



## From the Pastor

Please pray for the world's refugees and for victims of terrorism. The world now has more displaced people than during World War II. Let that statement sink in. There are now more refugees now today than during the Nazi holocaust of the Jews.

"You already understand why we are here," says one of the 15 displaced Christians and Muslims who have gathered at a World Vision food distribution site in the capital of Iraq's autonomous Kurdish region. "Everyone in America should know about our crisis by now: ISIS."

Beyond Europe, another 2.5 million refugees are in Jordan, Lebanon, and Turkey, while 4.5 million people remain displaced within Syria and Iraq, where ISIS is most active.

Ali, 43, climbs the steps of an unfinished, concrete building. He has lived here with his family of 9 for the past 15 months. His wife and children, ranging from ages 5 to 18, fled from south of Baghdad after they were threatened at gunpoint. "They took our homes and our money," he says. "Everything is gone. " We don't know when we will go back."

Ali, once a school bus driver, sold his bus to relocate his family. Now he's a day laborer, working on the three-story building next door that is even more unfinished than his own temporary dwelling. "I always think of going back home once peace comes. I wish it were tomorrow. But we don't know the future. I am waiting for God."

*You must regard the foreigner who lives with you as the native-born among you. You are to love him as yourself, for you were foreigners in the land of Egypt; I am the Lord your God. Leviticus 19:34*

Nathan

## Community Connections

Vacation Bible School is an excellent opportunity to reach children and families in our community. For some children this may be the first time they have heard the Gospel. This year's theme is *Weekend Campout* by Group. VBS is **June 24th** from 8:30 AM—2:30 PM with a Family Celebration on Sunday **June 25th** from 10:30 AM.

We are still in need of group leaders, help with decorations, set up and clean up. VBS worker training is scheduled for **Sunday June 4th**.

Please continue to pray for:

- The children who attend
- Ways that we can connect to the families that are involved.
- Wisdom and guidance as we prepare for VBS

D'Ann

## Birthday & Anniversaries

### BIRTHDAYS

June 9 Gloria Young  
June 11 Allan Shurtleff



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## Upcoming Events

May 14 Mother's Day  
May 17 CWF 9 AM  
Women's Wednesday 6 PM  
May 20 Armed Forces Day  
Men's Breakfast 8 AM  
May 29 Memorial Day  
  
June 04 1st Sunday Collection for the Mission  
VBS Training & Lunch 12 PM  
June 07 Women's Wednesday 6 PM  
June 11 Board Meeting  
June 17 Men's Breakfast 8 AM  
June 18 Father's Day

## Worship Calendar

Date	Lay Leader	Offering Prayer	Scripture Reading
5/21	Mickey	Jana	William
5/28	Jana	Roy	D'Ann
6/04	Vicki	Michele	Melody
6/11	Michele	Chet	Janice
6/18	Roy	Mickey	Elreeta
6/25	Mickey	Vicki	Linda
7/02	Vicki	Roy	The Erwins

## Attendance for Apr (AVG)

	2016	2017
Worship	23	22
Sun Bible Study	9	7
Wed Bible Study	9	8
CWF	NA	4
Women's Wed	5	4
Men's Breakfast	3	4

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### Sunday

9:00 AM Meet & Greet  
9:30 AM Bible Study  
10:30 AM Worship

### Wednesday

9:00 AM CWF 3rd Wednesday  
10:15 AM Bible Study  
6:30 PM Women's Wednesday  
1st & 3rd Wednesdays

### Saturday

8:00 AM 3rd Saturday Men's  
Breakfast at TBA

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## LAMPASAS MISSION

May Item of the Month:

Personal  
hygiene items

## Current & Upcoming Studies

**Acts** — A study of the Book of Acts **Wednesdays at 10:15 AM.**

**Bad Boys: Leadership Gone Wrong** explores some of the worst examples of leaders recorded in the Bible. Driven by popularity and power these leaders rejected God's way. They made horrible decisions that impacted the lives of those around them. Life lessons can be learned from studying the misspent lives of these men. **Sundays at 10:30 AM. Starts Sunday May 21st.**

**Friends of Jesus** — Karen Kingsbury's unique study about six of Jesus' closest friends and companions **1st and 3rd Wednesday, at 6:00 PM**

**God Loves Us** — **Sundays at 9:30 AM.**

**God's Urgent Call** — God calls people to him in many ways. **Sundays at 9:30 AM. Starts Sunday June 4th.**

**June 4 VBS Staff Training 12:00—3:00 PM**

**June 24 8:30 AM—2:30 PM**

**June 25 Family Celebration 10:30 AM**

### Volunteers Needed!

We need volunteers for the following areas:

- Decoration:
- Sign-In:
- Food:
- Follow-up:
- Projects-With-A-Purpose
- Closing Campfire
- Cabin Crew Leaders



### Items needed for decoration:

- Artificial Christmas Trees
- Camp Chairs
- Camping equipment (Tents, sleeping bags, etc.)



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June Item of the Month: Toys



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