 26<sup>th</sup>**

Song Leader: David Little

Welcome: Phillip Treat

Prayer: Chester Jones

Communion: Austin Christmas

Scripture Reading: Raymond Christmas

Closing Prayer: Billy Hydrick

**August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Song Leader: D. W. McLendon

Welcome & Prayer: Phillip Treat

Communion: Carrell Dennis

Scripture Reading: Parker Grubbs

Closing Prayer: John Grubbs

## PRAYING FOR THESE . . .

Annette Baldwin

Gale Simmons is in Christus

Marshall receiving treatment for an infection

Glena Lowe is recovering from surgery

Will Christian & family—Covid  
Janie Powers was in the hospital for respiratory illness

The Owens—Steve's dad is in ICU with sepsis and Wanda's stepdad had a heart procedure.

Rickey Stevens, Linda Pyle's brother will have knee surgery.

## SHUT-INS

Mossie Moore (Reunion Inn)

Mary Jane Hartt (Reunion Inn)

Tina Ware (Home)

Joe Stanfield (Home)

Joyce Matthews (Home)

Paula Fleming (Home)

Foy & Helen Johnson (Home)

Joe Stanfield (Home)



*Our Deepest Sympathy is extended to*

*the family of Bob Green. Bob passed away on July 20, 2020.*

## For the Record

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| July 19 | \$ 4,794 |
| Budget  | \$ 6,000 |