



# FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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## *Unfinished Business on the Backside of the Desert*

When God was preparing to bring his chosen people of Israel out of bondage, He called an eighty-year-old Moses out of retirement to lead the campaign. Moses was a murderer on the run who was hiding out on the backside of the Midian desert. Moses' life was about to change in ways he could not have possibly imagined. When God has an assignment for us, there is no place we can escape or hide to avoid our destiny. What is God calling you to do that remains unfinished business? Many of us have found ourselves hiding from God or just refusing to accept the invitation to serve. God never retires us. There is always some assignment no matter how young or old. There are lessons we can all learn from the backside of the desert. *Ellis*

***Pastor's Wednesday Bible Class will not meet Wednesday, July 3, but class will resume on Wednesday, July 10, at 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm.***

## *List of New Elders, Deacons, Trustee, and Officers*

<b>Elders</b>	Hardie Jefferies, David Pulliam, Judy Trent, and Kristi Williamson
<b>Deacons</b>	Max File, Tim Fleming, Dewayne Pryor, Calvin Reed, David Williamson
<b>Trustee</b>	John Warren
<b>Board Chair</b>	Hardie Jefferies
<b>Vice-Chair</b>	Danny Lynch
<b>Secretary</b>	Terry Hales
<b>Treasurer</b>	Darlene Brees
<b>Historian</b>	LaBeth Riggs

## *In the Life of the Church*

- **Sunday, July 7, 8:30 am** Membership Class (Chapel)
- **Monday, July 8, 9:30 am** Serve at Hope Campus
- **Tuesday, July 9, 10:00 am** DWF Group 4
- **Tuesday, July 9, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at Razorback Pizza, 3501 Old Greenwood
- **Thursday, July 11, 10:00 am** Crazy Crafters
- **Wednesday, July 12, 8:00 am** Ecumenical Men's Bible Study (Disciples Hall)
- **Wednesday, July 12, 12:00 pm** Pastor's Bible Class (Disciples Hall)
- **Wednesday, July 12, 6:00 pm** Pastor's Bible Class (Disciples Hall)
- **Sunday, July 21, 6:00 pm** Board Meeting (note date changed from Sunday, July 14)

**Dianna's Notes**

**Special Music**

**July 7** Vocal Solo: Carl Warrington  
**July 14** Bell Duet: Dianna & Jack Jackson

**Elder for July**

Randy Alexander

**Greeters for July**

Audrey Stewart and LaBeth Riggs  
 Disciples Hall Entrance: Nick Oliver

**Prepare Communion for July**

Sabrina Robinson

**MEMORIALS:** We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts, given as a thoughtful expression of sympathy and of care...

- In Memory of **Dorothy Robertson** by Hardie & Ginger Jefferies, David & Kristi Williamson

**Prayer Concerns**

Please keep the following in your prayers.

- **Jack & Joy Jackson**
- **Jim & Linda Creekmore**

**Hope Campus News**

We will prepare and serve lunch at Hope Campus Homeless Shelter on **Monday, July 8, from 9:30-12:30**. To sign up, contact Ginger Jefferies at 414-2466 or the church office.

We are collecting large boxes of breakfast cereal to take to Hope Campus. Unused plastic ware from take-out food is also appreciated.

**First Christian Church**

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**OFFICE HOURS**

9:00 am-3:00 pm - Monday-Thursday

**SERVICE TIMES**

Sunday School at 9:00 am; Worship at 10:00 am

**CHURCH STAFF**

**Rev. Dr. Ellis Robinson**, Senior Pastor, 479-651-0456

**Dianna Jackson**, Director of Music Ministry

**Mary Beth Oliver**, Organist

**Barbara Brown**, Secretary

**Pam Shelby**, Financial Secretary

**Randy Alexander**, Custodian

**Lesley Fleming**, Nursery Attendant

**Rev. Howard Marshall**, Pastor Emeritus (1990-2022)

**Rev. Randy Jay**, Pastor Emeritus

<b>FOR THE RECORD</b> June 30, 2024	
<b>Operating Receipts To Date</b>	<b>\$ 2,997.00</b> <b>21,657.00</b>
<b>Endowment To Date</b>	<b>315.00</b> <b>7,295.00</b>
<b>Monthly Budgeted Needs</b>	<b>\$28,024.83</b>