

"Self-Forgiveness"

Do you have trouble forgiving yourself? Self-forgiveness is vital but must be handled very carefully. Some people are so quick to forgive themselves that you wonder if they realize the gravity of their offenses. "Sin that grace may abound" seems to be their creed.

Far more common, however, is the tendency to condemn ourselves. Dwelling on mistakes becomes a habit. Forgiveness from God is taken for granted, but it never seeps into our souls. Ironically, we have created higher standards for ourselves than God. God forgives us. Why can't we?

One reason, of course, is that we likely have people in our lives who seem to delight in reminding us of our offenses. Actually they do delight in reminding us. Looking at us keeps them from looking in the mirror.

We can't do a thing about those constant condemnations. That's a symptom of their own spiritual sickness. We can decide not to let their opinions determine our feelings. If you offend, then apologize from your heart. But don't keep running back to someone who prefers to hold your offense over you. You're not a

hostage. God has forgiven you. You have tried to make things right as far as it depends on you. Well done! Now walk as one of God's sons or daughters. Don't be servile to those you offended.

Probably the most important thing you can do is to come to peace with your past. God has. The cross is a reminder. You are forgiven, so why not forgive yourself? Why is this so hard?

Your life today will get a lot better when you stop wishing for a better past. The past is exactly that, the past. If you take seriously the reality of God's grace then you have to accept the fact that your past does not determine either your value or your relationship with God. Ironically, if you fail to accept grace in your life, then you have become a legalist. And it's very hard for a legalist to draw close to the God of grace.

God has done everything necessary for your checked past. You can't undo the past. You can only "do" the present by accepting grace today.

Grace,
Terry Ellis

ADULTS

Vacation Bible School



July 14-18
9 a.m.—12 noon

We are in need of adult volunteers to help with VBS this year. Please prayerfully consider helping with this important ministry of our church. Contact Bobby to sign-up.

Summer Wednesday Nights

Please mark your calendars! There will be 5 Wednesdays this summer that we WILL NOT have dinner or activities. Those dates are:

May 28
June 18
June 25
July 16
August 6

"Songs of Life"

New Sermon Series Beginning June 1st Sundays, 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Ellis will begin a new sermon series entitled "The Songs of Life" taken from the book of Psalms. The book of Psalms is the most quoted and memorized book in the Bible because it expresses the whole range of human feelings and emotions, and you will find one that perfectly reflects where you are spiritually. You will hear the notes that draw you closer to God.

June 1
Psalm 1
The Way of Life

June 8
Psalm 3
The Acid of Resentment

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

BRG Mid City
Tom Wafer

Thank You

Words of sincere appreciation have been received from **The Stringer Family**

Home from the Hospital
Annie Stringer
Mary Davis
Ethan Carney

In Loving Memory

Mrs. Dottie Cox united with this church on November 8, 1970, and departed this life on May 16, 2014.

GRACEWORKS

Help Wanted!

Broadmoor Baptist Quilters (BBQ) creates beautiful quilts for new babies and cancer patients. They are looking for willing hands to help make quilts from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursdays, or if you prefer, you can pick up supplies from the church and work on the quilt at home. If you need instruction, they will be happy to provide that also! For more information contact Dot Flory at 272-0394.

**To Reach an
On Call Minister
call
328-3474**

**NO WEDNESDAY
NIGHT DINNER**
May 28

CALENDAR

Thursday, May 22
10:00 A BBQ

Sunday, May 25
9:00 A Library Opens
9:15 A Bible Study
10:30 A Worship
Memorial Service

Extended Teaching Care
Judy Averett, Angie, Nita, Thomas,
Chris & Andrew Hannie

Monday, May 26
MEMORIAL DAY-
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, May 27
9:30 A Yoga
6:00 P First Place, CCR

Wednesday, May 28
7:00 A Men's Prayer Breakfast
NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT
ACTIVITIES

Thursday, May 29
10:00 A BBQ
3:00 P First Youth Music Camp
Auditions, Choir Room

CHILDREN

Vacation Bible School

July 14-18, 9a.m.-12p.m.
Register in the church office.

YOUTH

Paintball with Dr. T
June 3rd
9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Spots must be reserved. Call
the church office to sign up.

Youth Swim Party
June 14, 5-7 p.m.

Youth Passport
June 29-July 4

Chaperones are needed.

**Poverty Simulation
Mission Trip**
July 25-27, Waco, TX
Cost: \$25

Must have completed 8th
grade. Call Dave for details and
to sign up. Chaperones needed.

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Join Us

Memorial Sunday

May 25
10:30 a.m.



H H V I S

Summer Music Camp

Children-June 23-27

Youth- June 16-20, 23-27

Andrew Lloyd Weber's

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

-Cast Auditions for Youth will be Thursday, May 29, 3-5 p.m. &
Monday, June 2, 3-5 p.m. (in the choir room)

-Sign up for the camp or an audition time in the church office.