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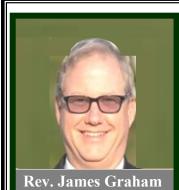
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Back to School

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Dear friends.

It's August! In a "normal" year we would be preparing to go back to school, we would be having our "Back to School" drive at church, inviting people back into Sunday School and Worship as

well as gathering school supplies to donate! However, as you are all well aware, these are not "normal" times! We continue to practice safer-at-home precautions and our schools are debating about when and how to resume education of our children and college students.

Restore Hope

As a church we are exploring how we can adapt to this rapidly changing situation. What can you do? **Restore Hope** is conducting a "**Project School Supplies**" drive to help our children get the materials they need to receive an education. I hope you will join me in helping by sending us your donation and mark it as "school supplies." We will collect these and send a check to Rev. Jeff Jaynes at Restore Hope on behalf of New Haven UMC, and on August 16th we'll celebrate together during worship!

Remember, my friends, the church is the people NOT the building! While we are maintaining our building as a sanctuary for worship, without YOU there would not be any church! Keep sharing the love of Christ in the world. Witness to your faith, and be a light of hope and peace in during this world crisis!

In His service,

Pastor James

Rev. James Graham











Marion was presented with a certificate as she was inducted into the Centenarian Association of Tulsa.

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VIRTUAL VBS 2020 "Jesus Went with Me"



A special thank you to all of the participants and volunteers who helped make this year's VBS: Jesus Goes With Me so successful! Despite the struggles that have come with living in these unprecedented times, our church family came together (virtually) to create an amazing series of videos. It's our first ever virtual Vacation Bible School that we can all be proud to share with the world! Children can view and catch up on our series any time to be reminded of God's amazing love for us. What a blessing!

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Lots of love, Brittany Fox, Children's Director

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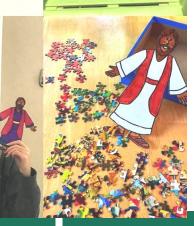


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Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me The Bible tells me so.



Could Jesus have been the young man

checking us out at Sprouts?

Perhaps he helped Miss Kelly with her craft project.

After working so hard even Jesus needs to take time to relax, pray to his Father, and watch over the little children playing in the pool.

Maybe he was singing along with Miss Carolyn and Miss Donita while they played the songs on the banjo like:

Jesus loves the little children All the children of the world.

Red and yellow black and white They are precious in His sight

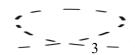
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Jesus is always with us, is he the kind lady in the store? Is he the homeless man on the corner?

Do you think Jesus was telling Ms. Bailey and Ms. Brittany how to put that big puzzle together?



What is Jesus doing in each of these pictures?





Here it is almost August and I haven't sent THANK YOU notes to all who have sent me cards of Well Wishes, but I will soon (I promise)! I truly do appreciate the thoughtfulness of all of you & hope I will be able to show up at a worship service one Sunday in the next few weeks/months!

Grace and Peace be with you...

Jan Boyd

To my church family,

Words cannot adequately express my gratitude to each of you for the prayers and cards you so graciously sent to me during my brother's short illness and passing. Your concern and your love means so much to me always, but especially so during these past few weeks. Thank you!

Linda Joyce



If you are looking for a place to connect with a small group during these crazy times, the **Roundtable Connection Class** may be the answer.

We are currently meeting via Zoom on Monday evenings from 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

We are having fun looking at various stories in Genesis through the eyes of ancient Jewish Rabbis. In the process we are encountering some unexpected twists and turns in these familiar stories.

Text or call me at 918 445-1576 or email me at <u>jone.w.friesen@gmail.com</u> for more information or to get the link to our next Zoom meeting.

If you are new to Zoom, no worries, I'd be happy to help you get set up.

Looking forward to you joining us.

Jone Friesen









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- Marion Wilkerson (100 Years!)
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- Ace Quinalty
- Annabelle Fox
- Carolyn Toalson
- Cohen Grafton
- Pamela Holt
- Bobbi Scott
- Wayne Love
- Jack Cearing

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Scott Nicholson Don Gregory Dodie Wood Guy & Jan Duffield **Our Military & First Responders COVID-19 HEROES**

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