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From my Heart to your Heart



I am continuing being grateful for and spotlighting the members of the University Place Christian Church family, in reverse alphabetical order. Below is an introduction to my brother-in-law **Jeff Tunstall**, another new member to our congregation.

Jeffery Tunstall on February 10, 1957, was born in Bay Minette, Alabama, to his now deceased parents Charlie and Ruby Tunstall. Jeffery is the 12th child of 17 siblings all born to the same parents. Jeffery attended segregated elementary public school then middle school was integrated. He received his high school diploma from Continental Academy through a home school program.

In Jeffery's late teenage years, he received the Lord in his life at Pentecostal Temple of Memphis, Tennessee, where he later became a Sunday School teacher under the mentor of Sister Hattie Fouts, where the late Bishop James Patterson was the Pastor.

Jeffery has been married to his wonderful wife, Lois Tunstall since 1987. They have four children, grown young men and seven grandchildren. Jeffery has long considered his family to be his most important ministry.

Jeffery is an ordained minister where he and his wife have shared in ministry at Las Vegas, Nevada; Denver, Colorado; Bay Minette, Alabama; and back to Las Vegas, Nevada.

Jeffery received a commercial driver's license from the University of Arkansas, and worked in the transportation field for many years. He later received a State of Nevada Private Investigators License where he worked as a security officer for Special Operational Security in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Jeffery and Lois moved to Enid in November of 2022 to help Pastor Vera Porter with the ministry at University Place. After the move, Jeffery was admitted to the hospital where he was diagnosed with a cancerous tumor next to his liver.

Somewhere in between all of that, Jeffery states you find his ministry calling and the existence of God's amazing grace. His encouraging words for anyone are: get to know God first for yourself and trust Him above all else.

CONGRATULATIONS, PASTOR VERA!

Daughters of The American Revolution are presenting Pastor Vera Porter with the **Quilt of Valor** on Tuesday, May 9, at 11:30 a.m. The \$15 luncheon will be at The Grace Place (behind Hobby Lobby). All are invited! Please get your reservations to Rebecca by May 2, and pay at the door.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

APRIL 30, Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23: 1 Peter 2:19-25;
John 10:1-10

MAY 7, Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16;
1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14

May 14, Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31; Psalm 66:8-20;
1 Peter 3:13-22; John 14:15-21

May 21, Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35;
1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11

May 28, Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30;
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b;
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21;
John 20:19-23 or 7:37-39

**CHURCH SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
6:30 P.M.—7:30 P.M.**



**Join us for Bible study ,
discipleship and inspiration.
We will look at the lectionary
Scripture texts of upcoming
Sunday worship.**

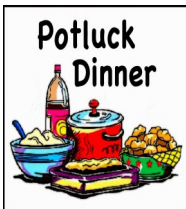
**9:00-9:45 a.m. is Sunday Breakfast
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship**



**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS!
CLEAN UP—FIX UP DAY
9 A.M. SATURDAY,
MAY 20**

FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK DINNER MAY 28

Beginning next month the previous birthday cake and coffee fellowship after worship, will be a **potluck dinner** fellowship. Let's gather after worship **every last Sunday of the month**, bringing a lunch dish to share for a fellowship dinner together, with birthday cake afterwards.



**PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING
MAY 21 & MAY 28**

God is doing a new thing among Disciples leaders who launch new congregations. You are part of it with your support of the **2023 Pentecost Offering**, received on May 21 and 28. With your gifts, regional ministries and New Church Ministry can support church leaders as they grow in their capacity to bring good news of God's love where it is needed most. Pray about your gift.



DISCIPLES WOMEN

At the April meeting of Disciples Women, officers were elected for the new year beginning in September. Laurel Arnold will be president, and Elaine Epps will be secretary. Continuing as Vice President will be Annie Galbreath, treasurer Debbie Shorter, and study leader Bobbie Mardis.

Our May 9th Luncheon meeting has been cancelled for all to attend a special luncheon in honor of our pastor. Men and women are all invited to the 11:30 a.m. DAR Luncheon @ The Grace Place. Get your reservations to Rebecca by May 2nd.

**MARCH 2023
LOCAL OUTREACH
SECOND MILE
CLOTHING CLOSET**
Individuals Served = 30
Items Given Out = 332



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**MAKE TITHING PART OF
YOUR LIFE IN CHRIST**

IT'S AN IMPORTANT WAY TO:

EXPRESS YOUR GRATITUDE to God for the gifts and blessings you have received

RENEW YOUR FAITH and grow closer to Christ

HELP YOUR CHURCH remain strong and fulfill its mission.

Give with a loving, generous heart. God will reward you with joy and fulfillment.

"The measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Luke 6:38

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**DISCIPLES MEN
PRAYER BREAKFAST
MAY 6, 2023**



Every first Saturday of the month



**BLANKET
SUNDAY
MAY 14**

When difficult times happen, a kind and loving response can make all the difference. That's why the CWS Blankets program was created—to give a kind, loving and tangible response to someone facing a difficult time, reminding them that they are not alone. When our neighbors are in need, \$10 for a single blanket goes a long way.

"Love never fails." - 1 Corinthians 13:8



**CROCHET CLASS
THE SECOND
SATURDAY OF
EVERY MONTH
10:30 A.M.**

Come crochet with us!



Health Concerns:

Jeff Tunstall; Earl Dethloff; Julianne Spencer, Dottie Harkin's granddaughter; Deby Scott, Kay Fortson's daughter, cancer; Mike

Wager, Nash Christian Church, lymphoma, discontinued treatment

Other: Galbreaths traveling; Laurel Arnold traveling; Dora Walborn; Linda Bair; Christina Herman; Earl & DeeDee Dethloff



**Sundays —
9:00 Sunday
Breakfast
10:00 Worship
Call by Friday
for Sunday
transportation**

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