

LAKE SHORELINES



July 5, 2017



Come hear about the work of
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship missionaries who
work with refugees
in the Middle East will be our guests
at a cool summer luncheon on
Thursday July 13, 12-1pm
\$5.00 per person

*For reservations and more information, email
sharlande@lsbcwaco.org or Krysta@lsbcwaco.org by Monday,
July 10, or sign up in the hall at church.*

Worship at Lake Shore
The Fifth Sunday
After Pentecost

The Worship of God
July 9, 2017

Sermon
Kyndall Rothaus

The Scripture
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Global Missions
Committee Meeting

Sunday, July 9
5:00 pm

Summer Sabbath

Photo by Barbara Haener

*If you would like to contribute a digital photo to our
"Summer Sabbath series" please send your picture to
sharlande@lsbcwaco.org and krysta@lsbcwaco.org.*



Prayer for Vulnerable Children by Claire Helton

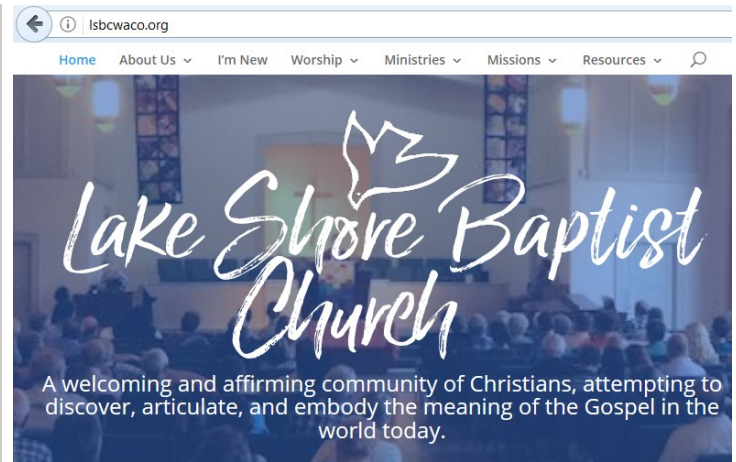
God Who Sees, God Who Hears not only those whose voices are loud and strong, but whose divine, compassionate eye is always watching, whose holy, loving ear is always listening for the voice of the faint-hearted, the weary, the vulnerable; God, we pray today for the most vulnerable among us: your children. We raise our voices loud and strong on behalf of the orphan, the child in poverty, the child whose parents take no interest in his life, the child who is at risk of exploitation or abuse, and the child who is not just at risk but has experienced abuse in her few short years already, the child who is differently-abled, the child in foster care, the child in the refugee camp and the child who has no place to call home. These children are not voiceless, oh God, but we raise our voices alongside them because we are yours, and we confess that they are too.

Your children at Lake Shore spent this week at Missions Camp learning about your children in Greece, in Romania, in Morocco, and in our own community. We learned about their cultures, their gifts, and their needs, and we put our hands to the task of meeting what needs we could. This work was good, and we pray for your blessing on it, but like all of our small efforts, we know that in itself, it is not enough. God, we have the privilege of being bold, and so, mindful not to squander our privilege, we pray a bold prayer for systemic change. We pray for the day when the wars that drive so many from their homes and into refugee camps come to an end. We pray for the day when the physical hunger that fuels political unrest is no more because your children have learned to share from their abundance. We pray for the day when our society grants full protection to the weakest among us, when all children have equal access to equal education, when all our children have a safe place to play, learn, and grow without fear of abuse, without fear of exploitation.

We pray that the adults who are responsible for these vulnerable children among us will live up to their large and daunting task. We pray for parents and guardians who have the strength, patience, compassion, and resources to raise them up and provide for their needs. We pray for a politics of compassion for these vulnerable ones, for an economy of grace that lifts them up rather than keeping them down.

Oh God, you have created each child in your image and have called each one good. We pray for nothing less than the fulfillment of that word, for kingdom come, for your will done for your children, on earth as it is in heaven.

Amen.



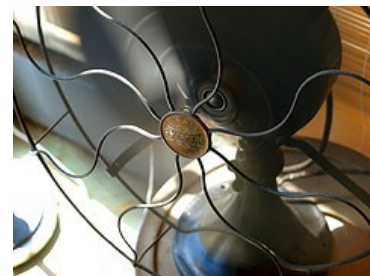
Announcing lsbcwaco.org

We are pleased that our new website is up and running, and we invite you to spend some time getting acquainted with the site. You'll note that some pages are still "under construction." The website will always be a work in progress as we add current newsletters, recent sermons, upcoming events, and new people. HUGE thanks to Steve Gardner. His technical expertise, knowledge of Lake Shore life, and hours of work have resulted in a website that will enrich both our church community and our online presence. See his notes below about the directory.

Online Directory

Remember to send in your online directory photos to photos@lakeshorebcwaco.org or email Sharlande@lsbcwaco.org to get a photo taken.

Sharing a Little Cool Breeze



Fans for Waco

You can help make this summer a more bearable for those less fortunate. If you'd like to bring a new or gently used fan, please drop it by the church during office hours. They will be equally distributed between Meals on Wheels and Caritas as a collaborative effort to support older adults. In some instances, your gift could be life-saving.

Children's Corner

Passportkids! Camp Planning Meeting

Passportkids! Camp is coming up July 28-31 and we'll be going back to the same location we've been at the last few years in Brownwood, TX. Our planning meeting is **this Sunday directly after church** for all campers and their parents (siblings are welcome, too). We'll meet in the Blue Room (204), eat some pizza, pass out some important forms, and let you know how you and your child can prepare for camp! See you there!

Combined July Sunday School

Toddlers through 6th Grade are combined for the month of July in Room 206. Each week we'll hear from a special guest - a Bible character who will tell their story in character! Then our kids will get a chance to interview the actor behind the character and get to know some of the folks in our church who they may not have met before. Our combined Sunday School is a great change of pace and a chance for our kids to all learn and grow together!

CBF Commissioning Ceremony

Last week we were commissioned by Cooperative Baptist Fellowship as Field Personnel to Chengdu, China. There are so many things about this photo that touch my heart. Sam Harrell who was a part of my commissioning to China with CBF in 2008 is here again commissioning both of us. The beautiful paintings of Chinese artist He Qi are seen in the background. And the prayer beads that were presented to us are a special reminder of those that go with us in prayer. We are so thankful for the support and sending from so many congregations and friends!



—Brittany Ramirez

To read more about Brittany and Casey's journey go to their website: www.cbf.net/ramirez

Or check out the Baptist Standard: <https://www.baptiststandard.com/news/texas/20411-cbf-texas-meets-china-missionaries-conducts-business-in-atlanta>

Celebrations...

Brittany, Casey, and Juniper Ramirez were in Atlanta last week where they were commissioned by CBF on Friday night as missionaries to China. We want to continue support them in their journey through our thoughts and prayers. They say: *"We appreciate prayers for our family as we prepare for this new season of life. We ask for prayers as we go as learners of this difficult language and new culture, and for our families back in the U.S. as we say our goodbyes. Please pray for us to be spiritually nourished and for ease in making connections and building relationships with those we meet, that we will bear witness to Christ in our lives."*

Naz Mustakim received his citizenship last week, June 29, at a Naturalization Oath Ceremony in Austin.



Silas Boyd Walker Holladay arrived on July 3. He is the newborn son of Meredith Holladay and Zach Walker of Prairie Village, Kansas, where Zach is Pastor of Youth Ministries at Village Presbyterian Church. Meredith was ordained at Lake Shore. She was a member here when she was a PhD student at Baylor.

Prayers for...

Preston and Genie Dyer came home yesterday, July 4, after Preston had bypass surgery at Scott & White last week. Preston is glad to be home and is resting. We will let you know on Sunday if he is ready for visitors yet.

Boyce Vardiman, who has moved to The Arbor House Assisted Living near The Marketplace and Jane Vardiman, who lives at Ridgecrest.

Missy Davis is home recovering after having hip replacement surgery on Thursday, June 21, due to a partial dislocation.

Dear Lake Shore Family,

We thank you for your care and concern over the past seven weeks as Dave recovered from a heart attack. Your prayers, phone calls, visits, and gifts of food were God's love made visible. The 85th birthday card, signed by so many, now occupies a prominent place in Dave's study!

With thanks and appreciation...

—Dave and Faith Kopplin

Our Church Staff

Louis Garcia, Custodian
Claire Helton, Minister to Children
Zachary Helton, Minister to Youth
Gordon Lawrence, Maintenance Manager
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Volunteers for Sunday, July 9

Extended Care:

Calleigh Swift

Ushers:

Fred Gehlbach
Nancy Gehlbach

Staff Notes

Sharlande is off Wednesday and Thursday. Monday, July 10, she will attend a retreat at Cedarbrake.

Zach will be at the Collegeville Institute in Minnesota from July 6-12 to participate in a writing workshop with Tom Long called "Writing Theology for the General Reader."

WEEKLY YOUTH UPDATE

ABRIDGED

This Week ☐

Wednesday // No youth activities

Sunday // 5pm-7:30pm Stranger Than Fiction in the Teen House led by Steve Swanson. Note that youth is 30 minutes longer this week!

For more, see the Youth bulletin board in the hallway.
For questions, or to subscribe to the full Youth Update, email zach@lsbcwaco.org.

CALENDAR

Sunday, July 9

9:30—Sunday School
10:45—Worship
3:00—Newsletter Deadline
4:30—Soulfriends

Tuesday, July 11

1:30—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 12

6:30—Choir Rehearsal

Mission Waco Annual School Supply Drive

Mission Waco will offer new durable backpacks filled with selected items, for low-income parents to purchase. A donation box is at the church until July 25.

Here are some of the most needed items:

- Backpacks
- #2 Pencils
- Pens (blue, black, and red ink)
- White Tube Socks, youth/adult sizes
- Hand Sanitizer (small bottles)
- Pocket Folders with Brackets



Weekly Budget Report

Your contributions help fund our mission work, church programs, human resources, and physical facilities. Weekly budget needs for our 2017 budget of \$486,000.00 are \$9,346.15. This week's budget receipts were \$17,200.

Year to date needs
\$252,346.15

Year to date received
\$228,995.50

Difference
(\$23,350.65)

To give online, please click [here](#).